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**CM reviews activities of Agriculture department**

**CM directs to draft guideline for a mission in agriculture sector**

**Dispur, June 7:** Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma reviewed the activities of the Agriculture department in a meeting held at his office in Janata Bhawan today and made several directions to rejuvenate the agriculture sector in the State.

The Chief Minister instructed the officials to draft a guideline for a mission to be launched in the agriculture sector similar to Sarva Shiksha Mission (SSA) or National Health Mission (NHM) with a view to give a renewed stimulus to the agriculture sector. He also directed to transfer all Agricultural Development Officers who have completed three years of service in a particular place of posting.

Further to ensure supply of quality seeds to the farmers of the State, Chief Minister Dr. Sarma asked the department to procure seeds directly from the seeds corporations of the best seeds producing States. The Chief Minister also suggested steps for a comprehensive survey to assess the scenario of agricultural produce in 3000 village panchayats and VDCs involving the students of Assam Agricultural University, Gauhati University and Dibrugarh University.

Moreover, the Chief Minister directed to take needful steps for making the list of beneficiaries of PM Kishan Scheme error-free so that genuine farmers could avail the benefits of the scheme. He also asked the department to initiate stringent action against those involved in the irregularities of fertilizer supply.

Underlining the potential of horticulture products of the State, Chief Minister Dr. Sarma instructed the department to take steps for promotion of horticulture products which have rich export potential and market value.

Agriculture Minister Atul Bora, Additional Chief Secretary Ravi Shankar Prasad, Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister Samir Kumar Sinha, Secretary cum Director of Agriculture Vinod Seshan, CEO of MMS-CMSGUY Anant Lal Gyani were present in the meeting among others.

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