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CM visits Dima Hasao and West Karbi Anglong district

Sonowal reviews preparedness to combat COVID-19

Dispur, April 4: Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal today visited Haflong in Dima Hasao district to take stock of preparedness of district administration to fight against COVID-19. The Chief Minister visited Haflong Civil hospital and held a review meeting with senior officials of the district.

While attending the review meeting at the district Circuit House, Chief Minister Sonowal directed the district administration to maintain uninterrupted supply of essential commodities to people in view of the ongoing lockdown. He also asked the Deputy Commissioner and Superintendent of Police to keep strict vigil to ensure complete compliance of lockdown norms in the district. The Dima Hasao DC informed Chief Minister Sonowal about the emergency services pressed into operation apart from measures taken to ensure supply of essential goods to people and number of people who are put under quarantine in the district.

MLA Birbhadra Hagjer, CEM of NC Hills Autonomous Council Debolal Garlosa, EM in charge of Health Department Samuel Changsan, EM in charge of Food and Civil Supplies N Hmar, EM in charge of Education Department N Garlosa, DC Amitabh Rajkhowa, SP Bir Bikram Gogoi and other senior officials were present in the meeting.

Later the Chief Minister interacted with the media and informed that the state is fighting with united effort against COVID-19. He said that the people of Assam have extended full support to the lockdown announced by the Prime Minister and adhered to its norms with discipline and resoluteness maintaining social distance. He also appealed the people to maintain the same spirit for coming days. Chief Minister Sonowal also appreciated the people of Dima Hasao for ensuring successful compliance of lockdown norms in the district. He also praised the role of the official of Health, Police, Food & Civil Supplies, Transport and Power department who are working day and night to ease out the trouble times.

Further saying that already several positive cases have been detected in Assam, the Chief Minister urged people not to panic and continue the fight against COVID-19 with positive outlook and discipline. He also expressed hope that successful compliance of the lockdown till April 14 would significantly help in minimising infection from this dreaded disease. He also informed the media that all measures taken by the district administration and NC Hills Autonomous Council have been reviewed and necessary directions have been

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given to ensure availability of pure drinking water and essential goods. The Chief Minister also thanked the media's role in the fight against COVID-19.

Chief Minister Sonowal also visited Hamren in West Karbi Anglong district to review preparedness of the district to deal with the novel coronavirus pandemic today. During this visit, the Chief Minister visited the quarantine centre set up at Kuthepi Model School, Dongkamokam in Hamren and held a review meeting at Waisong Indoor Stadium conference hall with district administration and senior officials of health and other departments.

Minister of Hills Areas Development Department Sum Ronghang, CEM of KAAC Tuliram Ronghang, Principal Secretary of KAAC Sanjeeb Kumar Das, DC Isfaqr Rahman, SP Dr. Ramandeep Kaur and other senior officials were present in the review meeting.

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