## Press brief on performance of Dhalai district under Aspirational District Programme (ADP)

The Government of India launched the Aspirational District Programme (ADP) in January 2018 to accelerate improvement in the socio-economic indicators of the most under developed district of the country. Currently the programme is being implemented in 112 of India's 739 districts spread across the country. Dhalai District has been selected as one of the Aspirational District in Tripura.

The Aspirational District Programme(ADP) covers 5 sectors namely Health & Nutrition, Education, Agriculture & water resources, financial inclusion & skill development and Basic Infrastructure.

<u>Performance of the district:</u> The Dhalai district has been ranked 2<sup>nd</sup> in the overall Delta Ranking during December, 2020. CEO, NITI Ayog, Shri Amitabh Kant via his tweet appreciated the district's strategy of tracking pregnant women through the convergence of ANM and Asha workers leading to improvement in its overall performance. The district was delta ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> in health & nutrition and infrastructure sector. The district ranked 9<sup>th</sup> in the education sector, 20<sup>th</sup> in the financial inclusion & skill development sector and 23<sup>rd</sup> in water resources sector.

District achieved 1<sup>st</sup> rank in overall delta ranking of June 2019 and 2nd rank in education sector's delta ranking in June 2020 due to continuous and focused approach of the Education department on quality education.

NITI Aayog as per its commitment in EAP-SDGs programme, awarded Rs 10 Cr for district's ranking in June 2019. This funding was to expedite progress in Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) of all 5 sectors of TADP.