

Awareness programme on child labour, child marriage and child trafficking held

Tezpur, November 20: An awareness programme on the theme of child labour, child marriage and child trafficking was held today at Axomiya Club, Lake Road, Tezpur which was organized by the District Child Protection Unit, Sonitpur.

The programme was inaugurated by Addl. Deputy Commissioner Kulen Sarma while District Child Protection Officer Rubi Kalita explained the objectives of the meeting. The Meeting was conducted by Chairman, Child Welfare Committee, Dilip Kumar Baruah.

Speaking on the occasion, ADC Kulen Sarma laid stress on the need to create awareness at the ground level about the legal provisions and other perils associated with child marriage and child labour. He also urged the officials of the DCPU and police to take prompt action whenever any such case is brought to the notice of the authorities.

Secretary, District Legal Services Authority, Asma Rahman spoke at length about the legal provisions of the Prohibition of Child Marriage Act, 2006 and said there is the need to create more awareness about the stringent provisions in the Act so that it can act as a deterrent in the society.

DSP (Hqs) Sonitpur Dr. Rashmi Rekha Sharma spoke on various issues related to child trafficking. Member, Juvenile Justice Board, Bodhendra Nath Sarma, Asst Labour Commissioner, Bornali Sharma Changkakoti, Dr. Siddheshwar of the LGBI of Mental Health, Tezpur also spoke on the occasion. DIPRO Neena Baruah and other members and staff of DCPU were also present.