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CM lays foundation stone of Ranga Mancha at Dhekiakhowa Namghar

Dhekiakhowa Barnamghar is the seat of Assamese spiritualism: CM

Dispur, July 15: "Dhekiakhowa Barnamghar is the seat of Assamese spiritualism and the state government is working towards making the place, which is steeped in the teachings of Mahapurush Madhabdev, a major spiritual tourist attraction." Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal today said while inaugurating the Ranga Mancha (cultural stage) at Dhekiakhowa Barnamghar in Jorhat district built with an expenditure of Rs 1 crore under untied fund of 2019-20.

The Chief Minister also laid the foundation stone of a modern toilet facility there to be built with Rs 10 lakh under Asom Darshan scheme of 2019-20. The managing committee of Dhelkiakhowa Barnamghar submitted a memorandum containing various demands for socio-economic development of Dhekiakhowa area to the Chief Minister.

Speaking at the low-key function organized on the occasion, Sonowal said that the *Gurujonas*' teachings and ideals have always showed the right path to the greater Assamese society and they enriched the intellectual, cultural and spiritual discourses of the state. Values and works of those great personalities must be preserved along with the places retaining their memories so that the young generation could be inspired with those ideals, he said. Sonowal referred to setting up different institutions in the name of Gurujona Sankardev, Madhabdev, Damodar Dev, Bhatta Dev, Aniruddha Dev and Hari Dev as a measure to preserve and propagate their values.

Earlier today, the Chief Minister also visited the flood relief camp set up at Teok Rajabari HS School and interacted with the inmates there. He directed the district administration officials to ensure observance of COVID-19 protocols, special facilities for children, women and elderly, regular medical check-up of the inmates etc in the relief camps.

Speaker of Legislative Assembly Hitendra Nath Goswami, MoS for Revenue and Disaster Management Jogen Mohan, Rajya Sabha MP Kamakhya Prasad Tasa, Jorhat MP Tapan Kumar Gogoi, MLAs Renupama Rajkhowa, Bhaben Bharali, Rituparna Barua along with several other dignitaries were present on the occasion.

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