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## Sonowal reviews implementation of schemes of Panchayat and Rural Development

Dispur, July 30: Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal reviewed the implementation of different schemes of Panchayat and Rural Development being executed in Majuli. In a meeting took place in the conference hall of DC office at Garmur in Majuli which was participated by presidents of eight gaon panchayats, members of anchalik panchayats and secretaries, Chief Minister Sonowal held a threadbare discussion with all the functionaries of the panchayat bodies for expeditious implementation of the schemes for the welfare of all sections of the people.

Chief Minister Sonowal discussed distribution of job cards under MGNREGA, allotment of job cards to those people who had come back to the district from different parts of the country compelled by corona virus pandemic. Sonowal also took stock of the implementation of PM Awas Yojana and fund allotment under 14<sup>th</sup> Finance Commission.

During the meeting Chief Minister Sonowal said that in the post lock down period, government is making all possible effort to stimulate the skill sets of the workers of the state which according to him would be the driving force towards *Atmanirbhar* Assam. He also directed Deputy Commissioner Majuli Bikram Kairi to see that no deserving candidate is deprived of getting a dwelling house under Prime Minister Awas Yojana. He also asked the panchayat representatives to involve the beneficiaries in the scheme of things and engage them in various stages of scheme implementation.

MP Pradan Barua, MLAs Dr. Ranoj Pegu and Bimal Bora, DC Bikram Kairi, senior officers of Panchayat and Rural Development were also present during the meeting.

Meanwhile, Chief Minister Sonowal also held discussion with Assam Press Correspondents' Union and Majuli District Journalists' Association in two separate meetings. In both the meetings the representatives of both the bodies drew attention of the Chief Minister to their problems. Chief Minister Sonowal assured them that due weightage would be given for addressing their grievances in phases. Sonowal also apprised the journalists of different steps that government of Assam has taken to solve various problems of Majuli. After the meeting Sonowal presented face masks and hand senitisers to the journalists.

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