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Farmers listen to PM's virtual address in Jirania

With the initiative of Union Ministry of Agriculture and Farmer's Welfare, a national conference was held at Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Auditorium in Gujarat on organic farming and earning profit with minimum investment. Prime Minister on December 16 morning addressed farmers across the country. The programme was shown virtually to the farmers in Jirania Panchayat Samiti Hall as a part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav. Information and cultural affairs minister Sushanta Chowdhury attended the programme at Jirania Panchayat Samiti Hallto listen to the Prime Minister's address. Along with him, vice chairman of Jirania Panchayat Samiti Pritam Debnath, agriculture superintendent of Jirania agriculture subdivision Subrata Das and Pradhans and Upapradhans of different Panchayats attended the programme.

ICA minister at the end of the programme emphasized upon organic farming and said, organic fertilizers should be used instead of chemical fertilizers that will help crops hold its nutritional value and will also help keep diseases away which is why the central government has emphasized upon organic way of farming. He called upon the farmers to adapt

organic ways of doing farming and took Sikkim as an example of it. He suggested conducting a seminar for all the farmers in the sub-division on organic farming. He said, farmers are our providers which is why we have to give utmost importance Modern technology-based them. machineries have come out for agriculture which is resulting in increase in income of farmers as the nation will become selfsufficient with the development of the farmers. He also spoke about Kisan Credit Card, Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana, Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samman Nidhi, soil health card etc.

CM inaugurates two-day 'Vision 2047-Tripura' at Pragna Bhawan today

The government is working for building a secure and prosperous future for the new generation. For this, initiatives have been taken to implement the plans after deciding the blueprint for the next 25 years, stated the chief minister Biplab Kumar Deb after inaugurating 'Vision 2047-Tripura' at Pragna Bhawan today. Primarily, this exercise was started by the departments three months back by identifying 6 indicator sectors. These sectors are primary sector, social sector, industry and investment, infrastructure,

communication and logistics, environment, forest and climate change and governance. Planning and coordination department and centre for good governance, SIPARD have jointly started this exercise. This decision has been taken on priority basis for the overall development of the state. Suggestions will be taken from specialists and intellectuals of different sectors in the state and different works implemented so far will be reviewed. On the second day of the workshop, the issues will be brought up in the presence of cabinet members.



The chief minister in the programme said, the state government is working on priority basis to ensure speedy citizencentric services by going beyond tradition and keeping abreast of the modern world. He suggested all the officials of concerned departments and those involved in implementation of plans to practically apply their knowledge earned from experience so far. He also urged the officials to spend at least an hour every day in order to reach the goal of state's development outside their specified tasks.

Initiatives have been taken to implement the plans after deciding the blueprint for the next 25 years amidst Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav. He suggested all to work with enthusiasm instead of simply keeping oneself engulfed in old traditions. The chief minister asked the chief secretary to conduct a review meeting every month on the progress of plans in this regard.

The chief minister also emphasized bringing about change in the syllabus if needed to keep in line modernisation in different sectors including technical education instead of educating the children in conventional manner. He said, the government has recently made a benchmark with significant success in various fields. It is necessary to acquaint the new generation about these achievements including discussion higher education sector. The government is working on priority basis to ensure all kinds of opportunities with transparency for everyone till the last person in the society. The chief minister stressed upon speedy implementation of different works and citizen-centric services. He said, inconsistency towards the goal is not going to bring in success. MoU has been signed in the Destination Investment-Tripura Summit 2021 to the tune of about 3 crore rupees investment in Tripura. A huge investment is going to be made in the IT sector which will escalate the process of building a prosperous Tripura. possibility of commercial huge investment and development has originated from this Summit. This has opened up avenues of huge prospects of economic growth investment. Everyone's effort is essential to materialise the goal of next 25 years taken up by the state government. The chief minister called upon the officials to responsibly create connection with people of all sections through implementation of specific plans.

Information and cultural affairs minister Sushanta Chowdhury in the programme said, the state government has taken decisions on how we want to see Tripura in next 25 years. The ICA minister hoped for everyone's cooperation for the successful implementation of the plans. Chief secretary Kumar Alok said, one needs to be consistent in order to reach the goal. He emphasized on strategizing the implementation of the plans and on everyone's participation to reach the goal. Sharing his experience at work in Tripura he said, while joining my work in 1991 in Tripura, there was not even bus stand available from the airport in those days but presently the state is going to have an international airport. There was a time when police assistance was required even to install computer system in the government offices but presently, we have mobiles as mini computers in

everyone's pockets. Huge changes have been observed in many areas. Our social system has changed. He hoped for everyone's cooperation including officials of every level in implementing the plans for the next 25 years. Principal secretary Sriram Tarunikanti and other high-ranking officials were present in the programme.



Bhajan competition held among Belonia sub-jail inmates today as part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahatsav.

Pic. By Rajesh Debnath, ICO

New websites and applications under progress in the state

New websites and applications are being developed in the state with the initiative of the Directorate of Information Technology. It has been informed that total 104 websites and 21 applications for different departments of the state have been developed till October this year. The responsibility of running 98 websites including state portal is on the Directorate of Information Technology. This information has been provided by the Director, Information Technology.