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Sonowal attends observance of death anniversary of Sri Sri Madhabdev
Prays for the welfare of all sections of the society

Inaugurates Divya Upaban at Auniati Satra premises

Presents Damodardev Award 2020 to Manoj Kumar Goswami

Dispur, September 07: Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal today paid a visit to Sri Sri Auniati Satra at Koliapani in Jorhat district and offered prayer for the welfare of all sections of the people of the State. He also took part at the death anniversary observation of Mahapurush Sri Sri Madhabdev at the Satra.

Synchronising with the observance of Mahapurush Sri Sri Madhabdev's death anniversary, Chief Minister Sonowal also inaugurated "Divya Upaban" at the premises of Auniati Satra. He at the same time presented "Sri Sri Damodardev Award 2020" to senior journalist and litterateur Manoj Kumar Goswami on the occasion.

Addressing the devotees on the occasion, Chief Minister Sonowal said that Mahapurush Sri Sri Madhabdev, blessed by his Guru Mahapurush Srimanta Shankardeva, enriched the socio-cultural, spiritual and intellectual ethos of Assam. He urged upon everybody to contribute to the socio-cultural, spiritual and intellectual development of the State following the footsteps of the Mahapurush Sri Sri Madhabdev. Chief Minister Sonowal also congratulated recipient of Damodardev Award Manoj Kumar Goswami and requested him to lead an intellectual resurgence among the younger generations of the State.

Sonowal while hailing the steps taken by Auniati Satra Satradhikar Sri Sri Pitambar Deva Goswami and his other followers in setting up the "Divya Upaban", said that the garden which will have trees of difference species will contribute to government's agenda of making Assam pollution free. He at the same time asked the Satradhikar and other devotees of Sri Sri Auniati Satra to take the responsibility for the upbringing of the saplings so that they can turn into trees and contribute to the enrichment of bio-diversity of the State.

Reiterating his commitment to make Assam a greener pasture for all the nature loving people, Sonowal said that true to his government's target of planting 10 crore saplings, his government has already planted 8 crore saplings and taken multiple steps for the up keeping of the saplings. He also said that on the auspicious occasion of Mahapurush Sri Sri Madhabdev's death anniversary, he considered himself to be very fortunate to have been in a position to inaugurate the "Divya Upaban".

On the occasion, the recipient of the award Manoj Kumar Goswami also spoke and deliberated on his deep rooted connection with the Satra culture. Satradhikar of Sri Sri Auniati Satra Sri Sri Pitambar Deva Goswami also spoke on the occasion.

The Chief Minister also felicitated exponents of Satriya culture Bhularam Bora and Basudev Bora Gayan while attending the death anniversary observation of Sri Sri Madhabdev at the Satra .

MLA Bimal Bora, additional PCCF MK Yadav, DC Jorhat Roshni Aparanji Korati and a host of other dignitaries and disciples were present on the occasion.

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