

## **State help to improve char people's life underscored**

GAIBANDHA, Feb 13 (BSS): Speakers at a function stressed the need for bringing the neglected and underprivileged char dwellers under existing facilities of the state to help change their lots.

"Coordinated and concentrated efforts of all the stake holders including the government and non-government organisations are essential to ensure the development work to the char people," they said. They made these comments while addressing a seminar entitled "Community Scorecard on EPI programme" at the Circuit House in the town recently.

Friendship, a non-government organisation, organised the seminar under its accessing to a Better Life project funded by Manuser Jonno Foundation.

Additional Deputy Commissioner (general) Ranjit Kumar Das addressed the function as the chief guest and Civil Surgeon Dr Rafiqul Islam, Deputy Director of Family Planning Department Dr Ferdous Hossain Manju and programme manager of MJF Mahua Lia were present as the special guests.

With Assistant Director of Friendship Monir Hossain in the Chair, the function was also addressed, among others, by District Primary Education Officer Dilruba Begum, Sadar Upazila Health and Family Planning officer Dr Akter Alam and journalist Sircar M Shahiduzzaman.