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CM attends General Council Meeting of Srimanta Sankardeva University of Health Sciences

VC entrusted to take initiative for medical sciences curriculum in vernacular language

**Dispur, December 12:** Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma, who is also the Chancellor of Srimanta Sankardeva University of Health Sciences attended its 5<sup>th</sup> General Council Meeting at Janata Bhavan today along with other members of the Council and discussed the academic and administrative initiatives of the university.

The General Council, after detailed discussion took several key decisions aiming at boosting academic environment and bringing in a robust administrative mechanism at the university. The decisions taken in the meeting include digitalization of certain services of the university, introduction of 3 tier fellowship programme, i.e. senior fellowship (PG level), fellowship (Degree level) and special fellowship (Dental, Nursing etc. courses); suitable arrangement for inspection of medical colleges for ensuring best practices and quality services, uniform academic routine for all medical colleges that function under the university and Unique Identification Number for students and faculties.

The General Council also discussed the suggestion made by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in regard to development of curriculum of medical sciences in vernacular languages and entrusted vice chancellor of the university Dr. Dhrubajyoti Bora to take necessary initiative on the matter.

Chief Minister Dr. Sarma emphasised the need for a permanent campus of the university in the meeting to streamline its functioning. He asked the VC and Chief Engineer, PWD (Health and Education) to ensure early completion of initial process for construction of administrative building with boundary wall of the university at the land provided by the government for the purpose at Baihata Chariali so that the administrative and basic academic activities can be carried out from the campus within a period of 2 years.

He also asked the university to focus on research that can be translated from 'Lab to Field' with a view to benefit the common people.

Health & Family Welfare Minister Keshav Mahanta, Adviser Education Dr. Nani Gopal Mahanta, Principal Secretary to CM Samir Kumar Sinha, Principal Secretary Health Anurag Goel, Principal Secretary Education B Kalyan Chakraborty, Vice Chancellor of the University Dr. Dhrubajyoti Bora, Director Medical Education Dr. Anup Kumar Barman and other senior officials of Health, Education and PWD Department were present in the meeting.

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