



for that at Kakraban community hall. The Agriculture Minister Pranajit Singha Roy inaugurated the camp. On the first day of the process that will continue till January 1, 2019, paddy was purchased from 23 farmers. In today's camp among others present were – social activist Jitendra Majumder, Abhishek Debroy, BDO Sumita Chakraborty, area manager of FCI S. Larka and officers of agriculture and farmers welfare department. It is worth mentioning that FCI is procuring this paddy at the rate of Rs. 1750 per quintal.

Tripura team to participate in Khelo India event in Pune

A team of sports persons from Tripura will be taking part in four events of Khelo India to be held at Pune from January 8-20, 2019. Tripura School Sports Council is sending a team of 29 players for that. Divulging this information the youth affairs and sports department source further said, the team will consist of four girls and three boys of athletics, eight girls and seven boys of gymnastics, three girls and two boys in judo and two girls and two boys of swimming.

Young talents awarded for speaking

Keeping ahead the Republic Day a speech competition on the "Ek Bharat, Shrestha Bharat" theme was organized by the Nehru Yuva Kendra under the youth

affairs and sports department, Government of India recently. The competition was held at the Dhalai district level and youths of 18-29 years took part in it. The competition was inaugurated by the Sabhadhipati of Dhalai Zilla Parishad Parimal Chandra Das in presence of social activist Uttam Adhikari, district co-ordinator of Nehru Yuva Kendra Tapan Nag, educationist Lalhari Sharma and other dignitaries.

Ten contestants selected from the eight block level competitions were the ones who spoke in the competition that day. Sourabh Debnath from Durga Chowmuhani Block came to hold the first position, while Kakali Chakraborty from Manu block and Muktaranjan Tripura from Ganganagar block stood second and third respectively. All the winners were handed over prizes worth Rs. 5,000, Rs. 2000 and Rs. 1000 respectively in a descending order of ranks. The first rank holder will now participate in the state-level competition.

Subsidised power tillers for 50 farmer families

During the current financial year power tillers have been distributed among 40 farmers of Matabari block and 10 farmers of Tepania block at subsidized rate. Power tillers have been distributed by the agriculture and farmers' welfare



