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POSHAN Mela Held

Shillong, March 8th, 2019: As part of the countrywide observation of POSHAN Pakhwada, the Office of the Child Development Project Officer, ICDS Project, Mawthadraishan in collaboration with the Office of the District Programme Officer, ICDS Cell, West Khasi Hills, Nongstoin today organized a day long Poshan Mela at SGSY Training Hall, Mawthadraishan C&RD Block.

The inaugural programme was attended by Shri F.M Kharsyntiew, BDO, Mawthadraishan C&RD Block as Chief Guest in the presence of Smti Grace Rymmai, District Programme Officer, ICDS Cell, West Khasi Hills, Nongstoin, Shri R.K Shillot, Child Development Project Officer, ICDS Project, Mawthadraishan, Health officials, Anganwadi Workers and Helpers, ASHAs, Headmen of the area, Women and Children among others.

In his brief address at the inaugural programme, Shri F.M Kharsyntiew spoke on the various aspects of the Nutrition Campaign initiated by the Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India through which different

activities are organised by various Departments in convergence mode, with the state Social Welfare Department being the Nodal Department for the purpose.



On the occasion, he also called upon all concerned stakeholders especially women and expecting mothers to ensure that a healthy and nutritious diet is consumed to ensure that children, particularly young infants receive requisite amount of nutrients on a daily basis.

During the Mela, activities including Skits, Baby Show and Recipe Competition were held with the programmes drawing the enthusiastic participation of people of the area, especially women.

It may be mentioned that POSHAN Pakhwada is being celebrated across the country from 8th March, 2019 to 22nd March, 2019 as part of Jan Andolan under POSHAN Abhiyaan, India's Flagship Programme to improve nutritional outcomes for children, adolescents, lactating mothers and pregnant women with a vision to ensure attainment of a malnutrition free India by the year 2022.