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## CM launches construction of embankment at Kolakhuwa Sesa River and ring bund at Bogibeel Ai in Dibrugarh

**Dispur, February 20**: Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal in a significant move to alleviate the woes of flood affected people of Lorua and Bogibeel area, launched construction works of an embankment at Kolakhuwa Sesa River and ring bund at Bogibeel Ai than today. The projects are to be implemented with an amount of Rs. 27.5 crores under State Owned Priority Development scheme (SOPD) of the Assam government.

Launching the construction work of the project at a public meeting held at Kalakhowa today, Chief Minister Sonowal said that all round development of the state was not possible without the growth of agricultural sector and that is why, State Government was taking up schemes like Chief Minister Samagra Gramya Unnyan Yojna, Mukhyamantrir Krishi Sa-Sajuli Yojna etc to empower the farmers of the state economically following the footstep of the Prime Minister Narendra Modi led Central Government.

He also remarked that after the distribution of tractors under Chief Minister Samagra Gramya Unnyan Yojna and five thousand rupees to five lakh farmers under Mukhyamantrir Krishi Sa-Sajuli Yojna last year, steps have been taken to provide five thousand rupees again to six lakh farmers in the current year. Doubling of farmers' income in the state is the government's top priority and the construction of embankment at Kolakhuwa Sesa River and ring bund at Bogibeel Ai would enable the people of Lorua and Bogibeel areas to increase their agricultural productivity by protecting from floods, he said.

Saying that the interst of the indigenous people of the state would always be protected, Sonowal asserted that State Government had showed its commitment towards this end by taking the historic step of providing land pattas to one lakh landless people and small tea growers of the state.

He also highlighted the need to facilitate a conducive environment for academic activities in the state to make Assam one of the top states in the country and he said that no society can progress without education. He also urged that teachers and parents to inspire the children to compete at the world stage and called on the students organisations of the state to contribute in building a healthy environment for achieving academic excellence. He also urged the people to not allow divisive forces to create unrest in the society based on rumours and misinformation.

Notably, the embankment at Kolakhuwa Sesa River and ring bund at Bogibeel Ai would provide respite to nearly 20 thousand flood affected people of the area and protect 6120 hectare farming lands from floods.



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Moran MLA Chakradhar Gogoi also spoke at the programme which was attended by MLA Prashanta Phukan, Vice Chairman of Assam State Housing Board Subhash Dutta, Assam Gas Company Vice Chairman Indra Gogoi, Chairman of ITDP Dibrugarh Swarna Saikia Deori, DC Dibrugarh among others.

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