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**CM attends 10<sup>th</sup> Foundation Day Prog of Karunadhara Trust**

**State Govt to provide lands to Karunadhara for building shelter homes for Divyangs**

**Dispur, Feb 12:** Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal today took part in the 10<sup>th</sup> foundation day programme of Karunadhara Trust in the city as the chief guest and announced that the State Government would provide appropriate lands to the Trust in Guwahati for setting up shelter homes for Divyangs.

Speaking at the programme, the Chief Minister underlined the need to think for the society and asserted that every citizen must take up the responsibility along with the government to provide social and economic security to the Divyangs so that they could live a life of dignity. He also appreciated the role played by Karunadhara Trust for working towards providing succour to the disadvantaged sections of the society in the true spirit of Bhupen Hazarika's timeless song '*mauhe manuhor babe*' and said that the Trust would serve as an inspiration to the people to selflessly work for the society.

Saying that State Government has been resolutely working towards providing a life of dignity to the Divyangs, Chief Minister Sonowal stated that this commitment has been exemplified by the setting up of the country's only ITI for the Divyangs at Dibrugarh. He also highlighted the State Government's initiatives to provide Rs 1000 per month to the Divyangs, giving employment to 663 Divyang people while also informing about the State Government's willingness to set up a university for the Divyangs. He also assured of looking into the request of Karunadhara Trust for a corpus fund.

The Chief Minister also ceremonially released the documentary on the works of Karunadhara Trust made with the financial assistance of Oil India Limited and directed by Charukamal Hazarika.

Speaking at the programme, chief advisor of Karunadhara Trust and distinguished writer Homen Borgohain reminisced anecdotes associated with the journey of the Trust and urged the government to work for the holistic development of Divyangs in the society.

Industry and Commerce Minister Chandra Mohan Patowary, Media Adviser to the Chief Minister Hrishikesh Goswami were also present at the programme among other dignitaries.

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