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Odia Labourers are the Viswakarma of the modern era

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Odia labourers have earned fame all over the world. Especially in the field of construction of temples, their role is truly significant. They are truly the world's best labourers— Viswakarma of the modern era, said Bhubaneswar Ekamra MLA Shri Babu Singh.

Today, Khordha District Nirman Shramik Kalyan Samaroh was held at Jayadeva Bhawan. Attending it as the chief guest, MLA Shri Singh said that our government came to power after receiving a huge mandate 9 months ago. Our government is the people's government. It is a double-engine government committed to the welfare of the people. While extensive efforts are being made for a developed India and a prosperous Odisha under the dynamic leadership of the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi at the Center, in the state, our popular Chief Minister Shri Mohan Charan Majhi is implementing significant schemes for the people of the state one after another.

Sri Singh also expressed that usually men are the bread earners of the family. The resolve of our government is that mothers should also be able to earn. That is why women are being empowered in the economic sector under the 'Subhadra' scheme. Construction Workers Welfare Scheme is intended for the welfare of the workers in a comprehensive manner. In our labour-rich state, construction workers aged between 18 and 60 years and their children can get education assistance, marriage assistance, maternity assistance, accidental disability assistance, funeral assistance and death assistance by registering their names. Under the Odisha Kothawadi and other Construction Workers Welfare Boards, only Rs. 50 will have to be paid for the renewal of Identity Cards every year. Therefore, through regular renewal, construction workers and their families can get various governmental assistance. MLA Shri Singh urged Labour Department officials to make the general labourers aware of the various provisions and welfare schemes and assistance under the Labour Act and to work dedicatedly towards solving their problems.

Guest of honour, State Labour Commissioner Shri Indramani Tripathi said that the department has arranged a toll-free telephone number 1800-3456703 to help the workers. This service is available round the clock. Construction workers can register and renew their registration and apply for various assistance through the online portal www.nirmanshramik.odisha.gov.in. In the case of accidental death at the workplace workers between the ages of 18 and 60, will get a one-time assistance of Rs. 6 lakh and in the case of natural death, a one-time assistance of Rs. 3 lakh is being provided. Recently, Shramik Sachetanata Rath was flagged off to make labourers in Khordha district aware of all the details of the welfare schemes and the amount of assistance. This campaign will continue for a month. After this, this awareness work will be carried out through “Shrama kantha” in various government offices. Today, a total of 985 labour beneficiaries in Khurda district are being provided various assistance worth about Rs 4.52 crore. About Rs 80 crore has already been distributed to the labourers of other districts in the State, expressed Labour Commissioner Shri Tripathi.

Divisional Labour Commissioner Shri Ajay Kumar Pradhan, Joint Labour Commissioner Shri Pranab Kumar Patra, Additional Labour Commissioner Shri Ghasiram

Tudu and Shri Madan Mohan Paik, Bhubaneswar sub Collector Shri Manoranjan Sahu also spoke on the occasion.

Khurda District Labour Officer Shri Prabhakar Biswal delivered the welcome address. Under the Odisha Kothawadi and Other Construction Workers Welfare Board, identity cards were distributed to 215 workers in the district, education assistance ranging from Rs. 2,000 to Rs. 48,000 was provided to 504 people, marriage assistance of Rs. 50,000 to 88 people, maternity assistance of Rs. 10,000 each to 48 people, death assistance to 161 people, funeral assistance to 161 people - thus, 962 people have been provided with various assistance worth about Rs. 4 crore 19 lakh. Under the Odisha Unorganized Workers Social Security Board, new identity cards were distributed to 133 workers in the district, and Rs. 33 lakh was provided as death assistance. Assistant Labour Officer Sushri Debashree Behera gave the vote of thanks.



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