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Sonowal launches RE-SVAYEM in Majuli

Announces Sati Radhi Multi-purpose project for the river island

Construction of Jorhat-Majuli connecting bridge to start by 20 February: CM

Dispur, February 3: In a bid to motivate the youths of the state to rightful vocations, Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal today launched the State government's flagship programme, RE-SVAYEM Re-designed Swami Vivekananda Assam Youth Empowerment scheme at Majuli today. In the same programme Sonowal also distributed solar lights, water filters, agricultural tools under some schemes implemented by Scheduled Caste Board to the beneficiaries.

Speaking on the occasion organised to inaugurate RE-SVAYEM in Majuli, Chief Minister Sonowal said that State government has launched the scheme in a move to empower the youths of the district to create rightful vocations for them. By making good use of the scheme, the youths will have to set the right examples of being self-reliant. Referring to Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Atmanirbhar Bharat, Sonowal said that in order to imbibe the feeling of self-dignity, one has to become self-reliant.

Sonowal also said that under 15th Finance Commission for the construction of roads and embankments in Majuli, the Commission granted Rs. 1095 crore for Majuli. Stating that a host of activities were already undertaken for inauguration of works of the bridge connecting Jorhat and Majuli, Sonowal announced that the construction of Jorhat-Majuli would start by February 20. The Chief Minister on behalf of the people of Assam also expressed his gratitude to Prime Minister Narendra Modi for earmarking Rs. 34 thousand crore for the development of Assam which is so far highest allocation in the Union Budget.

Stating that unity is strength, Sonowal called upon the people to work together to make the state strong. He said that only the BJP led government in the state took steps to promote and protect the language, literature and culture of all sections of the people of the state. Under Bhasha Gaurav Scheme financial grants were given to 21 sahitya sabhas. Similarly, the *Botodroba* Than will be built in line with the Golden Temple of Amritsar.

The Chief Minister said that without land, no one is secured. He, therefore, stated that State government took the steps for allotting land pattas to local indigenous landless people. He, at the same time mentioned about Narendra Modi's recent visit to Sivasagar where he inaugurated a process of granting 1.10 lakh land pattas to the local indigenous people. He also said that 16 thousand indigenous people of Majuli were also granted land pattas. The Chief Minister also said that under Chief Minister Grammya Unnayan Yojana, tractors were distributed in all 26 thousand villages for the welfare of 58 lakh farmers of the state. Moreover,

financial grants were given to 2.60 lakh women under Kanaklata Mahila Sabalikaran Achoni, the Chief Minister added.

Stating that the newly formed political parties only created confusion among the people, Sonowal gave a brief snapshot of all the steps that the State government has taken for the welfare of all sections of the people.

Member of Parliament Pradan Baruah spoke on the occasion which was also attended among others by Padmashri Gopiram Bargayan Burabhakat, President Assam Cricket Association Ramen Dutta, Vice Chairperson ARTFED Rupa Kamang, Chairperson Majuli Zila Parishad Papu Haharika Dutta and a host of others.

It may be noted that 1600 beneficiaries from 222 SHGs were identified for RE-SVAYEM.

Later, Chief Minister Sonowal attended 9th triennial conference of Assam Anusuchit Jati Parishad in Majuli and announced that State government would set up Sati Radhika Multi-purpose project in Majuli.

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