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CM inaugurates Atal Udyan at Adabari in the city

Local communities must keep strict watch over the parks for proper utilisation: CM

Dispur, Dec 24: Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma today inaugurated Atal Udyan set up by Guwahati Metropolitan Development Authority (GMDA) at Adabari in the city. The park built with a cost of Rs 8 crore 74 lakhs covers an area of 8 bigha.

The park includes an amphitheatre with capacity of 250 audiences, meditation hall, open air gym, children playing equipment, mural art work with dais etc. The park is dedicated in memory of former Prime Minister 'Bharat Ratna' Atal Bihari Vajpayee.

Speaking on the occasion, the Chief Minister said that this park has been completed within 7 months of the government and setting up of another such park at Hengrabari would also be completed soon while the botanical garden at Fancy Bazaar old jail campus will be opened by 2023. The state government has been constantly striving towards developing open spaces to turn Guwahati into a modern city with lots of greenery and recreational avenues and with these parks, Guwahati will have 5 big parks, he added.

"We are also in the process of shifting all government offices to an Integrated Directorate Complex at Lakhra in the city and setting up parks in those vacated office premises. Pursuing our vision of a modern city with healthy living spaces, we also want to build indoor stadiums, swimming pools, sports complexes in all four constituencies of Guwahati" he informed.

The Chief Minister also asserted that massive infrastructure projects are in the pipeline for the city as all ongoing flyovers projects in Guwahati will be completed before schedule. Guwahati-North Guwahati bridge will be completed by 2023 while a ring road project is being envisaged around Guwahati with bridges connecting Palasbari-North Guwahati and Kurua-Narengi coming up. He also informed about clearing the riverfront for beautification in the city by shifting the DC and Commissioner of Police offices.

Saying that health infrastructure in the city is being augmented, the Chief Minister informed that Pandu and Dhirenpara FRUs would be managed by GMCH soon where people would be provided medical services by doctors of GMCH.

He urged the local communities, specially the womenfolk, to take up responsibility of maintaining these parks and keeping a strict watch over them so that these parks can be utilised for engaging the children and youths in productive activities while keeping them away from drugs and other bad habits.

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The Chief Minister also handed over cheques of financial assistance to 15 management committees of parks in Guwahati at the programme.

Urban Development Department Minister Ashok Singhal, MP Queen Oja and GMDA Chairman Narayan Deka were also present on the occasion among others.

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