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### CM thanks PM after receiving Oxygen Express

#### Oxygen Express would greatly help in meeting increasing demand: CM

**Dispur, May 23:** Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma today formally received the Oxygen Express, carrying 4 containers of total 80 metric tonnes (MT) of medical oxygen at Inland Container Depot at Amingaon in the city. The Oxygen Express, which started from Jharkhand, reached the state today.

Talking to the media persons at the site, Chief Minister Dr. Sarma expressed his gratitude to Prime Minister Narendra Modi for allocating additional medical oxygen to the State through Oxygen Express which would greatly help in meeting the increasing oxygen requirement in the state, primarily for the treatment of COVID19 patients. The Chief Minister also thanked Union Railway Minister Piyush Goyal for taking steps to bring the train.

He also informed that from now onwards, Oxygen Express would come twice per week to Assam delivering total 160 MT of oxygen to the State every week. Apart from fulfilling State's own requirement, Assam would supply surplus Oxygen to neighbouring NE states of Meghalaya, Manipur, Nagaland, Arunachal Pradesh, Mizoram and Tripura, he said. Chief Minister said that the state has medical oxygen storage capacity up to 800 litres.

Reflecting on the ongoing COVID vaccination drive in the state, the Chief Minister informed that the State Government is making efforts to ramp up daily vaccination from present 50 thousand people to 1 lakh.

Principal Secretary to the Chief Minister Samir Kumar Sinha and other officials of NF Railway, Container Corporation of India Ltd. etc were also present at the programme.

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