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Sonowal visits flood and erosion hit areas of Lakhimpur and Dhemaji braving inclement weather

Govt has taken steps to rein in flood and erosion: CM

Dispur, July 29: Braving inclement weather and incessant rain, Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal today visited the erosion and flood hit areas of Lakhimpur and Dhemaji districts. Sonowal first visited the erosion hit areas of Thekerajan in Lakhimpur district perpetrated by Subansiri river. During his visit, Sonowal interacted with the senior officers of Water Resources department and took stock of the measures taken by the department to mitigate the effects of erosion. He also directed the department to take appropriate steps for reducing the menace of erosion.

Chief Minister Sonowal also visited Bhoj revenue village of Dhemaji district, interacted with the flood affected people and distributed relief materials among them. It may be noted that following incessant rain in the past few days the overflowing Jiadhal river has inundated at least 50 revenue village. He also visited the under-construction embankment site along the Kumotia river and took stock of the construction of the embankment. He also directed the implementing agency to expeditiously to complete the construction process.

Water Resources Minister Keshab Mahanta, Minister of State for Cultural Affairs Naba Kumar Doley, MP Pradan Barua, MLA Dr. Ranoj Pegu, senior officers of Water Resources Department accompanied the Chief Minister during his visit.

Later, Chief Minister Sonowal also visited erosion hit areas of Dhakuakhana Civil Sub-Division. The erosion perpetrated by Charikaria river on the back side of Dhakuakhana College has posed a great deal of problem, as Chief Minister Sonowal visited the area, took stock of the situation and conceded that the government would take immediate steps to address the problem. Talking to the reporters, Sonowal said that along with flood, soil erosion has posed a great deal of challenge. He also said that he has been visiting several places of the state to take stock of the problems posed by flood and erosion. He also said that he has already directed Water Resources Department to initiate remedial steps to give the people succour from the perennial problem of flood and erosion. He also said that the erosion perpetrated by different rivers in Dhemaji have posed a great problem as local MLA and MP took the issue very seriously and the Water Resources Department has pressed its men and materials to find a long standing and scientific solution to the problem, Sonowal added.

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