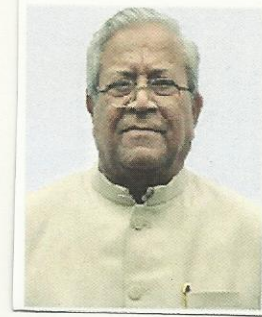




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### Message

I am glad to learn that "ASMI – A programme on Cancer" is launching its programme on cancer awareness under its module – "Train the trainer's awareness on cancers for early detection" at Nedfi House, Dispur on 5<sup>th</sup> of July, 2015. I am happy that the programme will be conducted under the direct participation and guidance of an eminent medical Oncologist from Mumbai.

Cancers are a large family of diseases that involve abnormal cell growth with the potential to invade or spread to other parts of the body. They form a subset of neo-plasms. A neoplasm or tumor is a group of cells that have undergone unregulated growth, and will often form a mass or lump, but may be distributed diffusely.

Cancer is a deadly disease, unless it is nipped in the bud i.e. unless it is detected and treated at the earliest stage. This is where the importance of awareness about the disease comes in. Most of us, particularly those at the grassroots level, it appears, are ignorant about the causes and the symptoms of the disease and probably, those who do know something, also dread its treatment. It is indeed praiseworthy that ASMI has come forward to spread the light of knowledge about the disease in a determined manner particularly at the grassroots level.

I wish every success to ASMI's programme on Cancer.

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Governor of Assam

Dated: June 21, 2015  
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