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CM holds meeting with freedom fighters' association

Freedom fighters would receive free healthcare, pension to be raised to 25000: CM

Dispur, Feb 20: Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal today held a meeting with the representatives of Asom State Freedom Fighters' Association at his residence and announced that freedom fighters would be provided free healthcare while steps would be taken to increase the pension of the freedom fighters to Rs 25,000 from present Rs 21,000.

Responding to the plea made by the Association, the Chief Minister assured to take steps for providing Rs 5 lakh each to the families of 19 freedom fighters of the state. He also directed the officials of concerned departments to take necessary steps for instructing the deputy commissioners of the districts to conduct the last rites of the freedom fighters in a dignified manner. Decision was also taken for initiating necessary amendment of Assam Freedom Fighters Relief Fund policy.

Freedom fighters Krishna Lahkar, Bholanath Nagariya, Puneswar Duwara, Gokul Gogoi, Phul Chandra Gogoi, Makhan Satname, Golapi Chetia, Kunja Konwar, Bhola Barua, Golok Hazarika, Phanindra Nath Kalita, Tolan Chandra Tamuly represented the Asom State Freedom Fighters' Association in the meting along with its General Secretary Dwijendra Mohan Sarma and Secretary Dhiren Chetia.

Media Adviser to the Chief Minister Hirshikesh Goswami, Legal Adviser to the Chief Minister Shantanu Bharali, Additional Chief Secretary to the Chief Minister Paban Kumar Borthakur and several top officials of Home and Political, Finance etc departments were present in the meeting.

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