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## CM reviews COVID19 situation in Majuli and status of various schemes

Make COVID tests mandatory in all entry points: CM

**Dispur, May 13**: Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma today reviewed the prevailing COVID19 situation in river island district of Majuli at a meeting held with Deputy Commissioner (DC) and other senior officers at Majuli DC Office conference hall and directed strict implementation of restrictions for containing the pandemic.

The Chief Minister took stock of the availability of ICU beds in the district along with oxygen, medicines, health infrastructure etc in view of the rising number of cases. He directed for generating mass awareness about the importance of following COVID19 protocols for containing the spread of the pandemic and instructed DC Majuli to ramp up testing and make testing mandatory at all entry points to the district.

Chief Minister Dr. Sarma also reviewed the status of implementation of various schemes in Majuli and he stressed on ensuring quality of construction and timely completion of ongoing schemes in the district. He instructed for strengthening vulnerable points of the embankments in the district on war footing ahead of the floods.

Construction of Majuli-Jorhat connecting bridge, status of Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojna, road construction, Ro-Pax ferry service to and from Jorhat, activities of agriculture department also came up for review in the meeting. The Chief Minister also looked into matters such as setting up of office of the District Elementary Education Officer (DEEO), making the stay of staffs of various government offices in the district compulsory instead of traveling from outside etc.

MP Pradan Baruah, DC Majuli Bikram Koiri, SP Aparna Natrajan, Joint Director of Health Services in Majuli along with officials of various departments were present in the meeting.

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