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**CM visits GMCH and reviews Covid treatment status**

**Covid situation is expected improve in the state drastically by June 7: CM**

**Dispur, May 30:** Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma today visited Gauhati Medical College and Hospital and took stock of the Covid treatment infrastructure and other related issues.

Later talking to the newsmen, Dr. Sarma informed that he discussed the matter of deputing doctors in the 300 bed Covid hospital being set up by DRDO at Sarusajai Sports Complex and the additional 200 ICU beds unit coming up at GMCH with the hospital authorities and senior doctors. Coming up of additional 500 ICU beds in Guwahati would greatly strengthen the Covid treatment system and posting doctors at the facilities remain a top priority for ensuring quality treatment, he said.

Informing that Assam would receive 7 lakh doses of Covid vaccine in June, the Chief Minister said that inoculation drive of 18-44 age group people would speed up in the state after receiving the doses and exuded confidence that a sizeable portion of state's population would be provided jabs by August 15. He also said there is strong possibility of Covid positivity and mortality rates coming down rapidly in the state by June 7 and the state government is leaving no stone unturned to control the pandemic.

The Chief Minister said that GMCH has started administering DRDO's 2-DG anti-Covid drug on 13 patients at the hospital while options are also being explored to use other such breakthrough drugs to reduce the hospital stay period of Covid patients.

He also thanked the people and organisations for contributing wholeheartedly to the Chief Minister's Relief Fund to make the vaccination drive truly a jana andolan (mass movement).

Chief Minister Dr Sarma also enquired with the doctors about the health condition of Rajya Sabha MP Ripun Bora and MLA Pradip Hazarika, who are undergoing treatment for Covid at GMCH.

Principal and Chief Superintendent of GMCH Dr. Achyut Baishya, Superintendent GMCH Dr. Abhijit Sarma and other senior doctors were present on the occasion.

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