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Advisory committee for revitalization of state's economy submits its report
CM announces 3-member committee to prepare roadmap for implementation of suggestions

Dispur, June 1: The Advisory committee for revitalization of economy of Assam in the backdrop of the situations arising out of Covid 19 pandemic and consequent lockdown under the chairmanship of former Additional Chief Secretary Subhash Das submitted its report to the Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal at Brahmaputra State Guest House here today. The Chief Minister upon receiving the report, announced of constituting a three-member ministerial committee under the chairmanship of Finance etc. Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sharma to study the recommendations of the report and suggest broad roadmap for their implementation.

It may be noted that Government of Assam in the backdrop of Covid 19 pandemic and the consequent lockdown, constituted an advisory committee with seven members under the chairmanship of retired IAS officer Subash Chandra Das to assess the macro-economic and socio-economic impact as well as sector specific impact of Covid 19. The committee after detailed study of the prevailing situation of the state submitted its report.

The committee considering all aspects of different sectors of the state which have borne the brunt of the Covid 19 pandemic and taking into account of the views, suggestions and inputs from the government departments, members of the public and organisations has formulated two sets of recommendations namely short term and medium/long term recommendations. The committee made the sector specific recommendations on agriculture and allied sector, industries, trade and commerce, transport, tourism and hospitality, construction sector, employment including migrant labours. The recommendations also addressed concern of the staffs of small business, shops and establishments, trade and transport sector, workers and artistes in mobile theatre, film production, caterers, event managers etc.

The committee observed that as the economy needs to be made fully functional gradually, standard operating protocols, rules and guidelines need to be made for the sectors which are still closed with special emphasis on the opening of tourism and hospitality industry including hotels, restaurants with other personal care services and industries.

Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal thanked the chairman Subash Candra Das and its members like K.M. Bujarbaruah, M.P. Bezbaruah, Joydeep Baruah, Amiya Sharma, Gautam Goswami and Krishna Kanta Bora for their assiduous works in preparing the report incorporating recommendations for revitalization of economy.

He at the same time announced the formation of a three-member ministerial committee to prepare a roadmap for implementation of the suggestions and recommendations of the advisory committee. The chairman of the three-member committee will be Finance etc.

Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sharma and Commerce and Industry etc Minister Chandra Mohan Patowary and Agriculture, Horticulture and Food Processing etc minister Atul Bora will be its members.

Finance etc Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sharma, Commerce and Industry Minister Chandra Mohan Patowary, Agriculture etc Minister Atul Bora, Chief Minister's Media Advisor Hrishikesh Goswami, his Legal Advisor Santanu Bharali, Chief Secretary Kumar Sanjya Krishna, Additional Chief Secretary Rajib Bora, Chief Minister's Principal Secretary Sanjay Lohiya, Principal Secretary Finance Samir Sinha, Commissioner and Secretary Transformation and Development Department Nitin Khade and other senior officers were present on the occasion.

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