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CM attends Youth leadership Convention organized by Pragya Foundation

CM urges youth to dedicate for nation building

Dispur, January 12: Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal today urged the youth to make committed and dedicated efforts for building a stronger and vibrant India. Chief Minister Sonowal made this call while speaking at the Youth Leadership Convention organized by Pragya Foundation to mark the birth anniversary of Swami Vivekananda at Srimanta Sankardeva Kalakshetra in the city today.

The Chief Minister addressing a gathering of youth representatives from different educational institutions of the State said that Swami Vivekananda glorified the 5000 years old civilization and culture of the country globally at the World's Parliament of Religions at Chicago in the United States in 1893. Sonowal said that inspired by the philosophy of Swami Vivekananda, Prime Minister Narendra Modi envisioned for Youth Led Development in the country. The Central Government in a bid to empower the youth and making them skilled undertook a number of schemes including Digital India, Skill India, Make-In-India etc., the Chief Minister said.

Stating the youth as a remarkable force for social transformation, the Chief Minister observed that the youth of the State possess tremendous potential and possibilities for taking Assam on a higher growth trajectory. He called upon the youth to put sincere and committed efforts for national building giving India a more distinct identity in the world.

The Chief Minister also spoke about the contributions of Dr. Shyama Prasad Mukherjee in nation building and urged the youth to draw inspiration from his ideology of "Ek Vidhan, Ek Nishan, Ek Pradhan". Sonowal further advocated more interaction and greater exchange of art, culture, history and tradition among people of different parts of the country for strengthening unity, harmony, brotherhood and camaraderie. He also underlined Prime Minister's call for espousing "Team India" spirit and stressed on putting collective efforts for making a stronger country.

The Chief Minister also appreciated noted social worker Basistha Bujarbaruah and Pragya Foundation for their initiative to promote nationalism among youth and to engage them in the nation building exercise.

Minister of Health, Education, Finance etc. Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma also spoke on the occasion highlighting the life and works of Swami Vivekananda.

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While Chairman of Jyoti Chitraban Pabitra Margherita anchored the programme, Chief Minister's Legal Adviser Santanu Bharali, chairman of Assam State Tourism Corporation Jayanta Malla Baruah, secretary of Srimanta Sankardev Kalakshetra Society Sudarshan Thakur, secretary of Assam Publication Board Pramod Kalita, convenor of Pragya Foundation Pranjal Saikia, singer Jitul Sonowal, actor Gayatri Mahanta and 933

youth leaders representing 100 institutions of the State were present in the convention.

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