

## **GOVT IS COMMITTED FOR ALL ROUND DEVELOPMENT OF THE STATE: CM**

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The Government is committed for the all-round development of the State. Keeping in view the bright, safe future of the State, the Government is taking strides in every sector to make it self-reliant said Chief Minister, Dr Pramod Sawant while addressing the people after unfurling the tricolor to mark the celebration of India's 79th Independence day at Old Secretariat Panaji today.

He further mentioned that the Government is of the opinion that economic development of the State lies upon big industries and therefore intends to encourage the through Investment Promotion Board where doors have been kept open for employment generating green industries in the State.

The Chief Minister speaking further said that the Government has been able to develop robust infrastructure in sectors like health, education, Sports industry, and others due to the double engine Government. Efforts are being made by the Government to take up governance at the doorstep of the people. The hopes and aspirations of Goans will lay the foundation of Viksit Bharat in future. In order to have skilled manpower for the hospitality industry sector, various courses have been implemented through 13 ITIs all over Goa. Besides the Goa Chief Ministers Apprenticeship Policy provides employability exposure benefiting 27000 youth in the State. For the sake of empowerment of women he said various schemes have been implemented through the department of RDA.

The Chief Minister further speaking said that the aboriginal Goan ST community for many years were deprived of their land ownership rights which has now been granted by the Government. Apart from this those who are working as daily wage workers in various offices of the Government have been given temporary status extending them special increment considering their important role in development of the State he informed.

The Chief Minister underscoring his commitment to provide adequate infrastructure for schools said in line with the Cujira school complex the Government intends to construct a school complex in Margao. The Goa University achieved A+ NAAC Accreditation is the best evidence of architecture. In the campus of this University land has been acquired for providing premises for prestigious institutions like Goa College of Pharmacy, Fine Arts College, Goa College of Home Science, Goa College of Architecture, Goa College of Music he informed. He appealed to strengthen our unity and rededicate to the welfare and development of people of the State.

Thereafter the Chief Minister presented awards in various disciplines to the recipients as recognition for their meritorious services. The awards comprises of a medal and certificate. The recipients of the President's Police Medal for Distinguished Service awards were Dy. IGP Shri Bosco George IPS (Retd), Smt. Sunita Sawant

Dy.SP, Shri Siddhant Shirodkar Dy.SP. The awards of Police Medal for Meritorious Services were presented to Shri Wilson C.Dsouza Dy.SP, Shri Tushar N.Narvekar. Dy.SP, Shri Damodar Mayenkar HC-4804. While President's Fire Service Medal for Meritorious Service, (Director General, Fire Service Civil Defenses and Home Guard Ministry of Home Affairs Government of India) awards were presented to Shri Ulhas Gaonkar Sub. Officer Dteof Fire & Emergency Services, Shri Nitin V.Raikar Director of Fire & & Emergency Services and the Commendation award presented to Shri Pravimal Abhishek Polumatla IAS (Personnel) Shri Gauresh Kurtikar, Secretary GPSC, TNO Ponda Taluka was felicitated at the hands of Chief Minister. The officials of Directorate of Planning Statstics & Evaluation who were felicitated for serving as Swyampurna Mitra's are Shri Dheeraj S. Parab AAO, Dte. Agriculture, Paliem Pernem, Smt. Celina Maria Rodrigues, Section Officer Revenue, Revenue Department, Secretariat, Shri Rajat R. Chitari Asst. Manager, Goa Waste Management Corporation, Kum.Er. Rosalina Caetano Borges Ex. Engineer, PWD (General Manager at Sewerage & Infrastructural Development Corporation Ltd. etc.

Earlier the Chief Minister inspected the guard of honour

Minister for Revenue Shri Atanasio Monserrate, Member of Parliament Rajysabha Shri Sadanand Shet Tanavde, Leader of Opposition Shri Yuri Alemao, MLA St.Cruz Shri Rudolph Fernandes, Chief Secretary of the State Dr. V. Candavelou, DGP Secretary Sport Shri Santosh Sukhdev IAS, Goa Shri Alok Kumar IPS, Honble Judges of High Court, Secretaries to the Government, HODs of various Government Departments, Freedom fighters, Prominent citizens and others attended the function.

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