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CM takes part in Bhumi Puja for 4-lane flyover at Diphu town

CM distributes appointment letters to TET qualified teachers at Diphu

Distributes financial assistance to media persons and eminent writers

CM urges people to keep a vigil on performance of teachers in the district

Dispur, April 15: Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma distributed appointment letters to 884 nos. TET qualified teachers on regular and contractual basis in various categories under Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council in a programme held at Joysing Doloi Auditorium at Diphu today.

This includes 108 nos. Assistant Teachers and 25 nos. Maths & Science Teachers of Upper Primary, 192 nos. Assistant Teachers (Primary) under Primary Education Department and 559 nos. Assistant Teacher (Contractual) under Axom Sarba Siksha Mission.

The Chief Minister in the programme also ceremonially distributed one time financial assistance (Insurance premium) to DIPR registered and recognized 32 nos. media persons and financial assistance to the tune of Rs. 1 lakh each to 34 nos. eminent writers of Karbi Anglong and West Karbi Anglong District.

Apart from this, the Chief Minister also distributed financial assistance to the tune of Rs. 50,000 each to the families of deceased journalists and Rs. 15,000 each to 88 nos. Law graduates.

Speaking on the occasion, Chief Minister Dr. Sarma said that in recent years, Karbi Anglong has witnessed a rennaisance of development and there is a new dawn in terms of progress in the district.

The Chief Minister said that if infrastructure like roads, bridges are parts of the body of a human being, education and health can be considered as the soul. "The state government is making all out effort to develop the soul and has been spending 6% of GDP in education and health sector", said Dr. Sarma.

Stating that teaching should not be considered as a mere profession, the Chief Minister urged the teachers to be accountable to the society as they are entrusted with the great task of developing human resources. He said that though since 2012-13, the state government has recruited several thousand TET qualified teachers in the state and many have been appointed in Karbi Anglong also, academic condition has not improved, rather enrolment has recorded a downward turn. The situation in Karbi Anglong is no different, he said adding that teachers who don't go to school and show negligence to their duties are enemies of society.

Saying this, the Chief Minister made a call to the people of Karbi Anglong, especially the intellectual class to keep a vigil on the performance of teachers so that they carry out their responsibilities with utmost committeent. "Karbi Anglong has all the resources, but what is

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required the most for its fast development is quality education and better academic opportunities as education teaches us equality and leads us to development", Dr. Sarma observed.

Moreover, underlining the importance of venturing out of the district to find out more employment opportunities, the Chief Minister urged the students of Karbi Anglong to learn as much languages as possible to make them more employable.

CEM KAAC Tuliram Ronghang also spoke on the occasion. Hills Areas Development Minister Jogen Mohan, Deputy Speaker of Assam Legislative Assembly Dr. Numol Momin, MP Horen Sing Bey, MLAs Bidya Sing Engleng, Dar Sing Ronghang and Rup Sing Terang, Chairman KAAC Longki Timung, several EMs, MACs, DC and SP were also present in the programme.

Earlier, Chief Minister Dr. Sarma as part of his visit to Diphu today, took part in Bhumi Puja for construction of a 1.4 km long 4-lane flyover from Diphu Stadium to Diphu Head Post Office on Lumding-Dimapur Road having 2-lane extended arm on Diphu Civil Hospital Road. This project will be carried out by the Public Works (Roads) Department with an estimated amount of Rs.243 crore. Once completed, this project is expected to give yet another boost to Assam's fast growing road infrastructure while significantly easing out traffic congestion at Diphu town.

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