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CM reviews COVID-19 preparedness of Hojai, Nagaon and Morigaon district

Social distancing is the best weapon to fight COVID-19: CM

Dispur, April 6: Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal today visited Hojai, Nagaon and Morigaon district and reviewed preparedness of the district administrations to fight against novel coronavirus pandemic. He visited the districts civil hospitals and held meetings with the senior officials of the district administration, health and other departments.

Chief Minister Sonowal while reviewing preparedness of Hojai district administration in a meeting held at Hojai Circuit House directed the district administration to take prompt action to ensure emergency services and delivery of essential goods to people. He also took stock of steps taken by various departments and asked the officials to put their best efforts to make the 21-day lockdown successful in the district. The Deputy Commissioner informed the Chief Minister about various steps taken to tackle the disease and measures enforced to ensure compliance of the lockdown norms in the district.

MLAs Siladitya Deb and Bimal Bora, Hojai DC Dr. Sadnek Singh, SP and senior officers of Health and other departments were present in the review meeting.

Later, the Chief Minister interacted with the media at Hojai and informed that due to successful implementation of lockdown in the State, spread of novel coronavirus infection could be limited to a large extent. He appreciated role of the people of the State in maintaining social distance and said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi's appeal to maintain social distance acts as a major weapon in saving the lives of millions of Indians.

The Chief Minister lauded media's role in the fight against COVID-19 and said that they have taken the message of preventive measures to every nook and corner of the State. Chief Minister Sonowal said that all health functionaries including doctors, nurses, ASHA workers, MPWs, Laboratory Technicians, Ward Boys, cleaning staff and ambulance drivers have been working round the clock to save the lives of the people. He further said that police personnel, officials of Food & Civil Supplies, Power, PHE, Transport departments have also joined the fight against COVID-19 with sincerity and dedication.

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Chief Minister Sonowal said that though several persons in the State have been found positive, there is no need to panic. He said that the Health department is prepared to deal with the situation and all infected persons are being provided best treatment. The Chief Minister reiterated the importance of social distancing and said that Hojai district administration has also taken various steps to ensure best health care facility in the district.

Chief Minister Sonowal also visited Nagaon district to review preparedness of the district to deal with the novel coronavirus pandemic today. The Chief Minister visited Bhugeswari Phukonani Civil Hospital and inspected the isolation wards and other facilities being developed in the hospital. He also held a review meeting at Nagaon Circuit House with district administration and senior officials of health and other departments and directed them to ensure supply of quality goods to people apart from keeping a close watch on hoarding to avoid any escalation of prices of essential commodities.

Minister of Water Resources Department Keshav Mahanta, MLAs Rupak Sarma, Dimbeswar Das and Bimal Bora, Deputy Commissioner Jadav Saikia, SP and other senior officials were present in the review meeting.

The Chief Minister also interacted with the media at Nagaon. He emphasised the importance of social distancing to fight against COVID-19 and reiterated that at present this is the best weapon for the people to keep themselves safe from novel coronavirus infection.

Chief Minister Sonowal later visited Morigaon district today and held a review meeting at the conference hall of DC office to take stock of preparedness of the district administration to deal with novel coronavirus pandemic. He also visited the district civil hospital and inspected the isolation wards.

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