

## **PRESS RELEASE**

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## CM launches construction of two-lane flyover at Zoo Road Tiniali on RG Baruah Road

**Dispur, February 1:** Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma today launched construction works of a 580.00 meter two-lane flyover at Zoo Road Tiniali on RG Baruah Road to ensure seamless traffic movement in Guwahati city. The flyover will be built with an expenditure of Rs. 78.93 crores and is targeted to be completed within a period of 18 months.

While speaking in a programme held on the occasion, Chief Minister Dr. Sarma said that the state government has been making unrelenting efforts to improve infrastructure in the city and as a part of this many noticeable changes have taken place so far in Guwahati. The Chief Minister while emphasising on the need for carrying out infrastructure projects adopting latest technology, urged the Public Works Department to complete construction of the flyover within 12 to 15 months instead of the targeted period of 18 months so that the flyover could be dedicated for public use around Bohag Bihu next year. He informed about the state government's plan to construct a rotary infront of Assam State Zoo so that traffic from Ganeshguri to Chandmari can move without any hindrance.

Stating that construction of the six lane bridge connecting Guwahati with North Guwahati over river Brahmaputra would be completed by December 2023, Chief Minister Sarma said that once completed, this bridge would give a new fillip to expansion of Guwahati city. Informing about Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision for developing a satellite city adjacent to Guwahati city, the Chief Minister said that the state government has already mooted a plan on the same and during its current tenure the government would start works for a fully equipped and scientific satellite city. He also informed that the proposed second Medical College of Guwahati connecting MMC Hospital and Lokapriya Gopinath Bordoloi TB Hospital, Kalapahar would start soon and this would be ready within a period of 36 months.

Underlining the state government's vision for facilitating smooth transportation in the city, Chief Minister Sarma said that the state government has taken up a project to construct a four-lane elevated corridor from Guwahati Club to Bamunimaidam and work for this would start within this year. He also informed about construction of three foot over-bridges at Fancy bazaar on MG Road, connecting Assam State Zoo and Shradhanjali Kanan and another one at Paltan Bazar. He also said that the government has taken up plan for air-conditioned bus stoppages in the city.

Dr. Sarma said that under Smart City project, the state government would press into service 200 electric buses and 100 CNG operated buses in Guwahati apart from developing a coordinated traffic control system in the city. The Chief Minister said that city dwellers will be able to witness these changes in next three years.

Urban Affairs Minister Ashok Singhal, MP Queen Oja, MLA Siddhartha Bhattacharjya and several senior officials of the PWD were present in the programme.

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On the occasion of his birthday, earlier Chief Minister Sarma visited Doul Gobinda temple at North Guwahati and offered prayers. He also laid foundation stone of a multipurpose community centre at the temple, which would be constructed with an amount of Rs. 50 lakh

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auditorium which is under construction at the temple premises.

On the otherhand, Chief Minister Sarma today also visited Natun Sarania LP School at Gandhibasti, where he spent initial years of his academic life. While taking part in a programme held at the school, Chief Minister Sarma said that the alumni of any education institution can play a very important role for overall development of the educational institutions. He assured to take all possible efforts for development of the school as a former student of the school and announced that the state government would provide Rs. 3 crore for its infrastructure development. During the visit, the Chief Minister also inaugurated a road constructed under SOPD scheme for the year 2020-21 at Gandhibasti.

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