

Vasectomy Fortnight launched in Sonitpur

Tezpur, November 22: In line with the Government's vision to raise awareness about male sterilization and to promote the participation of men in family planning, the District Health Society, Sonitpur will be observing the Vasectomy Fortnight from November 21 to December 4, 2019.

The Vasectomy Fortnight was formally inaugurated by Addl Deputy Commissioner Kulen Sarma on Thursday in the presence of Joint Director, Health Services, Dr Krishna Kemprai, Addl Chief Medical and Health Officer Dr Phani Pathak, Medical Inspector of Plantations, Dr. Pradip Lahkar and DIPRO Neena Baruah.

The first week from November 21-27 will be dedicated to mobilizing the people while the week from November 28-December 4 will be dedicated to service delivery.

Addl Chief Medical and Health Officer Dr Phani Pathak delivered the inaugural speech where he appealed to all health workers present to work towards involving men in family planning measures. Joint Director, Health Services, Dr Krishna Kemprai appealed to all medical officers and health workers to take united efforts to make the Vasectomy Fortnight a success.

District Family Planning Coordinator Pulakesh Bora spoke about various family planning measures taken up by the government and on ways to identify and prepare a correct list of eligible beneficiaries for the Vasectomy Fortnight and benefits provided by the government.

Addl DC Kulen Sarma appealed to all ASHA supervisors, workers and male health workers to take active part in mobilizing the people and said vasectomy was essential in order to ensure proper health of the mother and child. Dr Sisir Baidya, Superintendent, CLM Hospital, Tezpur cum NSV surgeon spoke at length to dispel the misinformation and myths associated with vasectomy and appealed to the tea garden welfare officers and multi-purpose workers to play an active role in mobilizing the people.

The function was conducted by District Programme Manager Paragiyoti Saikia. Medical officers from various Block Primary Health Centres, Block Programme Management workers, ASHA supervisors and workers, MPWs, etc., were present in the meeting held at District Library auditorium.