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Sonowal visits flood hit South Salmara district

Asks police and BSF to maintain strict vigil along border

Dispur, July 24: Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal today visited the flood hit South Salmara-Mankachar district and took stock of flood situation in the district including the people displaced by the recent wave of flood.

Accompanied by MLA Dr. Ranuj Pegu, Chief Minister Sonowal visited the flood hit Sisumara Border Post areas, Masaneralga and other areas which faced the onslaught of the flood. He asked the district administration to reach out to the flood affected people and provide them rescue, relief and rehabilitation. Chief Minister Sonowal also visited the border areas and asked the Border Security Force (BSF) personnel to maintain strict vigil along the border areas. He also asked district police administration and BSF to press in to generator service to provide uninterrupted power supply in the border areas where electric connection has been snapped due to flood. He asked APDCL to ensure distribution of electricity up to the last mile in the district. Sonowal also interacted with the BSF personnel on duty and the people living along the border areas.

DIG Raunak Ali Hazarika, Commandant BSF 06 Battalion, Deputy Commissioner, Superintendent of Police were present during Sonowal's visit to the border areas.

Chief Minister Sonowal also chaired a review meeting in the conference room of DC office at Hatsingimari where DC Atika Sultana gave a presentation to give an overview of the damage caused by the flood. It may be mentioned that the recent wave of flood has affected two revenue circles in the district covering 143 revenue villages affecting 5 lakh 54 thousand people. Sonowal also took stock of the rescue and relief operations being carried in the district. He also asked the DC to ensure supply of relief materials in adequate quantity to the flood affected people. He also asked Public Health Engineering Department to supply safe and pure drinking water to the flood affected people. He also asked Agricultural Department to provide seeds and seedlings to the affected farmers so that they can resort to farming immediately after flood water recedes. Chief Minister Sonowal also asked Veterinary and Animal Husbandry Department to provide fodder to the cattle and make sure that no epidemic can harm the animals after flood. The Chief Minister also directed Health Department to provide medical facilities to the flood affected people and take pragmatic steps to avert any epidemic in the district. He also asked APDCL to make sure that no electrocuted incident takes place during and after the flood. All heads of the department of the district were present during the meeting.

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