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Dispur, February 14: In an attempt for overall improvement of police stations across the state, Chief Minister SarbanandaSonowal today inaugurated Margherita Police stations under MOITRI (Mission for Overall Improvement of Thana for Responsive Images) scheme at a function held at Margherita in Tinsukia district today.

The police station inaugurated under the MOITRI scheme is a part of the 73 police stations covered under the scheme in the first phase for the overall improvement of police stations, re-dedicating the force to the service of people, creating people friendly environment with modern scientific human approach.

Speaking on the occasion, Chief MinsiterSonowal said that in order to provide security to the lives and properties of the people of the state, State government has given importance for smart policing and smart police stations. Referring to Prime Minister Narendra Modi who for the first time envisaged the idea of smart police, Sonowal said that the upgradation of police stations under MOITRI scheme and giving an opportunity to the state police force to toe the line of smart policing actually taken under the guidance of Narendra Modi. He also emphasised that if the police personnel become smart, security can be given to the lives and properties of the people with an added emphasis on modern human approach.

He also said that all the police stations in the state will be covered under the scheme as the government has shortlisted 73 police stations in the first phase. Reiterating his government's commitment to a responsive police force, Sonowal said that the guiding principle for the scheme is to create good atmosphere in the police stations and bridge the gap between public and police.

It may be noted that the new Margherita Police station has been built involving the financial outlay of Rs. 2,01,25,353.71 with facilities like women cell with children corner, conference hall, male and female officer's rest room, fire suppression system, reception with visitor's waiting room including toilet, drinking water facilities, boundary wall gate with sentry post, renewable energy i.e. solar campus light with solar panel on rooftop, maintenance legacy for three years etc.

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