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CM lays foundation stone of two lane flyover at Sarabbhati intersection

CM urges people to maintain the spirit of Atithi Devo Bhava

Dispur, February 25: With a view to make the city roads less congested, Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal laid the foundation stone of a two lane flyover at Sarabbhati intersection on Guwahati-Garbhangra road in presence of Minister of PWD, Finance, Education etc. Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma today. The 790 meter long flyover will be built under SOPD fund of the state government and is targeted to be completed within 24 months.

Speaking on the occasion, Chief Minister Sonowal urged the people to maintain the spirit of Atithi Devo Bhava. The Chief Minister said that in today's age of competition if Guwahati has to be developed as a smart and attractive city, the residents must owe the responsibility to keep the city clean. He said that Prime Minister Narendra Modi during his first term expressed his vision for building smart cities in the country including Guwahati. The Assam government taking inspiration from the Prime Minister's vision has been working to improve transportation and connectivity infrastructure in Guwahati so that it could earn the recognition of the visitors as a beautiful place besides making life for the city dwellers smooth. He also urged the youth to help generating more awareness about civic behaviour among people. The Chief Minister also thanked the people for their support and cooperation during Ambubachi Mela and various national and international events held in the city. Further saying that the Prime Minister through Act East Policy gives an opportunity to the people of the region to make a strong foothold in the South East Asian countries and now the onus is on the people to make best use of it.

Minister of PWD, Finance, Education etc. Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma in his speech said that a number of developmental initiatives were taken to give a new look to Guwahati city so that it could immerge as the gateway to the South East Asian nations. He said that the new arm of the Ganesguri Flyover has already been dedicated to the service of the people and the flyover at Supermarket would be completed soon. Further construction work of Maligaon flyover has also been started. He informed that the new flyover at Sarabbhati would be a major boost to connectivity between the two wings of the second Medical College of Guwahati, i.e. MMCH and TB Hospital. The Finance Minister also said that 30% work of the bridge connecting Guwahati and North Guwahati has been completed and the eastern India's longest flyover from Guwahati Club to Noonmati would be taken up soon. He said that a new convention centre is being constructed on the bank of Brahmaputra near Gauhati High Court in the model of Science Centre New Dehli which would give a new dimension to the city in the days to come. The minister said that several foot bridges were constructed at different parts of the city apart from improving footpaths to benefit the pedestrians. The minister said

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that in last few years flash flood has been successfully tackled. Further steps such as river front beautification and other initiatives were taken in a bid to add to the attraction of the city

GDD Minister Siddhartha Bhattacharjee also spoke on the occasion.

MP Queen Oja and Guwahati West MLA Ramendra Narayan Kalita, Commissioner & Secretary of PWD (Roads) Rajesh Kemprai, Commissioner & Special Secretary Raj Chakraborty, Chief Engineer Dilip Hazarika were present among others on the occasion.

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