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**Press Release**

Shri Biplab Kumar Deb, Hon'ble Chief Minister, Tripura called on Shri Narendra Modi Ji, Hon'ble Prime Minister on 20<sup>th</sup> September, 2018 at the Hon'ble Prime Minister's official residence in New Delhi. Hon'ble Chief Minister, Tripura apprised the Hon'ble Prime Minister of the progress of implementation of following Flagship schemes in the State of Tripura under Gram Swaraj Abhiyan:

- (i) Ayushman Bharat – Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Abhiyan (AB-PMJAY)
- (ii) Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) /(UJJWALA)
- (iii) PM Sahaj Bijli Har Ghar Yojana (Saubhagya)
- (iv) Unnat Jyoti by Affordable LEDs for All Yojana (UJALA)
- (v) Jan-Dhan Accounts under (PMJDY)
- (vi) Pradhan Mantri Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana (PMJJBY)
- (vii) Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana (PMSBY)
- (viii) MGNREGA

Hon'ble Chief Minister sought the blessings of the Hon'ble Prime Minister for successful implementation of all the Flagship schemes in Tripura and reiterated his commitment towards bringing holistic development in the State.

Hon'ble Chief Minister, Tripura also apprised the Hon'ble Prime Minister of the recent initiatives and efforts of the State Government to put the State on the path of rapid economic development by focussing on those sectors of the economy of State which have high potential for growth and income generation for the people of the State. Hon'ble Chief Minister especially highlighted the need for development on priority basis of Agriculture, Horticulture and Fisheries sectors in the State which have the combined potential of preventing an outflow of about Rs 5000 crore annually from the State. Hon'ble Chief Minister reiterated the vision of making a 'New Tripura' in alignment with the vision of the Hon'ble

Prime Minister vision of making a 'New India' and sought support of the Hon'ble Prime Minister in this endeavour of the new Government of the State. Hon'ble Chief Minister expressed his belief that now with BJP being in power in the State as in the Centre, the vision of development of the State to its full potential can be realized soon with active and full support of the Centre. Hon'ble Prime Minister appreciated the initiatives and efforts of the State Government and assured of his continued support to the State Government.

Hon'ble Chief Minister, Tripura requested the Hon'ble Prime Minister for release an amount of Rs 358.70 crore to the Government of Tripura under Special Plan Assistance for completion of 81 ongoing projects as recommended by NITI Aayog. Hon'ble Chief Minister, Tripura also discussed the issue of release of Special Assistance of Rs 1500 crore to enable the State Government to fulfil the commitment made to the people of Tripura as per the Vision Document. Hon'ble Prime Minister gave positive assurance in the matter to the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Tripura.

Hon'ble Chief Minister, Tripura highlighted the recent efforts of the State Government in preventing the drug menace prevalent in the State through 'NASHA MUKT TRIPURA' campaign. Hon'ble Chief Minister, Tripura briefed the Hon'ble Prime Minister about the steps taken by the State Government to strengthen the State machinery in this regard which has resulted in huge seizure of Cannabis (45,000+ Kg), Cough syrup bottles (88,000+ nos.), Tablets (1.48+ lakh nos.), Heroin (2500+ Kg) and destruction of Ganja Seedlings (1.69+ crore nos.) upto 19<sup>th</sup> September, 2018. Hon'ble Chief Minister, Tripura also apprised the Hon'ble Prime Minister that the State Government has started promoting alternate sources of livelihood in the areas under Cannabis cultivation with the assistance of Forest, Agriculture, Horticulture and Animal Husbandry Departments. Hon'ble Chief Minister sought the blessings of the Hon'ble Prime Minister in strengthening the State Government's efforts in weaning people away from Cannabis cultivation. Hon'ble Prime Minister lauded the efforts of Hon'ble Chief Minister, Tripura in this regard and assured full support of the Central Government to the 'NASHA MUKT TRIPURA' campaign.

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