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Mizoram To Be Developed As “Bamboo State”: Dr. Jitendra Singh

Bamboo Development Board

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USPA NEWS - The Minister of State for Development of North Eastern Region (I/C), Prime Minister's Office, Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions, Department of Atomic Energy, Department of Space, Dr. Jitendra Singh briefing the media persons at Lengpui Airport, in Aizawl on November 23, 2015.

Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER), MoS PMO, Personnel, Public Grievances, Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, Dr. Jitendra Singh addressing a press conference at Aizawl, Mizoram said, the government is committed to develop Mizoram as the “Bamboo State of India”.

Dr. Jitendra Singh said that the State of Mizoram is blessed with very high production of bamboo, which can be turned into a major source, not only for furniture but also for paper supply to the rest of the country.

This could, not only generate revenue for the State, but also create opportunities for youth outside India. In this regard, he said, he had already initiated an effort to reinforce “Bamboo Development Board” of India.

Dr. Jitendra Singh said that the successive Governments had neglected Mizoram's vast potentials and this is an opportunity for the people of the State to ensure adequate implementation of various pro-poor Central schemes initiated by the Modi government.

Dr. Jitendra Singh referred to the rising prevalence of cancer in the State, which is the highest in Mizoram and said, at the initiative of the DoNER Ministry, very soon, we will have cancer care facilities in collaboration with other advanced institutes of the country like Adyar Cancer Institute, Chennai. In this regard, he said, the local municipal bodies to be elected through the poll on 26th November will be expected to play a crucial role by mobilizing local population to avail of the facility provided by the Modi Government.

Mizoram has a high literacy rate of over 92 per cent, next to the State of Kerala, said Dr. Jitendra Singh and added that some of the scholars from Mizoram are occupying important teaching faculty positions in reputed colleges and Universities in the rest of the country. But, he said, the irony is that local government here has failed to bring up standard educational institutes which has led to brain drain to other parts of the country.

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