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CM Attends 62nd Annual Conference of Bodo Sahitya Sabha in Kokrajhar

**Assamese Culture Has Benefitted Immensely From the Richness of Bodo Art,
Literature: CM Dr. Sarma**

**Extension of Territorial Limit of BTR a Historic Decision, To Fulfill Hopes, Aspirations
of Bodo People: CM**

CM Also Attends Golden Jubilee Celebration of All Rabha Sahitya Sabha at Loharghat

Dispur, February 26: Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma on Sunday attended the 62nd Annual Conference of the Bodo Sahitya Sabha held at Patgaon in Kokrajhar district.

Addressing the occasion, Chief Minister Dr. Sarma lauded the role of Bodo Sahitya Sabha in enrichment of Bodo language and literature. Chief Minister Dr. Sarma said Assamese culture has benefitted immensely from the richness of Bodo art and literary tradition, while adding that all necessary steps were being taken to ensure Bodo language is accorded its due status in the education sector. He further added that Bodo language shall be introduced upto 12th standards in educational institutions and that 10 colleges within the Bodoland Territorial Region shall be provincialised in days to come, the cost for which shall be borne by the government.

The Chief Minister also spoke about the contributions made by "Bodofa" Upendra Nath Brahma towards the overall uplift of the Bodo population. He exuded confidence the decision to extend the territorial extant of BTR as announced on January 26, 2023 would lead to further uplift of the Bodo population and would go a long way in fulfilling their hopes and aspirations.

Stressing on the role of knowledge and wisdom in enlightening of the society, Chief Minister Dr. Sarma urged upon the Bodo Sahitya Sabha, the All Bodo Students Union and the BTR administration to do everything in their capacity to bring an educational revolution in the region. He also urged upon the Bodo Sahitya Sabha to prepare a comprehensive dictionary in the Bodo language while assuring of all necessary support from the government.

President of Bodo Sahitya Sabha Taren Boro, Chief Executive of BTR Pramod Boro, Speaker of Assam Legislative Assembly Biswajit Daimary, Minister of Assam Cabinet U.G. Brahma, along with a host of other dignitaries and guests were also present today.

Earlier in the day, Chief Minister Dr. Sarma also attended the Open Session of the 36th Annual Conference and the Golden Jubilee celebration of All Rabha Sahitya Sabha at Loharghat in Kamrup district.

Chief Minister Dr. Sarma, speaking at the event of All Rabha Sahitya Sabha, appealed to the members of the Rabha community to stay rooted to their identity, heritage and culture, while adding that a community cannot thrive by severing its ties with its roots. Chief Minister



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Dr. Sarma also stressed upon the need for an educational revolution among the members of the Rabha community so as to enable them to walk hand-in-hand with their counterparts from other communities.

The Chief Minister stated that an amount of ₹2 crore would be granted by the government for construction of a permanent office of the All Rabha Sahitya Sabha. He further announced a grant of ₹50 lakh to the All Rabha Sahitya Sabha so as to cover the expenses of 119 books published in relation to the annual conference.

Members of Legislative Assembly Hemanga Thakuria, Prithviraj Rabha, Chief Executive of Rabha Autonomous Council Tankeswar Rabha, along with a host of other dignitaries and guests were also present.

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