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CM attends workshop held to enhance efficiency of government machinery

CM calls for procedural simplification in disposing government matters

Dispur, July 5: Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma said that following Prime Minister Narendra Modi's call for "minimum government and maximum governance", the thrust of the state government would be the realization of "Bahujana sukhaya bahujana hitaya". The Chief Minister said this while speaking as chief guest at the workshop organized for the senior government officers starting from Secretary to the Chief Secretary on "Ways and means to enhance the efficiency of government machinery" at Assam Administrative Staff College in Guwahati today.

During the workshop, threadbare discussion took place on matters related to administrative reform, financial reform and implementation of government schemes where in the ministers shared their experience for timely intervention.

Addressing the senior officers, the CM said that democracy is the best form of government and when people gets frustrated with the system anarchy prevails which ultimately leads to agitation. Therefore, the government machinery should be very cautious and work with utmost commitment for fulfilling the aspirations of the people. He further said that keeping this in view, the workshop was organized to bring in systematic reform to take the government closer to people and to ensure effective implementation of government schemes.

While outlining the priority of his government, the Chief Minister said that next 5 years should be the beginning of a new era in Assam. He said that all senior officers have tremendous potentiality and they should utilize this for the welfare of the people.

He moreover said that government should be citizen friendly and addressing the needs and concerns of the people should be the prime duty of the government. While performing this duty there should be no delay as delay means denial and citizen should not face any hardship due to negligence of the government servants, the Chief Minister added.

The Chief Minister further said that in the performance index, some departments have moved forward from good to better and now it is the time to achieve the best. Systematic reforms in governance should be the goal; Dr. Sarma said with a call for procedural simplification in disposing government matters and urged the officers to do away with the archaic file management system.

The CM directed to come up with a roadmap for expeditious disposal of files and bring in a system that effectively eliminates redtappism. He also asked the officers to take necessary steps for framing new rules, if there is any need to ensure speedy disposal of files.

Further in tandem with the vision of the state government to make Assam one of the five best states of the country, the Chief Minister urged all senior officers to work collectively. He also

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P&RD Minister Ranjeet Kumar Dass, Agriculture Minister Atul Bora, Handloom & Textiles Minister UG Brahma, Industries & Commerce Minister Chandra Mohan Patowary, Environment & Forest Minister Parimal Suklabaidya, Health Minister Keshab Mahanta, Education Minister Dr. Ranuj Pegu, GDD Minister Ashok Singhal, Revenue & DM Minister Jogen Mohan, Tea Tribes Welfare Minister Sanjay Kishan, Finance Minister Ajanta Neog, Water Resources Minister Pijush Hazarika, Power Minister Bimal Bora, Chief Secretary Jishnu Baruah and other senior government officers were present in the workshop.

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