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Sonowal attends Shramik Kalyan Divas

State government is working for socio-economic, educational and cultural development of tea tribe community: CM

Dispur, November 23: Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal said that people belonging to tea tribe community constitute an important chunk of Assam's demography as they have been contributing to the socio-economic, cultural development of the state.

Speaking at the Shramik Kalyan Divas organised synchronising with the birth anniversary of eminent leader, social worker and writer Santosh Kumar Topno at Doomdooma today, Chief Minister Sonowal said that Santosh Kumar Topno worked selflessly for the overall development of the tea tribe community. Sonowal said that without education no community can go forward in securing their identity and dignity. Therefore, Government of Assam has taken several steps for socio-economic, educational and cultural development of the people belonging to tea tribe community. He at the same time urged upon the youths of the tea tribe community to enrich themselves academically and become worthy citizens.

Stating that previous governments did not take step for the development of tea tribe community, Sonowal said that it only paid lip service. However, the present State government after assuming power, took several steps for the overall development of the tea tribe community including their educational development. Sonowal said that his government has taken steps for establishment of Model Schools and High Schools in the tea garden areas. Moreover, to ensure accessible, advanced and affordable health care facilities steps were taken for Mobile Medical Unit and financial benefits under Jan Dhan Yojana.

Emphasizing that unity not discord makes a state strong, Chief Minister Sonowal appealed to everybody to live harmoniously. He said that Santosh Kumar Topno dreamt of a united and strong society and his vision and mission will be successful if a united and harmonious society of his dream can be made stronger and people live harmoniously.

On this occasion, Chief Minister Sonowal also felicitated some individuals from tea tribe community who performed exceedingly well on sports, education, health, public service etc at national and international level. At the same programme the functionaries from Khowang Tea Garden, Lepetkota Tea Garden, Shanti Tea Garden, and Borbarua Tea Garden were felicitated for disbursing 100 per cent the salary on digital mode.

MP Pradan Barua also spoke on the occasion. Union Minister of State for Food Processing Rameswar Teli, Minister of State for Tea Tribe Welfare Sanjay Kisan, Minister of State for Revenue and Disaster Management Jogen Mohan, MP Kamakhya Prasad Tasa, MLAs Prasanta Phukan, Binod Hazarika, Rituporno Baruah, Suren Phukan, Bolin Chetia, Durga

Bhumij, Teresh Goala, Bhaskar Sharma, Naren Sonowal, son of Santosh Kumar Topno, Dayal Topno, and a host of other dignitaries were present on the occasion.

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