

CHUTIA CULTURAL FESTIVAL(Annual Conference Of Sadou Assam Students's Union) AT GOLAGHAT"

INTRODUCTION

1. Informative Society for Development Initiatives(ISDI), Head office House No.29 P.B Road, Rehabari, Guwahati, Assam has been working among various section of the society since last nine years. During these years ISDI has been proudly undertaken various schemes/projects for the benefit and development of marginalised people of Assam. This includes developmental projects amongst SC/ST and other backward communities, legal aid camps, the enhancement and promotion of various cultural diversity of Assam. Chutia community is being the marginalised section of the society and their contribution in up keeping the cultural diversity of Assam is significant. Taking consideration of this fact ISDI organised Chutia Cultural Festival (Annual Conference Of Sadou Assam Students's Union) at Golaghat" under the guidance of Directorate of Welfare of Plain Tribe and Backward classes (WPT&BC) Assam Ghy-06.

2. The brief summary of the Chutia Cultural Festival/ Programme are as follows:

The "Chutia cultural festival/programme" held on 10-09-2020 to 11-09-2020 was eventful with limited participation due to covid-19 pandemic. The programme was under taken with proper adherence of all the Covid-19 prevention measures. The participation from across Assam and the public support which received during the execution was praiseworthy considering present scenario. The programme was officially inaugurated jointly by Shri Khirud Saikia President All Assam Chutia Students union and Shri Mahen Borah, General Secretary All Assam Chutia Students union by lighting the lamp.

3. Open meeting was inaugurated by Shri Jiten Saikia, Chairman Chutia development Council Assam, followed by traditional Chuita chorus song presented by Athkhelia Cultural Society Golaghat. The entire function was under the proficient guidance of Shri Khirud Saikia President All Assam Chutia Students union. The function was blessed by his presence by Shri. Amiya Kumar Borah, Chairman of Assam Tea Cooperation. Shri PP Borkakoti, RA of Directorate of Welfare of Plain Tribe and Backward classes (WPT&BC), Assam, GHY-06 were present to inspect the conducting of the function.

Maximum numbers of participants were from All Assam Chutia Students Union workers and members who made this occasion a successful event.

4. Shri. Amiya Kumar Borah, Chairman of Assam Tea Cooperation was the chief guest in his inaugural speech amply emphasise on the heritage culture of Chutiya community and being the member of Chutia community he praised the efforts of own people and NGO's while conducting such cultural festivals and programmes. He welcomed the steps taken by state govt towards the process to undertake various cultural activities amongst different communities in the Assam. He congratulated all the participants who came all the way around Assam to take part in the cultural events and offered his supports to ISDI in all its endeavours.

5. In the last the Chairman of all Assam Chutia Communities Mr. Jiten Saikia has expressed his gratitude towards the WPT&BC, ISDI and all the participants. He being a pioneer among the chutia communities and a organiser of events has praised the efforts undertaken by the ISDI towards the fulfilment of the programme. Over the years Chutia community Cultural festivals has been achieved a land mark in Assam. He promised to enhance the participation of people in the coming years and lauded the efforts by the ISDI to organise the event in a descent manner.

6. The various troops of Chutia community along the length and breadth of Assam participated in different forms of Cultural activities as follows:

- (a) Chutia Tuloni Biya Nam and Luka Nitya by Samanway Khetra , Guwahati-21
- (b) Chutia jatio Bihu performance by Baruah Gaon Bihu Dol
- (c) Traditional Chutia Bhihu by Sarupathar cultural sangha
- (d) Biya Nam by Mohina par mahilla Samaj

7. Photographs of the above mentioned programmes are attached below.