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## CM chairs high-level meeting with PGDOI

**Gangtok, November 29:** Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang chaired a high-level meeting with the Power Grid Corporation of India (PGCOI) represented by CMD K. Sreekant and his team at the Conference Hall of Chintan Bhawan, today.

Minister for Land Revenue and Disaster Management Department Mr. Kunga Nima Lepcha, Minister for Power Department Mr. Mingma Norbu Sherpa, Minister for Tourism Department Mr. B.S. Panth, Chief Secretary Mr. V.B. Pathak, ACS cum PCCF, Forest Department, Mr. M.L. Srivastav, District Magistrates, Superintendent of Police, DFOs of different districts, HoDs of various departments and CMO officials were present in the meeting.

The Chief Minister discussed project line and its

status with the District Magistrates of Gangtok, Mangan, Namchi, Gyalshing and Soreng Districts. He urged the officials to address concerns related to the power grid in the State and execute the work at the earliest.

The meeting discussed comprehensive scheme for strengthening transmission and distribution system in Sikkim. Various matters related to scope of work and services, design/engineering, tendering and awarding, work execution, testing and commissioning and issues regarding the execution of responsibilities by the Power Department, were discussed. Similarly, responsibilities of Department like land acquisition for new substations, clearance and administrative approval maintaining law and order were also highlighted.

## CM meets NHIDCL officials and stakeholders

**Gangtok, November 29:** Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang chaired a high-level meeting with the officials of NHIDCL and the stakeholders of the State at the Conference Hall of Chintan Bhawan, today.

Also present were Minister of Land Revenue and Disaster Management Department Mr. Kunga Nima Lepcha, Minister for Power Department Mr. Mingma Norbu Sherpa, Minister for Tourism Department Mr. B.S. Panth, Minister for Agriculture Mr. L.N. Sharma, Chief Secretary Mr. V.B. Pathak, ACS cum PCCF, Forest Department, Secretary CMO Mrs. Tenzing Kizom Bhutia, District Collectors and Superintendent of Police, HoDs of allied departments, officials from the Chief Minister's office and representatives from NHIDCL.

The Chief Minister reviewed progress of the National Highway projects in the State. He stressed on the importance of coordination between the Centre and State agencies for developing infrastructure in the State and instructed the officials to work efficiently. He also interacted with the District Collectors of Gangtok, Pakyong, Namchi, and Gyalshing districts and wherein, they gave a brief report about the work being carried out under their supervision.

Discussions on land acquisition, progress of ongoing projects, ownership disputes and arbitration and possible financial

interventions were made. Various policies regarding road development, issues related to the non-evacuation of compensated houses/structures, compensation for damage beyond RoW and other technicalities were discussed.

The Chief Minister also directed the officials to identify the damaged area under Row to compensate the individuals accordingly and requested NHIDCL to do the needful.

Chief Secretary Mr. V.B. Pathak took note of the responsibilities allocated to the concerned officials regarding matters discussed during the session and specified the time frame for the work to be completed.

Later, Chief Engineer Urban Development Department, Mr. Shailendra Sharma in a Power-Point presentation showed how the improper disposal of boulders and other construction debris accumulated during road construction by NHIDCL, has caused damage to Martam Solid Waste Treatment Plant.

Similarly, Pakyong DC, Mr. Tashi Chopel highlighted on the issues related to public and private property damage by the NHIDCL. The Chief Minister asked the concerned officials to look into the matter and expedite necessary aid to the public. He also asked the officials to intensify monitoring for the timely completion of the National Highway projects in the State.

## CM attends virtual inauguration of infrastructures of SBS

**Gangtok, November 30:** Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang attended the virtual inauguration of infrastructures of the State Bank of Sikkim (SBS) as the chief guest at Manan Kendra, Gangtok, today.

The Chief Minister virtually inaugurated a new SBS building in Tadong and Bank branches in Nandugaon (Namchi) and Uttarey (Gyalshing) in the presence of Cabinet Ministers, Area MLAs, MP Lok Sabha, Political Secretary to CM, Additional Political Secretary, urban local and rural bodies, representatives from SBS and SEED Cell, Police personnel and SYSS beneficiaries.

The Chief Minister extended his heartiest congratulations to SBS employees for the constructions of new infrastructures in various regions around the State. He assured that he would leave no stone unturned for the employment of youth in the State and declared that a certain amount of cash is reserved for female entrepreneurs to empower



them.

He highlighted various schemes such as Aama, Bahini and thanked SBS for financially supporting the Government. He also requested the Board of Directors of SBS to raise its employee's retirement age to 60

years from 58.

Chairman SBS, Mr. D.B. Gurung apprised everyone about the Bank's development under the State Government's leadership. He thanked the Chief Minister for his

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## Cabinet approves and sanctions various proposals

**Gangtok, November 28:** A Cabinet meeting chaired by the Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang was held at Tashiling Secretariat, today. The meeting was attended by Cabinet Ministers, Chief Secretary. After thorough discussions, the following decisions were approved by the Cabinet:

### Agriculture Department

Approval and en-bloc sanction of ₹448 Lakhs for implementation of Rainfed Area Development Scheme during the current financial year.

Approval and sanction of ₹830.82 Lakhs for implementation of sub-mission on Agricultural Mechanization (SMAM) for the year 2022-23.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹80 Lakhs for the implementation of Improvement of Agricultural Statistics Scheme (Establishment of Agency for Reporting Agriculture Statistics).

Financial sanction of ₹2,15,70,575/- for the implementation of Project Sikkim Agricultural Resources Management System (ARMS) under the revised National e-

Governance Plan-Agriculture (NeGP-A).

Approval and sanction of ₹1577.777 lakhs for the implementation of Rashtriya Krishi Vikas Yojna for the year, 2022-23.

### Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services Department

Approval and sanction of ₹21.52 Lakhs for implementation of Integrated Sample Survey for the estimation production of Major Livestock Produces Scheme.

Approval and sanction of ₹200 Lakhs for the implementation of Pig Production Incentive Scheme in the year 2022-23.

Approval of the Share Transfer Agreement Dated: 14 October, 2022 signed between Government of Sikkim, M/S Kaira District Co-Operative Milk Producer's Union Ltd, and M/S Gujarat Cooperative Milk Marketing Federation Ltd. to take over SDPPL (Sikkim Dairy Products Private Limited) by the

Government of Sikkim, to liquidate it under Sikkim Registration of Companies Act, 1961 and to hand over the same to the Sikkim Co-Operative Milk Producer's Union Ltd for its revival and operations along with approval and sanction of ₹1 Crore to release the same to Sikkim Co-Operative Milk Producer's Union Ltd in order to implement the process of acquisition, liquidation and revival.

Approval and sanction of ₹300 Lakhs for implementation of Milk Incentive Scheme of the Government.

### Buildings and Housing Department

Approval and ex-post facto financial sanction of ₹100 lakhs each for the financial years 2020-21 and 2021-22 for the construction of Co-operative Society Building at Nandugaon for SHG in Namchi District along with financial

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### Pearls of Wisdom

*"You only live once, but if you do it right, once is enough."*

*- Mae West*

### Review meeting of National Panchayat Award Assessment

**Mangan, December 02:** A review meeting on National Panchayat Award Assessment was organised by the office of Mangan District Zilla Panchayat (MDZP) at DAC Mangan, today. The meeting had the

presence of DC Mangan, Dr. A. B. Karki, DPO (MDZP), ADC (Dev.) Chungthang and others.

The meeting saw discussions on the District Panchayat Performance Assessment Committee (DPPAC)

for recommendation of Gram Panchayats for State/ UT Level Awards. Various queries regarding the verification, assessment and nomination process of the Gram Panchayats was also discussed.

### Training on landscape designing inaugurated

**Gyalshing, December 01:** A ten-day training on landscape designing was inaugurated by MP (Lok Sabha) Mr. Indra Hang Subba in the presence of Deputy Speaker, SLA, Mr. Sangay Lepcha, Zilla Adhyaksha, Upadhyaksha Gyalshing, District Collector, ADC, SDM and other officials in the Zilla Bhawan premises, today.

The training is being organised by the District Administration, Gyalshing on a pilot basis to train and orient youths towards unexplored field of landscape designing and create employment opportunities thereby making them self-reliant. The training module includes various aspects of gardening,

designing, study about seasonal and ornamental plants and practical sessions in the gardens and nurseries around Gyalshing.

A Retired Supervisor, Department of Forests attended as the Master Resource Person.

Deputy Speaker and MP encouraged the trainees to take the training seriously and extended their best wishes.

Elaborating on the initiative, the District Collector mentioned that landscape designing is an emerging avenue which has huge potential since the number of hotels / homestays are on the rise in Sikkim. Additionally, government office spaces, parks and market squares, educational institutes,

Guest Houses etc. require beautification of compounds as an integral component, hence such skill could be a source of livelihood for the unemployed youth. She further added that the other motive of conducting the training was for preserving and keeping intact the art of landscape design unique to Sikkim since currently contemporary/ modern trends are soon replacing the old forms. Hence a retired personnel of the Forest Deptt Parks and Gardens (who had himself been trained earlier by veteran Foresters of the state) had been especially invited to impart training as Master resource person for a period of 10 days.

### DISHA meeting for Gyalshing District held

**Gyalshing, December 01:** A meeting of District Development Coordination Committee (DISHA) for Gyalshing District was held at the Conference Hall of Gyalshing District Zilla Panchayat Bhawan Kyongsha, today.

The meeting was chaired by MP Lok Sabha cum Chairman DISHA Mr. Indra Hang Subba in the presence of Deputy Speaker, SLA Mr. Sangay Lepcha, Zilla Adyakshya GDZP Mr. D.S. Limboo, Upa-Adyakshya Mrs. Anita Rai, DC-cum-Member Secretary, DISHA Mrs. Yishey D. Yongda, ADC Gyalshing, ADC (Dev.), Heads of Offices of departments, Zilla Panchayats,

Gram Panchayats and other district officials.

Chairman DISHA cum MP Lok Sabha Mr. Indra Hang Subba urged the department heads and officials to execute schemes and projects in close coordination with Gram and Zilla Panchayats.

DC Gyalshing reviewed the minutes of previous DISHA meeting taken up department wise. She initiated the deliberations covering departments of Health, Education, Roads and Bridges, Rural Development (PMGSY), Agriculture, Power, NHIDCL and other miscellaneous matters. A comprehensive review of issues related to the progress and

implementation of various schemes and projects was taken up. She also gave a brief on the Nikshay Mitra initiative for elimination of Tuberculosis and called upon to adopt TB patients for providing nutritional supplements through the Food Basket scheme, which would help in overall social upliftment in the district.

The meeting further charted the plan of action to be followed by department heads to achieve progress of various Central and State Government schemes within the targeted deadline.

### District Level Monitoring Committee meeting for PMVDVY

**Soreng, November 30:** Department of Cooperation, Soreng District organised District Level Monitoring Committee meeting for Pradhan Mantri Van Dhan Vikas Yojna (PMVDVY) at the office of DC, today.

The meeting was chaired by DC Soreng Mr. Bhim Thatal as the Chairperson of the Committee in the presence of ADC (Dev.) Mr. Gaayas Pega, DFO (T), Addl. Director

(Department of Science and Technology), Joint Director (Agriculture), Joint Director (Horticulture), Joint Registrar (Cooperative) including officials from DIC (Jorethang), Cooperative Department and Social Welfare Department.

DC suggested that Minor Forest Produce that are available and accessible can be utilised to boost economic activities of the beneficiaries. He instructed the line departments to do relevant

mapping of Central and State schemes and work in coordination for equal and fair distribution of these schemes.

Deputy Registrar Mr. R. H. Subba informed that PMVDVY is aimed at targeting the livelihood generation of tribals with a motive to increase tribal income through value addition of Minor Forest Produce. He briefed on the status of the scheme and its future course of action.

### JSSM team Central TB division visits Namchi District

**Namchi, November 30:** Joint Supportive Supervision Mission (JSSM) team from Government of India, Central TB division visited Namchi District from November 28-30, 2022.

JSSM team was led by ADDG TB Dr. Alok Mathur along with CTD (PSM & ACSM), Ms. Kavitha Nair, Consultant Finance- CTD, Ms. Sudha Arora, Dr. L. Prabhakaran, FIND India, Dr. Quazi Tonfique, CDC India, Dr.

Ashish Verma, UNION, Dr. Abhijit Dey, WHO Consultant, Dr. Satish Kailpialwar, SHARE India.

State Tuberculosis Officer Dr. Ashok Rai from Gangtok Head Office and Dr. Anju Rai DTO, Namchi and team, coordinated with JSS team during their field visits across Namchi District.

JSSM team visited Nandugaon, Temi, Ravangla, Jorethang HWC-CHCs and Namchi District Hospital and

interacted with patients.

The meeting was chaired by ADC Namchi Mr. Anant Jain in the presence of Director-cum-CMO, JSS team led by Dr. Alok Mathur and other officials from TB division.

The objective of the visit was to see the challenges faced while providing the services, acknowledging the good practices of the district and assessing the qualitative performance including Nikshay Mitra.

### US to GoI Deptt. of Food and Public Distribution visits Namchi District

**Namchi, December 02:** Commemorating the 75<sup>th</sup> year of India's Independence under the banner 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav, Under Secretary to the Government of India, Department of Food and Public Distribution Mr. Brij Bihari Lal visited Namchi District from December 01-03.

He was accompanied by DCSO, Namchi Mr. Tenzing Bhutia, AD DCSO Office Mr. Santosh Kr. Rai, AD Namchi Food-Go-Down, DEO DCSO Office, Food In-charge Ravangla and other officials.

During his visit, he inspected various places at Namchi and Ravangla Sub-Division including the Fair Price Shops, shops being run by SHGs, Women and FPSs located in rural areas. He interacted with

the beneficiaries of the National Food Security Act (NFSA) to learn about the ground realities and difficulties of Public Distribution System operations and distribution of PMGKAY.

The objective of his visit was to review Infrastructure requirements of FPS, to check quality control, facilities for the beneficiaries, IEC/publicity: Availability of posters, banners pamphlets/leaflets on One Nation One Ration Card (ONORC) Free distribution of Rice under PMGKAY, Fortification, Grievance redressal mechanism like FPS level Vigilance Committee, service delivery and other additional services to the beneficiaries which includes CSC service, BC Service, Sale of 5 kg LPG cylinder (as per demand), sale of non-PDS commodities.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> DLAC meeting organised

**Mangan, December 01:** The 3<sup>rd</sup> District Level Advisory Committee (DLAC) meeting was chaired by DC Mangan, Dr. A. B. Karki at DAC Mangan, today. The meeting was organised by Food Safety Cell in collaboration with Health and Family Welfare Department.

The meeting had the presence of DC Mangan, Dr. A. B. Karki, SDPO Mangan, CMO, JDS, CDPO, DCSO and representatives of FSS Cell.

The meeting saw discussion on the importance of awareness about food safety,

healthy local and traditional food promotion and the need to organise Eat Right Mela in the district. Matters regarding the extension of FSSAI initiative related programme to Lachen and Lachung Dzumsa and discussion on the report and the activities decided in the previous DLAC meeting were also analysed.

It may be mentioned that The United Nation General Assembly has declared the year 2023 as the International year of Millet and on the occasion, every district is to organize a Millet Mela.

### Mangan DAC organised Traditional Costume-cum-Traditional Food Festival Day

**Mangan, December 01:** Traditional Costume Day-cum-Traditional Food Festival was organised at the complex of District Administrative Centre Mangan, today.

Various varieties of traditional organic foods and vegetables were exhibited at the premises by the Anganwadis and

a Self Help Group.

The event was participated with great zeal and enthusiasm by the employees of the district clad in traditional attire.

The District has been observing traditional costume day on the 1<sup>st</sup> of every month since September 2022.

### Poultry farming and blacksmith tools distributed under PM AJAY

**Soreng, November 28:** A distribution programme of poultry farming and blacksmith tools among SC beneficiaries under PM AJAY for the year 2021 - 2022 was held under Social Welfare Division, Soreng District, today.

The programme had the presence of Panchayat members of Soreng, Sribadam, Rinchenpong, Mangalbaria and

Zoom Salghari, Dy. Director, Animal Husbandry and Veterinary Services Department Soreng, Sr. Welfare Officer, Welfare Inspectors and beneficiaries.

Dy. Director Dr. Prena Gurung briefed about the importance of vaccination and other basic practices of poultry farming.

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### CM attends...

constant supervision and also encouraged the youth to take advantage of all Government schemes.

SBS Managing Director Mr. Phurba Wangdi Bhutia gave a brief report of SBS and thanked the Chief Minister for his support. He added that SBS is dedicated to providing financial support to budding entrepreneurs through loan and credit schemes. He also

informed everyone about the recent statistics and status of SBS.

Three entrepreneurs under the SYSS schemes were felicitated with Letters of Appreciation for their success under SYSS scheme and six best entrepreneurs from each district were also handed sanction letters/cheques by the chief guest. A documentary featuring the history of SBS was also screened.

Earlier, the Chief Minister visited stalls set up by local entrepreneurs through the Skilled Youth Start-up Scheme (SYSS).

**Government of Sikkim**  
**Urban Development Department, Gangtok, Sikkim**

No.26/UDD/2022

Dated:30/11/2022

**NOTIFICATION**

In pursuance of clause (4) of rule 6 of the Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016, the following amendments in Plastic Waste Management and Handling Byelaws, 2021 are hereby made namely:-

- Short title and commencement** 1. (1) These Byelaws shall be known as the "Plastic Waste Management and Handling (Amendment) Byelaws, 2022".  
(2) They shall come into force on such date as the Urban Local Body may notify.
- Substitution of para 4** 2. (1) In the Plastic Waste Management and Handling Byelaws, 2021 (hereinafter referred to as the "said Byelaws) for existing clause 4 the following shall be substituted, namely:-  
"4. Prohibition on certain single use plastics":  
(1) No person shall manufacture, import, stock, distribute, sell or use,-  
(a) plastic carry bags of thickness less than 75 (seventy-five) microns.  
(i) This provision shall be deemed to have into force from 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2021;  
(b) plastic carry bags of thickness of 120 (one hundred and twenty) microns  
(i) This provision shall be deemed to have come into force from 31<sup>st</sup> December, 2022.  
(c) Non-woven plastic carry bag less than 60 (sixty) Gram Per Square Meter (GSM).  
(i) This provision shall be deemed to have come into force from 30<sup>th</sup> September, 2021  
(2) The following single use plastic commodities, including polystyrene and expanded polystyrene, shall be prohibited, namely:-  
(a) ear buds with plastic sticks, plastic sticks for balloons, plastic flags, candy sticks, ice-cream sticks, polystyrene [Thermocol] for decoration:  
(b) plates, cups, glasses, cutlery such as forks, spoons, knives, straw, trays, wrapping or packing films around sweet boxes, invitation cards, and cigarette packets, plastic or PVC banners less than 100 micron, stirrers.  
(i) The provision of sub-clause (2) shall be deemed to have come into force from 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2022.  
(3) The provisions of clause 2 shall not apply to commodities made of compostable plastic.  
(4) Clause 4(1)(a) shall not apply to carry bags made of compostable plastic provided they conform to rule 4(h) and rule 11(2) of the Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016.
- Insertion of sub-clause (5) and sub-clause (6)** 3. In the said Byelaws, in clause 9, after sub-clause (4) the following sub-clause shall be inserted, namely:-  
"(5) The Urban Local Body shall, through the Bazar Inspector or any other officer notified for this purpose, carry out inspection of commercial and domestic establishments including institutional areas in its jurisdiction to secure compliance of these bye-laws and impose environmental compensation for non-compliance or violation as provided in Schedule I of these Byelaws to be realized as spot fine which shall be deposited into an Environmental Fund to be created under the Urban Local Body concerned to be utilized for environmental conservation, mitigation or improvement.  
(6) For any violation of the rules not covered by the Schedule I, action shall be taken as per the Guidelines for Assessment of Environment Compensation to be levied for violation of the Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016 published by the Central Pollution Control Board".
- Insertion of clause 11 Action to be taken for non-compliance of Plastic Waste Management and Handling Byelaws.** 4. In the said Byelaws, after clause 10 the following shall be inserted, namely:-  
"11(1) Details of Environmental Compensation (EC) to be levied and penal action to be taken for non-compliance of the provisions of the Byelaws shall be as follows namely:-

**SCHEDULE I**

Sl. No.	Provision under Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2021	Violator	Violation	Environmental Compensation (EC)
1.	Clause 4(1)(a) and (b) prohibition of plastic carry bags of thickness less than seventy-five (75) microns with effects from the 30.9.2021 and one hundred and twenty (120) microns with effect from 31.12.2022	Manufacturer	Manufacturing of prohibited thickness bags	₹5000/- per ton (1 <sup>st</sup> violations) ₹10,000/-per ton (2 <sup>nd</sup> violation) ₹20,000/- per ton (3 <sup>rd</sup> violation)
		Retailer/trader	Dispensing goods to consumer in prohibited thickness bags	₹1000/- (1 <sup>st</sup> violation) ₹2000/- (2 <sup>nd</sup> violation) ₹5000/- (3 <sup>rd</sup> violation)
2.	Clause 4 (1)(c)prohibition of non woven plastic carry bag less than 60 Gram Per Square Meter (GSM) with effect from 30.9.2021	Manufacturer	Manufacturing of non-woven bags of prohibited weight	₹5000/- per ton (1 <sup>st</sup> violations) ₹10,000/-per ton (2 <sup>nd</sup> violation) ₹20,000/- per ton (3 <sup>rd</sup> violation)
		Retailer/trader	Dispensing goods to consumer in non-woven bags of prohibited weight	₹1000/- (1 <sup>st</sup> violation) ₹2000/- (2 <sup>nd</sup> violation) ₹5000/- (3 <sup>rd</sup> violation)
3.	Clause 4(2)(a) and (b) Prohibition of SUPs like plastic stick ear buds, plastic stick ice creams, plastic plates, cups cutlery, straws etc	Manufacturer	Manufacturing of prohibited SUP items	₹5000/- per ton (1 <sup>st</sup> violations) ₹10,000/-per ton (2 <sup>nd</sup> violation) ₹20,000/- per ton (3 <sup>rd</sup> violation)
		Retailer/trader	Stocking and selling prohibited SUP goods to consumer	₹500/- for each prohibited SUP item stocked or sold (1 <sup>st</sup> violation) ₹1000/- per item (2 <sup>nd</sup> violation) and ₹3000/- per item (subsequent violation)
4.	Clause 4(4) carry bags made from compostable plastic should conform to IS 17088-2008, register with Central Pollution Control Board and should bear label of compostable on them	Manufacturer	Not conforming to standard, not registering with Central Pollution Control Board and not labeling compostable on carry bags	₹5000/- per ton (1 <sup>st</sup> violation) ₹10,000/-per ton (2 <sup>nd</sup> violation) ₹20,000/- per ton (3 <sup>rd</sup> violation)
		Retailer/Trader/ Other organization	Dispensing goods in un-labelled compostable carry bags or distributing un-labelled compostable carry bags.	₹1000/- (1 <sup>st</sup> violation) ₹2000/- (2 <sup>nd</sup> violation) ₹5000/- (3 <sup>rd</sup> violation)

(2) After the 3<sup>rd</sup> violation of each of the clauses mentioned in the above table, penalty amounting to three times of the 3<sup>rd</sup> violation shall be imposed."

(M.T. Sherpa), IAS  
Secretary

Urban Development Department  
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**Power Department  
Government of Sikkim,  
Gangtok**

No.05/PD/REV/NODAL/2014-15(PART-II)582

Dated:01.12.2022

**PUBLIC NOTICE IN RESPECT OF  
ANNUAL REVENUE REQUIREMENT & TARIFF PETITION FILED BY PCE cum SECRETARY, POWER DEPARTMENT, GOVERNMENT OF SIKKIM, BEFORE SIKKIM STATE  
ELECTRICITY REGULATORY COMMISSION.**

Notice is hereby circulated to all consumer and stake holders, that the Power Department, Government of Sikkim, a deemed licensee engaged in the Transmission, Distribution & Retail Sale of electricity has filed the tariff petition before the Sikkim State Electricity Commission (SSERC) for Truing-up of the FY 2021-22 Review for FY 2022-23, and Tariff proposal for FY 2023-24 under the MYT control period for FY 2021-22 to 2023-24 in respect of Power Department in accordance with the guidelines outlined as per the Sub Regulations 17.1 to 17.5 of the Sikkim State Electricity Regulatory Commission (Terms & Conditions for Determination of Tariff for Generation, Transmission, Wheeling, Distribution and Retail Supply under Multi Year Tariff Frame work) as per Regulations, 2020.

The Commission has registered & admitted the petition filed by the Department of Power Vide Case No P-01/PDS/2022 dated 29.11.2022.

The summary of ARR estimated 2022-23 is given in table below:

Sl. No.	Item of Expenditure	2023-24 (Estimated ₹ in Cr.)
1	2	3
1	Cost of Fuel	0.45
2	Cost of Generation	Nil
3	Cost of Power Purchase	139.51
4	Transmission Charges (Intra State)	44.94
5	Employee Costs	194.25
6	R & M Expenses	11.15
7	Adm. & Gen. Expenses	5.63
8	Depreciation	38.93
9	Interest Charges	0.00
10	Interest on Working Capital	3.38
11	Previous year expense of Power cost	1.00
12	Return on Equity	0.00
13	Provision for Bad Debts	0.00
14	<b>Total Revenue Requirement</b>	<b>439.24</b>
15	Less: Non-Tariff Income	3.05
16	<b>Net Revenue Requirement (14-15)</b>	<b>436.19</b>
17	Revenue from Tariff	349.84
18	Revenue from Outside State Sale	187.54
19	<b>Gap (16-17-18)</b>	<b>-101.94</b>

1. Copies of Petition / application refer to at para-1 above are available in the following Offices.

i) Chief Engineer (Elect) cum Nodal Officer (Revenue), Power Department, Kazi Road Gangtok.

2. Interested parties may pursue the said ARR and tariff proposal and take note thereof during office hours at the above offices free of charges.

3. The ARR and the tariff proposal can be viewed and downloaded from the official website of Power Department, GOS "power.sikkim.gov.in"

4. Summary of tariff and charges for retail supply of Electricity to consumers proposed by the Power Department, Government of Sikkim for the year 2023-24 are indicated in the schedule.

5. Objections /Suggestions, if any on the ARR filings and tariff proposal submitted by the Power Department, Government of Sikkim, together with supporting materials may be filed with Secretary, Sikkim State Electricity Regulatory Commission, Deorali, Gangtok-Sikkim 737102 in five copies in person or through register post so as to reach the Commission on or before 23.12.2022.

6. Objections /Suggestions as above should carry full name and postal address of the person sending the objection which should be supported by an affidavit duly attested thereof. If the objection is filed on behalf of any Organization or any cases of consumer, it should be as per the terms mentioned above. It is also to mention that if the person putting objection/suggestions wants to be heard in person can participate during the day of public hearing.

7. The SSERC, after pursuing the written objections received in response to this notice may invite such objectors, as it considers appropriate for a hearing on the specified dates, which will be notified by the Commission in due course.

8. Tariff Schedule:

Sl. No.	Category of consumers	Proposed Rate (2023-24)
1	Domestic	₹/kWh
i)	Up to 50 units	1.20
ii)	51 to 100 units	2.40
iii)	101- 200 units	3.70
iv)	201 to 400 units	4.60
v)	401 & above	5.00
	Monthly Rebate	5%
	Annual Surcharge	10%
	Monthly Minimum Charge ( In ₹)	
a)	Single phase	50
b)	Three phase	200

2	Commercial	₹/kWh
i)	Up to 50 units	3.30
ii)	51 to 100 units	4.00
iii)	101 to 200 units	5.60
iv)	201 to 400 units	6.00
v)	401 & above	6.40
	Demand Charge exceeding load above 25 kVA(Rural)	₹60/kVA/month
	Demand Charge exceeding load above 25 kVA(Urban)	₹100/kVA/month
	Monthly Rebate	5%
	Annual Surcharge	10%
	Monthly Minimum Charge (In ₹)	
a)	Single phase	200
b)	Three phase	500
c)	Sanction load of 25 kVA and above	Demand Charge
<b>3(A)</b>	<b>Low tension Industrial Supply LTIS(Rural)</b>	<b>₹/KVAh</b>
i)	Up to 500 units	3.60
ii)	501 - 1000 units	4.40
iii)	1001 & above	5.80
<b>(B)</b>	<b>Low tension Industrial Supply LTIS(Urban)</b>	<b>₹/KVAh</b>
i)	Up to 500 units	5.30
ii)	501 - 1000 units	6.20
iii)	1001 & above	7.15
	Demand Charge exceeding load above 25 kVA(Rural)	₹60/kVA/month
	Demand Charge exceeding load above 25 kVA(Urban)	₹100/kVA/month
	Monthly Rebate	5%
	Annual Surcharge	10%
	Monthly Minimum Charge below 45 kVA ( In ₹/month)	
	Rural	500
	Urban	500
	Monthly Minimum Charge above 45 kVA (In ₹/kVA/month)	
	Rural	120
	Urban	200
<b>4 (i)</b>	<b>High Tension Supply (Energy Charge) (in Paisa)</b>	<b>₹/KVAh</b>
	<b>3.3 kV &amp; Above</b>	
i)	Upto 100 KVA	5.40
ii)	100 - 250 KVA	5.90
iii)	250 KVA to 500KVA	6.40
iv)	500KVA and above	6.90
<b>(ii)</b>	<b>High Tension Supply (Demand Charge)(in ₹)</b>	
i)	Upto 100 KVA	200
ii)	100 - 250 KVA	250
iii)	250 KVA to 500KVA	290
iv)	500KVA and above	560
	Monthly Rebate	2%
	Annual Surcharge	10%
<b>5</b>	<b>Bulk supply</b>	<b>₹/kWh</b>
i)	LT	5.50
ii)	HT	5.50
	Monthly Rebate	2%
	Annual Surcharge	10%
	Monthly Minimum Charge below 45 kVA ( in ₹/month)	
	LT	500
	HT	500
	Monthly Minimum Charge above 45 kVA ( in ₹/kVA/month)	
	LT	150
	HT	150
<b>6</b>	<b>Public lighting</b>	<b>₹/kWh</b>
a)	Rural Areas	4.00
b)	Urban Areas	5.00
<b>7</b>	Supply to Army Pensioners	Domestic Rate applicable
<b>8</b>	Supply to Blind	
<b>9</b>	Supply to place of worship	

PCE cum Secretary  
(1325)

**Tourism and Civil Aviation Department  
Government of Sikkim, Gangtok**

Ref No.155(3822)EC/DoT&amp;CAV/22-23/361

Dated:3/12/2023

**NOTICE INVITING TENDER**

The Tourism & Civil Aviation Department invites e-tender from Class I B Enlisted contractor (SPWD) for For "Remodelling & Upgradation of Burtuk Heliport at Lower Burtuk in east Sikkim". For further details, Kindly visit the website www.sikkimtender.gov.in

Sd/-

Additional Chief Engineer (N/E)  
Tourism and Civil Aviation Department  
Government of Sikkim  
(1328)

**Buildings & Housing Department  
Government of Sikkim**

Memo No.:389/SE/NE/Bldgs

Dated:1/12/2022

**Corrigendum to Notice Inviting Tender No.:143/GOS/B&H/  
Pak/22-23,SE/NE/Bldgs-379, Dated 18.11.2022**

Corrigendum to the work "Upgradation and Beautification of Chupcha Choling Duchi Gurung Gumpa at Parakha" at Sl. No 1, the word 'DISTRICT is to be substituted with CONSTITUENCY'

Superintending Engineer (N/E)  
Buildings & Housing Department  
(1330)

**ICAR- National Research Centre for Orchids  
Pakyong, Sikkim -737106**

Email:director.nrco@icar.gov.in, Phone:03502267031, Website:www.nrco.icar.gov.in  
F.No: NRCO/S/44/2022/108 Date: 18.11.2022

**NOTICE INVITING E-TENDER (CPPP)**

The Director, ICAR-National Research Centre for Orchids, Pakyong, Sikkim invites tender through CPPP website URL:<http://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app> under two bid system (Technical & Financial Bid) from eligible and qualified bidders, for "Repairing of Polyhouses" at ICAR-NRCO, Pakyong, Sikkim. Last date for submission of online bids: 23.12.2022. For more details Interested Bidders may visit URL:<http://eprocure.gov.in/eprocure/app> or <https://nrcorchids.nic.in>.

**CPPP Tender Id:- 2022\_DARE\_724840\_1**

**Assistant Administrative Officer  
(1332)**

**Government of Sikkim  
Rural Development Department**

Memo No: 288/PLG/RDD

Date:03/12/2022

**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST**

The Rural Development Department, Government of Sikkim, on behalf of the Governor of Sikkim invites expression of interest from the registered contractor/firms/Joint Ventures/Association having experience in design and construction of long span suspended foot bridges for the following work.

Sl No.	Name of work
1.	Construction of suspended foot bridge over Ringyong khola between Sakyong and Pentong village, Dzongu under Mangan District, Sikkim

The contractor/ firms /Joint Ventures/Association having the experience in designing and implementation of the type of bridge proposed need only apply. Any consortium/ Joint venture of interested parties from outside the country with local contractor of grade Class I-B & above enlisted with the State Public Works Department as the lead member who has the required experience will be considered for evaluation.

The EOI document & other details can be downloaded from the website: [www.sikkimtender.gov.in](http://www.sikkimtender.gov.in)

The hard copy of bid should be submitted in the Conference Hall of Rural Development Department, Vikas Bhawan, Gangtok District, Sikkim.

The schedule of events is as given under:

Address	The Chief Engineer Rural Development Department Gram Vikas Bhawan Tashiling Secretariat, Gangtok- 737103
Publication of Expression of Interest	3/12/2022
Uploading of bid online	6/12/2022
Last date for seeking clarification	17/12/2022 up to 2.00 pm
Last date for submission of online bid	9/1/2023 up to 3.00 pm
Last date for submission of hard copy	10/1/2023 up to 1.00 pm
Opening of technical bid	11/1/2023 at 11:00 am
Opening of financial bid	Will be intimated

**Chief Engineer (N/E)  
Rural Development Department  
Govt. of Sikkim, Gangtok  
(1329, ii)**

**Tourism and Civil Aviation Department  
Government of Sikkim  
Paryatan Bhawan  
Tadong East Sikkim**

Website: [www.sikkimtourism.gov.in](http://www.sikkimtourism.gov.in), Phone no.03250-232218, Fax: 03592-232216  
Email:secytourism@yahoo.com

No.932/DOP&CAV

Dated:28/11/2022

**NOTICE INVITING TENDER**

Sealed Lease tenders are invited for taking on lease the Tourism property viz "Development of Eco Organic Tourism Village" situated at Chowridara, Lingee Namch District of Tourism & Civil Aviation Department on "AS IT IS WHERE IT IS BASIS" from interested local residents within the territorial jurisdiction of Namchi District, Sikkim. The details of the properties/assets and additional information can be obtained from the Office of Under Secretary(Assets), Paryatan Bhawan, Tadong East Sikkim during office hour.

**I. Details of lease tender:-**

Sl. no.	Name of the property	Base Rent per month (₹)	TDR (Security Deposit) (₹)	Cost of tender form(₹)
01	Development of Eco Organic Tourism Village, Chowridara, Lingee, South Sikkim	2,93,754/-	8,81,202/-	5000/-

**II. Time Schedule:**

- Date of Sale of Tender form Date **30.11.2022** during office hour.
- Last date of sale of tender form Date **6.12.2022** till **4 pm**
- Receipt of Tender form along with the relevant documents Date: **20.12.2022**, Upto **1200 hrs**
- Opening of Tender form/Documents Date **20.12.2022** Time:**2 pm**

The tender will be opened in the office of the Additional Secretary, Tourism & Civil Department, Paryatan Bhawan, Tadong, East Sikkim. The intending bidder may visit the Tourism website [www.sikkimtourism.gov.in](http://www.sikkimtourism.gov.in) for information and further details or contact office of the Under Secretary(Assets) in Paryatan Bhawan, Tadong, East Sikkim.

**Additional Secretary (Asset)  
Tourism & Civil Aviation Department  
(1321, i)**

**Government of Sikkim  
Office of the Chief Secretary Tashiling  
Secretariat  
Gangtok**

No.: 133 /CS/SKM/2022

Dated: 30/11/2012

**NOTIFICATION**

As per Rule 4(1) of the Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016, all waste generators are required to segregate and store the wastes generated by them in three separate streams namely, bio-degradable, non-biodegradable and domestic hazardous wastes in suitable bins and handover the segregated wastes to authorised waste collectors. In addition, Rule 8 of the Plastic Waste Management Rules, 2016 provides for minimising generation of plastic wastes and their segregation at source for proper collection and management in accordance with the Municipal Solid Waste (Management and Handling) Rules, 2000 thereby preventing littering and indiscriminate dumping of such wastes.

It has been observed that unsegregated solid wastes are being transported and dumped by Urban & Rural Local Bodies, institutions and individuals at landfill sites, rendering them virtually untreatable and resulting into huge garbage mound leading to possibility of shortening the life of scientifically designed landfills As per the design. Landfills are meant for disposal of inert items (wastes which are not bio-degradable, recyclable or combustible street sweeping or dust and silt removed from the surface drains) only.

As per the order of the Hon'ble NGT, in the matter of O.A No. 606/2018 dated 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2022, the State Government has been directed to take time bound measures for effective management of waste generated on day-to-day basis as well as ensuring necessary remedial actions on waste accumulated over the years at landfill sites. In order to reduce burden of the landfills and scientific disposal of wastes, it is necessary on the part of all stakeholders to segregate wastes at source and only segregated wastes are to be sent to landfills for further processing and disposal.

Now, therefore, the following directions are hereby issued for compliance by all concerned including Urban & Rural Local Bodies, commercial establishments, Government Departments & Undertakings, bulk waste generators, urban & rural households etc.:-

- Component wise source segregation (biodegradable, non-biodegradable, domestic hazardous waste and plastic waste) shall be compulsorily carried out at the household level.
- Only segregated wastes shall be collected by the garbage vehicles by Urban & Rural Local Bodies and any other agency responsible for transportation of wastes.
- Landfills shall henceforth accept only inert wastes.
- All Urban & Rural Local Bodies shall be fully responsible for ensuring implementation of collection and scientific disposal of solid wastes as per norms.

Any violation shall be viewed seriously and actions against violators shall be taken as per provisions of relevant rules/norms.

Further, it is hereby directed that the landfills shall be under the following authorities for operation, supervision and monitoring:-

- Martam landfills Gangtok Municipal Corporation
- Shipchu Landfill (under construction & in partial use): Naya Bazar Jorethang Nagar Panchayat
- Landfill under Mangan District: Mangan Nagar Panchayat.

The concerned District Collector having administrative jurisdiction of landfill shall regularly review and monitor the implementation of the directions laid down in Rule 12 (a) and (b) of Solid Waste Management Rules, 2016 and ensure full compliance of the relevant norms and direction of Hon'ble NGT

**Chief Secretary  
Government of Sikkim  
[File no SBM/(U)/UD&HD/GOS/2018/14]  
(1323)**

**Government of Sikkim  
Home Department  
Tashiling Secretariat  
Gangtok**

No. 227/GEN/HOME

Dated: 30/11/2022

**NOTICE**

Shri Tashi Namgyal Bhutia, Driver (MR), Home Department is absenting from his duty since 1<sup>st</sup> November, 2022 without any prior information or applying for any leave from authorities and his whereabouts is not known till date.

He is, therefore, directed to report to Home Department within 10 days of publication of this notice failing which disciplinary action will be initiated against him. All his family members, friends and well wishers are requested to kindly convey the content of this notice to him.

**Deputy Secretary (Adm.)  
Home Department  
(1326)**

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## Cabinet approves...

sanction of ₹100 Lakhs in the current financial year.

Administrative approval of the revised proposal for the construction of underground parking space at Namchi amounting to ₹9699.17 Lakhs.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹853.83 Lakhs for the construction of Thakurbari Mandir at Namchi.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹38.51 Lakhs for major repair of High Court Building, Gangtok along with approval for departmental mode of execution.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹29,61,000/- for construction of Meditation Centre at Rhenock Paljor Phuncholing, Pakyong District.

Approval and financial sanction of ₹49.89 Lakhs for the construction of Club House at Sakhu Khani, West Pendam, Pakyong District.

Financial sanction of ₹3075.62 Lakhs for the construction of Nepali Sanskriti Sangrakshan Bhawan at Jorethang.

### Culture Department

Approval and sanction of ₹25 Lakhs as final instalment of contribution to the corpus fund of the North East Zone Cultural Centre during the current financial year.

Sanction of ₹40 lakhs as grants- in-aid to Namgyal Institute of Tibetology for the financial year 2022-23.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹50 lakhs for the construction of Community Hall at Upper Yangang.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹30 lakhs for the construction of Mangkhim at Niya Broom, Namchi District.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹30 Lakhs for the construction of Mangkhim at Gangla, Namchi District.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹30 Lakhs for the construction of Mangkhim at Satam, Namchi District.

Approval and sanction of ₹25 lakhs for the publication of book "Intangible Cultural Heritage of Sikkim".

Financial sanction of ₹479.18 lakhs for the construction of Rodhi Ghar at Sichey, Gangtok District.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹625.62 Lakhs for the construction of Sherpa Bhawan at Lumsey under Gangtok District.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹166.16 Lakhs for the construction of Bhujel Bhawan at Salangtang, Daramdin under Soreng District.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹50 Lakhs for construction of Community Centre at Reshep Dalep, Namchi District.

### Department of Personnel

Confirmation of the approval for review of Notification No. M

(14)/135/gen/dop Dated 26.11.2018 relating to 100 point reservation Roster provided to various communities of the State in Direct Recruitment.

Approval of the scheme regarding appointment to the family members of the soldiers under Sikkim Scouts Battalion who die- in-harness and other battalions of Indian Army belonging to the State of Sikkim martyred while on duty.

Approval for creation of 8 (eight) posts of Dental Surgeon, in the Junior Grade of Dental Wing of Sikkim State Health Service.

### Ecclesiastical Department

Approval and sanction of ₹30 lakhs as grants-in-aid for construction of Upper Kewzing Tangay Mangdang Gumpa under Namchi District.

Approval and sanction of ₹50 lakhs as grants- in-aid for construction of Sarva Dharma Mandir-cum-Bal Bikash Kendra, Hee Gaon, Gyalshing District.

Approval and sanction of ₹30 Lakhs as grants-in- aid for completion of Krishna Pranami Mandir, Mangsari, Soreng District.

Approval and sanction of ₹30 lakhs as grants- in-aid for construction of Urgen Thimey Wishiling Gurung Gumpa at Nizrameng, Namthang, Namchi District.

Approval and sanction of ₹50 Lakhs as grants-in-aid to World Renewal Spiritual Trust, Bramakumaris for Raj Yoga Meditation Centre, Namchi District.

Approval and sanction of ₹48.49 lakhs as annual subsidy (for Chimmy and Pooja) to 295 religious institutions.

Approval and sanction of ₹50 lakhs as grants-in-aid for the construction of Gephel Phamtam Gumpa, Namchi District.

Approval and sanction of ₹100 lakhs as grants -in-aid to Gumpa Committee for the construction of various infrastructures at Ngadak Gumpa, Namchi District.

Approval and sanction of ₹30 lakhs as grants-in aid to Gumpa Committee for construction of Sangtopelri and Truss at Taney Gumpa, Mangan District.

Approval and sanction of ₹30 lakhs as grants- in -aid to Gumpa Committee for the construction of Phurba Chorten, Upper Chongrang, Tashiding, Gyalshing District.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹70 lakhs as Grants- in-Aid to Gumpa Duchi/ Committee for taking up repair/ renovation work of old structure of Phensong Sa- Ngak Choding Monastery, Mangan District.

Approval of the Notification regarding requirement of prior permission of the Government through the Ecclesiastical Department while dealing with lands belonging to Monasteries.

Approval and sanction of ₹80 lakhs as Grants-in-Aid for construction of New Pema Choeling Monastery, Deythang, Mangan District.

### Education Department

Approval and sanction of ₹50 Lakhs for educational exposure tour for the college students to New Delhi, Agra and Jaipur.

Approval and sanction of

₹450 Lakhs as annual grants-in aid to the Central Referral Hospital of SMIMS.

Approval of the revised project cost of ₹1130.37 lakhs and financial sanction of additional amount of ₹75.72 lakhs towards the construction of Science Block at Kamrang Government College at Namchi District.

Post facto confirmation of the approval of the revised cost o ₹78.16 lakhs and additional sanction of ₹27.31 lakhs for construction of Auditorium Hall at Timburbong Secondary School in Soreng District.

Approval and financial sanction of ₹21 lakhs towards vertical extension for creation of classrooms at Melli Sr. Secondary School under Namchi District.

Approval and additional financial sanction of ₹19.47 Lakhs towards construction of seven room school building at Sekrep Budang Junior High School in West Sikkim.

Approval and financial sanction of ₹263 lakhs towards construction of six room school building cum auditorium hall at Pakkigaon Government Secondary School under Soreng District.

Approval and sanction of ₹1,42,31,420/- towards procurement of NCERT Textbooks for the Academic Session 2023.

Approval and sanction of ₹1954.97 lakhs for purchase of 17 acres of land at Lingdok, Gangtok District and ex- post facto approval and sanction of ₹800 lakhs as first instalment, which has already been released to the land owners as part payment.

Approval and financial sanction of ₹28 lakhs towards vertical extension for creation of classrooms at Malbaisey Junior High School under Soreng District.

Approval and financial sanction of ₹30 Lakhs towards construction of protective work cum gallery at Tikpur Secondary School under Soreng District.

Confirmation of the approval and sanction of ₹15923.51 Lakhs for implementation of Annual Work Plan and Budget for the year 2022-23 for Samagra Shiksha.

Approval for the creation of 10 (ten) posts of Teaching Faculty for Khanchendzonga State University, Sikkim.

Approval and sanction of ₹60 Lakhs for organizing academic programmes by the State Council of Educational Research and Training (SCERT).

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹50 lakhs for educational exposure trip for school students to Sikkim and Kolkata during winter vacation.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹50 lakhs for implementation of project "BAHINI" in Government schools of Sikkim.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹77.45 lakhs for the renovation of Mid - Day Meal kitchen and construction of four roomed school building at Pachey Samsing Primary School.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹92.63 Lakhs for boundary fencing and roof repair at Sonamati Government Senior Secondary

School in Gangtok District.

### Forest and Environment Department

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹4,19,01,000/- for the implementation of Integrated Management Action Plan for Gurudongmar Wetland in Mangan District under National Plan for Conservation of Aquatic Eco-Systems during the financial year 2022-23.

Confirmation of the approval and sanction of ₹350 Lakhs for implementation of New Generation Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana- Watershed Development Component 2.0 by the State Level Nodal Agency under Forest and Environment Department.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹69,79,126/- only for the purchase of uniform for field staff of the department for the financial year 2022-23.

Post facto confirmation of the approval and sanction of ₹51.33 Crores for implementation of Compensatory Afforestation Management and Planning Authority (CAMPA) activities in the financial year 2022-23.

### Home Department

Approval for renaming of Government Sr. Secondary School, Gelling as Dr. Bhim Rao Ambedkar Sr. Secondary School and Sikkim Government College, Gyalshing as Sanchaman Limboo Government Degree College.

Confirmation of the approval for placing the Sikkim Fire and Emergency Bill, 2022 in the next session of Sikkim Legislative Assembly.

Confirmation of the administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹34,00,359/- for the purchase of 2 Nos of Mahindra Bolero and one Mini Bus for District Prison, Namchi.

### Horticulture Department

Post facto confirmation of the approval and sanction of ₹500 Lakhs for the implementation of Production Incentive Scheme under Mukhya Mantri Krishi Atmanirbhar Yojana.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹2500 lakhs for the implementation of CSS- Horticulture Mission for North East and Himalayan States (HMNEH) under Mission for Integrated Development of Horticulture (MIDH) for 2022-23.

En bloc approval for the implementation of Centrally Sponsored Scheme- National Bamboo Mission for the year 2022-23 at a total outlay of ₹274.40 lakhs.

### Roads and Bridges Department

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹28 Lakhs for payment of house damage compensation involved in the work- Construction of road from Assangthang Sangbopng to Raigaon Shivalaya Mandir under Namchi District in Sikkim.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹486.24 Lakhs for the widening and re-grading of Ranka Sichey Road at Km 3<sup>rd</sup>, Ch:24 to Km- 4<sup>th</sup> at Ranka along Rey- Ranka- Sichey road under Gangtok District along with approval for departmental mode of execution.

Administrative approval

and financial sanction of ₹29,58,370/- for the construction of retaining wall along Rumtek Ranka Sichey Road at Km. 22<sup>nd</sup> Ch. 27<sup>th</sup> (Below Manjushri School) in Gangtok District.

Administrative approval of ₹55,35,81,116/- and financial sanction of ₹40,35,81,116/- for the "Revised Estimate for the Construction of Integrated Development of Chakung Dak Bungalow (Guest House) Compound at Malbaisey under Soreng Sub- Division in Sikkim".

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹57.73 Lakhs for temporary restoration of damaged formation at Dhargaon Km 12th along Soreng Chakhung Nayabazar road.

### Rural Development Department

Approval and sanction of ₹7387.25 Lakhs for the implementation of National Rural Livelihood Mission in the State.

Approval for handing over the Tamang Community Bhawan at Kateng to Sikkim Tamang Buddhist Association.

Financial sanction of ₹5,79,25,000/- as Centre Share and ₹60,00,000 as State Share under Swachh Bharat Mission (Grameen).

Post facto approval and financial sanction of ₹25 Lakhs for restoration of rural connectivity road from National Highway via Tadong to Upper Phodong.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹91.85 Lakhs towards the release of discretionary grants to Zilla Panchayats, Gram Panchayats and Local Area Development Fund to Zilla Panchayat.

Administrative approval for the additional cost of ₹11.79 Crores for the single village scheme under Jal Jeevan Mission and other related activities thereby raising the total cost of the work to ₹62267.43 Lakhs.

Approval and sanction of ₹2151.16 Crores for the construction of 10,000 Rural Houses for construction under Sikkim Garib Aawas Yojana Phase-II.

### Social Welfare Department

Approval for waiver of loan amount of ₹4.12 Lakhs distributed to 10 NGOs by the State Social Welfare Board during the year 1983-84 under Socio- Economic Programme.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹303.7 Lakhs for the construction of Primary Health Centre at Karjee, Gyalshing District under Pradhan Mantri Jan Vikas Karyakram (PMJVK).

### Sports and Youth Affairs Department

Approval and sanction of ₹41,70,000/- as Grants- in-Aid to State Sports Organizations.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹80.17 Lakhs for repair and renovation of Indoor Gymnasium Hall at Namchi.

Approval and sanction of ₹50 Lakhs towards release of Incentive Cash Award to Meritorious Sports Persons, 2022-23.

Approval and sanction of ₹49,26,300 for organizing All Sikkim

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## Cabinet approves...

Chief Minister's Football Championship, 2022.

### Tourism and Civil Aviation Department

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹1083 Lakhs in the current financial year for remodelling and upgradation of Burtuk Heliport in Gangtok.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹157.44 Lakhs for the construction of Cultural Heritage Centre at Central Pandam, Gangtok District.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹45 Lakhs in the current financial year for restoration of retaining wall along Ranka Sajong Road at RD 5050 mtr in Gangtok.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹200 Lakhs for repair and renovation of Shiddheswara Dham at Namchi.

Ex- post facto approval and sanction of ₹10 Crores as part payment of land compensation to 35 affected households at Upper Dikling, Pakyong for construction of Pakyong Greenfield Airport.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹50 Lakhs for the construction of walking trail from Gaushala to PWD Road at Dodak, Soreng District.

Financial sanction of ₹1683.97 Lakhs for the project "Development of Mangarong in Mangshyari in Soreng District".

### Urban Development Department

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹60 Lakhs for remodelling and upgradation of footpath along with box- drain from Metro Point, Tadong via Amargram via Lamichaney Gaon, Tadong, Gangtok District.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹25,49,361/- for the immediate temporary restoration and drain diversion works on sides along DAC road near Tamang Gumpa at Sichey, District Gangtok.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹927.42 Lakhs for the construction of Mini Park cum Playground at Amargram Phalagaon, Tadong, District Gangtok.

Administrative approval for the Tranche I Projects under AMRUT 2.0 amounting to ₹22.32 Crores and financial sanction to the extent of fund received from Government of India as central share and ₹25 Lakhs as state share during current financial year.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹1822.20 Lakhs for refurbishment of drainage network of MG Marg, Gangtok into modern drainage system by creating improvised

service line network with rain water harvesting and allied facilities.

### Health and Family Welfare Department

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹45,09,680/- and financial sanction of ₹45,00,000/- towards the procurement of 5,000 Nos of Covid Care Kits.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹40 Lakhs towards purchase of 7 Nos of Ambulances for the 7 Government Colleges in the current financial year. Cabinet further directed that an Ambulance shall also be provided to Sikkim Government Vocational College, Dentam in addition to the proposed 7 Government Colleges.

### Women and Child Development Department

Approval and sanction of ₹30 Lakhs for the implementation of Action Plan under State Fund for Persons with Disabilities during 2022-23.

Approval and sanction of ₹121.49 Lakhs for the implementation of Anganwadi Services (ICDS) Scheme in the State of Sikkim.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹1375.07 Lakhs for the construction of Old Age Home at Saureni, Assam Linzey, Pakyong District.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹34.03 Lakhs for the renovation of Jawaharlal Nehru Memorial Institute for Visually Impaired at Boomtar, Namchi District.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹25 Lakhs for the procurement of a truck vehicle under Extruder Food Processing Plant.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹23.10 Lakhs for the procurement of 3 Eeco Vans for 3 Special Schools and 1 Wagon- R vehicle under Women and Child Development Department.

Approval and sanction of ₹100 Lakhs for disbursement of one time grant under the Sikkim Grant of Award for Marriage with Disabled Persons.

### Power Department

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹103.22 lakhs for payment of compensation for land and other standing properties acquired for construction of various projects/ transmission lines by the Department.

Financial sanction of ₹48,24,086/- for the implementation of the work "Immediate Restoration of Battery Banks and 2X40 KVA Online UPS of SLDC Control Room" during the financial year 2022-23.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹36.10

lakhs for the payment of compensation for land and other standing properties for projects of Power Department.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹50 Lakhs for repair works of electricity supply at West Pandam GPU and Central Pandam GPU in Pakyong District.

Approval and sanction of ₹22.76 Lakhs for the maintenance of 63 KVAS/S & electrical installation of street light from Chakung Bazar to Hingwatar area under Soreng Sub- Division.

Administrative approval and financial sanction of the Rs. 2880.16 Lakhs for the additional works under Upgradation and Modernisation of the Power Distribution Network of Namchi and its surrounding areas with High Voltage Distribution System along with approval for execution of the work in continuity through the same contractor.

### Public Health Engineering Department

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹5218.06 Lakhs towards the revised estimate of the work "Providing Drinking Water Supply for Sikkim University at Yangang in Namchi District, Sikkim".

### Water Resources Department

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹481 Lakhs for immediate repair and clearance of partially/defunct channels.

Financial sanction of ₹119 Lakhs for restoration and clearance of defunct/partially defunct minor irrigation channels.

### Food and Civil Supplies Department

Administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹83.18 Lakhs for procurement and Installation of IRIS Scanners.

### Information Technology Department

The proposal seeks administrative approval and financial sanction of ₹2 crores for the implementation of project-"e-Office for Government of Sikkim".

### Law and Parliamentary Department

Approval for placing the Sikkim Lokayukta (Amendment) Bill, 2022 in the next session of the Sikkim Legislative Assembly.

### Science and Technology Department

Approval and sanction of ₹40 lakhs as Grants-in -Aid to Sikkim State Council of Science and Technology for the financial year, 2022-23.

Approval and sanction of ₹173 lakhs as financial assistance to Sikkim State Council of Science and Technology for the financial year, 2022-23

## Government of Sikkim Sir Thotub Namgyal Memorial Hospital, Sochakgang Gangtok, Sikkim

Ref. No.2205/STNM/Adm/22

Dated: 29/11/2022

### TENDER NOTICE

The sealed quotations are invited from the local and reputed firm from Gangtok for Tender for Annual maintenance of contract 24\*7 remote support active/passive network(Existing network switches, rack, data point and cabling)voice/telephone active/passive System(Existing EPABX,voice point and cabling)termination, crimping PCs. Bio-metric Surveillance system-complete CCTV system with all cameras, PA system complete PA system including NVR amplifier and speakers for one Year at STNM Hospital, Sochakgang.

1. Date of issue of Quotation: 13<sup>th</sup> December 2022 and 14<sup>th</sup> December 2022 **Time:** 11am to 3pm.
2. Date of submission of quotation: 20<sup>th</sup> December 2022 within 12.00pm.
3. Date of time of tender opening: 20<sup>th</sup> December 2022 at 2.00 pm

#### Details:

1. The Tender details and other documents can be obtained from the office of Accounts Officer, STNM Hospital on any working days from 13<sup>th</sup> December 2022 and 14<sup>th</sup> December 2022 from 11am to 3pm on production of Bank Challan of ₹2,000/- duly signed by Accounts Officer credited under head 0210-01-800 other receipts.
2. The firm shall deposit TDR of ₹37,500/- in favour of A.O, STNM Hospital. The department will not liable to pay the interest on the said amount.
3. The tender committee reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tender without assigning any reasons thereof.
4. For further information visit the office of the undersigned.

PCC cum Medical Superintendent  
STNM Hospital  
(1327)

## Government of Sikkim Health and Family Welfare Department STNM Hospital, Sochakgang Gangtok, Sikkim

Ref. No.214/GTK/STNM/STORE/GH/2022

Dated:05/12/2013

### NOTICE INVITING QUOTATION

The sealed quotations are invited from the registered and reputed firms for uninterrupted supply of Janani Sishu Suraksha Karyakaram (SSK) drugs and consumables under Maternal and Child Health of National Health Mission for the year 2023-2024

#### Terms & Condition:

1. Valid Trade License issued by authorized government agency and should possess necessary Diploma Certificate in Pharmacy from reputed and recognize institute.
2. Medical Shop should be opened for 24X7
3. Medical Shop Signboard displayed for easy identification.
4. The Tender detail and other documents can be obtained from the office of Accounts Officer, STNM Hospital on any working days from 19<sup>th</sup> January to 21<sup>st</sup> January 2023 from 11 am to 3pm on production of Bank Challan of ₹5000/- duly signed by Accounts Officer credited under head 0210-01-800 other receipt.
5. The firm shall deposit TDR of ₹100000/- (One Lakh) in favor of AO, STNM Hospital for the supply of JSSK drugs and consumables from SBS along with the scaled quotation. The department will not liable to pay the interest on the said amount.
6. The duly filled Tender Document should reach the office of Medical Superintendent within 12.00 pm of 2nd February 2023. The Tender received after 12.00 pm of 2nd February 2023 will not be entertained.
7. The sealed quotation will opened on the same day at 2.00 pm in the office of Medical Superintendent
8. Terms and condition shall be applicable as per the general purchase condition and details will be indicated in the tender form.
9. The department committee reserves the right to accept or reject any or all tender without assigning any reasons thereof.
10. For further information visit the office of the undersigned.

Medical Superintendent  
STNM Hospital  
(1331,iii)

## Government of Sikkim Home Department, Tashiling Secretariat, Gangtok

No. 217/GEN/HOME

Dated:22/11/2022

### NOTICE

Shri Narayan Tamang, Driver, Home Department has been absenting from his official duties since 22.08.2022 and his whereabouts are not known. He is therefore directed to report to duty within 10 days of publication of this notice, failing which disciplinary action shall be initiated against him in accordance with the provisions laid down in the Sikkim Government Servants (Discipline & Appeal) Rules, 1985.

All his friends, relatives and well wishers are requested to convey the contents of this notice to him and advice him to report to duty immediately.

Deputy Secretary (Adm.)  
Home Department  
(1319, i)

## Skill Training for rural youth on enriched vermi composting conducted

**Gangtok, November 30:** Agriculture Department in association with State Agriculture Management and Extension Training Institute (SAMETI) and National Institute of Agriculture Extension Management (MANAGE) Hyderabad conducted six day programme on Skill Training for rural youth on enriched vermi composting (6+1) which was inaugurated at Integrated Nutrient Farm School (INM), Kokaley, Rakdong Tintek-Block, Gangtok, today. The programme is scheduled up to December 05, 2022.

The training programme was chaired by Panchayat Mr. Ongdup Lepcha as the chief guest and Deputy Project Director, Ms. Susmita Lama Tamang, Agriculture Department, Mrs. Jenny Basnet (Agriculture Development Officer). A total 15 farmers including

member from different SHGs had participated. The programme was also attended by Area Agriculture Inspectors and other field functionaries. The programme was conducted by Block Technology Manager (BTM), Rakdong-Tintek Block.

Deputy Project Director (Agriculture Department) highlighted on the aims and objectives of the training and encouraged all the participants to actively take part during the training. The programme was further addressed by chief guest, where he encouraged the participants for the continuous effort on skill development in increasing their income. The inaugural session was concluded with Farmers officers' interaction.

The programme continued with technical session with lecture on Integrated Nutrient

Management and Vermi Composting by resource person Mrs Jenny Basnet (Agriculture Development Officer) who spoke on introduction to vermiculture and vermicomposting, overview of potential benefits and constraints, steps of vermicomposting and methodology, identification of basic characteristics of worm, selection of site and physical requirement of vermin compost unit, working with worm nutrient, content of vermincompost, pest and disease, application of vermin wash, scope of vermi technology in organic farming and post harvest management.

Deputy Project Director is the Course Director and BTM is the Course Coordinator of the STRY Programme. The programme was concluded with Integrated Nutrient Farm School visit.

## Training programme on AMRUT 2.0 organised

**Gangtok, November 30:** A two-day training programme on Atal Mission and Rejuvenation for Urban Transformation (AMRUT 2.0) was organised by Urban Development Department for the elected representatives, MEOs and their functionaries of all the Urban Local Bodies at Conference Hall of Gangtok Municipal Corporation. Mayor, GMC Mr. Neil Bahadur Chettri as the chief guest along with the Deputy Mayor, Mrs. Tshering Palden Bhutia.

Secretary-cum-Mission Director, AMRUT 2.0, UDD, in his key note address expressed his gratitude towards the ULBs for their strong participation and commented on the various agendas under AMRUT 2.0. He also took the opportunity to inform the house that more than 65%-70% population of Sikkim resides in urban sector, hence, source segregation of household waste must be looked upon.

He urged Ward Councillors to render positive support and to be well-informed through the training. He appealed every line

department to work together in making Amrut 2.0 a success. He further informed that Sikkim has been fortunate to not get any penalty on Plastic Waste Management and Solid Waste Management unlike other states.

Earlier, Additional Secretary-cum-Nodal Officer, Mrs. Bandana Thapa gave a welcome address. Further, she informed about the aims and key features of Amrut 2.0. She updated on to make the cities water secure by providing functional water tap connections to all households.

Likewise, preserving water by meeting 20% of water demand through recycled water, rejuvenating water bodies, reducing leakages and other mandatory reforms like Incentive-Based Reforms implementation and Water Conservation, Implementation Mechanism was also discussed.

Assistant Engineer, Gangtok Smart City, Mr. Kalzang R. Lepcha gave a Powerpoint Presentation on Rain Water Harvesting. Dependency on the

PHE department will decrease if rainwater is harvested, he added.

Further, Additional Chief Engineer PHE Mr. Dilip Sharma informed rejuvenating of Tamzey Lake, which is the source of Gangtok water supply.

Likewise, the Engineering Cell highlighted the importance and benefits of green spaces and parks, to interact, socialise and space for children to play apart from that it helps in water recharging through plantations and vegetation.

GMC Mayor, Mr. Nell Bahadur Chettri requested that concerned ULBs should be made a part of the projects, since being the elected representatives, they should be answerable to the public.

The second/final day of the training delved into the AMRUT Portal-to familiarize the ULBs with the various dashboards and the various works and reforms to be undertaken under AMRUT 2.0.

The participants were awarded with Certificates of Participation by the chief guest.

## State Level finale of Quiz Competition on Electoral Processes conducted

**Gangtok, November 30:** The State Level Finale of Quiz Competition on Electoral Processes was conducted at the Conference Hall of the Chief Electoral Office, Baluwakhani, today.

Secretary Land Revenue Department, Mr. Anil Raj Rai was the Roll Observer for the finale of the Quiz Competition. Chief Electoral Officer, Sikkim Mr. D. Anandan, Additional Chief Electoral Officer Mrs. Pema Lhaden Lama, Dronacharya Awardee (2021) Mrs. Sandhya Gurung, Padma Shree Awardee (2019) Mrs. Draupadi Ghimiray, State Icons, students from Electoral Literary Club from the State along with teachers and officers and staff of the Chief Election Office were present at the event.

CEO said that the motive of

the quiz competition was to educate citizens, electors and voters about the electoral process. He stated that the activity would generate awareness regarding the registration process and motivate the eligible voters to register themselves during the ongoing Special Summary Revision, from 1.1.2023, as the qualifying date. He mentioned that the electoral process quiz is a part of the SVEEP initiative for Electoral Literacy Clubs (ELCs).

A total of 17 colleges throughout the State participated in the Quiz, which was held in two levels, the first being inter-district Electoral Literary Club, ELC, College level in all six districts of the State w.e.f November 17. The winners of the Inter-district were made to compete in the State Level.

The first position of the quiz competition was bagged by Nar Bahadur Bhandari Government College, Tadong. Sikkim Government College Kamrang bagged second position followed by B.ED College, Soreng and Rhenock Government College in the third and fourth positions, respectively. The winners were awarded a cash prize, a certificate, and a memento.

Earlier, a short documentary prepared by Chief Electoral Office on the mock election process was screened.

It may be mentioned that the Election Quiz on Electoral Process in the Electoral Literary Club (ELCs) at the college level is an initiative as one of the SSR 2023 activity for ELCs to generate awareness regarding Special Summary Revision, 2023.

## Secretary UDD holds press conference

**Gangtok, November 30:** Secretary Urban Development Department Mr. M.T. Sherpa convened a press conference at Smart City Hall, Kisan Bazar, Gangtok, today.

Municipal Commissioner, Gangtok, Mr. R.B. Bhandari, Mission Director, SBM, Urban cum Additional Secretary, Urban Development Department and Deputy Director, Urban Development Department were also present.

Secretary Urban Development Department said that waste segregation should be implemented at individual and community levels in order to maintain proper management solutions.

He added that sorting waste makes it easier to understand how to reduce general waste output by identifying items that can be reused and recycled. He said that the proper waste segregation has benefits like lower waste cost, increased recycling waste, potential revenue streams and reduced landfill impact.

He informed that the National Green Tribunal is constantly monitoring the State, and Solid Waste Management Rule 2016, Plastic Waste Management Rule 2016 and Environment Protection Act 1986 are the bylaws for the waste discarding action.

Secretary, UDD said that the government has taken various initiatives under GMC and ULBs by promptly providing waste collection vehicles and dustbins for dry and wet waste. However, the repugnant attitude towards solid waste and its management has become a huge concern for the landfill site, which needs to be addressed, he added.

He informed that various initiatives like the revival

process to treat the components of solid waste scientifically, which can produce energy, and the Metal Recovery Facility would be initiated soon.

He highlighted that under Rule 12 of Solid Waste Management, DCs are the authority to facilitate land for waste management.

Similarly, he mentioned that according to Rule 11 of Solid Waste Management, in Urban areas, the Secretary of the Urban Development Department is the implementing authority for a waste management action plan. Likewise, a similar power is vested in Secretary, RDD, in rural areas.

Under the solid waste management rule 2016:

No person should throw, burn, or bury the solid waste generated on streets, open public spaces outside individual premises, drain, or water bodies. The generator will have to pay a 'User Fee' to the waste collector and for 'Spot Fine' for Littering and Non-segregation.

He thanked the citizens who pay User Charges for waste management and said that it should be taken as a Social Responsibility, a moral imperative to be responsible as the waste generator is responsible for the disposal of waste generated by them. He appealed to all the citizens to coordinate towards a waste management system in the State.

The Secretary concluded his press briefing with an important note stating that compulsory source segregation across Municipalities in Sikkim will commence from 1<sup>st</sup> December 2022.

The waste collection vehicle will not collect mixed waste materials. He also appealed to not to neglect the importance of waste segregation.

## Youth festival on Summary Revision 2023

**Gangtok, November 30:** As a part of the extensive Systematic Voter Education Electoral Participation (SVEEP), the District Election Authority on the directions of the DC cum District Election Officer (DEO) Gangtok, conducted a youth festival on Summary Revision 2023 at the Auditorium of Sikkim Manipal University, today.

The programme had the presence of DC Gangtok, Mr. Ragul K. accompanied by SDM Gangtok, Ms. Pari Bishnoi, Asst. Collector, Gangtok, Mr. Girdhari Lal Meena, Nodal Officers, dignitaries, and faculties from different colleges.

The DC said that the objective of the event is to form a participative democracy by encouraging all eligible voters to exercise the right to vote during

the elections.

SDM stressed the Summary Revision of the electoral rolls and the importance of voting, equipping them with basic knowledge of the electoral process.

Earlier, students from different colleges participated in the painting competition, mock Parliament Session (SMU), and open house quiz as a part of SVEEP activities in collaboration with Nehru Yuva Kendra.

Similarly, a volleyball match was also played between Sikkim Government College, Burtuk and Nar Bahadur Bhandari Degree College.

Later, prizes were distributed to the winners and runners-up, along with a Certificate of Participation to all the participants.



## Commercial Taxes Division conducts workshop

**Gangtok, November 30:** The Commercial Taxes Division under the Finance Department held a day-long workshop on Estimation, Incorporation, Payment, Deduction and Remittance of Goods and Services Tax concerning works contract service supplied to State Government departments at Chintan Bhawan in Gangtok, today.

The workshop had the participation of Engineers, Drawing & Disbursing Officers (D&DOs), Chartered Accountants and officials representing various line departments and associations along with contractors from Gangtok.

Commissioner Commercial Taxes Division, Mr. Manoj Rai, who was the resource person for the workshop, gave a comprehensive presentation on

important aspects of GST, including its estimation, incorporation, payment, deduction and remittance in the State of Sikkim.

While explaining the fiscal autonomy of the State and citing various notifications issued with regard to GST reforms, the Commissioner provided extensive information on the administrative activities under GST, including e-portal facilities and touched upon multiple challenges and implications of GST enforcement in the future. He further dwelled on the current GST rates on goods and services and their benefits and filled in the importance of invoicing under GST and doing it the right way.

The workshop was also addressed by Joint Commissioner, Commercial Taxes Division, Mr. Sangay Gyatso Bhutia, wherein,

he underscored how the workshop would be beneficial in achieving a better understanding and clarity on the core issues related to GST enforcement in the State. He urged for a collective effort from the wide spectrum of taxpayers, tax deductors and filers to address pertinent issues to achieve complete compliance with the Goods & Services Tax that rolled out on July 01, 2017.

During the event, the second edition of the Handbook for D&DOs and Engineers was distributed to the participants.

A discussion was also held to the underlying issues in the GST-led financial management and deliberate upon their immediate address.

Earlier, the welcome address was delivered by Deputy Commissioner, Commercial Taxes Division, Mrs. Usha Rani Pradhan.

## State Handloom Expo 2022-2023

**Gangtok, December 01:** The State Handloom Expo 2022-2023 commenced at the premises of Directorate of Handicrafts and Handloom, Zero Point, today.

Organised by the Directorate of Handicrafts and Handlooms under the National Handloom Development Programme (NHDP), the expo is scheduled till December 15, 2022.

The expo was inaugurated by Commissioner-cum-Secretary, Commerce and Industries Department, Mr. H. K. Sharma in the presence of Director, DHH Mrs. Binita Thapa, Deputy Director, Officers and staff of

Directorate of Handicrafts and Handloom.

Commissioner-cum-Secretary visited the stalls and interacted with the participants and expressed keen interest in various hand-woven products displayed. He said that this is the first Mega Handloom Expo being organised by the Department, providing a direct marketing platform for weavers, sellers and buyers to converge and create awareness in the handloom sector as an employment and income-generating industry. He stated that the expo aims to facilitate the consumer to purchase genuine

handloom fabrics woven by local artisans.

The expo featured 60 stalls from Assam, Manipur, Nagaland, West Bengal, Bihar, Jharkhand, Uttar Pradesh, Gujarat, Ladakh, Jammu and Kashmir and various local weavers/SHGs from the State.

The State Mega Handloom Expo 2022-23 is a blend of culture and business together. It gives a platform for handlooms and handicraft industries to highlight the products made by weavers/local people. Products like carpets, saris, bed sheets and various other items were exhibited at the fair.

## Office of Labour Deptt. inaugurated

**Soreng, December 02:** The newly established office of the Labour Department at Soreng was inaugurated by the Minister for Labour Department, Mr. L. N. Sharma, today.

The programme had the presence of MLA Soreng-Chakung Mr. Aditya Golay, Advisors,

Chairpersons, Zilla Adhakshya (Soreng district), Upadhakshya (Soreng district), Zilla Panchayats and Panchayat Members.

Also present were Secretary Labour and Skill Development Department Mr. Karma Namgyal Bhutia, Special Commissioner Labour Department Mr. D. S.

Kunwar, DC Mr. Bhim Thatal, ADC, ADC (Dev.) along with other dignitaries, HoDs and officials from line departments.

The infrastructure accommodates offices of Soreng district BAC, Social Welfare and Commercial Tax Department.

## Block level awareness programme on PM FME scheme

**Mangan, December 02:** Block level awareness programme on PM Formalisation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PM FME) scheme was organised at BAC Hall, Chungthang by MSME Division, Commerce and Industries Department, today. The block level programme was organised to directly reach out to local entrepreneurs and motivate them to take up business in the food processing sector. Around 50-60 local entrepreneurs from SHGs, FPOs and aspiring entrepreneurs attended the awareness programme.

SDM Chungthang Mr. Kiran Thatal emphasised about the importance of value addition.

The programme was followed by video demonstration by PM FME team to explain various processing techniques

and machinery involved.

Deputy Secretary, Mr. Topden Zangpo, MSME highlighted the key importance of the PM FME scheme and briefed about the benefits of the scheme mentioning about 35% subsidy linked loan, 100 % funding for training, seed capital for SHGs on food processing business. He also stressed on the importance of standardization of products to upscale the sales both within and outside the states.

BDO, Chungthang, Mr. Tika Ram Chettri spoke about the scheme and urged the participants to take maximum benefit of the scheme.

Similarly, block level awareness programme on PM Formalisation of Micro Food Processing Enterprises (PM FME) scheme was also organised at BAC

Hall, Dzongu on December 01.

Deputy Secretary MSME Mr. Topden Zangpo, highlighted the importance of the PM FME scheme. He also informed about financial, technical and training support provided by the department to local entrepreneurs and stressed on the importance of standardisation of products to upscale the sales both within and outside the state.

Further, Block Development Officer, Passingdang, Upper Dzongu, Mr. Mani Kumar Rai appealed to the entrepreneur to take full advantage of the programme.

Canara Bank Manager, Mangan Branch Mr. Wangchuk Gyalpo assured support to the entrepreneurs for availing loans under PM FME scheme.

## State Advisory Committee meeting on PC&PNDT Act 1994 held

**Gangtok, December 02:** State Advisory Committee meeting regarding PC&PNDT Act 1994 was held at the Conference Hall, Health Secretariat, today.

Principal Director Health Services Dr. Tekendra Rai chaired the meeting. Also present were AD/RCH/PNDT Dr Anita Bhutia along with the representatives of the Advisory Board Committee.

It was a mandatory Advisory Committee meeting, which is held in every two months under State Appropriate Authority.

## CEO Sikkim holds meeting with representatives of all Political parties

**Gangtok, December 02:** The Chief Electoral Officer Sikkim held a meeting with representatives of all political parties of the State in his chamber, today.

The main objective of the meeting was to share the list of claims and objections received during the ongoing Special Summary Revision w.r.t. January 01, 2023 as qualifying date. The list was shared with the political Parties as a transparency measure as advised by the Election Commission of India.

The Special Summary Revision, w.r.t. 01.01.2023 was launched in the State of Sikkim on November 09, 2022 in a programme held at Nar Bahadur Bhandari Government College, Gangtok. During the launch, the Political parties were handed over draft integrated roll for Special Summary Revision. Similarly, the final roll after Special Summary Revision, 2023 will be handed over to them on January 05, 2023.

The list of claims and objections received so far have also put up in the official website

The meeting discussed about the Pre-conception and Prenatal Diagnostic Techniques (Prohibition of Sex Selection) Act, 1994 and the rules made there under for immediate actions.

The meeting also had a discussion to monitor implementation of the provisions of the Act and the rules.

Further, it also discussed about the measures taken to create public awareness about the PC&PNDT in the State.

of Chief Electoral Officer and District Election Officers.

The details of claims and objections received as on 01.12.2022 are as follows: Addition-2838, Deletion-1283, Corrections-2984.

The representatives of Sikkim Krantikari Morcha, Sikkim Democratic Front, Sikkim Pradesh Congress Committee and Hamro Sikkim Party were present.

During the meeting, the Chief Electoral Officer explained to the representatives of political parties about various transparency measures brought in by Election Commission of India in the preparation and revision of Electoral Rolls. He also explained them about the policy of the Election Commission of India on Inclusiveness and Purity of the Electoral Roll.

The meeting concluded with the Chief Electoral Officer seeking their cooperation to make the Special Summary Revision, 2023 a success in making the Electoral Roll error free.

## DPPAC meeting under Pakyong District conducted

**Pakyong December 02:** The District Panchayat Performance Assessment Committee for National Panchayat Awards (DPPAC) meeting under Pakyong District was chaired by ADC Pakyong Ms. Anupa Tamling in the chamber of ADC, Pakyong, today.

AD SIRD Mr. Varun Karki gave a brief introduction on the agenda of the meeting, wherein, he informed that the top 5 fanatic members of Panchayats have been selected and uploaded the data online, as per the norms. Accordingly, he urged the concerned Committee to visit the different GPUs to authenticate the uploaded data.

Panchayat Coordinator Pakyong Mr. Tenzing Dabla highlighted that the Panchayat performance will be evaluated in nine themes which are Women-

friendly Panchayat, Panchayat with Good Governance, Poverty-free and enhanced livelihoods, Water Sufficient Village, Child-Friendly Village, Socially Secured Panchayat, Healthy Village, Self Sufficient infrastructure in the village, Clean and Green Village.

Likewise, the performance of the Panchayat, which is based on the parameters and guidelines laid down by the ministry will be rewarded as well.

The meeting had the presence of ADC (Dev), Mr. Robin Sewa, SDM Pakyong Mr. Tshering Norgyal Theengh, Joint Director AH&VS Ms. Anjala Pradhan, Joint Director Agriculture Department Dr. Pratap Subba, Deputy Director Education Department Mr. B.P. Sharma, MD Pakyong, PHC Dr Sarjoy H. Subba.

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## CM interacts with students of Deorali SSS

**Gangtok:** Chief Minister Mr. Prem Singh Tamang met and interacted with two students from Deorali Senior Secondary School, namely, Ms. Anjali Sunar and Ms. Anita Limboo at his official residence, Mintokgang.

The students have been selected for the National Level

Kala Utsav competitions in Classical Vocal Music and Traditional Percussions (Chyabrung), respectively, after their performance in the State Level Kala Utsav organized under the auspices of Samagra Shiksha, Education Department.

The Chief Minister

commended the efforts of the Principal and the entire School family for guiding and promoting the students with unsurpassed outcomes. He wished them the best and assured possible assistance for their endeavours.

## Programme on International Day of PwDs held

**Gangtok, December 03:** Women and Child Development Department organised a one-day event on International Day of Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) at the Gymnasium Hall, Palzor Stadium, today.

The theme for the programme was 'Transformative solutions for inclusive development: The role of innovation in fuelling an accessible and equitable world'.

Minister for Women and Child Development Department, Mr. Sanjit Kharel, attended the event as the chief guest. Also present were Secretary Social Welfare Department Mr. Tshewang Gyaccho, Secretary Women and Child Development Department, Director ICDS, and officials from various allied departments.

Students from the Special School for Children with Disabilities in Syari and Special School for Speech and Hearing Impaired in Sichey, along with representatives from Jawaharlal

Nehru Memorial Institute for Visually Impaired, Namchi, participated in the event.

Also, NGOs namely, All Sikkim Divyang Ekta Association, Kalpatru Pratisthan, Sikkim Divyang Sahayata Samiti, Mayalmu Sangh, Tintek Lee Aal Sangh Rakdong Tintek, Ishwaramba Samiti Old Age Home, Jalipool and Saipatri Sangh, Namchi had participated.

The Minister expressed happiness to be a part of the event and mentioned that it raises awareness and promote the rights and honour of Persons with Disabilities around the world. He mentioned about the Indira Gandhi National Disability Pension Scheme (IGNDPS), in which individuals attaining 18 years and above with more than 80% disability are provided with a pension of ₹2000/-. Similarly, Chief Minister State Disability Pension Scheme also supports individuals who have 40%-79% Disability and are provided with ₹1500/-, he

added.

He acknowledged the initiative taken by the Transport Department (SNT Division) for providing two seats to the PwDs. He also stated that the State government has implemented a 5% seat reservation for higher education, where the State topper of X and XII standard are awarded a cash prize of ₹50,000/- and ₹35000/-, respectively.

A free eye screening camp under UJJYALO project was also held. Special children from Sichey, Syari and Namchi presented cultural performances and sports activities like bouce, wheel chair race and 50mts race. A short documentary on disability was screened to bring awareness about the Government initiatives and the facilities being provided to the children with special needs. Cash prizes were also awarded to toppers of X and XII under Children with Special Needs (CWSN).

## Free health consultancy for Police personnel organised

**Gangtok, December 03:** As part of the Quasiquicentennial celebrations of the establishment of Sikkim Police, a free intensive health consultancy for the Police personnel was organised at Sikkim Police Headquarters, today.

CARE Hospitals Pvt. Ltd. (Hyderabad) in collaboration with the Government of Sikkim provided free consultancy to Police personnel on various physical ailments such as liver transplants, CTVS, oncology and neurology.

36 Police personnel from Gangtok district attended the free health camp. DIGP/CID Mr. Kunzang D. Shangderpa and ASP Lines, Mrs. Anjana Silwal were also present.

## Gyalshing District Zilla Panchayat organises first coordination meeting

**Gyalshing, December 03:** Gyalshing District Zilla Panchayat organised its first coordination meeting at Zilla Panchayat Assembly Hall, today.

The programme was chaired by Gyalshing Zilla Adhyaksha Mr. D. S. Limboo and attended by Upadhyaksha Mrs. Anita Rai, DC Gyalshing, Mrs. Yishey D. Yongda, Zilla Panchayat members and officials of GDZP.

DC highlighted the issues identifying a site for Resource Recovery Centre for management of solid waste of the district and said that this needs to be done in close coordination with the Gyalshing Nagar Panchayat and RDD. Currently, waste of all bazaars were being sent to Shipchu landfill, which is not a sustainable long term practice and as such, it is imperative that a Recovery Centre be established. She touched upon various Waste Rules and

directives of the Green Tribunal to be implemented. Zilla members have assured their cooperation in this regard. Sachiva also explained about the Nikshay Mitra (TB Mukht programme) and requested all to enrol as Mitras, stressing upon the fact that unless all TB cases are eliminated, the district cannot be termed as swasth or healthy.

Other matters discussed were : Special Summary Revision and ongoing Youth festival for enrolling as many voters (aged 18-19) on the list. She further requested all members to closely monitor the School toilets, status of drinking water at village community level and Take Home Ration of Anganwadis, Mid Day Meal kitchens, adolescent hygiene of the girl child etc.

A session on TB cases in Gyalshing District was presented by District Tuberculosis Officer Dr Smriti Rai, wherein, the gathering

was briefed on treatment facilities, nutritious diet to the patients, hotspots of ailing people etc. She also explained the aspects of stigmatisation of TB patients and requested members to participate in the elimination exercise. She also thanked the DC for provisioning funds for a Mobile Van dedicated for carrying out TB programmes in the rural interiors.

DPO Mr. Ganga Prasad Sharma made a presentation on DPC meetings, budget of Zilla Panchayat, staff details, assets creation etc.

In his concluding remarks, Adhyakshya Mr. D.S. Limboo highlighted on the future plan of the Zilla Panchayat and called for close coordination of Panchayat members for better outcomes of the different programmes and schemes.

## Second consultation on Forum for Inclusive and Resilient Sanitation in Hill Cities held

**Gangtok, December 02:** Secretary, Urban Development Department, Mr. M.T. Sherpa inaugurated the second consultation meet on 'Forum for Inclusive and Resilient Sanitation in Hill Cities' at a local hotel in Gangtok, today.

Organised by the National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA) and Bremen Overseas Research and Development Association (BORDA) South Asia in partnership with the Urban Development Department, Government of Sikkim, the meeting aimed at initiating a conversation between key State officials from the twelve State Urban Development Departments of Himalayan and Northeast States of India.

The programme had the presence of the Member Secretary, Sikkim Pollution Control Board, Mr. Gopal Pradhan, Team Lead, Sanitation Capacity Building Platform, NIUA, Dr. Mahreen Matto and Urban sector experts and State officials from seven Northeast States, including Sikkim and other five Hill Cities of India. The facilitating partner for the event was Progressive Learning Foundation (PLF) Sikkim, led by PLF Director Mr. Samuel Khaiba.

The NIUA-BORDA South Asia started conducting a series of consultation meets/workshops with potential multi-stakeholders to build the principles and streamline the Forum's initiative before the Forum's official launch in March 2023. The first consultation meeting was conducted at Leh in Ladakh earlier this year in July.

Secretary UDD GoS, Mr. M.T. Sherpa said that the forum

would serve as an excellent platform for deliberations from the State officials on the core issues of water sanitation, inclusiveness, resilience and urban planning and to collectively plan for short and long-term interventions to achieve water security and sanitation, both of which are critical for progress in all aspects of global development.

He also shared that urban India faces severe water issues due to rapid urbanisation and population growth, coupled with corresponding negligible additions to raw water sources, archaic water infrastructure and governance issues. He added that the meeting would provide an opportunity for the Himalayan and NE States to come together and discuss plans for adopting inclusive planning practices and climate resilience while conceding the needs of the marginalised section of the community.

Member Secretary, SPCB Mr. Gopal Pradhan highlighted various initiatives of the Sikkim Pollution Control Board. He said that the meeting would successfully and effectively prepare the roadmap and action plan to advance the global water security and sanitation mission.

The meeting had discussions focusing on State's perspective on urban water and sanitation services and the operationalisation and value proposition of the Forum, followed by presentations by the State officials.

Earlier, Team Lead, SCBP, NIUA, Dr. Mahreen Matto briefed about the contextual setting of urbanisation in the Hill region.

## Youth Festival under SVEEP organised

**Pakyong, December 03:** District Election Office, DAC Pakyong in collaboration with SARATHI, organised Youth Festival under the aegis of Systematic Voters Education and Electoral Participation (SVEEP), for the awareness and enrolment of new voters at the Community Hall, Pakyong, today.

ADC (Dev.) Pakyong Mr. Robin Sewa attended the event as the chief guest accompanied by SDM (Hq.) Pakyong Mr. Thendup Lepcha as the special guest.

The programme also had the presence of Zilla and Ward Panchayats, District Officers, former Government officials, teachers and students from Namcheybong Senior Secondary School and Pachey Senior Secondary School.

ADC (Dev.) Pakyong emphasised on the role of students in the society and importance of moral values. He also urged the students to inculcate the value of good citizenship. He also acknowledged the pivotal role of SARATHI in working towards a drug-free society.

Deputy Secretary, Election Department Mrs. Merina Rai highlighted the importance of

inclusiveness, participation of all strata of society and availing online facilities with regard to the election process. She informed about the ongoing Special Summary Revision rolling January 01 as the qualifying date for the enrolment of new voters and the qualifying dates for the enrolment of newly eligible voters from next year i.e. January 01, April 01, July 01 and October 01.

Further, she mentioned that special campaign at every polling station will be held on December 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, focusing on the enrolment of new voters, Aadhar linking with Electoral Photo Identity Card (EPIC) and inclusion of Persons with Disabilities (PwDs) voters. She also highlighted the role of students in the election process and discussed online facilities that one can avail of through different portals.

A brief note on drug and suicide-free society was addressed by General Secretary, SARATHI.

The event also had a skit presentation by the students of Dikling Senior Secondary School sensitising the need to participate in the election process and the importance of 'One person One vote'.

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