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CM holds meeting to review Baghjan situation

Sonowal directs dist admin to extend full cooperation to fire dousing efforts

Dispur, June 12: Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal today held a meeting at his office at Janata Bhawan and reviewed the situation arising out of the Baghjan oil well blow out incident. Discussions were held to assess the damages wrought by the oil well fire and its effect on the ecology of the surrounding areas.

In the meeting, the Chief Minister directed Tinsukia district administration to conduct detailed assessment of the damages and provide medical and all other facilities to the people staying in the relief camps. He also directed the district administration to extend full cooperation to OIL, ONGC and other agencies in their efforts to douse the fire in the oil well.

Media Adviser to the Chief Minister Hrishikesh Goswami, Chief Secretary Kumar Sanjay Krishna, DGP Bhaskarjyoti Mahanta, Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister Sanjay Lohia and other top officials of the government were present in the meeting.

Moreover, Additional Chief Secretary Maninder Singh and Additional Principal Conservator of Forest (Wildlife) M.K. Yadava had left for Baghjan following the Chief Minister's direction. On Thursday, Sonowal had announced inquiry into the Baghjan oil well fire incident and directed Additional Chief Secretary Maninder Singh to conduct the inquiry and submit report within 15 days.

On the other hand, the Chief Minister had also directed Additional Principal Conservator of Forest (Wildlife) M. K. Yadava to conduct a study on the effects of the explosion incident on the environment and ecology of the surrounding areas. Yadava was directed to cover effects of the incident on flora and fauna along with different species living in the water bodies of the area in his study.

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