airports like Rupsi, ensuring good flight connectivity to important airports like Tezpur Jorhat and North Lakhimpur."

Flight Connectivity to Tezpur is of critical importance as Tezpur serves not only the North Bank of Assam but also the Tourism Gold Mine of Arunachal Pradesh, he added.

Also on the list of issues to be addressed was that of Energy Security.

"Time bound completion of the Bongaigaon Thermal Power Project and smooth commercial operation of the 726 MW Palatana Thermal Power Project can completely address the power deficiency in the region at least in the medium term," said Barthakur.

In the long term, with the immense power potential in the North East we should look at the possibility of exporting power to neighboring countries like Bangladesh in return for other economic benefits, he added.

To create a conducive business environment, the trade body suggested implementation of the Damodaran Committee recommendations on improving doing-business parameters, restoration of the North East Industrial and Investment promotion policy, a state startup policy to facilitate startups in the state, State Export Policy, and creation of a state land bank corporation.

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Prime Minister Narendra Modi in a group photograph with the 2015 batch at Parliament Library, in New Delhi on Tuesday. P

IIT Bombay joins hands with KU as knowledge partners

JORHAT, FEB 24: With a motive to enhance relations and knowledge venture, Indian Institute of Technology Bombay (IITB) has recently joined hands with Kaziranga University as knowledge partners to provide free software training to the faculties and students of all the Schools and Departments of Kaziranga University, stated a press release.

The training will be conducted by Spoken Tutorial cell of IITB. It will be an audio-video interface to enhance the learning process. As a result, this skill development training process will boost the academic performance of the students.

As a knowledge partner, IITB's Spoken Tutorial Cell will provide support in implementing the training program smoothly so that IT/software training is well organised among all the schools or departments of Kaziranga University.

This innovative technique is for self learning as it requires no expert and can be learnt in distance mode. It will fall under National Mission on Education through ICT (NMEICT/ Sakshat), MHRD, Government of India which is a government funded project, therefore the training, guidance and certificates will be provided free of cost, the release added.

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GUWAHATI, FEB 23: Assam Chief Minister Tarun Gogoi will lay the foundation stone of the ambitious Rs 18,020 crore Guwahati Metro Rail project on February 29.

"The foundation stone for the eagerly awaited Mass Rapid Transit System (MRTS) for Guwahati will be laid by Chief Minister Tarun Gogoi at Khanapara on February 29," said an official release from the chief minister's office.

The 203-km metro corridor will be completed in three phases in five years, the release said, adding it forecasts traffic demand till 2045.

"The project has been prepared by RITES Ltd, a Government of India Enterprise.

The first phase will have a total length of 61.4 km and will have four corridors - namely Dharapur-Narangi (elevated, 22.6 km), MG Road-Khanapara (underground, 10 km), Jalukbari to Khanapara (elevated 19.4 km and ISBT-Paltanbazar (elevated, 9.4 km).

There will be altogether 54 stations in the four corridors and the train with three car racks will have a carrying capacity of upto 975 passengers, it said.

The state cabinet meeting held under the chairmanship of Gogoi had appro projec MRTS said.

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