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## CM Dr. Sarma attends 71st Assam Police Day

## Acknowledges the role of Assam Police in strengthening peace in Assam

## Joins Barakhana with constables on the occasion

Dispur, October 1: On the occasion of Assam Police Day, Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma while hailing the role of Assam Police personnel in strengthening peace in the state, paid rich tributes to those personnel who either laid down their lives or have been incapacitated for the cause of the state.

Addressing the police personnel on the occasion at the 4<sup>th</sup> APBN headquarters here this evening, Chief Minister Dr. Sarma expressed his gratitude to all the police personnel for their selfless services in every aspect of life. He also made a special mention of the supreme sacrifice of police personnel who endured all pain in protecting the boundary of Assam. He on the occasion also urged upon the police personnel to adhere to the fundamental values of policing and fight against all vices to make life worth living in the society.

Chief Minister Dr. Sarma who witnessed a spectacular display of band on the occasion also thanked the police personnel for putting up this good display. Reiterating on the need for bands Chief Minister Dr. Sarma said that the band in each battalion should be professionally equipped and there should be inter-battalion competition.

Since health is an important aspect for sound and effective policing, the Chief Minister said that all the health centers in all the battalions should be upgraded and strengthened. There should be compulsory health check-ups of all police personnel at least once in a month and government will bear cost of such exercises.

He also said that welfare measures of Assam police should be strengthened and welfare means should reach the constables compulsorily. I also urged the police personnel in the battalions to extensively concentrate on PT and community service. At least on Sunday they should deliver services to the weaker sections of the society to bring about tangible changes in their lives.

Since there is a need to increase the happiness index of the police forces, I urged upon the department to look for ways and means to become happy. Therefore, housing, health services should be given paramount importance.

The Chief Minister on the occasion also joined the 'barakhana' (dinner) with all the constables. DGP Bhaskar Jyoti Mahanta, other senior officers, personnel from all rank and file were present on the occasion.

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