

## 'Matribhasha Divas' held in Mangaldoi



Sabha's vice president Smti Mrinalini Devi releasing the souvenir and seen with her are Durga Das Boro, Basanta Das, Prahlad Chandra Tasa, Dr Chandan Kumar Sarma, Dr Mayur Bora and others.

Sabha's central programme 'Matribhasha Divas' was held at the premises of language martyr Mozammil Haque Park in Mangaldoi on last October 6, 2021, under the auspices of Darrang Zila Sahitya Sabha and Swahid Mozammil Haque Memorial Committee. The day-long programme began in the morning with Darrang Zila Sahitya Sabha and Swahid Mozammil Haque Memorial Committee presidents Sailen Rajbongshi and Mukul Chandra Deka hoisting the Sabha and the Committee flags respectively. It was followed by lighting of the lamp by Swahid Mozammil Haque's brother Badarul Haque and paying of tribute by Sipajhar MLA and former Sabha president Dr Paramananda Rajbongshi. In 49 eminent people of the locality joined the tribute programme.

The open session, held at the Mangaldoi Youth Club auditorium, began with presentation of the Sabha anthem '*Chira Chenehi Mor Bhasha Janani...*'. With Sabha's former acting president Padmashree Prahlad Chandra Tasa in the chair, the meeting saw the Sabha general secretary Jadab Chandra Sharma explaining the purpose of the gathering. Mangaldoi MLA and the president of the reception committee Basanta Das while presenting his welcome speech gave assurance to complete the 'Swahid Mozammil Haque Smriti Soudh'. Then a team of artists from Mangaldoi Youth Club presented the famous Dr Bhupen Hazarika number '*Aai Tok Kihere Pujime...*'.

The chief guest of the meeting Dr Chandan Kumar Sarma of Tezpur University, in his speech, laid the stress to analyse the factors responsible for the ongoing crisis of Assamese language. Writer-thinker-columnist Dr Mayur Bora, who was the appointed speaker, in his speech appreciated Asam Sahitya Sabha for organising 'Matribhasha Divas' in memory of martyr Mozammil Haque.

Sabha's vice president Smti Mrinalini Bora released the souvenir published on the occasion. Kalaigaon MLA Durga Das Boro, the guest of honour, also spoke on the occasion.

Darrang Zila Sahitya Sabha secretary Gautamananda Goswami and Swahid Mozammil Haque Memorial Committee secretary Aman Allah Pasha proposed the vote of thanks. Dibrugarh Zila Sahitya Sabha president Indra Gogoi and Asam Sahitya Sabha's Karnadhar Samity member Thaneshwar Malakar were among the other dignitaries present at the function.