

## **Hon'ble Minister Shri Rameswar Teli lays foundation of OIL's projects**

Shri Rameswar Teli, Minister of State, MoPNG and Ministry of Labour and Employment in presence of Shri Terosh Gowalla, MLA, Duliajan and Shri Prasanta Borkakoty, Resident Chief Executive (RCE), OIL and other dignitaries inaugurated the training program of 100 weaving groups and handed over revolving funds in a program held under CSR Project Rupantar at Tipling, Duliajan on 24<sup>th</sup> August 2021. In commemoration of '*Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav*' celebrating 75 years of freedom of progressive India, Oil India Limited undertook a special initiative for developing a weaving cluster in greater Baghjan area by forming and supporting 100 Joint Liability Groups. Implemented by State Institute of Panchayat and Rural development (SIPRD) under OIL's internationally recognized CSR initiative, Project Rupantar, 500 women handloom weavers of greater Baghjan area will be benefitting from this initiative.

Thereafter, Hon'ble Minister laid the foundation stone of the vocational unit of Mrinaljyoti Rehabilitation Centre at Duliajan. Under CSR project Sakshyam, OIL is providing the financial assistance of Rs 32.56 lakhs towards construction of the Vocational Learning Centre at Mrinaljyoti. This will be a growth centre for the differently abled students to develop skills essential for their socio economic empowerment.

Hon'ble Minister also laid the foundation stone of the new residential complex in OIL Township at Duliajan. This new residential complex which includes 7 towers with ground plus six floors with a total of 168 apartments is being constructed at a total project cost of Rs 148.32 Crores which will provide accommodation to a large number of officers who presently are staying in self arranged rented accommodations due to lack of adequate company owned accommodation in Duliajan.

In his address, Hon'ble Minister congratulated OIL for taking up new initiatives under CSR and showcasing its commitment towards the greater interest of the community. While addressing, he also apprised about the various initiatives undertaken by the Government and the steps taken under MoPNG to reduce import of hydrocarbon and explore possibilities of alternate fuel like biodiesel.

The day ended with an hour long meeting with OIL officials at IT Conference Room where OIL made a brief presentation followed by a discussion session on the various challenges and the road ahead.

*Few Glimpses:*



**Hon'ble Minister inaugurating the training program of 100 weaving groups under Project Rupantar**



**Hon'ble Minister laying the foundation stone of the vocational unit of Mrinaljyoti Rehabilitation Centre**



**Hon'ble Minister laying the foundation stone of the new residential complex in OIL Township at Duliajan**



**Presentation at IT Conference Room**