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Sonowal dedicates newly built building of Water Resources Divisional Office and guest house in Majuli

Dispur, July 29: Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal today inaugurated the newly built building of Water Resources Divisional Office and Guest house at Garmur in Majuli and dedicated it to the service of the people. It may be noted that the project started in 2016-17 under the State Owned Priority Development fund, the building was built involving a financial outlay of Rs. 7.44 crore.

Speaking on the occasion, Chief Minister Sonowal said that for the infrastructural development of Majuli, Government of Assam has been taking a series of measures. He also said that his government is committed to bring about development and give a dignity of life to all its people in the state. Stating that flood and erosion have been longstanding problem of Majuli as well as other parts of the state, Sonowal said that for the permanent solution of flood and erosion, the Centre and State governments are taking different steps. He also attributed the formation of a high-powered committee under the leadership of the vice-chairman of NITI Aayog to the futuristic and personal initiative of Prime Minister Narendra Modi to bring to an enduring solution to the perennial flood and erosion problem of the state. A bill will be introduced in the Parliament and once it is passed North East Water Management Authority will be come into force for finding a permanent solution to flood and erosion in the region.

He also stated that the issue of flood of Majuli has been taken in right stead using modern science and technology. The divisional office of Water Resources department created in Majuli will go a long way in finding out tangible solution to flood. He also pointed out that the 15th Finance Commission has included erosion in SDRF, as a result of which it will be helpful for the government to negotiate with the erosion and find out its solution.

Water Resources Minister Keshab Mahanta, MP Pradan Barua, MLAs Bimal Bora, Ranoj Pegu also spoke on the occasion. CEM, Deuri Autonomous Council Madhab Deuri, DC Bikram Kairi and a host of other dignitaries were present on the occasion.

Synchronising with the event, eight beneficiaries were given handloom and tractors.

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