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CM visits DNPL, Assam Gas Company and BCPL

Dispur, June 20: Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma today visited the campus of Duliajan-Numaligarh Pipeline Limited (DNP Ltd.) at Duliajan in Dibrugarh district and inaugurated the 4th compressor package operation at its gas compression station.

Inauguration of this gas compressor package will significantly enhance capacity of the PSU and benefit it financially. During his visit the CM also inaugurated an orchid conservation centre and planted a rudraksh sapling at the campus.

Later, the Chief Minister also visited Assam Gas Company Ltd. at Duliajan and reviewed the ongoing activities and upcoming projects of the state Government PSU.

Notably, AGCL is India's first dedicated natural gas transmission and distribution company which was established in 1962. The company has been constantly making profit during last 12 years and has made significant contribution to the state exchequer.

While reviewing activities of the PSU, the Chief Minister stressed on increasing annual turnover of the company by expanding its infrastructure network and tapping gas from different sources which could be sold to major buyers.

The Chief Minister said that gas will play a vital role in realizing Assam Government's goal of speedy economic progress and urged AGCL to focus on becoming a gas exporter.

The Chief Minister also urged company management to aggressively expand piped gas network in the tea garden areas of Dibrugarh and Tinsukia districts.

On the other hand, the Chief Minister also visited Brahmaputra Cracker and Polymer Limited at Lepetkata in Dibrugarh district today which was inaugurated by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in 2016. The BCPL was conceived in the year 1985 as part of the historic Assam Accord.

The Chief Minister visited the control room and product warehouse of the industry and interacted with the staff to get a first hand understanding about polymer production.

He also held a meeting with the management of BCPL and reviewed the ongoing activities and growth strategy of the industry. BCPL authority apprised the Chief Minister about the present status of the company including its production and financial position.

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The Chief Minister stressed on expanding market of the polymer produced at BCPL and the need to develop strategies for generating conducive environment for setting up more downstream polymer industries.

Union Minister of State for Food Processing Industries RameswarTeli, Agriculture Minister Atul Bora, Power Minister Bimal Bora, Tea Tribes Welfare Minister Sanjay Kishan, MP Prodan Baruah, MLAs Prasanta Phukan, Chakradhar Gogoi, Binod Hazarika, Punakan Baruah, Terosh Gowala, Bolin Chetia, Taranga Gogoi, Bhuban Pegu, Vice Chairman of AGCL Indra Gogoi, Chairman of DNP Ltd. Rupam Goswami, Vice Chairman of Assam Housing Board Subhas Dutta and Principal Secretary of Industries and Commerce K. K. Dwivedi, MD BCPL Reep Hazarika were also present during the Chief Minister's visit.

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