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King Bhutan's letter to Chief Minister Sonowal

Dispur, July 31: Bhutan King Jigme Khesar hailed Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal and his government and thanked him for helping Bhutan in tackling the pressing situation precipitated in view of the COVID 19 induced lockdown.

In a letter sent to the chief minister recently the Bhutan King said, "Though Assam with its people fought it hard to contain the pandemic with necessary lockdown and curtailment of people's movement, the benevolence of the authorities of Assam in allowing movement of vehicles carrying essential commodities to Bhutan helped its people and ensured their wellbeing during the lockdown period". The King termed the gesture as a true reflection of the close ties of friendship and brotherhood between the people of Assam and Bhutan. He also said, "I remain appreciative of your goodwill and look forward to your continued support".

The Bhutan King also said that the efforts of the state government would very soon stem the spread of the corona virus as he empathised with the people of Assam in these trying times.

Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal on behalf of the people of Assam also expressed his gratitude to the King. He said that the ever-increasing bond of friendship and brotherliness between Assam and Bhutan will keep strengthening the mutual ties in days to come.

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