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**CM Dr. Sarma attends 29<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day of Assam University**

**Announces Rs. 25 crore for Assam University for infrastructure development**

**Dispur, January 21:** Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa said, "Establishing connection is the key to civilization, culture and education. This connection is a connection among human minds. I am really overwhelmed to have been invited to the 29<sup>th</sup> foundation day of Assam University. Our government will try to keep the bridge of this connection intact. For the development of academic environment of Assam University, I have also committed myself along with the rest of the fraternity of the University". This was stated by Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Bishwa Sharma while participating in the 29th Foundation Day of Assam University at Silchar today.

The Chief Minister said that education brings consciousness and this consciousness illuminates the light of knowledge. This light requires action. Swami Vivekananda therefore attached great importance to action, Dr. Sarma added. Speaking on the journey of mankind, the Chief Minister said that from action to knowledge, from knowledge to devotion, man attains perfection. Referring to Rabindranath Tagore, the Chief Minister said that education not only gives us information, it gives us truth, it not only gives fuel, it gives fire. He also said that State government is making all efforts to make this infallible truth a reality by bringing in certain value-based interventions. The Chief Minister also said that in order to achieve equality in education, human beings have to be more socially and culturally aware.

Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Minister said that the university is still in its early stage. But in the last 28 years, its educational system has enlivened many possibilities. Stating that a new intellectual resurgence has to be started from this university, the Chief Minister said that the traditional Indian civilization has taught mankind to seek knowledge and wisdom. The Chief Minister said that Indian education system has always been a motivator for leadership based on values.

Emphasising that everyone has to transform themselves into an ideal person, the Chief Minister said that one should not seek recognition for one's deeds. Society will give recognition to one's deeds. He said, "We all have to be diligent in our own endeavors so that we can survive the whole life with human philosophy. Assam's GDP today stands at Rs 4 lakh crore. However, a huge chunk of the money is spent on bringing commodities from outside the state. "If we can produce all our necessities in Assam, we will have huge wealth in the state". Speaking on the need of bringing in innovative practices, including start up ventures, the Chief Minister said that institution of higher education should take the lead in motivating young minds for the start up ventures. He also said that State government would give Rs. 25 crore to Assam University to help the institution to go for start up ventures including setting innovation lab along with others to stimulate entrepreneurial skills of the students.

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Irrigation Minister Ashok Singhal, Forest Minister Parimal Shukla Baidya, MP Dr. Rajdeep Roy, several MLAs, Vice Chancellor of Assam University Prof. Dilip Chandra Nath, faculty members, students and a host of other students were present on the occasion.

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