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### **Ri Bhoi Distributes Spinning Machines to Eri Silk Farmers Under E-RISE Scheme**

**Nongpoh, April 22:** In a significant push to strengthen the sericulture sector, the Sericulture Office, Ri Bhoi, on Wednesday distributed spinning machines to eri silk farmers under the Ri Bhoi Silk E-RISE Scheme.



The initiative is aimed at extending government support to farmers engaged in eri silk production and enhancing their productivity and income generation.



It may be mentioned that the Hon'ble Chief Minister, had on March 30 formally launched the Ri Bhoi Silk Dream: E-RISE (Eri-Rearing, Innovation, Spinning and Empowerment) project, with a total financial outlay of ₹4.61 crore. The project is expected to benefit as many as 1,200 silk farmers across Ri Bhoi district.

As part of the programme, a total of 250 beneficiaries from 20 villages were provided with spinning machines to facilitate improved silk processing and value addition.



The initiative is expected to further augment cocoon production and improve the quality of silk, while simultaneously creating sustainable livelihood opportunities for the farming community by enabling higher daily output.

The distribution programme was attended by Nongpoh MLA, Shri. Mayralborn Syiem, District Sericulture Officer RB Lyngwa, Sericulture Inspector Lur Mangkara Rympei, among others.