

## **Tripura topped among 11 hilly states in fisheries sector**

For the first time in the state, the fisheries department has decided to adopt a Lease Policy 2021 for the water bodies of the state, informed the minister of fisheries Mevar Kumar Jamatia in a press conference at the Secretariat on December 13. He said, there are presently 1502 water bodies in Tripura. These water bodies were being looked after by different departments such as Panchayat, education, police etc in addition to fisheries department. In order to conserve these water bodies, the present government for the first time in Tripura has adopted Water Bodies Lease Policy 2021.

Fisheries minister Mevar Kumar Jamatia also informed that this year Tripura has ranked top among 11 hilly states in the country for its exemplary work in fisheries sector. In this regard, the Union minister of fisheries awarded Tripura with a prize money of 10 lakh rupees on the occasion of World Fisheries Day on November 21. He said, various initiatives have been taken to build check dams at different locations in the state through forest department's JICA project after the formation of the present government. The initiative of fish farming in these check dams was taken up jointly by the forest and fisheries department.

He also informed that the yearly demand of fish in the state is 25 kg per individual. In this regard, Tripura is in second position in the country while Andaman and Nicobar Islands topped the list. He said, about 23% of the demand for fish in the state has to be imported from outside. To meet this need, the fisheries department has adopted different plans like cage culture, fish farming through Biofloc and production of fish pollens. The fisheries minister hoped that the state will develop into a self-sufficient state in the next two to three years in fish production.

Secretary of fisheries department Dipa D. Nair shed light on different development plans in the press conference. She said, total 589 Matsya Mitra were recruited all over the state in order to increase fish production. The demand of fish in the state during Covid-19 situation in the markets was in control. Joint director of fisheries department Abani Debbarma was also present in the press conference.

## **Kathaliachera ADC village identified for development under CM Model Village Scheme**

Santirbazar Sub-Divisional Magistrate Abhedananda Baidya on December 13

held a review meeting at Kathaliacherra ADC Village premises to discuss various developmental activities being carried out by the line departments for completing work under Chief Minister's Model Village Scheme. Under this scheme, Kathaliacherra ADC Village of Bokafa RD Block has been identified for holistic development and to improve the standard of living and quality of life of all sections of the population through improved basic amenities, improved health facilities, enhanced human development and better livelihood opportunities.

Bokafa RD Block BAC chairman Gouri Shankar Reang called upon public representatives and officials to treat rural development as a continuous process and discharge their duties keeping in view that the needs of people should be the top agenda. He directed them to participate and actively work on Chief Minister's Model Village scheme and meet the targets.

In the meeting, officials of various line departments have highlighted the status of the ongoing development works being undertaken in Kathaliacherra ADC Village and planned projects were also discussed

by the officials of DWS, TSECL, ICDS, education and health department.

The SDM also directed Kathaliacherra ADC Village officials to cooperate and coordinate with various implementing agencies and concerned Block. The SDM then sought a report from different agencies and line departments on the problems brought up during the meeting by the officials and public representatives. He instructed officials of Bokafa RD Block to find out if any schools, AWC or Health Centres are left out without functional toilets and water connectivity in the area. Panchayat Samiti chairman, Bokafa RD Block Sridam Das and officials from line departments were also present during the meeting.

### **Marigold seeds distributed among 200 flower growers**

Two hundred flower growers of Bishalgarh sub-division were distributed 17 kilograms 600 grams of Marigold seeds in the present financial year under Chief Minister Puspa Unnayan Prakalp with the initiative of horticulture and soil conservation department spending 48 thousand 735 rupees. This information was collected from Superintendent of horticulture and soil conservation

department, Bishalgarh sub-division  
Priyatosh Sarkar.



*Mushroom spawns were distributed today in Krishnasangha bio-village, South Charilam under Bishalgarh subdivision.*

*Pic. By Kakali Bhowmik, ICO*

#### **Ducklings distributed in Jirania block under CMSPY**

Ducklings were distributed to 44 beneficiary families of Jirania block under Jirania sub-division under Chief Minister Swanirbhar Parivar Yojana on December 13 with the initiative of animal resources development department through a programme at deputy director's office premises, ARDD Jirania sub-division. Eleven beneficiaries from Harijoy Chowdhury Para Gram Panchayat, 11 from SN Colony Gram Panchayat, 11 from East Barjala Gram Panchayat and 11 beneficiaries from Madhya

Debendranagar Gram Panchayat of Jirania block benefitted under this. Each beneficiary family was given 10 ducklings along with cage and 2 kilograms of duck feed. 1 thousand 300 rupees was spent on each beneficiary. Total amount of 57 thousand rupees was spent in the distribution. Upapradhan of Harijoy Chowdhury Para Gram Panchayat Samar Kanti Das was present in the distribution programme.

#### **Ration card related special initiative taken in Teliamura**

Special initiative has been taken in Teliamura subdivision for providing better services related to ration card. Ration card related services and necessary documents have been displayed in the notice board of SDM office and 93 ration shops. In addition, ration card related information may be obtained by dialling 6033351775 on working days from 10.30 am to 5 pm. No third person or agency needs to be approached for such information. This initiative has been taken by SDM office and food, civil supplies and consumer affairs department to provide services in time.