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## **Sonowal lays foundation for new classroom building of Harhi College**

### **Urges students to empower themselves through academics, sports and culture**

**Dispur, December 24:** Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal, who was at Dhokuwakhana today to give away Veerangana Sati Sadhini Award, visited Harhi College and laid the foundation of new classroom building of Harhi College.

Interacting with the students of the college, Chief Minister Sonowal besides urging the students to study hard, requested them to spend their time in sports and other cultural pursuits. He stated that as academic activities lead to intellectual development, sports help the students to possess good physical and mental health and cultural pursuits help them to realise the essence of life and help them to remain ingrained with their roots very strongly.

Hailing the academic prowess of the students of Dhemaji and Lakhimpur districts, Sonowal said that though the districts bear the brunt of seasonal floods every year, the academic advancements of the students belonging to these districts is a testimony to their discipline, dedication, patience and perseverance. He appealed to the students to sustain their good works in future as well and bring more laurels to their districts as well as the state.

Sonowal also asked the students to imbibe from the values of life and works of great personalities like former President Dr. APJ Abdul Kalam and shine like the sun. He also said that his government remains committed to the cause of the students in order to improve the academic atmosphere of the state while launching more student friendly measures for the welfare of the student community of the state. Sonowal, on the occasion, thanked the principal of Harhi College for leading the college towards academic excellence.

Minister of the state for Panchayat and Rural Development Naba Kumar Doley, MP Pradan Baruah, MLA Dr. Ranauj Pegu, students of the college and host of other dignitaries were present on the occasion.

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