



## "সুৰক্ষিত অসমৰ বাবে বাটৰ নাট"

# A Disaster Preparedness Campaign through 50 street plays Organized by

# District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), Sonitpur In collaboration with Edupur Society, Tezpur

(A special documented report)

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would like to take this opportunity to place on record our hearty thanks to District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), Sonitpur and District Commissioner Sonitpur for giving this opportunity to organise 50 street play campaign in 5 Revenue Circle i.e. Tezpur, Chariduar, Dhekiajuli, Thelamara & Naduar of Sonitpur District.



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The success of this street play campaign goes to collective effort and dedication.

Thanking you,

Amit Raj Konwar Founder Director & CEO

Edupur Foundation, Edupur Group

#### Inauguration Ceremony of 1st Street Play

Date: 04-01-2025

Venue: Tezpur Court Chariali, Tezpur

Time: 11:30am

The District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), Sonitpur, in collaboration with Edupur Society, Tezpur, proudly launched the disaster preparedness campaign "সুৰক্ষিত অসমৰ বাবে বাটৰ নাট" (Surokhit Axomor Baabe Bator Nat) on 4th January 2025 at Tezpur Court Chariali. The campaign will run from the 4<sup>th</sup> of January to 21st of January 2025 across various locations.



The Honourable MLA of Tezpur LAC, Shri Prithiraj Rava, as the Chief Guest, graced the inauguration. The event also witnessed the esteemed presence of:

- Shri Ankur Bharali, District Commissioner & Chairperson of DDMA, Sonitpur
- Shri Barun Purkayastha, Superintendent of Police, Sonitpur
- Smti. Karabi Saikia Karan, CEO, Sonitpur Zilla Parishad
- ❖ Shri Garga Mohan Das, Additional DC & CEO of DDMA
- Shri Bibek Mahato, DRR Consultant, ASDMA
- \* Renowned Assamese actor Shri Arun Nath
- President Awardee and Renowned actor and dancer Smti. Krishna Das Nath
- Shri Bankim Sharma, President of Ban Theatre
- ❖ Wildlife conservationist Shri Saurav Borkataki, among other dignitaries.

The highlight of the event was the ceremonial performance of a street play and the flagging-off of a specially designed street play van. This van travelled across Tezpur, Dhekiajuli, Naduar, Thelamara and Chariduar revenue circles, presenting over 50 street plays to spread awareness about natural disasters such as floods and lightning. The campaign also included loudspeaker announcements and the distribution of informative leaflets to educate the public on disaster preparedness.

The inaugural event drew enthusiastic participation from dignitaries, officials, members of Edupur Society, local students, and the general public, setting the tone for an impactful awareness drive.









#### 2<sup>nd</sup> Street Play performed at Hanuman Mandir Area



Date: 04-01-2025

Venue: Hanuman Mandir, Tezpur

Time: 2:00 pm.

The District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), Sonitpur, in collaboration with Edupur Society, Tezpur, organized its second street play to raise awareness and improve preparedness for natural disasters such as floods and lightning. This initiative

focuses on enhancing community knowledge about disaster preparedness and resilience. The second play was conducted near Hanuman Mandir in Tezpur, drew an audience of approximately 50 people, who appreciated both the engaging presentation and the relevance of the topic. This initiative highlights the significance of community participation in disaster management and aims to build a safer, more prepared society. Bishnu Mech, a local resident thanked the DDMA and the entire for taking such measures of raising mass awareness against disastrous calamities.





#### 3<sup>nd</sup> Street Play performed at Dolabari Daily Bazar



Date: 04-01-2025

Venue: Dolabari Daily Bazar

Time: 5:00 pm

The third street play was held at Dolabari Daily Bazar, organized by the District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), Sonitpur, in partnership with Edupur Society, Tezpur. The main moto of the street play was to raise

community awareness and enhance preparedness for natural disasters like floods and lightning. Approximately 50 people attended the event, and feedback were gathered from the "Gaon Burha" Mr. S.K. Awal Hussain and other audience members, who highly praised the concept and expressed their appreciation for the performance.





#### 4th Street Play performed at Paruwa Chariali



Date: 05-01-2025

Venue: Paruwa Chariali

Time: 12:00 pm

The fourth street play was conducted at Paruwa Chariali, organized by the District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), Sonitpur, in collaboration with the Edupur Society, Tezpur. The primary objective of the performance

was to raise community awareness and improve preparedness for natural disasters such as floods and lightning. Approximately 70 people attended the program, and audience feedback indicated that they appreciated both the performance and the concept. Gaon Pradhan, Pranab Kakoti mentioned that such initiatives are certainly going to bring a change and thus help people to prepare for such natural calamities.





#### 5th Street Play performed at Panchmile Bazar



Date: 05-01-2025 Venue: Panchmile Bazar

Time: 1:00 pm

The fifth street play was conducted at Panchmile Bazar. It was organized by the District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), Sonitpur, in collaboration with the Edupur Society, Tezpur. The primary objective of the street play was to raise community awareness and

enhance preparedness for natural disasters such as floods and lightning. Around 50 people attended the event and feedback was gathered from shopkeepers in the bazar area and other audience. When asked about the response, Gaon Pradhan Monoranjan Ghosh said that this is indeed one of a kind of initiative which is very essential to raise community awareness. The audience expressed their appreciation for both the performance and the concept.





#### 6th Street Play performed at Goroimari area



Date: 05-01-2025

Venue: Goroimari (Ahom Gaon)

Time: 3:00 pm

The sixth street play was conducted at Goroimari, organized by the District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), Sonitpur, in collaboration with the Edupur Society, Tezpur. The event attracted around 100 audiences, and feedback was collected from the

audience, including pedestrians and observer. The response was overwhelmingly positive, with many expressing their appreciation for the program and its concept. One audience, Anamika Phukan, a local, mentioned that they would like to see more awareness programs like this in the future as floods are an annual disastrous occurrences.





#### 7th Street Play performed at Solmara Ghat Bazar



Date: 05-01-2025

Venue: Solmara Ghat Bazar

Time: 4:30 pm

The seventh street play was held at Solmara Ghat Bazar, organized by the District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), Sonitpur, in collaboration with the Edupur Society, Tezpur. The primary aim of the program was to raise awareness about natural disasters such as floods and

lightning.

Approximately 68 people attended and applauded the event with sheer thrill. Feedback was collected from shopkeepers in the bazar area as well as other audience. The audience appreciated both the performance and the concept behind the initiative. Some also believed the initiative to be an eye-opener one. A local, Imran Hussain, responded to our media team saying that he was very inspired by the portrayal of the street play and added that he would spread the message back home to his friends and relatives for preparedness for such disaster management.





#### 8th Street Play performed at Puthimari Daily Bazar



Date: 06-01-2025

Venue: Puthimari Daily Bazar

Time: 3:00 pm

Around 76 people attended the program, and their feedback reflected appreciation for the initiative. They acknowledged gaining valuable knowledge on disaster preparedness, including essential steps to take during floods to ensure their safety. who expressed their

interest for the program. One of the villager's named Sarat Kr. Nath shared that such performances are impactful in raising awareness, especially in a culturally diverse community like theirs, where people with various traditions and customs find it easier to grab important messages through drama or street play.





#### 9th Street Play performed at Bihaguri Daily Bazar



Date: 06-01-2025

Venue: Bihaguri Daily Bazar

Time: 4:00 pm

The campaign drew an audience of approximately 57 audiences, who praised both the performances and the concept behind the initiative. Feedback from the audience highlighted the importance of conducting such awareness programs in areas like Bihaguri, where people face challenges from flood.

They appreciated the practical protocols demonstrated in the plays. Gaon Pradhan Thaneswar Saikia said that if every individual starts practicing such preparedness, as shown in the play, huge amounts of public wealth and assets can be protected.





#### 10th Street Play and Inauguration Ceremony at Dhekiajuli Revenue Circle



Date: 07-01-2025 Venue: Dhekiajuli Time: 12:30 pm

The District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), Sonitpur, in collaboration with Edupur Society, Tezpur, has launched a series of 10 street plays aimed at raising awareness and preparedness for natural disasters such as floods and lightning.

The inaugural street play was held at Dhekiajuli Circle Office in the presence of distinguished guests, including the

- ❖ Dyotiva Bora ACS, Co-District Commissioner of Dhekiajuli
- Nayanjyoti Pathak, Circle Officer
- Sukdev Adhikari, Principal, Dhekiajuli L.O.K.D. College
- ❖ Capt. Lohit Ch. Bhuyan, President of Edupur Foundation
- ❖ Amit Raj Konwar, Director of Edupur Group.

The primary goal of this initiative is to create widespread community awareness about disaster preparedness. The series will include 10 performances in the Dhekiajuli Revenue Circles like Kalistan Daily Market, Singri Tea Estate Office, Hatibirijan LP School, Singri Daily Market, Chitalmari Daily Market, Bachasimulu Major Centre, No1 Bacha, Dakhin Bachasimolu Block Centre, Salmari Chapori LP School etc. A mobile van equipped with loudspeakers will accompany the plays, and safety leaflets will be distributed to amplify the message and reach a broader audience.









#### 11th Street Play performed at Kalisthan Daily Market



Date: 07-01-2025

Venue: Kalisthan Daily Market

Time: 1:15 pm

As part of this initiative, 12<sup>th</sup> number street plays were performed at the Kalisthan Daily Market to raise awareness about natural disasters, including floods and lightning.

The campaign drew an audience of approximately 47 audiences, who praised both the performances and the concept behind the initiative. Feedback from the audience highlighted the importance of conducting such awareness programs in areas like Kalisthan Daily Market, where people face challenges like flood and natural disaster. They appreciated the practical protocols demonstrated in the plays. Meghraj Chetry, Gaon Pradhan, appreciated the initiative and said people would be highly benefited with such awareness programs.





#### 12th Street Play performed at Singri Daily Market



Date: 07-01-2025

Venue: Singri Daily Market

Time: 1:48 pm

As part of this initiative, 13th number street plays were performed at the Singri Daily Market to spread awareness about natural disasters such as floods and lightning. The Programme drew the approximately 53 audiences. Lankeswar Sarmah, the Gaon Pradhan

attended the program and shared his feedback, appreciating the concept and execution of the initiative. He mentioned that their community has experienced such natural disasters in the past, leading to significant losses, including essential documents like Aadhaar cards and educational documents.





#### 13th Street Play performed at Singri T.E. Office



Date: 07-01-2025

Venue: Singri T.E. Office

Time: 2:07 pm

The 13th street play was held near the Singri T.E. Office. The primary objective of the play was to raise awareness and improve preparedness for natural disasters such as floods and lightning.

Approximately 42 people attended the program, and their responses reflected appreciation for the initiative. They acknowledged gaining valuable knowledge on disaster preparedness, including essential steps to take during floods to ensure their safety. The Gaon Pradhan, Shyam Achariya, who attended the event, said that many people lose wealth, cattles, documents etc every year due to floods, so if they gear up for such preparedness as depicted in the play, people would not have to lose wealth.





14th Street Play performed at Mission Chariali Daily Bazar



Date: 07-01-2025

Venue: Mission Chariali Bazar

Time: 04:28 pm

The 14<sup>th</sup> street play was performed at the Mission Chariali Approximately 54 people attended the event, where feedback was collected from shopkeepers in the bazar and other attendees. Gaon Pradhans Lakhan Das and Pallab Kakati shared positive reviews, praising

DDMA's initiative to enhance community awareness. The audience also expressed their appreciation for both the performance and its underlying concept, acknowledging the effort to engage and educate the community. The event successfully fostered awareness and received encouraging responses from participants, highlighting its impact on local engagement and knowledge sharing.





#### 15th Street Play performed at Hatibirijan L.P. School



Date: 08-01-2025

Venue: Hatibirijan L.P. School

Time: 11:40 pm

The District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), Sonitpur's Disaster Preparedness Campaign initiative, the 15<sup>th</sup> number street play was performed at Hatibirijan L.P.

School the to raise awareness about natural disasters, including floods and lightning. Around 82 students attended the program, and we asked for their feedback on what they learned from the play. They responded positively, stating that they gained valuable knowledge about the necessary actions to take during natural disasters. One of the teachers from that school also shared their appreciation, mentioning that such plays are highly beneficial for school students, as visual storytelling helps them grab and retain information more effectively.





#### 16th Street Play performed at No.2 Bachasimolu Majar Center



Date: 08-01-2025

Venue: Bachasimolu Majar Center

Time: 12:30 pm

As part of this initiative, 16th number plays were performed at the No.2 Bachasimulu Major Centre to raise awareness about natural disasters such as floods and lightning.

Around 50 people attended the event, and feedback was collected from shopkeepers in the bazaar area and other audience members. They expressed their appreciation for both the performance and the overall concept of the initiative. Gaon Pradhan Hazrat Ali, while talking to our media team said that his village encounters such disastrous events almost every year, incurring huge loses. He added that the kind of preparedness shown, if practiced, would help them save lives and wealth.





#### 17th Street Play performed at Salmari Sapori L.P. School



Date: 08-01-2025

Venue: Salmari Sapori L.P. School

Time: 12:50 pm

As part of this initiative, 17<sup>th</sup> number street plays were performed at the Salmari apori L.P. School for awareness on natural disasters, including floods and lightning. Around 68 people attended the program, and

their feedback reflected appreciation for the initiative. They acknowledged gaining valuable knowledge on disaster preparedness, including essential steps to take during floods to ensure their safety. Gaon Panchayat member, Eyasin Ali thanked the DDMA for taking up initiative and helping people understand the gravity of such regular disastrous occurrences. He also pledged to spread the message with his peers, village people and other residents of that area.





18th Street Play performed at Dakhin Bachasimolu Block Centre



Date: 08-01-2025

Venue: Dakhin Bachasimolu Block Center

Time: 1:25 pm

As part of this initiative, 18th number street play was performed at the Dakhin Bachasimolu Block Centre to spread awareness about natural disasters such as floods and lightning.

The campaign drew an audience of approximately 44 people, who praised both the performances and the initiative's concept. Feedback highlighted the need for similar awareness programs in areas like Dakhin Bachasimulu, where residents often struggle with the impacts of flooding. Gaon Panchayat Member, Nurul Haque interacted to our media team and stated that the initiative is commendable and these efforts should be taken on a regular basis so that no people should be left out unknowing about such preparedness. Other attendees also appreciated the practical safety measures demonstrated in the plays.





#### 19th Street Play performed at No. 1 Bachasimolu



Date: 08-01-2025

Venue: No. 1 Bachasimolu

Time: 1:40 pm

As part of this initiative, 19th number street plays were performed at the No 1 Bachasimolu to spread awareness about natural disasters such as floods and lightning.

Approximately 42 people attended the event, and feedback was collected from shopkeepers in the bazaar area and other attendees. The audience expressed their appreciation for both the performance and the overall concept of the initiative. A local, named Joynal Abdeen, said that the play has inspired him a lot as he was very touched by the performance and the message given in the play. He is aware of loses people face due to floods, so he correlated and shared his spirit to bring a change after this event.





#### 20th Street Play performed at Chitalmari Daily Market



Date: 08-01-2025

Venue: Chitalmari Daily Market

Time: 2:15 pm

As part of this initiative, 20th street play was performed at the Chitalmari Daily Market to raise awareness about natural disasters like floods and lightning.

Approximately 60 people attended the program and shared positive feedback, expressing appreciation for the initiative. They acknowledged gaining valuable insights into disaster preparedness, including crucial steps to take during floods to ensure their safety. Gaon Pradhan Bhashan Mandal appreciated the approach and thanked DDMA for spreading mass awareness for disaster management. He also applauded the team for coming up with such good performance which helped people to connect to the message very easily.





#### 21st Street Play and Inauguration Ceremony at Na-Duar Revenue Circle



Date: 10-01-2025 Venue: Sootea Center

Time: 11:45 am

The District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA) Sonitpur, in collaboration with Edupur Society, Tezpur, had its inauguration of the Na-duar Revenue Circle's awareness campaign on its 21<sup>st</sup> event.

The inaugural performance took place at Sootea Daily Market, graced by the presence of esteemed guests, including

- \* Raj Baruah, Co-District Commissioner, Na-Duar
- ❖ Dr. Akashdeep Kakati, Circle Officer, Na-Duar Revenue Circle
- ❖ Deepsikha Handique, Chairperson, Sootea Municipal Board
- ❖ Uday Shankar Saikia, President, Sootea No. 3 Gaon Panchayat
- ❖ Dinesh Mahanta, President, All Assam Federation of Veteran Association
- Supriya Sarma, Field Officer, Na-Duar Revenue Circle
- Amit Raj Konwar, Director of Edupur Group

The primary objective of the initiative is to foster community awareness about disaster preparedness. The series will feature 10 performances across various locations in the Na-Duar Revenue Circle, including Koroiyani Centre, Nagsankar Centre, Kusumtola Centre, Tupia Centre, Rangachakua Market area, Choibari Centre, Jamuguri Market area, and Sengelimora Market area. A mobile van equipped with loudspeakers will accompany the street plays, and safety leaflets will be distributed to maximize the reach and impact of the campaign.

Talented artists from Edupur Society brought the performances to life, including Sunit Jyoti Saikia, Pahi Dutta Kashyap, Upashana Kalita, Vicky Ahmed, Rubu Moni Kalita, and Kabya Ranjan along with Dipankar Bhuyan, Subhashish Ghosh, Rahul Gogoi and others.









#### 22<sup>nd</sup> Street Play performed at Koroiyani Centre



Date: 10-01-2025

Venue: Koroiyani Centre

Time: 12:29 pm

As part of this initiative, twenty-two number street plays were performed at the Koroiyani Centre to spread awareness about natural disasters such as floods and lightning.

The program attracted approximately 66 audiences. Tapan Ch. Bordoloi, the senior citizen, attended the event and provided feedback, praising both the concept and execution of the initiative. He shared that their community has faced similar natural disasters in the past, resulting in significant losses, including crucial documents such as personal identity and educational records.





#### 23rd Street Play performed at Nagsankar Centre



Date: 10-01-2025

Venue: Nagsankar Center

Time: 1:00 pm

As part of this initiative, 23rd number plays were performed at the Nagsankar Centre to raise awareness about natural disasters such as floods and lightning.

Around 55 peoples are present in the program and feedback was collected from audience. Gaon Pradhan Pranjal Dahal, who was present during the event, shared his views with our media team. He said, people keep facing such calamities almost every year incurring huge lose financially, so if such readiness in mass level can be practiced, he believes, the damage being resulted by floods would be diminished by large extent. Another local, Puneswar Saikia added that he is highly grateful to the DDMA for running such mass level awareness campaign.





#### 24th Street Play performed at Rangachakua Market



Date: 10-01-2025

Venue: Rangachakua Market

Time: 2:10 pm

The campaign's 24<sup>th</sup> play attracted an audience of around 65 people, who praised both the performances and the concept behind the initiative. Audience feedback emphasized the importance of conducting

such awareness programs in areas like Rangachakua, where residents face challenges due to floods. They also appreciated the practical safety protocols demonstrated in the plays. While talking to Gaon Pradhan, Gajen Das, he responded with applauding appreciation for the department for taking up drama as the medium of conveying mass message, as drama is one of the oldest form spreading awareness, as cited in history.





25th Street Play performed at Tupia Centre



Date: 10-01-2025 Venue: Tupia Center Time: 3:50 pm

As part of this initiative, 25<sup>th</sup> number street plays were performed at the Tupia Centre to spread awareness about natural disasters such as floods and lightning.

The program drew approximately 58 audience.

Gautam Baruah, a concerned citizen, attended the event and provided feedback, praising both the concept and execution of the initiative. He emphasized the importance of helping those in need, particularly those who suffer during such situations.





#### 26th Street Play performed at Batiyamari area of Na-Duar Circle



Date: 11-01-2025 Venue: Batiyamari Time: 11:15 am

As part of this initiative, 26th number street plays were performed at the Batiyamari to raise awareness about natural disasters, including floods and lightning.

Around 82 people attended the event, and feedback was gathered from shopkeepers in the bazaar area along with other attendees. The audience expressed their appreciation for both the performance and the concept behind the initiative. The Gaon Pradhan, Prabhat Chandra Das, who attended the event mentioned that such mass awareness is highly a necessity for bringing in preparedness as a regular practice amongst the people of his gaon panchayat.





#### 27th Street Play performed at Sengelimora Market area of Na-Duar Circle



Date: 11-01-2025 Venue: Sengelimora Market

Time: 11:53 am

As part of this initiative, 27th number street plays were performed at the Sengelimora Market Area to raise awareness about natural disasters, including floods and lightning.

Approximately 117 students are attended the event, with feedback collected from student, teachers and parents in the area. The audience praised both the performance and the concept behind the initiative. While talking to our media team, Gaon Pradhan Nilamoni Das said that the initiative taken by the DDMA is worth praising as people incur loses almost every year owing to floods.





#### 28th Street Play performed at Jamuguri Hat area of Na-Duar Circle



Date: 11-01-2025 Venue: Jamuguri Hat Time: 12:30 pm

As part of this initiative, 28th number of street play were performed at the Jamuguri Market area to spread awareness about natural disasters such as floods and lightning.

Approximately 58 people attended the event, with feedback collected from shopkeepers in the bazaar area and pedestrian and passers-by. The audience praised both the performance and the concept behind the initiative. Nekbor Ali, a local told our media team that he liked the play very much and also acknowledged that it was a learning experience for him and whosoever witnessed the performance.





#### 29th Street Play performed at Kusumtola area of Na-Duar Circle



Date: 11-01-2025 Venue: Kusumtola Time: 1:11 pm

As part of this initiative, 29th number street plays were performed at the Kusumtola to raise awareness about natural disasters, including floods and lightning.

We gathered audience feedback on the program, and they expressed their appreciation for both the show and the initiative. One concerned citizen specifically praised the government for taking proactive steps to raise awareness before the rainy season. Gaon Pradhan Samarendra Nath, appreciated the efforts and mentioned that he was overwhelmed with the initiative of raising public awareness.





#### 30th Street Play performed at Soibari area of Na-Duar Circle



Date: 11-01-2025 Venue: Soibari Time: 1:40 pm

The District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), Sonitpur, in collaboration with Edupur Society, Tezpur, organized its 30th street play to raise awareness and improve preparedness for natural disasters such as floods and lightning. This initiative focuses on enhancing community

knowledge about disaster preparedness and resilience. The street play was performed in Soibari to raise awareness about natural disasters, including floods and lightning.

Approximately 55 people attended the program, and feedback was collected from the audience. Pedestrians also stopped to watch the performance. They expressed their appreciation for both the show and the overall concept of the initiative. One of the villagers named Nayan Moni Borah shared that such performances are impactful in raising awareness, especially in a culturally diverse community like theirs, where people with various traditions and customs find it easier to grab important messages through drama or street play.









#### 31st Street Play and inauguration ceremony at Thelamara Revenue Circle



Date: 16-01-2025

Venue: Thelamara Tiniali

Time: 10:45 am

31st Street Play Inaugurated on "সুৰক্ষিত অসমৰ বাবে বাটৰ নাট"— A Disaster Preparedness Campaign through 10 Street Plays at Thelamara Revenue Circle Office, Sonitpur.

The District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), Sonitpur, in collaboration with Edupur

Society, Tezpur, has continued a series of 50 street plays to raise awareness and improve preparedness for natural disasters like floods and lightning.

The inaugural performance, held at Thelamara Tiniali, was attended by prominent dignitaries, including:-

- Himadri Bora, Circle Officer, Thelamara
- ❖ Ajoy Sarma, Principal of Thelamara H.S. School
- \* Bijan Sarkar, Headmaster of Rabindra Bidyapeeth
- Ankita Borah, Field Officer, Thelamara Circle
- \* Ranjan Mahanta, Advisor to Edupur Society
- Pradip Debnath, Teacher at Rabindra Bidyapeeth
- ❖ Pabitra Kumar Nath, Chairman of the Thana Level Nagorik Committee
- Pradip Nath, Social worker Thelamara
- Ankuj Dev, Social worker Thelamara
- Hemanta Kumar Das, Social worker Thelamara
- ❖ Amit Raj Konwar, Director of Edupur Group, also graced the occasion.

The initiative aims to foster community awareness about disaster preparedness and resilience. As part of the program, 10 performances will be staged across key locations in the Thelamara Revenue Circle, including Thelamara Dainik Bazar, Kawaimari Centre, Kalakuchi Market, Jahamari Chariali, and others. To enhance the campaign's impact, a mobile van equipped with loudspeakers will accompany the performances, and safety leaflets will be distributed to the public.









#### 32<sup>nd</sup> Street Play performed at Kalakuchi Market of Thelamara



Date: 16-01-2025

Venue: Kalakuchi Market

Time: 12:50 pm

As part of this initiative, 32nd number street plays were performed at the Kalakuchi Market to raise awareness about natural disasters, including floods and lightning.

Approximately 55 people attended the event. When asked for feedback, the audience expressed their appreciation for the program and felt grateful to receive such important awareness and knowledge before the start of the rainy season. Manik Chandra Ghosh, a local social worker said that the concept of raising community awareness was so effective that even the kids have understood the message clearly. Another social worker Sawan Baraily appreciated the awareness campaign of readiness for such disasters.





#### 33<sup>rd</sup> Street Play performed at Gorubondha Bazar of Thelamara



Date: 16-01-2025

Venue: Gorubondha Bazar

Time: 1:40 pm

As part of this initiative, 33rd number street plays were performed at the Gorubondha Bazar to raise awareness about natural disasters, including floods and lightning.

Around 74 people attended the program. Since it was

held in a market area, feedback was gathered from shopkeepers, consumers, and pedestrians who witnessed the event. The audience appreciated both the program and its concept, expressing gratitude towards the government for initiating such awareness campaigns before the start of the rainy season. Jatin Boro, the Gaon Pradhan, applauded the steps to be taken as praiseworthy means of preparedness for floods, shown in the play.





#### 34th Street Play performed at Thelamara Market area



Date: 16-01-2025

Venue: Thelamara Market

Time: 2:50 pm

As part of this initiative, the 34th street play was performed at Thelamara Market area to spread awareness about natural disasters such as floods and lightning.

The campaign drew an audience of approximately 67 audiences, who appreciated both the performances and the concept behind the initiative. Feedback from the audience highlighted the importance of conducting such awareness programs in areas like Thelamara, where people face challenges from flood. They appreciated the practical protocols demonstrated in the plays. Bristi Sarma, a local resident said that she was very moved with the portrayal of the message through street play. It was so easy to understand and relatable at the same time.





#### 35th Street Play performed at Katonigaon Bazar area



Date: 16-01-2025

Venue: Katonigaon Bazar

Time: 3:15 pm

As part of this initiative, the 35<sup>th</sup> play performed by the artists of Edupur Society in Katonigaon Bazar area of Thelamara Circle.

The performance was presented in front a crowd of approximately 52 people and in the presence of the Gaonburha and other eminent persons of the locality. People appreciated the efforts made by the team and also understood the gravity of

the matter of preparedness for flood. They interacted with the media team and expressed their individual views.





#### 36th Street Play performed at Goruduba Center area



Date: 17-01-2025

Venue: Goruduba Center

Time: 10:40 am

As part of this initiative, the 36<sup>th</sup> number street play was performed at Goruduba Center of Thelamara Circle to raise awareness about natural disasters, including floods and lightning.

Around 86 people attended the program. They responded positively, stating that they gained valuable knowledge about the necessary actions to take during natural disasters. Many people also shared their appreciation, mentioning that such plays are highly beneficial for general public, as visual storytelling helps them grab and retain information more effectively. Kabita Sarma, a Gaon Panchayat member said that this initiative would highly benefit the masses for creating readiness against such natural disaster calamities.





#### 37th Street Play performed at Teliagaon area



Date: 17-01-2025 Venue: Teliagaon Time: 11:15 am

The 37<sup>th</sup> play in Teliagaon area of Thelamara Circle. The objective of the campaign was clear and simple- to prepare people against the damages of wealth and lives of people, incurred by floods every year. People from every nook and corner of the area attended the event.

A crowd of around 66 people had gathered during the event. They conveyed their gratitude for creating such level of awareness with utmost simple style of language. They also added that the street play has inspired them to pledge for mass readiness for floods in their region. Khushi Baskota, a local resident, attended the event and provided feedback, praising both the concept and execution of the initiative. He shared that their community has faced similar natural disasters in the past, resulting in significant losses.





#### 38th Street Play performed at Jahamari Chariali area



Date: 17-01-2025

Venue: Jahamari Chariali

Time: 11:50 am

As part of this initiative, the 38<sup>th</sup> street play was performed at the Jahamari Chariali area of Thelamara Circle to raise awareness about natural disasters such as floods and lightning.

Around 54 people attended the event, and feedback was collected from shopkeepers in the bazaar area and other audience members from the surrounding villages. They expressed their appreciation for both the performance and the overall concept of the initiative. Nikunja Pradhan, the Gaon Pradhan of Johamari Gaon Panchayat stated that lives and property are always at stake during the unavoidable floods but such readiness if practiced would surely help people in saving property and lives every year.





#### 39th Street Play performed at Kawaimari area



Date: 17-01-2025 Venue: Kawaimari Time: 12:30 pm

As part of this initiative, the 39<sup>th</sup> street play was performed at the Kawaimari area of Thelamara. Around 62 people attended the program, sharing positive feedback and expressing gratitude for the initiative. They highlighted the valuable insights gained on disaster

preparedness, particularly essential steps to take during floods to ensure their safety. Members of Gaon Panchayat including Anupam Das, appreciated the efforts made by the entire team for raising a huge mass awareness campaign. They also mentioned that these awareness programs should be made a regular project so that no publice remain unknown of the message which DDMA wants to propagate.





#### 40th Street Play performed at Borbil Chowk area



Date: 16-01-2025 Venue: Borbil Chowk Time: 01:21 pm

As part of this initiative, the 40<sup>th</sup> number street plays was performed at the Barbil Chowk to raise awareness about natural disasters, including floods and lightning.

Around 72 people attended the program, and their feedback reflected appreciation for the initiative. They acknowledged gaining valuable knowledge on disaster preparedness, including essential steps to take during floods to ensure their safety. Audience included Senior Citizen of Barbil Chawk, Khirendra Nath and other members along with other local elites.









#### 41st Street Play and inauguration ceremony at Chariduar Revenue Circle



Date: 18-01-2025

Venue: Nevil HS School, Chariduar

Time: 10:15 am

41st Street Play Inaugurated on "সুৰক্ষিত অসমৰ বাবে বাটৰ নাট" – A Disaster Preparedness Campaign through 50 Street Plays at Chariduar Revenue Circle Office, Sonitpur

The inaugural performance, held at Nevil Higher Secondary School, Chariduar, was attended by prominent dignitaries, including

- ❖ Dr Khirod Kumar Hazarika, Circle Officer, Chariduar Revenue Circle
- \* Rajesh Dutta, Principal of Nevil Higher Secondary School, Chariduar
- ❖ Abhilasha Mahanta, Field Officer, Chariduar Revenue Circle
- ❖ Arun Bhuyan, Social Worker Chariduar
- \* Rajnish Saikia, Social worker Chariduar
- Amit Raj Konwar, Director of Edupur Group, also graced the occasion.

The initiative aims to foster community awareness about disaster preparedness and resilience. As part of the program, 10 performances will be staged across key locations in the Chariduar Revenue Circle, including Balipara Centre, Gorhmara Centre, Bindukuri Centre, Phulaguri Centre, Borjuli Centre, Rangapara Tiniali, Lokhra Centre, 18 Mile Centre, Khanamukh Centre.

To enhance the campaign's impact, a mobile van equipped with loudspeakers will accompany the performances, and safety leaflets will be distributed to the public.

The street plays feature a talented group of artists from Tezpur, including Sunit Saikia as a coordinator, Pahi Dutta, Upashana Kalita, Vicky Ahmed, Rubu Moni Kalita, and Kabya Ranjan Bordoloi, who bring these crucial messages to life with engaging performances.

This effort underscores the importance of community participation in disaster management and aims to create a safer, more prepared society.









#### 42<sup>nd</sup> Street Play performed at Burhagaon Middle English School, Lokhra



Date: 18-01-2025

Venue: Burhagaon M.E. School, Lokhra

Time: 11:40 am

The 42<sup>nd</sup> play was performed by the drama team of Edupur in front of Burhagaon Middle English School, Lokhra center.

More than 82 people comprising students, teachers, school staff and Aanganwadi volunteers attended the

program. The teachers and school staff appreciated both the program and its concept in their interaction with the media people and expressed their appreciation for this great initiative taken up by the District Disaster Management Authority (DDMA), Sonitpur. Ward Member Radha Giri put forwarded her views by mentioning that this preparedness awareness message has effectively been staged and would be highly beneficial for the people in times of flood.





#### 43rd Street Play performed at Gorhmara Area of Chariduar



Date: 18-01-2025 Venue: Gorhmara Time: 12:50 pm

43<sup>rd</sup> play performed by Edupur Society in Gorhmara area of Chariduar. The performance was presented in front a crowd of approximately 62 people and in the presence of the Gaonburha and other eminent persons

of the locality. Ajit Bhengra, the Gaon Burha shared words of accolades for the program and conveyed his best wishes for further endeavours. People appreciated the efforts made by the team and also understood the gravity of the matter of preparedness for flood. They interacted with the media team and expressed their individual views.





#### 44th Street Play performed at Khanamukh Center of Chariduar



Date: 18-01-2025

Venue: Khanamukh Center

Time: 1:30 pm

It was the 44<sup>th</sup> street play, which was performed in Khonamukh's market area in the presence of a huge number of public and local elites. Each one of the viewers appreciated the message spread via the street

play and also added that the method was so simple that even their kids have understood the call for preparedness. VDP President, Walter Soy, shared his views by saying that efforts mark a new beginning in making people ready and prepared to fight against the disastrous flood, which is has almost become a regular annually occurring event.





#### 45th Street Play performed at 18-Mile Area of Chariduar Circle



Date: 18-01-2025 Venue: 18 Mile Center

Time: 2:05 pm

45<sup>th</sup> play in 18-mile area. The objective of the campaign was clear and simple- to prepare people against the damages of wealth and lives of people, incurred by floods every year.

People from every nook and corner of the area attended the event. They conveyed their gratitude for creating such level of awareness with utmost simple style of language. They also added that the street play has inspired them to pledge for mass readiness for floods in their region.





#### 46th Street Play performed at Balipara Market Area of Chariduar Circle



Date: 18-01-2025 Venue: Balipara Market

Time: 2:35 pm

The 46<sup>th</sup> play was conducted successfully in Balipara's market area. Balipara witnesses flood almost every year and the people's houses, cattle's, vegetation and businesses gets immensely effected. Around 48 people had gathered to view the street

play performed by the actors of the NGO. The simple way of conveying the message through storytelling had touched every one present there. People of every sections enjoyed the performance and appreciated the awareness being created in such lucid form, which was instantly accepted and appreciated by all age groups.





47th Street Play performed at Bindukuri Market Area of Chariduar Circle



Date: 19-01-2025 Venue: Bindukuri Bazar

Time: 10:30 am

As part of this initiative, the 47<sup>th</sup> street play was performed at the Bindukuri Market area to raise awareness about natural disasters like floods and lightning. Approximately 68 people attended the program and shared positive feedback, expressing

appreciation for the initiative. They acknowledged gaining valuable insights into disaster preparedness, including crucial steps to take during floods to ensure their safety. Rajesh Daimari, a Gaon Panchayat member stated that natural disasters cannot be stopped but can only tackled with proper preparedness and necessary steps should be taken to help people fight such situations, and all these have been beautifully depicted in the play showcased by the team which inturn would definitely help people understand all the steps to be taken at such difficult times.





#### 48th Street Play performed at Phuloguri Centre, Chariduar Circle



Date: 19-01-2025 Venue: Phuloguri Centre

Time: 11:25 am

As part of this initiative, 48th number street plays were performed at the Phuloguri Centre area to raise awareness about natural disasters, including floods and lightning. A pretty decent crowd of around 55

people which included people from all age groups attended the event. Amongst the local elites present, Rajesh Daimary, Gaon Pradhan conveyed his pleasure for creating such remarkable awareness program for the people of his Gaon panchayat. Another eminent local figure Premananda Rabha, former Vice President of Phuloguri Gaon Panchayat forwarded his words of appreciation for spreading awareness with most effective means of art form, drama.





#### 49th Street Play performed at Borjuli area of Chariduar Circle



Date: 19-01-2025 Venue: Borjuli Center Time: 12:10 pm

The 49th street play was performed at the Borjuli Centre area to raise awareness about natural disasters, including floods and lightning.

The campaign attracted an audience of around 86 people, who praised both the performances and the concept behind the initiative. Audience feedback, including Gaon Pradhans- Bibary Basumatary and Abdul Qasim, emphasized the importance of conducting such awareness programs in areas like Borjuli Centre, where residents face challenges due to floods. They also appreciated the practical safety protocols demonstrated in the plays.





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#### 50th Street Play performed at Rangapara Market area, Chariduar Circle



Date: 19-01-2025

Venue: Rangapara Market

Time: 1:15 pm

As part of this initiative, the 50<sup>th</sup> number street plays was performed at the Rangapara market to raise awareness about natural disasters, including floods and lightning. Around 77 people attended the program, and their feedback reflected

appreciation for the initiative. They acknowledged gaining valuable knowledge on disaster preparedness, including essential steps to take during floods to ensure their safety. Attendees included Chairman of Rangapara Municipal board, Harisadhan Das and other municipal board members along with other local elites namely, Gaon Pradhan, Pranay Basumatary, Ward Commissioner, Ganesh Karmakar, Ward Commissioner Rabi Shankar Dey and others.





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