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CM reviews functioning of Irrigation and Soil Conservation Departments

Avoid multiple contractors in a single project and minimise delay in works: CM

Dispur, June 16: Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma today held a joint meeting with Irrigation and Soil Conservation Departments and reviewed the implementation of various projects. He directed the Irrigation Department to propose two big projects to irrigate a total of 1 lakh hectare lands in the shortest possible time.

He observed that projects of the department get delayed due to multiple executive engineers working in different aspects like electrical, mechanical etc in the same project and suffer because of the lack of coordination among them. For that reason, the Chief Minister directed the department to make territorial divisions within 10 days where each division will be headed by one executive engineer. He stressed on reorganising the department into one effective agency for carrying out projects on time.

He also instructed to avoid multiple contractors against one project and foreclose all long pending incomplete projects at the earliest. He advocated setting up few big projects instead of several small irrigation projects. The Chief Minister directed to explore possibilities of a big power-cum-irrigation project on Kulsi River.

While reviewing the works of Soil Conservation Dept, the Chief Minister asked the department to assess the demand of gully protection and protective irrigation projects. He directed to complete all ongoing projects at the earliest while working to generate more demand for soil conservation projects.

Soil Conservation Minister Urkhao Gwra Brahma, Irrigation Minister Ashok Singhal, Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister Samir Kumar Sinha and other senior officers were present in the meeting.

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