

CM Dr. Sarma attended 75th GU foundation day

Assam Rising
Guwahati, January 27: Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma urged the Gauhati University to lead a start-up and innovation movement in the state and assured to extend all necessary support if an appropriate proposal in this direction is submitted to the Government. The Chief Minister said this while taking part as the chief guest at the 75th foundation day programme of the University and the inaugural function of the platinum jubilee celebrations held at BKB auditorium of the university today. Dr. Sarma said, "Gauhati University is a sacred temple of higher learning. This university was born out of the committed endeavours of Assamese people in the pursuit of higher education. Even though many new institutions of higher learning have come up in the state, this university still stands tall." Chief Minister Dr. Sarma said that Gauhati University is the heart of educational renaissance in North East India. Unlike other institutions of higher learning, this university has many unique features. This university came into existence as a result of the endless sacrifices and long movement of a large number



of dedicated personalities. He said that the university has a remarkable history of creating rich human resources. Highlighting the history behind the establishment of Gauhati University, the Chief Minister said that the movement for the establishment of a university in Assam was started in the year 1917. This university came into existence due to sacrifices and untiring efforts of personalities like Satyanath Bora, Ghanashyam Baruah, Nabin Chandra Bordoloi, Gopinath Bordoloi, Raghunath Chaudhury, Tarun Ram Phookan, Krishna Kanta Handique, Sarat Chandra

Goswami etc., contributions of the people and co-operation of the state government. The University was established by the Gauhati University Act of 1947 enacted by the government headed by Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi, the first Chief Minister of Assam. Referring to the University Court meeting held for the first time on January 26, 1948 at Sudderson Hall of Cotton College, the Chief Minister said that this day marked the beginning of a new era in the educational history of the region by becoming the first university in North East India. It is a

matter of pride for all of us that Gauhati University is entering its platinum jubilee year in this 75th year of celebrating the Amrit Mahotsav of the country's independence, the Chief Minister said. Stating that this is the right time for the university to lead a start-up and innovation movement in the state, he said that there is never a shortage of capital in the state except for innovation and innovative works. The Chief Minister informed that the State Government would extend all necessary support if an appropriate proposal in this direction is submitted to the Government. Chief Minister Dr. Sarma said that the pursuit of knowledge and wisdom is a fundamental tenet of Indian civilization. Today, Indian civilization has reached a full-fledged stage of excellence through a relentless journey of knowledge and wisdom, advancing along the path shown by Takshashila and Nalanda. The Chief Minister said that the creation of teachers or bureaucrats alone could not be the objective of the university. The purpose of education should be to change the thinking and mentality of the students. Commenting on the significance of the new education policy adopted by the country today, he said that its main objective would be achieved only if the underlying significance of the national education policy could be put into practice. The Chief Minister also said that Gauhati University should take the lead in implementing this education policy in the state. While

Hemanta Kumar Nath, Registrar of the University, delivered the welcome address at the event, Adviser of the Education Department, Government of Assam Dr. Nani Gopal Mahanta, Vice Chancellor Dr. Pratapjyoti Handique and executive president of the Platinum Jubilee celebration committee Prof. Dilip Kumar Kalita also spoke on the occasion. The 75th Foundation Day program was attended by a large number of former and current students and teachers of the University. The Chief Minister then formally inaugurated the Freshwater Ornamental Fish Brood Bank at the Aqua Culture and Biodiversity Center at Gauhati University. Established under the auspices of the National Fisheries Development Board, Hyderabad and in collaboration with the Fisheries Department of the State Government, the institute specializes in the development of ornamental fish research and rearing skills for the benefit of the students of Zoology Department of the University.



LGBI Airport celebrated republic day

Assam Rising, Azara, January 27: Gratifying the 73rd Republic Day of India, the Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport (LGBIA) has organized a flag hoisting ceremony in presence of staff and officers of all the departments serving the airport today morning at 09.00 am. Unfurling the tri-color, the Chief Airport Officer Utpal Baruah appealed to all members of the airport to support in the process of making the LGBI airport developed into a world-class airport for which each one will soon be proud of. CISF Unit of the airport led by Commandant L.M. Thakur organized a guard of honor and conducted a show of the sniffer dogs deployed for airport security activities. A local NGO "JCI, Guwahati" in collaboration with Guwahati International Airport Limited has organized a blood donation camp at the airport throughout the day. A special decoration, a crib has been erected in front of the terminal building that attracts passengers and public alike. Passengers traveling through LGBIA are seen enjoying the beautiful display that depicts the "constitution of India" as the main theme with the Ashoka Chakra on it. The terminal building is also lit with colors that resemble the national tricolor.

USTM Celebrates 73rd Republic Day



Assam Rising
Guwahati, January 27: As the Nation celebrates its 73rd Republic Day to remember when India's Constitution came into force, the University of Science and Technology Meghalaya too celebrated the day with participation of students, faculties and administrative staff. Following all Covid protocols, the tricolor was unfurled at 8.30 in the morning by the Vice Chancellor of the university, Prof G. D. Sharma in the presence of other officials, faculty members and students at the university campus. "Students should work towards nation building and should take progress of the country as their foremost priority", said Prof G. D. Sharma while addressing the gathering. He advised the students to do constructive work for the nation and humanity, apart from their regular studies. Besides Prof Sharma, other dignitaries and student representatives also addressed the gathering with patriotic speeches. The Vice Chan-

cellor also handed over prizes to the winners of the essay competition which was held among the UG and PG students in separate categories and was organised by the University Literary Club on the occasion of "Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav" at the Amenity Center of the University. A Yoga programme was conducted on this occasion in the campus where faculties, students and staff actively took part. Various sports activities were also organized during the day for promotion of harmony and brotherhood. Sports and games like friendly Cricket match, Musical Chair competitions were held soon after the flag hoisting ceremony at the Amenity Centre of the university. Attractive Prizes were given on the spot to the winners.

Three Dialysis Unit inaugurated in Aalo

Assa Rising
Aalo, January 27: The MLA Aalo East cum Advisor Law, Justice and Parliamentary Affairs Advocate Kento Jini, accompanied by DC West Siang, Chairperson Zilla Parishad, ZPMS and Head of Offices inaugurated the Dialysis Units at General Hospital Aalo amid cheer and applause recently. Speaking on the occasion, the MLA said that the long felt demand of the people could materialize after one year of repeated persuasion to the govt. from his side and needy people with kidney problems can avail the opportunity without going out even for minor treatment. He said that nothing can be more pleasing than to get the Dialysis for the people of Aalo. He appealed DMO and team to make best use of it and ensure punctuality in office time for the greater interest of the patients. So many need based schemes and infrastructure including CT Scan are coming up soon in the hospital and our people will be



relying more on the doctors and technicians have also arrived and the unit will be made functional in a day. The DMO, Dr. Dubom Bagra disclosed that so many people with kidney problems are taking dialysis in other hospitals due to the absence of such a facility here. Only 15 to 20 people can be covered by the three units

and technicians have also arrived and the unit will be made functional in a day. The DMO sought two to three more units to cater all the needs of the needy people of the district. The DFWO Dr. Tomar Kamki extended his gratitude to all for making the event a success.

Republic Day observed in N. Lakhimpur

Assam Rising, North Lakhimpur, January 27: Along with the rest of the country, the 73rd Republic Day was also observed in North Lakhimpur under the aegis of Lakhimpur district administration at North Lakhimpur Government Higher Secondary School playground following COVID protocols where national flag was hoisted by the Plain tribe and hills development minister of the state Jogen Mohon in the morning. In his speech, the minister spoke on various developmental works done by the government in Lakhimpur district. In the celebration function, the Assam police and the homeguards saluted the minister. Lakhimpur DC Sumit Sattawan, Lakhimpur SP and many other administrative officers and heads of various government departments were present in the event.

AJYCP's stage protest in Ledu

Assam Rising
Margherita, January 27: AJYCP today launched a protest programme at Ledu in Margherita demanding re-opening of north east coal fields. It may be recalled that the North East coal field has been completely closed for mining and production for the last three years. The Margherita Regional Committee of AJYCPs today launched a three-hour sit-in strike programme at the Ledu Central Theater (kendiyo Rang Manch)

demanding the revival of the coal industry. Hundreds of members of the AJYCP attended the protest and staged a massive protest with anti-government slogans. The complete closure of Margherita North East coal field production and supply as the backbone of the economy of Assam and Margherita has had a huge impact on the Margherita economy and the labour and business situation associated with the plant has become a duck in the wa-

ter. The government has been promising to re-open the industry on various occasions but till date the industry has not been re-opened. So today Margherita Regional Committee of AJYCP has launched a three-hour sit-in strike programme to reopen the coal industry at the earliest. Otherwise the organisation warned from the protest site that it would be forced to take up the programme of strong democratic movement



Republic Day Celebrated in Golaghat

Assam Rising, Golaghat, Jan 27: Like the other parts of the country and the state the 73rd Republic Day was celebrated in Golaghat also. Golaghat District administration organised the Republic Day program at Samannay Kshetra in Golaghat where state minister of Tea Tribes and Labour Welfare Sanjay Kishan attended the event as Chief Guest. The Minister unfurled the National Flag and received Guard of Honor from Assam Police, the CRPF and the NCC. Deputy Commissioner of Golaghat Mrigesh Narayan Baruah, Superintendent of Police Sumit Sharma along with several other officials from district administration and the police were present in the program. District Information and Public Relation Office Golaghat also observed the Day where the tricolor was unfurled in presence of the DIPRO Golaghat Pompi Devi and other staff of the office. Similarly. On the other hand the 73rd Republic Day was celebrated at Maheswari Bhawan and Digambar Jain Mandir in Golaghat maintaining all Covid protocols.

NIRDPR NERC organised national webinar

Assam Rising
Guwahati, January 27: The National Institute of Rural Development and Panchayati Raj, North Eastern Regional Centre, Guwahati, Assam has organised an Online National Webinar on Community Mobilization for Sustainable Development as a part of Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav Celebrations.

The Programme was inaugurated by Professor T. Tirupati Rao, Chancellor, Manipur Central University, Imphal while delivering Inaugural Address of the Webinar said that we have to use resources such that future generations should not be deprived. The concept of sustainable development is not new, it has been followed by many cultures

over the course of history with an aim of maintaining a balance between man and nature as well as economy and referred to as environmentally sustainable growth. In Inaugural session NIRDPR NERC Director honoured Sangkhumi Bulchhuak, Padma Awardee 2021 for her outstanding work on Mobilising Mizo Community for Gender Equality. Y. Madhava Reddy, Secretary, Vandemataram Foundation deliberated on Education for sustainability from Schools to communities said that school education to be reformed first for transforming the soci-

ety for sustainable development. In Aksharavanam project of Vandemataram foundation they are implementing child friendly pedagogy to inculcate all the values and behaviors required for future generations which was highlighted by NEP 2020. Child-Teacher-Community strategy is being practiced for mobilizing the community. Total 90 Participants representing different states participated in this webinar and interacted with the speakers. The programme was concluded with a formal vote of thanks by Dr. T. Vijaya Kumar.



CM Dr. Sarma attended the Republic Day celebration at Veterinary College Playground, in Guwahati on January 26.