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CM Inaugurates 100-bedded, ₹1.90-crore Girls Hostel of Garampani High School

CM also inaugurates Ganesh Temple at Govinda Nagar;new building of Saraswati Vidya Mandir at Langcherui

Days of turmoil are over for Dima Hasao; There is Total Peace Now: Dr. Sarma

Dispur, September 28: Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma on Wednesday on a visit to Umrangso area of Dima Hasao district inaugurated a 100-bedded girls hostel of Garampani High School, built at a cost of ₹1.90 crores under the Prime Minister Khanij Kshetra Kalyan Yojana. This apart, he also inaugurated the newly-constructed building of the Shrimati Jamuna Devi Saraswati Vidya Mandir at Langcherui and that of a temple dedicated to Lord Ganesha at Govinda Nagar areas of Umrangso.

Addressing a public rally, the Chief Minister referred to the current state of general peace in the once-restive region and expressed satisfaction at different ethnic groups co-existing with one another in a brotherly environment. He attributed this to the coming to the mainstream of the Dimasa National Liberation Army in 2021.

Referring to the ongoing construction of the 120-Mw Lower Kapili Hydel Power Project whose foundation stone was laid by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman and the Bamboo Industrial Park at Manderdisa, the Chief Minister assured the residents of the district of the current dispensation's seriousness in transforming Dima Hasao into one of the most developed regions in the State.

He further added that construction work for the 90-km long road connecting Haflong Tiniali with Lower Haflong will begin at the earliest while the development of the road connecting Lanka with Umrangso is expected to be completed within a year. Referring to the immense tourism potential of Umrangso, the Chief Minister assured the residents of all steps necessary to develop the road and other infrastructure of the area. Improvement in the infrastructure scenario in the area will be a huge boost to its tourism potential, the Chief Minister added. The Chief Minister also declared the government's resolve to hold a Cabinet meeting in the hill district within the next seven months.

Referring to the massive appointments in the government sector in recent times, the Chief Minister expressed satisfaction at many candidates from Dima Hasao getting selected purely on the basis of merit. Referring to the 5% quota for Schedule Tribe (Hills) category in government vacancies, the Chief Minister stated that many vacant positions in that category are not being filled up due to lack of applicants belonging to the said category. He appealed to all to raise awareness among the youths of Dima Hasao regarding the benefits available under the ST(Hills) category.

Referring to the Saraswati Vidya Mandirs as temples of education in the true sense, Dr. Sarma stated that apart from imparting education, they are also engaged in the commendable

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task of instilling a sense of patriotism among the people. He assured of all necessary support from the government in establishment of more such temples of learning. The Chief Minister also stressed upon the need for youths from the hill district to learn the Assamese language in schools, so that they don't face difficulties communicating while venturing out of the district to parts of the state in carrying out their job obligations in future.

The Chief Minister was accompanied by Power Minister Nandita Garlosa, Dima Hasao Autonomous Council Chief Debolal Garlosa, Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council Chief Tuliram Ronghang, Dima Hasao Deputy Commissioner Nazreen Ahmed and a host of dignitaries.

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