





chaired by DM of Khowai district Rabindra Reang, it was decided the central programme of International Literacy Day observance of this district will be organized at new town hall of Khowai. On this occasion colourful rally, seminar, quiz competition and cultural programme will be organized. To observe district level International Literacy Day in a befitting manner one committee and 5 subcommittees have been constituted. Officers from various departments were present in the meeting.

## CM at Physical Instructors' convention

The Chief Minister Biplab Kumar Deb stated that the physical instructors had a vital role to play in encouraging the young generation to get involved in sports, after inaugurating the 'Tripura Physical Instructors Convention' organized by the youth affairs and sports department at Nazrul Kalakshetra yesterday. He specially emphasized on boosting traditional sports like athletics, *kabbadi*, *kho-kho* etc. at school level.

Recognising the convergence of sports with academic arena the Chief Minister said, the Union Minister of Sports has announced compulsory incorporation of sports in school curriculum from next year. In addition, announcement has been made to open 20 new sports schools throughout the country. The Chief

Minister has instructed the youth affairs and sports department to send a proposal to the Central Government for allotting one of such schools to our state. The Chief Minister informed that North-East Youth Festival would be organized in the state in November in which ten thousand youths are expected to participate. In context of drug-free drive of the the state government he expected that the physical instructors would play a vital role by educating students about pros and cons of drugs.

Deliberating on the occasion the Sports Minister said, complying with instructions of the Central Government the state government has also introduced a Sports Act on the lines of UP and Rajasthan and efforts are on to create a for conducive environment development of sports in the state. Samarjit Bhowmik, secretary of the department said, 52 physical instructors of the state have been deputed outside the state as coach, and manger at regional and national level during the 2017-18 financial year. As a part of the programme seven physical instructors had been felicitated there.

## A meeting held at Jirania for keeping peace during Durga puja

During the upcoming Durga puja festival, a meeting was organized by Jirania Sub divisional administration at Agnibina hall

