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CM's video conference with Deputy Commissioners and SPs

Enforcement of road safety measures and implementation of govt schemes discussed

Dispur, December 19: Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma today reviewed the measures taken for enforcement of road safety, selection of beneficiaries under Orunodoi 2.0, implementation of Amrit Sarovar project and paddy procurement in a meeting held with Deputy Commissioners, SPs and other senior officers of government departments through video conferencing from Guwahati.

Underlining the importance of strict measures on road safety to reduce fatalities, the Chief Minister directed the DCs and SPs to take strong action for enforcement of road safety protocols. He asked them to take action against bike stunt, speed and drunken driving and intensify patrolling on National Highway and important roads across the state.

The Chief Minister stressed on detailed analysis of road accidents to identify causes for corrective measures as well as enforcement of safety measures. He directed the Deputy Commissioners to conduct regular review of road accidents and identify spots where accidents take place on a regular basis. He said that District Road Safety Committee must visit all such spots to get a first hand understanding of the situation. While directing the Transport Department to prepare analytical report of all accidents that have taken place during the year, the Chief Minister instructed the DCs to take up repairing and other road related matters with state PWD and NHIDCL on a priority basis.

Further making a call to ensure 'Accident-free New Year', the Chief Minister directed the districts to set a target to reduce accidents by minimum 20% during this period in the coming year. He also directed to carry out strict vigilance at picnic spots to ensure that nobody indulges in drunken and speed driving. The Chief Minister asked the DCs to conduct drive by the officials of Excise Department against illegal liquor sale at picnic spots.

The Chief Minister also discussed issues related to guideline on selection of beneficiaries under Orunodoi 2.0 during the video conference. He directed the DCs to act in a manner to achieve the set target by April 10 and to ensure "One Household One Beneficiary" norm through the ongoing selection process.

While discussing matters related to paddy procurement, the Chief Minister said that it is a priority area of the Government and all districts must intensify the procurement drive. He asked the DCs to take steps for mobilization of farmers and carry out extensive publicity for natural drying methods to reduce moisture content to make the paddy ready for sale.

The Chief Minister also discussed implementation of Amrit Sarovar project under which 2985 ponds are to be created across Assam. He directed the DCs to submit all remaining DPRs for the project in a speedy manner. Chief Minister Dr. Sarma also asked the DCs to carry out the Special Immunization Drive in a focussed manner.

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P&RD Minister Ranjeet Kumar Dass, Health Minister Keshav Mahanta, Handloom & Textiles Minister UG Brahma, Finance Minister Ajanta Neog, Revenue Minister Jogen Mohan, I&PR Minister Pijush Hazarika, PHED Minister Jayanta Malla Baruah, DGP Bhaskarjyoti Mahanta, Additional Chief Secretary FCS&CA BR Samal, Principal Secretary to CM Samir Kumar Sinha, Principal Secretary P&RD JB Ekka, Commissioner & Secretary Finance Jayant Narlikar, City Police Commissioner Diganta Bora, Transport Commissioner Adil Khan and other senior officials were present during the video conference.

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