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“Om Ganeshaya Namah”

Hon’ble Speaker Sir,

1. With the blessings of the people of Assam, I rise in this august House with a deep sense of humility, gratitude and responsibility to present the first Budget of our Government in its renewed term. It is also my privilege to present my first Budget as the Finance Minister of Assam, under the strong and visionary leadership of Hon’ble Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma, who continues to guide Assam’s journey of peace, progress and transformation.
2. The people of Assam have once again reposed their faith in our Government. This renewed mandate is not merely an electoral victory; it is a sacred responsibility to fulfil the hopes, aspirations of the people of Assam and *Sankalpa* of our Government.
3. Speaker Sir, this year is especially significant for Assam, as we commemorate the birth centenary of Bharat Ratna Dr. Bhupen Hazarika — the immortal voice who carried Assam’s soul, humanity and harmony to the world. His timeless message - “মানুহে মানুহৰ বাবে” - reminds us that public life must be rooted in compassion, dignity and service to the people.

4. Kautilya, in the *Arthashastra*, laid down the timeless principle of good governance:

*Prajasukhe Sukham Rajnah,
Prajanam Cha Hite Hitam.*

*Natmapriyam Hitam Rajnah,
Prajanam Tu Priyam Hitam.*

This implies - “The happiness of the ruler lies in the happiness of the people; the welfare of the ruler lies in the welfare of the people. What is personally pleasing to the ruler is not truly beneficial; what is beneficial and dear to the people alone is beneficial to the ruler.”

5. It is with this spirit of humanism, collective responsibility and public welfare that I present the Budget for the year 2026–27 before this House.
6. Over the last decade, Assam has moved from instability to peace, from neglect to national priority, and from uncertainty to decisive development. In this renewed term, our Government will build upon this strong foundation to make Assam a leading contributor to the vision of *Viksit Bharat* and *Viksit Assam*.
7. Our objective is to build a productive, inclusive and knowledge-driven Assam — an Assam that moves from flood vulnerability to climate resilience, from subsistence agriculture to high-value production, from conventional livelihoods to new opportunities in industry, entrepreneurship and the digital economy, and where every region, from the Brahmaputra Valley to the Barak

Valley, from the hills to the tea gardens, has an equal stake in progress.

8. This is the 11th Budget of the NDA Government, presented with a deep sense of responsibility bestowed by the historical mandate in the last election. It looks beyond this year and charts a clear course for the next five years. Our resolve is that every child growing up in Assam – even in its remotest village or the poorest home– has the opportunity, confidence and pride to realize their aspirations, when India celebrates the centenary of its Independence in 2047.

Speaker Sir,

9. At the very outset, I offer my profound gratitude to Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji, whose personal attention and steadfast commitment have ushered in a new era of confidence, connectivity and opportunity for Assam. Under his leadership, Assam has emerged as a key pillar of India's Act East vision and a principal growth engine of the *Ashta Lakshmi* – the North Eastern Region.
10. I also express my sincere gratitude to Hon'ble Union Home Minister Shri Amit Shah Ji for his continued support in strengthening peace, stability and security in Assam. His guidance has helped create an enabling

environment for development, investment and social harmony across the State.

11. I also extend my deep appreciation to Hon'ble Union Finance Minister Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman Ji for her continued encouragement and support in accelerating Assam's economic and fiscal transformation.
12. I must also state that the visionary leadership of Hon'ble Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma led the State to new heights in terms of peace and security, welfare, infrastructure, investment and public service delivery. The progress of the last five years shows how people's aspirations can be translated into measurable outcomes through responsive governance and effective implementation.
13. Assam's remarkable transformation over the past five years reflects the visionary leadership and relentless execution of our Hon'ble Chief Minister, Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma. His approach matches the timeless Sanskrit wisdom which says:

उद्यमेन हि सिद्ध्यन्ति कार्याणि न मनोरथैः।

न हि सुप्तस्य सिंहस्य प्रविशन्ति मुखे मृगाः॥

(Success comes through effort, not mere wishes. Even a lion gains no prey while asleep.)

14. With this spirit, he has inspired us to dream of Assam among India's top five states—a vision that resonates with the Rigvedic ideal:

बृहद् वदेम विदथे सुवीराः ॥

(May we strive and speak with greatness among strong and capable people.)

15. This Budget is a decisive step towards realizing that vision by 2047. Thank you Hon'ble Chief Minister for giving us this courage and strength.
16. Speaker Sir, Assam's transformation is taking place at a time when the global economy continues to face uncertainty due to geopolitical tensions, volatile commodity prices and shifting economic conditions. While Assam's economy remains stable and resilient, the evolving national and global environment calls for prudence, fiscal discipline and responsible utilisation of public resources.
17. Assam's fiscal journey over the last decade has been remarkable. The Budget size has expanded nearly threefold to Rs.2,00,782 crore in 2025–26, while Budget utilisation has improved from 58 percent to a record 85 percent, reflecting stronger implementation capacity and better use of public resources.
18. This growth is also reflected in the lives of our people. Per capita income has more than tripled from Rs.60,817 in

2015-16 to Rs.1,85,429 in 2025-26, indicating that Assam's growth story is becoming more broad-based and inclusive.

19. Assam's own fiscal strength has also improved significantly. Own Tax Revenue has risen from Rs.12,848 crore in 2015-16 to Rs.39,294 crore in 2025-26, supported by stronger compliance, technology-led governance and sustained economic growth. The share of Own Source Revenue in total revenue receipts has increased from 30 percent in 2015-16 to 36 percent in 2025-26. Our Government resolves to further strengthen fiscal self-reliance by increasing this share to 50 percent by 2031.
20. The 16th Finance Commission (FC) has recognised Assam's improved fiscal performance by increasing the State's inter-se share from 3.128 percent to 3.258 percent. This will result in central devolution of around Rs.50,000 crore in the current year itself.
21. Capital expenditure has increased from Rs.2,951 crore in 2015-16 to Rs.26,531 crore in 2025-26, reflecting a decisive shift towards productive and asset-creating expenditure. Our Government will endeavour to maintain annual capital expenditure growth of at least 10 percent.

22. Assam has also substantially expanded its Externally Aided Projects (EAP) portfolio. From 9 projects of about Rs.7,500 crore approved during the 14th FC period, the portfolio has grown by more than 7 times to 21 projects of nearly Rs.53,000 crore during the 15th FC period. Disbursements have increased from about Rs.3,748 crore to over Rs.14,400 crore, and annual disbursements now exceed Rs.6,000 crore, demonstrating our capacity not only to secure projects but also to implement them effectively.
23. Even while development expenditure has expanded, Assam has maintained fiscal discipline. The Debt-to-GSDP ratio stands at 24.81 percent in 2025–26, well within the FRBM limit of 32 percent, placing Assam among the fiscally prudent States of the country.
24. Institutional credit flow has also improved. Assam's Credit-Deposit ratio increased from 41.10 percent in March 2016 to 73.52 percent in March 2026, showing that a larger share of deposits mobilised in Assam is now being deployed within the State for productive economic activity.
25. Speaker Sir, Assam has built strong momentum over the past several years. The *Vote on Account* speech in February, together with the *Sankalp Patra* of our party, as adopted by this Government, elaborated the past achievements and future vision for carrying this

momentum forward through inclusive growth, efficient welfare delivery and outcome-driven governance.

26. I now present the *Ashtadash Mukutar Unnoyonee Mala*, conceptualised by our visionary Hon'ble Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma, comprising 18 flagship initiatives for 2026–27 that will guide Assam's journey towards a *Surakshita, Samriddha, Bikashita Asom*.

Flagship Schemes

I. *Nijuktir Natun Diganta* - Targeting additional 2 lakh employment

27. Speaker Sir, our Government had promised one lakh jobs, we have exceeded that commitment by providing over 1.64 lakh appointments in the last five years.
28. Building on this achievement, we are now entering the next phase of employment generation. Over the next five years, the Government will target 2 lakh employment opportunities across the broader public sector ecosystem of the State, including Government Departments, Universities, Medical Colleges, Statutory Bodies, Societies, Sixth Schedule Councils, and companies with substantial State Government shareholding.
29. A dedicated Task Force under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary has already been constituted to prepare a comprehensive roadmap. This will also help in timely promotions of existing employees as part of the process

to create more vacancies at the base level. We will also examine creation of new posts in the police force, revenue staff, educational institutes, healthcare institutions, forest and revenue generating departments.

30. We are determined to create employment opportunities for our younger generation within the tenure of this Government as per the promises made in the *Sankalp Patra*.

II. *Sarbangin aru Kalyanmukhi Sewar Bhogirathi Jatra* - Inclusive Welfare Delivery

31. Speaker Sir, we believe that welfare shall not only reach the most deserved but also enforce inclusivity, integrity and moral ethos in the society. Hence, we are pursuing a series of measures very systematically.
32. All beneficiary-oriented schemes will be delivered through the unified digital beneficiary architecture under Digital Infrastructure for DBT Schemes (DIDS), including Aadhaar-based authentication.
33. Speaker Sir, in order to promote women's empowerment and gender justice, any male practicing polygamy shall not be eligible to avail benefits under any Government welfare scheme.
34. Further, in keeping with our Government's unwavering commitment to women empowerment, gender justice

and responsible family values, the Government proposes to amend the Assam Services (Discipline and Appeal) Rules, 1964 to provide that any Government servant found to have practiced polygamy shall be liable for dismissal from service, in accordance with law.

35. To promote integrity and responsible citizenship, I propose that any person convicted of an offence under any criminal law shall not be eligible to avail benefits under notified Government welfare schemes.
36. Since the regular budget was not available during the election process, we shall resume the basket of welfare schemes from August onwards.
37. *Orunodoi* has emerged as the largest social assistance programme of our State and one of the most widely recognised welfare initiatives in Assam. From its earlier phases, where the scheme extended direct monthly support to lakhs of women-led households, *Orunodoi* has now expanded to reach nearly 40 lakh *poriyals* across the State. It has become a household name and a symbol of our Government's commitment to inclusive welfare.
38. From August, disbursement under *Orunodoi* will resume. At the same time, our Government will continue to strengthen the scheme through a transparent and continuous process of including deserving beneficiaries

and excluding ineligible beneficiaries, so that the benefits reach the families who need them the most.

39. We will continue to provide old age pension of *Swahid Kushal Konwar Sarbajanin Briddha Pension Achoni* and Widow Pension scheme through *Orunodoi* plus.
40. Speaker Sir, our Government will start distribution of subsidized Masur Dal and Sugar to NFSA ration card holders from August. As prices of these essential commodities have risen due to the West Asia crisis, the subsidy amount shall be variable and linked to market prices. We will also examine the feasibility of bringing mustard oil into this basket in due course of time. In regard to mustard oil, the preference of our Government shall be to promote locally produced mustard oil and support our *Annadata*.
41. We will resume the *Jibon Prerana* initiative, which is providing financial assistance of Rs.2,500 per month to 48,366 graduates in their transition from education to employment, from the month of September.
42. Transfer of assistance under *Mukhya Mantrir Nijut Moina Asoni* for the academic year 2026-27 will commence from October 2026. Students will be able to fill up forms from the month of August. I am pleased to announce that henceforth, *Mukhya Mantrir Nijut Babu Asoni* shall also be a regular scheme of the Government.

So far, we have disbursed an amount of Rs.374 crore to 5,44,479 students under these two schemes since inception. The tentative number of students to be benefited in 2026-27 will be around 5,30,718.

43. This year, around 18,000 students will be eligible to get scooters under Dr. Banikanta Kakati Merit Award. To ensure equitable distribution of educational support, so that a larger number of deserving students benefit instead of assistance being confined to a single percentage cut-off, the existing distribution of scooters under this scheme shall discontinue from the next academic year. The resources thus made available will be utilized in strengthening and expanding *Nijut Moina* and *Nijut Babu* schemes.
44. From August, we will resume our support for 621 *Udasin Bhakts*, the spiritual custodians of Assam's Neo-Vaishnavite tradition and an integral part of the Satra institution, through monthly financial assistance of Rs.1,500.
45. Our Government shall continue supporting small and marginal farmers through *Mukhya Mantrir Krishi Sa-Sajuli Yojana*, providing annual assistance of Rs.11,000 to every eligible small and marginal farmer through convergence with PM-KISAN.

46. Our Government has also ensured remunerative returns to farmers through an expanded procurement programme. During FY 2025-26, over 8 lakh MT of paddy was procured from farmers, supported by an additional State incentive over and above the MSP. We will maintain the State support over MSP with top-up subsidy of Rs.200 per quintal for procurement of paddy and maize and Rs.300 per quintal for mustard.
47. Our Government will continue supporting dairy farmers through the Rs.5 per litre Gap Support Scheme, benefiting around 25,000 farmers every month. The scheme has led to an increase in milk procurement by the organized sector from 97,554 litres per day to 1,43,035 litres per day, registering a 47 percent increase.
48. Our Government will continue to support meritorious students belonging to ST, SC, OBC, Tea Tribe, Adivasi communities and Divyangjan through scholarships, educational incentives and competitive examination support programmes. In 2026-27, over 3,75,000 students are expected to benefit through these scholarships and support programmes.
49. We will continue providing Rs.15,000 to support pregnant women workers in tea gardens, ensuring better maternal care and nutrition. In 2025-26, 32,882 pregnant women workers in tea garden areas were

supported under this scheme and we expect that this year, nearly 35,000 women will further benefit.

50. We will resume the targeted social support to HIV/AIDS-affected families through financial assistance of Rs.1 lakh each to eligible infected/affected children and widows of deceased HIV/AIDS patients. Nearly 140 children and widows are expected to receive benefits under this scheme in 2026-27.
51. Speaker Sir, the august House will appreciate the introduction of unprecedented basket of welfare schemes by our Government covering various level of beneficiaries. I propose to allocate over Rs.6,000 crore under different Grants for these welfare schemes.

III. *Sabal Antahgathani, Sabal Asom* - Infra Vision of the State Government

52. Speaker Sir, alongside the transformative investments being made in the power sector, our Government also proposes other major projects to strengthen Assam's infrastructure backbone and accelerate economic growth. Building on *Asom Mala* 1.0, 2.0 and 3.0, under which projects worth over Rs.20,000 crore have been taken up, we propose to introduce *Asom Mala* 4.0. This new phase will leverage State's own resources, EAP, PPP, RIDF and NIDA to create another 800 km of high-quality

road infrastructure over the next five years, with an estimated expenditure of Rs.10,000 crore.

53. In partnership with the Government of India, work is progressing on transformational infrastructure projects involving investments of over Rs.55,000 crore, including the Guwahati Ring Road (Rs.4,954 crore), Greenfield Silchar High Speed Corridor (Rs.22,864 crore), Kaziranga Elevated Corridor (Rs.6,957 crore) and the Gohpur-Numaligarh Brahmaputra Tunnel (Rs.18,662 crore). The Silchar High Speed Corridor will reduce Guwahati-Silchar travel time from around 8 hours 30 minutes to nearly 5 hours.
54. Our Government is also working closely with the Government of India on three critical connectivity projects: four-laning of Baihata Chariali-Mission Chariali, Tezpur (Rs.13,812 crore); an elevated corridor from Guwahati Airport to Jalukbari (Rs.3,423 crore); and a new bridge across Brahmaputra connecting Morigaon and Darrang. These projects will significantly improve regional connectivity, reduce congestion and support faster movement of people and goods.
55. As futuristic projects, the Government of India will take forward alignment and project preparation for the Barapani-Guwahati and Guwahati-Siliguri access-controlled corridors. The Government of Assam will also

prepare DPRs for access-controlled road projects to ensure that Assam is ready for the next generation of high-speed connectivity.

56. During this period, we will witness major progress in bridge connectivity across Assam. The Majuli-Jorhat Bridge (Rs.1,400 crore), including approach roads, will provide seamless all-weather connectivity between Majuli and the mainland and is expected to complete by December 2027.
57. We will also complete major bridge projects such as the Palashbari-Sualkuchi Bridge (Rs.3,197 crore) and Dhubri-Phulbari Bridge (Rs.4,997 crore). The Palashbari-Sualkuchi Bridge has already achieved 49 percent physical progress, while the Dhubri-Phulbari Bridge has achieved over 77 percent progress and will reduce travel between Dhubri and Phulbari from 260 km to just 20 km. A new bridge over the Barak at Gandhighat connecting Madhuramukh with Silchar town has also been sanctioned under *Setu Bandhan*. We will continue to work towards the vision of ensuring a Brahmaputra bridge for every district.
58. Beyond roads and bridges, our infrastructure vision also includes strengthening rail connectivity. Our Government will continue to pursue the extension of the railway line up to Umrangso. The DPR of the new BG line

from Langkula to Umrangso (15.87 km) has already been submitted to the Railway Board in June 2026. Estimated cost of the project has been assessed at Rs.1084 crore.

59. In the aviation sector, our Government, in partnership with the Airports Authority of India, is taking forward the Rs.2,134 crore Greenfield Airport at Doloo, Silchar, which is presently under consideration of the Public Investment Board. Our Government is actively facilitating all requirements for its early commencement.
60. We will also support the phased expansion of Rupsi Airport. The revised Master Plan envisages infrastructure upgrades to enable all-weather ATR-72 operations in Phase I and A-320 aircraft operations in Phase II, significantly enhancing air connectivity and economic opportunities in western Assam. This airport will soon develop as a critical asset for connecting lower Assam with West Bengal and Meghalaya and neighbouring countries Bhutan and Bangladesh.

IV. *Shaktir Atmanirbharta, Seuj Bikashor Jatra* - Harnessing Green Energy for a Sustainable Future

61. Speaker Sir, our neighbour Arunachal Pradesh is making rapid strides in harnessing its vast hydropower potential. Assam too is richly endowed with green energy, and we are determined to realise this potential to the fullest. We

are committed to transform Assam into a power-surplus State and the Green Energy Hub of Northeast India.

62. Assam's power sector is entering a transformational phase, with investments of over Rs.77,353 crore planned across hydro, solar, thermal and energy storage projects—the largest such investment pipeline in the State's history. This ambitious programme will be financed through a combination of the State's own resources, Centrally Sponsored Schemes, Externally Aided Projects and Public-Private Partnerships.

Table 1 : List of Power Infrastructure Projects

Sl.	Project name	Capacity (MW)	Cost (Cr.)
1	PSP	4,900	27,100
2	Small Hydel	137	2,617
3	Solar	75	456
4	Battery Energy Storage System	25	170
5	Lower Kopili Hydro Electric Project	120	2,410
6	Adani Thermal Plant	3,200	40,000
	Total	8,457	72,753

Table 2: List of Power Evacuation Projects

Sl.	Project Name	Transmission Capacity (kV)	Cost (Cr.)
1	Chapar Thermal Power Evacuation Plan via three corridors: (a) Chapar–Rangia, (b) Chapar–Agia, (c) Agia–Sarusajai	400	2,600
2	Khumtai 400 kV Grid Substation	400	500
3	Umrangsu 400 kV Grid Substation	400	500
4	Modernisation and Upgradation of Sarusajai 220 kV Grid Substation	400	1,000
Total			4,600

63. Speaker Sir, I am happy to announce that the 120 MW Lower Kopili Hydroelectric Project has entered the trial commissioning stage and is already supplying around 55 MW of power to the Grid. The project is expected to be fully commissioned in July 2026.

64. With the proposed 3,200 MW thermal power plant at Bilasipara with an estimated investment of Rs.4,000 crore and 11 new hydropower projects with a proposed total capacity of 137.2 MW and estimated investment of Rs.2,617 crore under various stages of planning and implementation, Assam is taking decisive steps towards becoming power-surplus for the first time in its history.

Table 3: List of Small Hydel Projects

Sl.	Hydro Power Project	District	Capacity (MW)	Cost (Cr.)
1	Karbi Langpi Middle-II Hydro Power Project	West Karbi Anglong	24.0	417
2	Karbi Langpi Middle-I Hydro Power Project	West Karbi Anglong	22.5	386
3	Dhansiri Small Hydro Electric Project	Udalguri	20.0	400
4	Lungnit Small Hydro Electric Project	Karbi Anglong	6.0	120

5	Disaidam Small Hydro Electric Project	Sivasagar	15.0	300
6	Bordikorai Small Hydro Electric Project	Biswanath	4.7	94
7	Amring Small Hydro Electric Project	West Karbi Anglong	20.0	400
8	Jenum Small Hydro Electric Project	Dima Hasao	8.0	160
9	Klarang Small Hydro Electric Project	Karbi Anglong	4.0	80
10	Desang Small Hydro Electric Project	Sivasagar	9.0	180
11	Amphi Small Hydro Power Project	Karbi Anglong	4.0	80
Total			137.2	2,617

65. Our Government has also accorded the highest priority to Pumped Storage Power (PSP) Projects to ensure large-scale renewable energy integration and sustainable industrial growth. Four PSP Projects with a combined capacity of 4,900 MW and estimated private investment of nearly Rs.27,100 crore, have been approved in the State.

Table 4: List of PSPs

S l.	Project	District	Capacity (MW)	Project Cost (Cr.)
1	Tharakunchi	West Karbi Anglong	900	6,000
2	Howraghat	Karbi Anglong	1,500	7,200
3	Moti Hojai	Dima Hasao	1,200	6,600
4	Baithalangso	West Karbi Anglong	1,300	7,300
Total			4,900	27,100

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Table 5: List of solar projects

Sl.	Project	District	Capacity (MW)	Project Cost (Cr.)
1	50 MW Ground Mounted Solar Power Project	Sonitpur	50	350
2	Namrup Solar Power Project	Dibrugarh	25	106
Total			75	456

Table 6: List of battery storage project

Sl .	Name of Project	District	Capacity	Project Cost (Cr.)
1	25 MW / 100 MWh Battery Energy Storage System	Kamrup	25 MW / 100 MWh	170.32

Table 7: List of pipeline projects

Sl .	Name of Project	District	Capacity (MW)	Project Cost (Cr.)
1	NEEPCO PSP project (Kopili-Umrangso-Dima Hasao)	Dima Hasao	500	4200
2	Integrated Solar /BESS by Hinduja, Goalpara	Goalpara	30	330

66. Over the next five years, we will strengthen Assam's power network through the addition of 15,000 circuit kilometres of transmission and distribution lines, 120 new substations and 20,000 high-voltage distribution transformers.
67. With transmission and distribution losses already reduced to about 13.4 percent, below the national average, our Government will target a further reduction to 8 percent over the next few years.

V. *Asom Nagar Unnayan Abhiyan* - Aerotropolis, Guwahati

68. Sir, sustained economic growth requires creation of urban growth centres that can attract investment and generate employment.
69. Uttar Pradesh witnessed a major economic transformation through the development of Noida, Haryana through Gurugram, and West Bengal through New Town Kolkata, to cite some examples.
70. Assam must create similar growth centres to unlock its full economic potential and provide opportunities for its youth. With this vision, I propose the development of an Aerotropolis around the Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport as the nucleus. The new bridge over Brahmaputra near the airport will give further fillip to the urban growth.
71. The project will be implemented through the Guwahati Satellite City Development Authority (GSCDA), a dedicated Special Purpose Vehicle of Government of Assam. This will be a 100 percent Government-owned project, ensuring that the benefits of development accrue directly to the people of Assam.
72. With world-class infrastructure, industrial and commercial districts, and modern social amenities, this

urban hub will emerge as a major centre for investment and employment generation.

73. I humbly seek the support and cooperation of the people of Assam for this transformative initiative of growth and prosperity for future generations.
74. To accelerate implementation, I allocate a sum of Rs.2,100 crore for land acquisition of the Satellite City Project.

VI. *Jalasinchan aru Krishir Samannay* - Irrigation and Agriculture

75. Speaker Sir, Assam is blessed with abundant water resources. After achieving huge success in *Baan Mukto Asom*, we are now shifting our focus to irrigation to use our water resources for productive purpose. For many years, irrigation did not receive the priority it deserved. Our Government is determined to change this.
76. Irrigation through open channels proved ineffective in Assam due to floods and waterlogging during rainy season, making maintenance of these channels very costly and time consuming. I am happy to announce the vision and bold initiative of our Hon'ble Chief Minister to move to Pressurized Piped Distribution network for irrigation from now onwards.

77. Pressurized Piped Distribution networks will not only reduce land acquisition cost and water loss but also have the added advantage of quicker implementation. This would bring revolution in agriculture in the State very soon.
78. A detailed assessment of lean-season surface water availability of rivers such as Barak, Subansiri, Manas, Beki, Puthimari, Jia Bharali, Dhansiri, Kopili will be undertaken to identify and implement small and medium Lift Irrigation schemes with piped distribution networks.
79. To achieve this, our Government proposes to undertake an ambitious irrigation expansion programme with an estimated investment of approximately Rs.3,000 crore to Rs.4,000 crore over the next five years. This investment will be mobilised by leveraging assistance under the Rural Infrastructure Development Fund (RIDF), Externally Aided Projects, Central Sector Schemes and State budgetary resources.
80. During the current year, a comprehensive perspective plan will be prepared, identifying priority regions, suitable irrigation models, project pipelines and financing options. I allocate Rs.200 crore for this in the current year. In the subsequent years, adequate budgetary provisions will be made to implement this plan in a phased and time-bound manner.

81. We will promote organic certification for high-value export-oriented crops and evacuation support to exporters with a support of Rs.100 crore from NABARD. In order to achieve this objective, we shall also supplement export logistics including an air cargo facility in Guwahati.
82. Recognising Farmer Producer Organizations (FPO) as the foundation of a modern and market-oriented agricultural economy, our Government launched the *Mukhya Mantri Utkarsh Yojana* for farm mechanization, value addition, post-harvest infrastructure and business expansion.
83. In its first phase, 254 FPOs/FPCs were provided an assistance of Rs.12 lakh in 2025-26. We shall provide the balance Rs.3 lakh per FPO/FPC in the current year. Further, 100 more FPOs/FPCs shall be covered under *Utkarsh Yojana* this year with an outlay of Rs.15 crore.
84. Our Government will strengthen support to tea growers through *Assam Tea Industries Special Incentives Scheme* (ATISIS). To further incentivise value addition and boost Assam Tea exports, Matcha Tea shall be included within the eligible category of orthodox and specialty tea.
85. Orthodox tea production has increased from 4.39 crore kg in 2021-22 to nearly 8 crore kg in 2025-26, recording

a strong growth of over 80 percent in four years. Assam has taken a significant step towards value addition in the tea sector with the successful production of premium Matcha Tea. The first lot was sold through the Guwahati Tea Auction Centre at nearly Rs.3,000 per kilogram.

86. The production subsidy for orthodox and specialty tea will be enhanced from Rs.10 per kg to Rs.15 per kg. Further, a new subsidy of Rs.3 per kg will be introduced for export-oriented and premium-quality Assam CTC tea that is exported directly through recognised export channels, contributing to the foreign exchange earnings.

VII. *Arogya Asom, Sustha Asom* - Building a Healthier Tomorrow

87. Sir, the impact of our investment in healthcare, nutrition, women's empowerment and social development is now visible in measurable outcomes. NFHS-6 and SRS 2022-24 have now clearly documented Assam's success story on healthcare and Sustainable Development Goal number three.
88. For the first time in history, Maternal Mortality Ratio (MMR) in Assam has reduced to 84 per lakh live births, lower than the national average of 87. This represents a marked decline of 65 percent from 237 per lakh live births in SRS 2014-16. In other words, Assam started contributing to national health parameters to grow.

89. Institutional deliveries in the State have also increased to 87.6 percent and deliveries attended by skilled birth personnel have reached 90.7 percent.
90. These gains have been accompanied by a sharp decline of 62 percent in child marriage in the last 3 years, reduction in the Total Fertility Rate (TFR) to 1.9, bringing population growth in line with the national average, and a decline in the unmet need for family planning to 7.4 percent.
91. To sustain this momentum, I feel proud to propose that, over the tenure of our Government, every Sub-Centre will be strengthened with at least one MBBS doctor, supported by the required number of ANMs/GNMs. I am pleased to share that this will be the first initiative of its kind in the entire country.
92. Further, we will strengthen healthcare delivery in tea garden areas by supporting Tea Garden Hospitals by infrastructure upgradation, diagnostics, medicines, equipment and deployment of dedicated doctors and human resources. The respective tea gardens will continue to support these hospitals as earlier.
93. We will strengthen the existing First Referral Units (FRU) and create new ones to ensure that each LAC has at least one 50-bedded FRU.

94. Speaker Sir, I propose the creation of around 33,240 posts comprising 6814 MBBS doctors, 82 Ayush doctors, 22 Dental Surgeons, 10942 Staff Nurses, 4669 Pharmacists, 4669 Laboratory Technicians, 67 Radiographers, 1283 ANMs, 4625 LDAs/Acctt., 67 Dressers for health institution across the state.
95. Speaker Sir, this House will be happy to know that Assam already has 14 medical colleges, with another 10 under various stages of construction. Our Government now proposes to establish four new medical colleges in Goalpara, Hailakandi, Hojai and Bajali districts, taking the total number of medical colleges in the State to 28 and bringing us closer to our vision of a medical college in every district of Assam.

VIII. *Viksit Asomor Shiksha Sanskar* - Education for Viksit Assam

96. Speaker Sir, our focus on higher education will be more ambitious in the next five years. Our vision is: One District, One University, One Medical College, One Engineering College. This initiative will ensure access to quality higher education in every district. We will prepare a roadmap for this.
97. I am happy to inform the august House that our Government shall establish 2 modern Integrated Academic Complexes, preferably in Public-Private

Partnership (PPP) mode which will have a university, a medical college, an engineering college, and an ITI in the same campus.

98. Sir, I am delighted to inform this House that IIM Guwahati shall commence the first academic session – 2026-27 of MBA from next month with a batch of 60-70 students.
99. To strengthen higher education across Assam, our Government proposes to support the newly established universities with substantial infrastructure funding. We propose to provide Rs.100 crore each to Sibsagar University, Jagannath Barooah University, Nagaon University, North Lakhimpur University, Kokrajhar University, Bongaigaon University and Gurucharan University in a phased manner.
100. Further, we propose to provide Rs.50 crore each to Madhabdev University, Bhattadev University, Rabindranath Tagore University, Birangana Sati Sadhani Rajyik Vishwavidyalaya, Assam Women's University, Kumar Bhaskar Varma Sanskrit and Ancient Studies University and Majuli University of Culture. Along with Rs.100 crore already provided to Dibrugarh University and Rs.100 crore proposed for Gauhati University this year, we aim to create a stronger, regionally balanced and future-ready higher education network in Assam.

101. Further, Majuli University of Culture, keeping its special focus on culture, will now be strengthened by introducing other subjects related to Science and Arts.
102. Speaker Sir, it is heartening to share with this august House that UGC has granted Autonomous status to 27 colleges in Assam. I convey my heartfelt thanks to the academic community for this achievement. To support these Autonomous colleges, we will provide assistance of Rs.2 crore in 2 equal installments.

Table 8: List of 27 Autonomous colleges

Name of College	District
Chaiduar College	Biswanath
B.N College	Dhubri
D H S K College	Dibrugarh
D.R College	Golaghat
Furkating College	Golaghat
Golaghat Commerce College	Golaghat
Arya Vidyapith College	Kamrup (M)
B. Barooah College	Kamrup (M)
Dimoria College	Kamrup (M)
Suren Das College	Kamrup
Dhakuakhana College	Lakhimpur

Rangapara College	Sonitpur
Digboi College	Tinsukia
Tinsukia Commerce College	Tinsukia
Morigaon College	Morigaon
Darrang College	Sonitpur
H P B Girl's College	Golaghat
Jagiroad College	Morigaon
Mangaldoi College	Darrang
Lakhimpur Girl's College	Lakhimpur
Dudhnoi College	Goalpara
Sonapur College	Kamrup (M)
Goalpara College	Goalpara
Kaliabor College	Nagaon
Guwahati Commerce College	Kamrup (M)
Gargaon College	Sivasagar
Moridhol College	Dhemaji

103. Speaker Sir, more than 15,000 teachers across LP, UP and High Schools, Higher Secondary and Degree Colleges have submitted applications under *Guru Dakshina* scheme. The Education department shall scrutinize and formulate the quantum of financial assistance and adequate resources will be made available.

104. Around 8,000 applications have been received under Provincialization of Venture educational institutions. Our Government will continue the process of provincialising eligible Venture colleges.
105. Our Government will make a suitable amendment for the cut off date for provincialisation of services of the teachers under The Assam Education (Provincialisation of Services of Teachers and Re-organisation of Educational Institutions) Act as amended in 2025 to expand the eligibility criteria of teacher/tutor.

IX. *Biniyogor Kendra Bindu Asom* - Advantage Assam

106. Speaker Sir, Advantage Assam 2.0 was a defining moment in Assam's economic transformation. The Summit attracted investment and infrastructure commitments worth over Rs.5.18 lakh crore from the private sector, public sector enterprises and key infrastructure ministries of the Government of India.
107. Of these, projects worth over Rs.3.10 lakh crore are already under various stages of implementation and commencement. Together, these investments are expected to generate 1,02,557 direct and indirect employment opportunities.
108. With the Tata Semiconductor Assembly and Test Facility expected to commence production this year in November, and work of Assam Valley Fertilizer and

Chemical Company Limited (AVFCCL), Namrup continuing in full swing, our Government will now focus on creating Industrial parks in every district, developing Land banks and strengthening the infrastructure and incentive policy ecosystem required to attract the next wave of investments across Assam.

X. Land Rights for All - *Mission Basundhara 4.0*

109. *Mission Basundhara* across its 3 successive rounds, has established a framework for land revenue reforms in Assam - extending land rights and settlement to communities across the state's diverse geographies. More than 3.56 lakh families have been granted ownership rights over 4.53 lakh bighas of land, creating one of the largest land rights interventions in Assam's history.
110. *Mission Basundhara 4.0* is conceived now with a special focus on the digital survey of Char Areas, ensuring land rights in Barak Valley and for Moran, Matak, Ahom, Chutia, Koch Rajbongshi and other indigenous communities.
111. Our Government will undertake necessary legislative and administrative amendments in the existing framework to strengthen land reforms and ensure that land allotments are made only to persons whose families have been living in Assam for at least three generations.

112. Our Government will accelerate *Mission Basundhara 4.0* through three transformative initiatives - Project *Jorip*, Project *MATI*, and Project *ASOM* - which will update digitally integrated land records, modernize the land registration system and establish a unified digital land governance ecosystem.
113. To promote MSME and Khadi industries, our Government shall effect suitable amendments to law, which will make the change in land use for such industries as a self-service facility. The benefit shall not be extended to enterprises causing pollution.
114. We will launch *Mission Basundhara 4.0* on 25th December 2026, the birth anniversary of Bharat Ratna Atal Bihari Vajpayee Ji, which is also celebrated as the National Good Governance Day. In the next two months, we shall solicit suggestions from this august House as well as the people of Assam to assess the unaddressed issues during the implementation of the earlier versions of *Mission Basundhara*. This will help in formulating a more effective and pragmatic *Mission Basundhara 4.0*.

XI. *Swanirbharatar Pathat Asom* - Chief Minister's Atmanirbhar Asom Abhijan (CMAAA)

115. Our Government is steadfast in building a robust entrepreneurial ecosystem. Under the *Chief Minister's*

Atmanirbhar Asom Abhijan (CMAAA), nearly one lakh beneficiaries have been supported in two phases.

116. Under CMAAA 1.0, 12,976 beneficiaries have already been provided an interest-free loan of Rs.1 lakh each for business expansion and sustainability. The remaining eligible beneficiaries will be reassessed during the current year and will receive the interest-free loan.
117. Under CMAAA 2.0, 75,000 beneficiaries have received the first instalment of Rs.75,000 each. The balance amount of Rs.25,000 will be released during the current financial year upon successful completion of the Entrepreneurship Development Programme (EDP).
118. Speaker Sir, I am happy to announce that building on the success of the earlier two versions of CMAAA, our Government will start the selection process for new 50,000 youth for providing assistance in the current financial year.
119. It is heartening to see that many entrepreneurs under the programme have been successful in availing institutional credit under schemes such as PMEGP, PMFME, Pradhan Mantri MUDRA Yojana. Our Government aims to empower 10 lakh young entrepreneurs in the next 5 years under this scheme.
120. I propose to allocate Rs.500 crore towards CMAAA this year.

XII. *Samriddha Udyami Asom* - Entrepreneurship and Credit Guarantee Fund

121. The development journey of Assam is increasingly being shaped by the aspirations, enterprise and leadership of our women. Through *Mukhyamantri Mahila Udyamita Abhiyaan*, under which around 30 lakh women have received an enterprise fund of Rs.10,000 each, our Government has enabled the emergence of 9.05 lakh *Lakhpati Baideus*.
122. Speaker Sir, our Self-Help Group members have shown strong savings and repayment discipline over the years. I am happy to announce that our Government shall support the individual SHG members in availing the credit under the existing schemes of Government of India like Credit Guarantee Fund Trust for Micro and Small Enterprises (CGTMSE) and Women Enterprise Acceleration Fund (WEAF).
123. Under the proposed scheme, individual SHG members across the State will be able to get collateral-free bank loans to start or expand their own enterprises. The concerned department shall issue the guidelines in due course.
124. Speaker Sir, I also propose to exempt stamp duty on loan agreements executed by women members of Self-Help

Groups under the Assam State Rural Livelihoods Mission (ASRLM) for individual loans up to Rs.10 lakh.

**XIII. *Oitijya Sangrakshanei Bhabishyat Nirman* –
Our Pride, Culture and Heritage**

125. Speaker Sir, Assam's rich cultural heritage and timeless traditions are the foundation of our identity. Our Government remains committed to preserve this priceless legacy while showcasing Assam's cultural excellence before the nation and the world.
126. To celebrate Assam's vibrant cultural traditions on the national stage, our Government will organise a grand Bihu celebration in New Delhi at an appropriate time, presenting the spirit of Assam before the entire nation.
127. Speaker Sir, Lachit Barphukan stands as the eternal symbol of Assamese valour, patriotism and indomitable courage. His leadership at the Battle of Saraighat against Mughals remains one of the greatest military triumphs in India's history. To take his inspiring legacy to a wider national and global audience, our Government will extend financial support for the production of a world-class commercial feature film on Lachit Barphukan in collaboration with a reputed filmmaker.
128. To honour the supreme sacrifice of Swahid Kushal Konwar in India's freedom struggle, our Government will also support the production of a commercial feature film,

bringing his inspiring life and unwavering patriotism to audiences across the country.

129. Following the inscription of Charaideo Moidams as a UNESCO World Heritage Site, our Government will pursue UNESCO recognition for other prestigious elements of Assam's heritage under cultural, natural and intangible categories of UNESCO Heritage framework. Some proposals like the Vaishnavite Culture of Majuli, Bihu and Ahom capital of Rangpur - Sivasagar shall be taken up in phases on these lines. These efforts aim to secure international recognition for Assam's rich cultural heritage, strengthen its preservation and promote cultural tourism.
130. Our Government will expedite the completion of the Rang Ghar Conservation Project and undertake the restoration, conservation and visitor infrastructure development of Kareng Ghar, preserving these iconic monuments for future generations.
131. Recognising the immense spiritual and historical significance of Madhupur Satra, the sacred place where Mahapurush Srimanta Sankardeva spent the final moments of his earthly life, I will provide adequate funds for its comprehensive development, including heritage conservation, pilgrim amenities and cultural infrastructure.

132. The Assam Satra Commission will be constituted and strengthened to provide focused institutional support for the preservation and promotion of Assam's unique Satra tradition.
133. As part of the Birth Centenary celebrations of Bharat Ratna Dr. Bhupen Hazarika, our Government proposes to organise the grand closing ceremony in New Delhi this year. The event is envisioned as a national tribute that will carry Dr. Hazarika's music from the banks of the Brahmaputra to every corner of the country, celebrating his enduring legacy of humanity, love, cultural harmony and national unity.

XIV. *Sabal Chah Janajati* - Tea garden welfare

134. Sir, you are aware that in the previous tenure, our Government passed a significant legislation to end the uncertainty faced by Tea Garden communities who have lived in the same labour lines for generations. Nearly 30,000 Tea Garden families across Assam received *Pattas*, in record time.
135. Survey work has already begun in another 250 Tea Gardens, and within this financial year, our Government will ensure land rights for 1.14 lakh more families.
136. I am happy to inform you that the Government of India has taken an in-principle decision to provide benefits of PMAY houses to eligible tea garden workers. I am

thankful to the Hon'ble Prime Minister for his benevolence.

137. Over the next five years, we will ensure that each of Assam's 3.5 lakh Tea Garden families secures legal title to their land.
138. Sir, I propose that the entire proceeds of Agricultural Income Tax collected from Tea Industries shall henceforth be earmarked exclusively for the welfare and development of tea garden communities.

XV. *Karmacharir Kalyanei Jana-Sevar Bheti* - Welfare of Employees

139. Sir, our Government is committed to the well being of our employees. We have set up 8th State Pay Commission , reflecting our commitment to fair compensation while maintaining fiscal discipline
140. *Apon Ghar* and *Apon Bahan* schemes have significantly improved the welfare of Government employees. So far, 52,034 employees have availed housing loans amounting to over Rs.8,300 crore under *Apon Ghar* scheme, with interest subsidy of Rs.707 crore, while 8,636 employees have benefited under *Apon Bahan* scheme.
141. Encouraged by this overwhelming response, I propose to extend the *Apon Ghar* scheme for a period of five years,

with the maximum eligible loan amount enhanced to Rs.50 lakh in urban areas.

142. I also propose to extend the *Apon Bahan* scheme for a period of five years and enhance the interest subvention for electric vehicles to 4 percent, for promoting clean and sustainable mobility across the State. Our employees will also get Motor Vehicle Tax subvention benefits on EV meant for the general public, which I will elaborate upon in the revenue reforms section.
143. Under *Mukhya Mantri Lok Sevak Arogya Yojana* (MMLSAY), in addition to the reimbursement facility already available, we are taking steps to facilitate maximum cashless medical treatment by empaneling reputed hospitals.
144. Speaker Sir, the benefit of paid maternity leave shall also be extended to all Government Societies and PSUs.
145. To encourage greater parental involvement in child care, our Government proposes two weeks of paternity leave for Government employees.
146. We propose to extend 50 percent of Compensatory Family Pension (CFP) benefits to the employees who died in harness within one year of joining service after 1st April 2017. The benefits will be extended prospectively from the date of sanction.

147. We are building the Integrated Directorate Complex at Betkuchi, Guwahati, to accommodate 54 directorates in a modern, state-of-the-art campus, improving employee productivity, integration and citizen-focused service delivery.
148. *Swagata Satirtha* portal has ensured transparency in transfers of our Grade III and Grade IV employees and this shall be opened twice a year to streamline the transfer process. Around 13,500 employees have already benefitted.
149. Around 1,619 families of deceased employees have received insurance benefits of Rs.210.50 crore under the Zero Cost Insurance Package. This includes 1,565 families who received term insurance of Rs.10 lakh each and 54 families who received accidental insurance of Rs.1 crore each. We shall continue to support our employees' families during difficult times through this initiative.
150. We will continue to support the financial well-being of our Government employees through initiatives such as the Earned Salary Advance and Salary Linked Credit Schemes, under which 2,642 employees have availed Earned Salary Advance and 3,164 employees have benefitted from Salary Linked Credit.

XVI. *Parjatan aru Oitijyor Bikash* - Tourism Promotion

151. Speaker Sir, Assam's emergence as a preferred tourism destination is reflected in the decision of Australia, Japan and the 27 countries of the European Union to ease travel advisories relating to the State.
152. The decision to commence direct flights from Guwahati to Dubai and Abu Dhabi has further strengthened Assam's international connectivity, complementing existing links with Thailand, Singapore and Bhutan and expanding opportunities for tourism, trade and investment.
153. Sir, Assam remains the leading tourism destination in the North East with over 76 lakh domestic tourist visits annually. Our Government is committed to position Assam among the top ten states in the country in terms of tourist footfall.
154. To achieve this, we shall introduce a comprehensive Homestay Policy to promote community-based tourism, local entrepreneurship, visitor infrastructure and hospitality services. Eligible homestays registered centrally will receive a 30 percent capital subsidy and 2 percent interest subvention. Our Government will also provide technological support to homestay operators and

undertake a tourism promotion campaign to showcase Assam's cultural, ecological heritage.

155. Our Government also proposes the establishment of 5-star hotels at Umrangso, Haflong and Manas. Eligible projects will receive a 30 percent capital subsidy along with SGST reimbursement and interest subvention as per the extant guidelines. I am sure this will encourage participation of reputed hoteliers to invest in Assam.

XVII. *Juboprojonmor Pragoti, Asomor Unnati* - Empowering our Youth

156. Our Government will focus on preparing our youth for emerging opportunities in both domestic and international markets.
157. Speaker Sir, I am happy to inform that our Government has decided to expand the scope of the *Chief Minister's Foreign Language Initiative for Global Human Talent* (CM-FLIGHT) scheme by including English, German and other foreign languages .Our Government will support foreign language training and overseas workforce preparation through an assistance of Rs.1.5 lakh per candidate.
158. The Government will introduce a comprehensive Animation, Visual Effects, Gaming, Comics and Extended Reality (AVGC-XR) Talent Development Policy to empower the creative youth of the State with world-

class skills, industry exposure, and global opportunities. The policy will focus on nurturing talent through quality training, industry partnerships and innovation. This will enable our youth to become part of the global AVGC-XR talent pool and position the State as a leading hub for the creative digital economy.

159. Sir, a good number of Nurses from Assam have joined healthcare institutions in Singapore and we have received encouraging feedback. Therefore, I propose to introduce soft skills training in spoken English in all nursing colleges to improve global employability.

XVIII. Dibrugarh Capital Region - A New Growth Engine for Assam

160. Speaker Sir, our Hon'ble Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma has endeavoured to transform the historic city of Dibrugarh into a modern administrative and developmental hub equipped with world-class amenities.
161. There are major projects already underway or completed in Dibrugarh, which is firmly on the State's development agenda. These include the Chief Minister's Secretariat (Rs.65 crore), New Assembly Complex and MLA Hostel (Rs.284 crore), the New Court Building (Rs.52 crore), a 1,000-seater modern auditorium (Rs.32 crore), and the Multi-Disciplinary Sports Complex at Khanikar (Rs.209 crore).

162. Now, our Government has approved the creation of the Second State Capital Region (SCR)-Dibrugarh and the establishment of the Second State Capital Region Development Authority-Dibrugarh covering areas within a 20-kilometre radius of the Dibrugarh Capital Complex, within the territorial limit of Dibrugarh district.
163. I hereby allocate Rs.500 crore over the next five years for additional infrastructure augmentation and developmental initiatives within the Dibrugarh Capital Region apart from the regular developmental projects.

I will now place before this August House the major announcements of our Government for 2026-27.

Major announcements

I. Enhanced funds for Local Development

164. Speaker Sir, our Government will enhance the MLA Local Area Development Fund (MLALAD) to Rs.1.5 crore per MLA in 2026-27 and further to Rs.2 crore per MLA from 2027-28 onwards.
165. 10 percent of this allocation will be earmarked for immediate community requirements and welfare support, and the balance amount to be utilized for local infrastructure creation.

II. Development of Barak Valley

166. We shall ensure strengthening of administrative infrastructure in Barak Valley, including the full-fledged functioning of the Assam Secretariat in Silchar.
167. To strengthen access to quality healthcare in Barak Valley and adjoining areas, our Government will pursue establishment of a satellite centre of AIIMS in Sribhumi in consultation with the Government of India.
168. To promote tourism and biodiversity awareness in the Barak Valley region, our Government will establish a Conventional Zoo in the heart of Silchar City with modern infrastructure, nature interpretation facilities, visitor amenities, and conservation-focused tourism systems.

III. *Har Ghar Jal*: Completing the Last Mile

169. Recognising the need to complete and strengthen the infrastructure created under earlier phases of *Jal Jeevan Mission* (JJM), our Government will undertake the work for completion of ongoing schemes, including settlement of pending liabilities. We will also leverage the support of multilateral development banks to complete and strengthen the water supply infrastructure in the state within the next five years.

IV. 112 - Emergency Response for our citizens

170. We will establish a 24×7 unified Emergency Response System across Assam, enabling citizens to access police, fire, health and disaster response services through a single emergency number - **112**. A modern Emergency Response Centre will also be established at the Lachit Barphukan Police Academy, Dergaon, for faster and coordinated response.

V. Proton Therapy

171. Our Government is introducing Proton Therapy in Assam, making Guwahati Medical College & Hospital the first of its kind facility under a State Government to offer this highly advanced cancer treatment. With an investment of around Rs.550 crore, the Proton Therapy facility is expected to be operational within three years, providing world-class, precision cancer care that targets tumours while minimising damage to healthy tissues.

VI. *Shraddhanjali*: Dignity in the Hour of Grief

172. Our Government had launched the *Shraddhanjali* Scheme in October 2025 to ensure respectful and dignified repatriation of the mortal remains of persons who die outside the state. Since its launch, 363 mortal remains have been brought back to Assam. We will continue and strengthen this humane initiative, so that no family is left alone in its hour of grief.

VII. Re-energizing Credit flow through KCC

173. Speaker Sir, the Kisan Credit Card (KCC) scheme is a vital source of affordable institutional credit for our farmers, enabling timely access to working capital and reducing dependence on informal lenders.
174. However, as on 31st March, 2026, KCC Non Performing Assets (NPA) in Assam have risen to Rs.1,935 crore, involving around 3.38 lakh farmers, affecting the flow of fresh credit.
175. We have already worked with the banks on an action plan to support these farmers to reduce the NPA burden, restore access to institutional credit, and strengthen the agricultural economy of the State.

VIII. Towards Self-Sufficiency in Fish, Milk, Meat and Eggs

176. Hon'ble Speaker Sir, our Government has made strong progress in fisheries and livestock, creating new opportunities for rural families.
177. Fish production has increased by 33 percent in the last five years. We now aim to raise production to 10 lakh MT by 2030-31 and make Assam the fisheries hub of North-East India.

178. Egg production has grown by over 51 percent, and we will work to increase production to 60 lakh eggs per day, making Assam self-reliant.
179. Milk production has also increased by over 28 percent. We will launch a Rs.500 crore Dairy Expansion Mission to raise daily milk production to 57 lakh litres.
180. Meat production has increased by nearly 28 percent. We will further strengthen poultry and piggery through better breeding, modern veterinary services and farmer support, with the goal of making Assam self-reliant in meat production.

IX. Promoting Assam's Premium Farm Products

181. Speaker Sir, our Government is working to strengthen the value chain of premium export oriented agri-horti products such as Tezpur litchi, Assam Lemon, ginger, turmeric, pineapple, joha rice and red rice. At present, we have 45 Geographical Indication (GI) products and our Government shall pursue to bring more products under the GI category to ensure authenticity and connect to global markets.
182. We plan to bring an additional 12,000 hectares under organic certification, with a focus on high-value international markets. We will also promote processing and value addition through drying and dehydration

units, pack houses and aggregation centres, so that our farmers can earn better prices for their produce.

X. *Mission Senehjori* – Transforming Assam into the Global Hub of Golden Muga Silk

183. To unlock the full value of Assam's GI-tagged Golden Muga Silk, our Government, in partnership with the Ministry of Development of North Eastern Region, has launched *Mission Senehjori*, a three-year initiative with an investment of around Rs.400 crore to make Assam the global hub of authentic Golden Muga Silk.
184. The Mission will benefit nearly 2.6 lakh rearers, reelers, weavers and entrepreneurs by strengthening the full value chain from host plantation, seed production and rearing to reeling, weaving, branding, GI authentication, digital traceability, exports and market access. It will establish modern reeling infrastructure and organise producers into 1,180 FIGs and 30 FPOs by 2028.
185. Under the Mission, we will establish a Muga Silk Tourism Park at Dhakuakhana with Rs.8.44 crore and a Muga Spun Mill at Dhemaji with Rs.10 crore to promote silk tourism, convert silk waste into

high-value spun Muga yarn, reduce wastage, create jobs and strengthen value addition.

XI. Agarwood: Unlocking a High-Value Growth Sector

186. Speaker Sir, recognizing the immense economic potential of Assam's agarwood sector and Assam's position as India's leading agarwood-producing State, our Government has constituted a high-level Cabinet Task Force on Agarwood to prepare a comprehensive roadmap covering plantation, harvesting, processing, value addition, marketing and exports.
187. The Task Force will also recommend regulatory reforms and inter-departmental measures to streamline the agarwood value chain and strengthen Assam's position as the country's premier hub for high-value agarwood products.

XII. Expanding Piped Natural Gas Network Across Assam

188. Speaker Sir, our Government is committed to expand clean and affordable energy across Assam. Piped Natural Gas networks are being developed in key areas, including Guwahati, Dibrugarh, Jorhat, Tezpur, Darrang, Baksa, Kokrajhar, Nagaon and the Barak Valley.
189. I am happy to inform this House that over 13,500 domestic piped gas connections have already been

provided, along with 46 CNG stations across the State. This will bring cleaner fuel to homes, businesses and vehicles, and support a greener Assam.

XIII. Promoting Compressed Bio-Gas in Assam

190. Our Government is committed to promote Compressed Bio-Gas (CBG) as a clean and sustainable source of energy.
191. Oil India Limited has planned five CBG plants at Guwahati, Tinsukia, Sivasagar, Jorhat and Silchar. The Tinsukia plant is already under implementation, with around 40 percent physical progress.
192. Further, a new CBG project is being developed through a partnership between Suzuki R&D Centre India, NDDB and North East Dairy and Foods Limited at Kalgachia in Barpeta. To attract more investment in this sector, our Government is also finalising a dedicated CBG Policy for Assam.
193. These initiatives will help expand clean energy production and position Assam as a major hub for CBG.

XIV. Underground Power Network for Guwahati

194. Speaker Sir, to modernise Guwahati's infrastructure, improve public safety and beautify the city, I am happy to announce a Rs.2,500 crore project to shift the city's

overhead power network to underground cables in a phased manner.

195. In Phase I, Rs.200 crore will be spent under the RDSS scheme to cover five major stretches: Paltan Bazar Square; AT Road from Paltan Bazar to Bharalumukh; MG Road from Bharalumukh to Padumphukhuri; GS Road from Paltan Bazar to GMCH Road, including GMCH Road; and GS Road from Bhangagarh to Dispur Secretariat.

XV. Metro Rail along Guwahati Ring Road

196. Our Government will undertake a feasibility study for integrating a metro system over or alongside the Guwahati Ring Road. The objective is to decongest Guwahati city and promote urban growth outside the road-cum-rail Ring Road with a focus on the satellite cities.
197. The 121 km Guwahati Ring Road Project, comprising a 55 km greenfield northern bypass, a 3 km six-lane bridge over the Brahmaputra and six-lane widening of NH-27, offers significant urban mobility benefits.

XVI. Semiconductor ecosystem with JICA

198. Building on the momentum of Tata Electronics' OSAT facility at Jagiroad, our Government is committed to positioning Assam as India's leading semiconductor hub.

In partnership with Japan International Cooperation Agency (JICA), we propose to launch the Assam Semiconductor Ecosystem on Manufacturing and Innovation (A-SEMI) project with an estimated outlay of around Rs.1,164 crore, over five years.

199. The project will create world-class infrastructure, establish a dedicated ecosystem to attract global investments, generate employment, strengthen MSMEs and place Assam at the forefront of India's semiconductor revolution.

XVII. Aerospace Components Manufacturing

200. Speaker Sir, Assam is well positioned to emerge as a destination for investment in aerospace components manufacturing, supported by the State's growing aviation infrastructure and the Assam MRO Policy, 2025.
201. To catalyse the development of this sector and create an enabling ecosystem for aviation and defence manufacturing, I earmark an amount of Rs.100 crore to provide support for the establishment of aerospace components manufacturing and associated infrastructure in the State. This initiative is expected to encourage investment, strengthen local supply chains, promote maintenance-linked services and foster the growth of ancillary industries.

XVIII. AssamSAT: India's First State-Owned Earth Observation Satellite System

202. Our Government will take forward AssamSAT, announced in previous year's Budget, as India's first State-owned Earth Observation Satellite System. AssamSAT will support disaster management, natural resource monitoring, agriculture, infrastructure planning and climate resilience through high-quality satellite-based data and applications.

XIX. AI-Powered Governance for a Developed Assam

203. Sewa Setu will evolve into a next-generation AI-enabled citizen service platform, while technology-enabled justice delivery will be expanded through e-Courts, virtual hearings, e-filing and digital judicial services.
204. We shall strengthen the Integrated Social Registry and expand interoperability across welfare schemes. We will also operationalise integrated digital systems of personnel management (e-HRMIS) and Public Finance management (IFMIS) that will provide end-to-end visibility and auditability of public expenditure from budget allocation to final accounting.

XX. Taking Assamese Cuisine Across India

205. Hon'ble Speaker Sir, our Government proposes to encourage entrepreneurs to establish authentic

Assamese food outlets in the capital city of every State and Union Territory across India.

206. These outlets will be owned and run entirely by entrepreneurs and the Government will facilitate a common menu, common logo and shared brand identity to ensure quality and consistency across all outlets.
207. This initiative will take Assamese cuisine across India, promote our local products and create new opportunities for entrepreneurs.

XXI. Assam Tea and Golf Trail: A Signature Tourism Experience

208. Assam has three 18-hole championship golf courses and 10 nine-hole courses, many located within beautiful tea estates. Our Government proposes to launch the Assam Tea and Golf Trail, a unique tourism initiative that brings together Assam's globally renowned tea heritage and distinctive golf courses into a world-class experiential tourism circuit.
209. Developed in partnership with tea estates, the tourism and hospitality sectors and local communities, this initiative will strengthen Assam's position as a premier destination for high-value domestic and international travellers.

XXII. Khel Maharan 3.0

210. I am pleased to propose a revamped *Khel Maharan 3.0* with a three-tier competition structure beginning at the Block level, progressing through the Legislative Assembly Constituency level and culminating in State-level championships.

XXIII. Asom OTT: A Digital Home for Assam's Cultural Heritage

211. Speaker Sir, our Government will operationalise the State's dedicated OTT platform to preserve, promote and globally showcase Assamese cinema, literature, folk music, documentaries and other cultural treasures, creating a permanent digital archive of Assam's cultural heritage.

XXIV. Assam Lalit Kala Academy

212. Sir, all Hon'ble Members are well aware that our Government has always accorded the highest priority to the promotion and preservation of the rich cultural heritage of the State. Recognising the long-felt need for a dedicated institutional framework for the visual arts, my Government will take steps to establish the Assam Lalit Kala Academy to promote painting, sculpture and other visual arts, nurture artistic talent, and preserve and promote the rich artistic traditions of Assam.

XXV. Restoration of Rabindra Bhawan

213. Sir, Rabindra Bhawan, Guwahati has, over the decades, become one of the most iconic cultural landmarks of the State and has played a pivotal role in the growth of Assamese theatre, literature and the performing arts. Owing to structural challenges, it has remained closed for some time. I am happy to inform this august House that my Government has initiated its restoration, and Rabindra Bhawan will soon be reopened for the benefit of our artists and cultural organisations.

XXVI. Preserving Assam's Heritage & Indigenous Traditions

214. Our Government will take steps to nominate the Monolithic Jars of Dima Hasao and the Rangpur-Sivasagar Historic Ensemble for the UNESCO Tentative List, alongside targeting the '*Hastividyarnava*' and '*Kathi-Ban seng*' manuscripts for the UNESCO Memory of the World Register by 2027 and 2029.

XXVII. Aerial seeding in forest areas

215. Speaker Sir, to accelerate afforestation and restore degraded landscapes, the Government will launch an Aerial Seeding Initiative using drones to disperse seed balls over inaccessible forest areas, hill slopes and riverine tracts. This technology-driven initiative will

enhance green cover, strengthen climate resilience, and promote a greener Assam.

XXVIII. *Gaja Mitra 2.0*

216. Our Government will expand the *Gaja Mitra* Scheme from 8 districts to 26 districts under *Gaja Mitra 2.0*, significantly strengthening Human-Elephant Conflict mitigation across Assam. The scheme will now be extended to Barpeta, Charaideo, Chirang, Dhemaji, Dibrugarh, Hojai, Kamrup, Kamrup Metropolitan, Karbi Anglong, Kokrajhar, Lakhimpur, Majuli, Morigaon, Nalbari, Sivasagar, Tamulpur, Tinsukia and West Karbi Anglong, in addition to the districts already covered under the programme.

XXIX. Last mile connectivity in rural Assam

217. We will construct an additional 1 km of *pucca* rural road in every Gaon Panchayat over the next five years, ensuring better connectivity across the State. Priority will be accorded to remote and unconnected habitations, tea garden labour lines, and other underserved areas.

Administrative Departments

Speaker Sir, now I present the department-wise budget allocation before the august House.

Act East Policy Affairs Department – Expanding Frontiers

218. Our Government will expand cross-border commerce by operationalizing new "Border Haats" along the Indo-Bangladesh and Indo-Bhutan borders.
219. The proposed Assam-Gelephu Mindfulness City Special Economic Zone (SEZ) will foster regional collaboration between India and Bhutan through multi-modal connectivity and infrastructure support.
220. Taking the advantage from the Free Trade Agreements (FTAs) signed by the Government of India with other countries, Assam will explore the potential for exports of high-value commodities.

Administrative Reforms, Training, Pension & Public Grievances Department – Strengthening Governance, Enhancing Service Delivery

221. The *Kritagyata* pension management system has enabled end-to-end digitization of pension processing, with over 63,000 Pension Payment Orders issued and a settlement rate exceeding 93 percent. Adoption of *Jeevan Pramaan* has also expanded significantly, with

more than 1.34 lakh digital life certificates registered by pensioners.

222. Assam has emerged as a national leader under *Mission Karmayogi*, onboarding over 5.22 lakh government employees onto the iGOT Karmayogi platform and securing the top position among Category-B States.

223. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.24,530 crore to the Department.

Agriculture Department – Empowering Farmers, Advancing Agricultural Growth

224. Speaker Sir, we have strengthened farmer welfare and agricultural productivity through expanded coverage from 9.81 lakh in 2021 to 14.14 lakh in 2025 under PMFBY, while under PM-KISAN the coverage has increased by 25.77 percent since 2021.

225. Over the last five years, more than 12.38 lakh quintals of quality and climate-resilient seeds were distributed, over 5,780 hectares were brought under high-value horticulture cultivation. Assam emerged as one of the leading oil palm-producing States in the country.

226. We will launch the *Asom Krishi Unnayan Abhijan* to modernise agricultural markets, strengthen supply chains and create modern *Pasoli Bozars* and Common Facility Centres across the State.

227. We will also establish a Centre of Excellence for Digital Agriculture and set up *Pradhan Mantri Kisan Samridhi Kendras* in Gram Panchayats to provide farmers with technology, inputs and access to Government schemes.

228. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.1,789 crore to the Department.

**Animal Husbandry & Veterinary Department –
Cultivating Operational Self-Sufficiency**

229. Significant transformation in the livestock and dairy sector in the last five years has led to an increase in milk production by 28.3 percent, from 26 lakh litres to 33.5 lakh litres per day and meat and egg production by 27.7 percent and 51.39 percent respectively.

230. The Policy for Commercialization of Poultry Sector in Assam, 2024 has led to an additional production of more than 8 lakh eggs per day through commercial layer farming.

231. Veterinary infrastructure was also strengthened through establishment of the region's first IVF-cum-ETT Laboratory and the Assam Veterinary and Fishery University.

232. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.731 crore to the Department.

Barak Valley Development Department - Inclusive Development, Shared Prosperity

233. Hon'ble Speaker Sir, the Barak Valley Development Department remains committed to ensuring balanced and inclusive growth across the three districts of the Valley. Through coordinated efforts with various Departments and agencies, the Department will continue to focus on strengthening infrastructure, improving public services and creating greater opportunities for the people of the region.

234. We will ensure proper utilization of Budgetary Grants of all the related Departments to ensure holistic development in Barak valley districts.

Border Protection Department – Strategising Border Security Management

235. Significant progress has been achieved for maintaining peace and harmony in the border regions through the signing of MoUs with Meghalaya and Arunachal Pradesh, followed by survey and demarcation activities in several areas.

236. We have signed a tripartite agreement between the Centre, Assam, and Nagaland to work together on oil and gas exploration in border areas.

237. *Vibrant Villages Programme-II* will be implemented in 140 strategically important villages across nine districts along the Indo-Bangladesh and Indo-Bhutan borders.

Cooperation Department – Strengthening Cooperatives, Empowering Rural Economy

238. Sir, amendment of the Assam Cooperative Societies Act, 2007 has improved ease of doing business by reducing the registration period for cooperative societies from 60 days to 30 days.
239. Under the One Village-One Cooperative initiative, 467 Multipurpose PACS, 597 Dairy Cooperative Societies, and 82 Fishery Cooperative Societies have been formed, significantly expanding the cooperative network across the State.
240. Our Government will promote the formation of Tea Labourers' and Consumers' Cooperative Societies in tea gardens across the State, bringing tea workers into the cooperative movement.
241. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.172 crore to the Department.

Cultural Affairs Department – Fostering Cultural Preservation

242. The historic 16th-century *Vrindavani Vastra*, one of the greatest treasures of Assamese textile and Vaishnavite

heritage, will be brought to Assam from the British Museum, London for public exhibition.

243. Our Government will introduce the Assam Cultural Integration Festival (in line with Nagaland's Hornbill Festival) to promote cultural harmony, unity and tourism.
244. Infrastructure and digital advancement have seen significant investment, particularly through the establishment of nearly 2,600 children and adolescent libraries and the modernization of district libraries.
245. Sir, I will make adequate budgetary provision for the departmental activities.

**Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department –
Optimizing Forest Conservation and Climate
Adaptability**

246. Our Government has achieved a record-breaking streak of over 860 days without a single rhino poaching incident through establishment of a dedicated Anti-Poaching Task Force and creation of the 3rd Battalion of the Assam Forest Protection Force (AFPF).
247. In a significant effort to restore wildlife corridors, approximately 16,937 hectares of encroached forest land has been reclaimed. Additionally, 97,726 hectares of

revenue land was notified as forest, and 136,834 hectares was brought under the Protected Area Network.

248. Under the *Amrit Brikshya Andolan*, over 4 crore saplings were planted. Complementing this, the Department successfully raised 23,440 hectares of plantations across various schemes.

249. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.970 crore to the Department.

Excise Department – Reforming Excise Administration and Enforcement

250. Over the last five years, the Government implemented comprehensive reforms, including the rationalization of Ad-valorem levies, brand restructuring, and the introduction of tamper-proof high-security holograms with QR codes.

251. We have modernized the Assam Excise Chemical Laboratory and enhanced transparency in the retail sale of IMFL through the introduction of an e-Bid system.

252. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.88 crore to the Department.

Food, Public Distribution & Consumer Affairs Department – Strengthening Food Security, Empowering Consumers

- 253. Over 70 lakh families covering 2.48 lakh beneficiaries are receiving free rice under PMGKAY.
- 254. Schemes of Masur dal, Sugar and Salt distribution at subsidized rate, Paddy Procurement have been executed with great success.
- 255. I hereby propose to allocate Rs.994 crore to the Department.

Finance Department

- 256. The Finance Department has played a central role in Assam's transformation by ensuring prudent fiscal management, transparent fund flow and effective implementation of key welfare and development schemes.
- 257. The Department has implemented major citizen-centric initiatives such as *Orunodoi*, *Apon Ghar* for housing support to Government employees, *Apon Bahan* for vehicle loan support, and ATISIS for strengthening Assam's tea sector.
- 258. We have also strengthened digital budget, treasury, DBT and scheme-monitoring systems. The migration to SNA-SPARSH and Aadhaar-based DBT will further improve transparency, ensure faster fund flow and reduce leakage.

259. The Department will continue to mobilise resources through RIDF, EAPs, SASCI and other institutional financing windows, while deepening reforms in public investment management, PPPs, outcome-based budgeting and responsible borrowing.

Fishery Department – Enhancing Production, Empowering Fishers

260. Sir, Assam has produced 5.54 lakh metric tons of fish and around 20,400 million fry, transforming Assam into a leading inland fish-producing State and a net exporter of fish.
261. Advanced aquaculture practices have also been promoted through Re-circulatory Aquaculture Systems and Bio-floc units, while major projects such as the Integrated Aqua Park in Darrang and Fish Brood Banks are under implementation.
262. I hereby propose to allocate Rs.144 crore to the Department.

General Administration Department – Enhancing Governance through Transparent Administration

263. Speaker Sir, for strengthening grassroots administration, our Government created 78 Co-Districts, out of which 49 have already been made functional.

264. Work is progressing on the upcoming *Assam Bhawans* in Mumbai, Bengaluru, and New Delhi (Dwarka).
265. 74,621 archival files comprising 24,88,534 pages were digitized in 2025–26, and the efforts to digitize another 80,000 more such files shall continue in 2026–27, making them accessible for future generations.
266. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.1,180 crore to the Department.

Handloom, Textiles & Sericulture Department – Preserving Tradition, Promoting Livelihoods

267. Sir, the *Swanirbhar Naari* scheme has been providing direct market support to indigenous handloom weavers by eliminating middlemen. Total procurement has reached Rs.28.40 crore from 17,143 weavers, alongside Rs.3.36 crore from 390 registered entrepreneurs.
268. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.274 crore to the Department.

Health & Family Welfare Department – Advancing Public Health

269. Our Government will launch the five-year *Asom Swasthya Utkarsha Abhijan* with a corpus of Rs.50,000 crore to position Assam as a leading hub for world-class healthcare.

270. We will also launch *Sustha Asom Abhijan 2030* for prevention of lifestyle diseases through early screening and timely intervention.
271. Free treatment for children with congenital heart diseases will continue under *Mission Hridoy*. Geriatric wards and specialised doctors will be provided in every district hospital.
272. For last-mile healthcare, Atal Mobile Medical Units, Arogya Biman medical drones and Hospital Ships will serve remote, flood-prone, riverine, tribal, char and tea garden areas. We will also strengthen Jan Aushadhi Kendras, expand telemedicine.
273. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.4,635 crore to the Department.

Higher Education Department – Focussing on Quality Learning

274. Apart from implementing Flagship schemes of this Budget, Centres of Excellence (CoEs) have been established at Nalbari and Sonitpur Polytechnics, in partnership with Tata Technologies Limited. Further, 15 more CoEs at various Polytechnics have been handed over to the principals and 17 more CoEs will be set up in the second phase, in the polytechnics, including 3 Engineering colleges.

275. Our Government will introduce industry-oriented skill courses through NASSCOM FutureSkills and Infosys Springboard in Diploma and B.Tech programmes.
276. We will also support innovation, patenting, startup incubation, and technology development in engineering colleges and polytechnics in partnership with DIIS.
277. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.3,798 crore to the Department.

Hill Areas Department – Fostering Equitable Development

278. Department will make best possible utilization of SOPD and Infra Grants provided under the Budget.
279. Our Government has dedicated Diphu Cancer Center amounting Rs.270 crore and Diphu Flyover amounting Rs.228 crore to the public of Karbi Anglong. Construction of the Karbi Bhawan in New Delhi is underway.
280. The Assam Hills Small Industries Development Corporation (AHSIDC) is taking all steps to market agro-horticultural products of the region.
281. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.2,575 crore to the Department.

Home & Political Department – Strengthening Peace, Security and Good Governance

- 282. Sir, Assam has emerged as one of the leading States in implementing the new criminal laws.
- 283. Our Government has strengthened the police force through the transparent recruitment of over 26,900 personnel and clearance of around 40,000 promotions.
- 284. We have significantly modernised police infrastructure through the MOITRI Scheme, while further expanding police housing and Model Police Reserves across the State.
- 285. More than 4.45 lakh prison records have been digitised under the e-Prisons platform, while digitisation of over 3.66 lakh Foreigners Tribunal records has strengthened border management.
- 286. The Directorate of Fire and Emergency Services has saved more than 47,500 lives, protecting properties worth over Rs.2,366 crore during the last five years.
- 287. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.7,835 crore to the Department.

Housing & Urban Affairs Department – Building Sustainable and Resilient Cities

288. Urban governance has been modernized through digital service delivery, including online planning permissions and instant building approvals under the *Mukhya Mantrir Sohoj Griha Nirman Achoni*.
289. More than 1.42 lakh houses have been completed under PMAY-Urban. We have also notified 74 Master Plans and adopted GIS-based planning systems.
290. Assam is allocated Rs.3,249 crore for Urban Local Bodies (ULBs) over the 16th FC period, over and above state Finance Commission grants.
291. Our Government will implement the Guwahati Master Plan 2045, strengthen connectivity in Kahilipara under the City Decongestion Plan. Further, we will also expand the Brahmaputra Riverfront up to Nilachal Hill and develop Sarusajai under the Urban Challenge Fund.
292. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.4,413 crore to the Department.

Implementation of Assam Accord Department – Preserving Legacy of the Assam Movement

293. The establishment of Swahid Smarak Kshetra and Park as a permanent memorial to the martyrs of the Assam Agitation, the Assam Agitation Victims' Welfare Trust

with a dedicated corpus fund, and initiation of measures for phased implementation of the recommendations of the High-Level Committee on Clause 6 of the Assam Accord are key milestones in advancing the objectives of the Assam Accord.

Information, Public Relations, Printing & Stationery Department – Disseminating Effective Public communication

- 294. Department will continue to take steps for giving wider publicity to Government welfare programs and other activities this year as well.
- 295. Our Government has modernised the Assam Government Press in Guwahati and expanded its operational capacity with new Assam Government Press branch in Lakhimpur.
- 296. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.172 crore to the Department.

Indigenous & Tribal Faith & Culture Department – Preserving Heritage, Celebrating Diversity

- 297. Speaker Sir, in 2026-27, we will continue the heritage preservation of rare books, newspapers, journals and

manuscripts as an integral component of the *National Gyan Bhartam Mission* launched by the Hon'ble Prime Minister.

298. Museum infrastructure and public outreach were strengthened through the construction of the Patharughat Memorial Museum at Patharughat, Darrang, and the organization of the Oitjyo – The Museum Festival.

299. Sir, I will make adequate budgetary provision for the departmental activities.

Information Technology Department – Driving Digital Governance and Innovation

300. Sir, Assam received national recognition through the MeitY Integration Excellence Award for integrating over 500 services with DigiLocker, enabling verifiable and paperless service delivery.

301. The Telecom Right of Way Portal has facilitated the installation of over 5,000 mobile towers and 600 km of optical fibre network across the State, while the Aadhaar AUA-KUA Project has strengthened digital service delivery.

302. Sir, I will make adequate budgetary provision for the departmental activities this year.

**Innovation, Incubation & Start-ups Department –
Fostering Equitable Development**

303. Financial assistance has been provided to 84 startups under Idea-to-PoC (Idea to Proof of Concept), Prototype, Scale-Up, and Reimbursement categories since inception of Assam Startup - NEST.
304. The Assam Startup Venture Capital Fund was operationalised through SIDBI Venture Capital, with Rs.10 crore invested in Zerund, marking the State's first institutional venture capital deployment.
305. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.70 crore to the Department.

**Industries, Commerce & Public Enterprise Department
– Driving Industrial Transformation**

306. AIDC has identified land at Durung, Sonapur, Kamrup (M) and Niz Gondhmow Hajo Kamrup for development under *Bharat Audyogik Vikas Yojna* (BHAVYA) scheme for developing investment-ready, plug-and-play industrial parks.
307. Alongside the Industrial and Investment Policy of Assam, 2019, we have introduced sector-specific policies for electronics and semiconductors, startups, aerospace and defence, MRO, logistics, textiles and pharmaceuticals,

positioning Assam as a preferred destination for investment and employment generation.

308. I hereby propose to allocate Rs.1,557 crore to the Department.

Irrigation Department – Expanding Irrigation, Securing Agriculture

309. Four Medium Irrigation Projects were re-engineered, 615 Minor Irrigation Schemes were completed, and 1,410 defunct irrigation schemes were revived. Our Government also introduced 34 Solar Powered Mobile Lift Irrigation Schemes in remote and flood-prone areas.

310. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.954 crore to the Department.

Judicial Department – Delivering Efficient Justice through Modernised Mechanisms

311. Speaker Sir, new district judiciaries have been established in Charaideo, South Salmara-Mankachar, West Karbi Anglong, Majuli, Bajali and Biswanath, while modern court complexes and residential facilities for judicial officers have been developed in 6 districts.

312. Vulnerable Witness Deposition Centres at Goalpara, Nagaon and Karbi Anglong; a Child-Friendly Environment Chamber for POCSO cases at Silchar; Legal Aid Clinic at Sarupathar, Golaghat were established.

313. The judiciary has also advanced digital service delivery through e-Filing, virtual hearings, e-Seva Kendras, online court fee payment, certified copy services, and video conferencing facilities. Citizen-centric initiatives such as the Bhoroxa App, Digital Law Library, MACT Information Portal, and AI-assisted translation of judgments into Assamese have further improved accessibility and transparency.

314. I hereby propose to allocate Rs.832 crore to the Department.

Labour Welfare Department – Protecting Workers, Promoting Social Security

315. The State has prioritized worker health and financial security by deploying 40 Mobile Medical Units in tea garden districts of upper Assam.

316. Further, over 78.5 lakh workers have been registered on the e-Shram portal, placing Assam at 1st position in worker registration and social security coverage in the North-East.

317. Sir, I will provide adequate funds for the departmental activities this year.

Legislative Department – Bolstering Legal Governance

- 318. Since May 2021, the Department has enacted 74 new Acts, amended 159 Acts, and repealed 374 obsolete Acts, ensuring a more modern and responsive legal system.
- 319. The Assam State Legal Services Authority and District Legal Services Authorities have expanded access to justice through legal aid, Lok Adalats, mediation services, legal awareness programmes, and legal service clinics across Assam.

Mines & Minerals Department – Harnessing Resources, Driving Sustainable Growth

- 320. 12 limestone blocks, having significant long-term revenue potential, in Dima Hasao district were successfully auctioned.
- 321. The North Boro Hundong Limestone Block (Part-B) became operational within nine months of issuance of the Letter of Intent, emerging as one of the fastest operationalized mining blocks in the country.
- 322. Department undertook reforms in key areas, enabling receipt of Rs 500 cr to State as an incentive under *Scheme for Special Assistance to states for capital investment*.
- 323. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.20 crore to the Department.

**Medical Education & Research Department –
Expanding Medical Education and Healthcare
Infrastructure**

324. Speaker Sir, we have recently operationalized Pragjyotishpur Medical College, the 832-bedded Mother and Child Health Block at Gauhati Medical College, and a network of 12 cancer hospitals under the Assam Cancer Care Foundation.
325. Innovative indigenous developments, such as the “proof of concept” prototype of the Atharv Surgical Robot and a Low-Field MRI scanner, have been achieved through the Assam Advanced Healthcare Innovation Institute.
326. Under AB-PMJAY and Ayushman Asom-MMJAY, over 12.58 lakh cashless treatments have been processed, with approximately Rs. 1,536 crore disbursed.
327. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.3,535 crore to the Department.

**Panchayat & Rural Development Department –
Building a Self-Reliant Rural Assam**

328. The new *Viksit Bharat - Guarantee for Rozgar and Aajeevika Mission Gramin* (VB-G RAM-G) mission will elevate MGNREGA, guaranteeing up to 125 days of employment and focusing on climate-resilient infrastructure and sustainable livelihoods.

329. Assam exceeded its development targets by constructing 2,966 Amrit Sarovars, covering 2,706 hectares. 1,422 Sarovars now support pisciculture, which generated Rs.33.47 lakh for local Cluster Level Federations (CLFs) in 2025–26.
330. The *Lakhimi Mistri* initiative under PMAY-G (Housing) has been empowering women beneficiaries by providing them with specialized technical training in construction.
331. During the 16th FC period, Assam is expected to receive Rs.12,268.50 crore for Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs), including Rs.1,576.06 crore in 2026-27 alone.
332. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.9,171 crore to the Department.

Parliamentary Affairs Department – Enabling Seamless Co-ordination between Executive and Legislature

333. The Department implemented the Youth Parliament scheme across the State for generating awareness regarding functioning of Parliamentary Democracy among the youths of the State.

Power Department – Powering Growth, Ensuring Energy Security

334. Sir, our average daily availability of power supply now exceeds the national average in both urban (23.43 hours) and rural areas (23.09 hours).

335. Currently, the State's power framework is driven by a robust network comprising 82 operational substations, a grid capacity of 10,000 MVA, and a 5,300 CKM transmission network. In preparation for future energy demands, the State is actively augmenting these capabilities with 16 new substations on the anvil, an additional 6,340 MVA capacity being prepared, and 957 CKM of new transmission lines currently being commissioned.
336. Our Government has also achieved full digitalization of G2B (Government to Business) services through the Inspectorate of Electricity and secured the 1st position in the National Energy Conservation Award (NECA-2025) for the fifth consecutive year.
337. Sir, infrastructure development has been further strengthened through investments exceeding Rs.9,000 crore under the Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme (RDSS), along with the successful commissioning of key projects, including the 70 MW solar power plant at Bilasipara.
338. The PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana continues to scale, having already benefited 1.30 lakh consumers with over 430 MW of installed capacity.
339. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.2,579 crore to the Department.

Public Works Roads Department – Strengthening Road Connectivity

340. From 2021-22 to 2025-26, the Department completed construction of a total 24,431 km of roadwork, 1404 bridges, 8 flyovers, 11 road over bridges (ROB) and 11 foot overbridges.
341. Under the Assam Resilient Rural Bridges Program (ARRBP), a total of 1184 bridges were taken up at a cost of Rs.4816 crore. 30 bridges have already been completed, and the rest are in various stages of implementation.
342. Work is also going on for the construction of a four-laned extra dosed PSC bridge structure over river Brahmaputra connecting Palashbari with Sualkuchi.
343. Under *Asom Mala*, a total of 1124 km of road work across its project phases was completed to date. Under *Asom Mala 1.0*, out of 1056 sanctioned road works, 664 kilometres were completed. Under *Asom Mala 2.0*, out of 997 kms sanctioned road work, 460 km was completed. *Asom Mala 3.0* has been sanctioned with a road length of 897 kms.
344. Under the group of schemes comprising of *Mukhya Mantrir Pakipath Nirman Achani*, *Mukhya Mantrir Unnoto Pakipath Nirman Achani*, *Mukhya Mantrir Mothauri Pakikaran Achani* and *Mukhya Mantrir*

Nagariya Pakipath Nirman Achani, 6724 km of road work were completed.

345. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.10,399 crore to the Department.

**Public Works (Building & NH) Department –
Developing Infrastructure**

346. Public infrastructure across sports, administration, culture, wildlife conservation, tourism, law enforcement, and connectivity has been developed.
347. Several landmark projects are under implementation, including the Open Stadium at Amingaon Sports Complex, Redevelopment of R.G. Baruah Sports Complex, Guwahati, Expansion of the Main Stadium at Khanikar, Dibrugarh and a state-of-the-art sports stadium at Kokrajhar. Construction of 9 District Stadiums and 14 Mini Stadiums is under progress.
348. Assam State Zoo-cum-Botanical Garden, Guwahati is being redeveloped and modernized, alongwith Institute of Wildlife Health and Research in Dibrugarh district.
349. We are significantly strengthening governance infrastructure through the construction of 14 Integrated Deputy Commissioner Offices across the State. Of these,

5 have been completed. In addition, 17 Co-District Offices are being developed.

- 350. The Redevelopment of the Assam Police Reserve Campus, Guwahati is progressing and is expected to be completed soon. Construction of the 10th AP Battalion at Sonapur has commenced, alongside projects for 2,000 residential quarters across 29 AP Bn locations.
- 351. Looking ahead, we will develop a Natural History Museum, an Iconic Tower, and a modern Animal Rescue Centre in Kaziranga National Park.
- 352. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.2,416 crore to the Department.

**Public Works (Health & Education) Department –
Facilitating Community Building**

- 353. Significant progress was achieved in the establishment of 7 Medical Colleges across the state, including facilities in Dhubri, Nagaon, Tinsukia, Nalbari, Kokrajhar, and North Lakhimpur and the development of a Super Speciality Hospital (C&N Centre) at Gauhati Medical College and Hospital (GMCH), and 9 Model Women's Colleges.
- 354. Technical and vocational training have been bolstered through the completion of 14 new polytechnics and the

modernization of 55 ITIs and polytechnics into state-of-the-art Centres of Excellence.

- 355. To strengthen nursing education and create a skilled healthcare workforce, the Government is implementing 6 BSc Nursing Colleges at Nagaon, Diphu, Kokrajhar, Lakhimpur, Dhubri and Jorhat.
- 356. School infrastructure has expanded, featuring the completion of 21 Model Residential Schools, the establishment of 75 Model Tea Garden Schools, and the construction of 44 schools under the PM-DeVINE and NESIDS-OTRI schemes.
- 357. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.974 crore to the Department.

Public Health Engineering Department – Advancing Rural Sanitation and Waste Management

- 358. Sir, the Government remains committed to providing safe, adequate and sustainable drinking water to every rural household in Assam. Jal Jeevan Mission 2.0 has been extended up to December 2028.
- 359. To strengthen urban drinking water infrastructure, the Government is implementing six technology-driven Town Water Supply Projects under SOPD, benefiting nearly 44,000 families. These include the TSAT Water

Supply Project and water supply schemes at Jorhat, Sribhumi, Hailakandi, Badarpur and Lala.

- 360. Under the Swachh Bharat Mission-Gramin (SBM-G) Phase-II, Assam has achieved significant milestones in rural sanitation and waste infrastructure by constructing over 6.5 lakh Individual Household Latrines (IHHL) and 4,802 Community Managed Sanitary Complexes.
- 361. Over 1,700 schools now have integrated pipe composting units to manage mid-day meal waste.
- 362. I hereby propose to allocate Rs.2,982 crore to the Department.

Personnel Department – Creating Employment Milestones by Harnessing Human Resources

- 363. Speaker Sir, significant progress in employment generation was demonstrated with successful completion of over 1.64 lakh recruitments through establishment of the State Level Recruitment Commissions (SLRC).
- 364. Initiative for onboarding Assam Financial Service, Assam Land Revenue Service, Assam Taxation Service and Assam Excise Service in SPARROW framework for filing of Annual Confidential Reports shall be undertaken in the current financial year.

**Revenue & Disaster Management Department –
Securing Land, Strengthening Resilience**

365. Speaker Sir, cadastral surveys have been completed in more than 900 non-cadastral villages, paving the way for Digital Pattas and modernization of land records.
366. The introduction of e-Khazana and the Revenue Services Escalation Matrix has further improved transparency, efficiency, and time-bound delivery of revenue services.
367. In disaster management, major investments have been made in wetland restoration, urban flood mitigation, and forest fire risk reduction. Human-wildlife conflict has been recognized as a State-specific disaster, and ex-gratia assistance for victims has been enhanced, strengthening Assam's overall disaster preparedness and resilience.
368. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.3,831 crore to the Department.

**Science & Technology Department – Fostering
Innovation, Driving Technology-Led Growth**

369. Speaker Sir, the Department has made significant progress in promoting renewable energy, scientific innovation, and emerging technologies.
370. Under the PM-KUSUM scheme, 1,695 solar water pumps have been installed across the State, supporting

sustainable irrigation and reducing input costs for farmers.

371. Government will expand the Technology Incubation Centre at Guwahati Biotech Park and develop a dedicated Business Enterprise Zone to support biotechnology startups, attract investment, generate skilled employment, and strengthen Assam's bioeconomy.
372. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.97 crore to the Department.

School Education Department – Transforming Educational Landscape

373. Under the *Pradhan Mantri Cha Shramik Protsahan Yojna* (PMCSPI) 3,394 teachers and 4,332 Head Teachers from Tea Garden Schools were trained for capacity building while *NIPUN Axom* trained 3.72 lakh teachers in the last 3 years.
374. Under PM POSHAN, around 37.47 lakh children in 43,785 schools are receiving nutritious mid-day meals. 2 additional eggs per week are being served to 4.60 lakh children in 4,821 schools located in Tea Garden and Riverine areas to address nutritional gaps.

375. Over 55,000 Children With Special Needs were supported annually and 4.56 lakh Out-of-School Children covered through specialized training.
376. The Government addressed the manpower shortage by appointing over 75,000 teaching and non-teaching personnel across elementary and secondary directorates.
377. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.18,869 crore to the Department.

**Skill, Employment & Entrepreneurship Department –
Cultivating Entrepreneurial Excellence**

378. Under the *Chief Minister's Jibon Anuprerana Scheme* 2,112 research scholars have received one time assistance of Rs.25,000 each, whereas under the *Chief Minister's Jibon Prerana Scheme*, 48,366 graduates are provided with Rs.2,500 each per month.
379. The Government has partnered with Dassault Systèmes to establish Centres of Excellence in Aerospace & Defence, Automotive and EV sectors at Assam Engineering College.
380. Industry 4.0 courses were implemented across 34 ITIs out of 43 projected ITIs in partnership with Tata Technologies, resulting in 3,128 additional seats in advanced trades such as Robotics, EVs and CNC.

381. The North East Skill Centre has trained 724 youth and facilitated 656 placement.

382. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.496 crore to the Department.

Sports & Youth Welfare Department – Nurturing Talent, Building Champions

383. Sir, to support athlete development, advanced residential coaching camps were organized under renowned national and international coaches, alongside the establishment of High Performance Sports Training and Rehabilitation Centres in Guwahati, Jorhat, and Kokrajhar in partnership with the Abhinav Bindra Foundation.

384. Further, grassroots sports infrastructure was strengthened by equipping 126 youth clubs across all Legislative Assembly Constituencies.

385. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.202 crore to the Department.

Soil Conservation Department – Conserving Natural Resources, Enhancing Climate Resilience

386. Over the last five years, more than 86,000 hectares of agricultural land, including rainfed and arable agricultural land, have been developed.

387. Under WDC–PMKSY, 1.64 lakh hectares across 31 districts have been covered through the creation of vital water conservation infrastructure, benefiting around 60,000 farmers.
388. 28 disaster mitigation projects were undertaken, 52 springs were rejuvenated in hill districts, and bamboo-based bio-engineering measures were introduced in Nagaon and Darrang districts for sustainable riverbank protection.
389. I hereby propose to allocate Rs.152 crore to the Department.

Social Justice & Empowerment Department – Driving Equity through Inclusive Welfare

390. The Government constituted 24 Development Councils and 3 Autonomous Councils for the socio-economic, educational, cultural and ethnic advancements of the relevant sections of the State.
391. Old Age Home in Sonapur, drug de-addiction & rehabilitation centres and a shelter home for homeless transgenders are being operated. Further, grants-in-aid are being provided to schools with differently abled students.

392. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.489 crore to the Department.

**Tea Tribes & Adivasi Welfare Department –
Empowering Communities, Expanding Opportunities**

393. Sir, the Government has undertaken several initiatives for the welfare of Tea Tribes and Adivasi communities. Scholarship schemes benefited over 2 lakh students during the last five years, including 46,352 students in 2025-26, while financial assistance was also provided to 23 students who cleared the 2025 APSC Civil Services Preliminary Examination.

394. Sir, 133 Mahaprabhu Jagannath Community Hall-cum-Skill Centres have been completed, and under the *Swahid Dayal Das Panika Swaniyojan Achoni*, self-employment assistance was extended to 15,166 youths.

395. Cultural and sports infrastructure was strengthened through the Assam Chah Janagusthiya Samannay Kalakshetra, the Archery Academy at Sonari, and football academies in tea garden areas.

396. Sir, I will make adequate budgetary provision for the departmental activities.

Tourism Department – Promoting Assam as a Global Destination

397. Speaker Sir, the granting of Industry Status under the Assam Tourism Policy, 2022, expansion of Public-Private Partnership initiatives, operationalization of Tea Tourism projects, and successful hosting of international music events under the Concert Tourism Policy have significantly strengthened the tourism ecosystem in the State.
398. Assam has received several prestigious recognitions, including the Best Wildlife Destination Award for Kaziranga, Best Tourism Village Awards for Biswanath Ghat and Sualkuchi, and recognition as the Best Tea Tourism Destination. Assam's inclusion in *The New York Times*' "52 Places to Go in 2025" has further elevated its global profile.
399. Sir, I will provide necessary funds for the departmental activities.

Transport Department – Enhancing Connectivity, Safety and Mobility

400. Sir, digital initiatives such as CM-TRANS and the Intelligent Transport Management System project for ASTC fleet management have strengthened citizen service delivery and enforcement, while Automated

Testing Stations and Accredited Driving Testing Tracks have been operationalized across the State.

401. To strengthen river logistics and passenger safety, the Government is developing integrated logistics hubs and has distributed 850 marine engines under the *Jibondinga* Scheme.

402. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.488 crore to the Department.

Transformation and Development Department – Enhancing Sustainable Development

403. Under the Untied Fund Scheme, Rs.834 crore was sanctioned against 4195 schemes to give special attention to infrastructure development of most needy areas of the districts. In addition, Rs.617 crore was released under MLA Area Development scheme.

404. Under *Axom Adarxo Gram Yojana* scheme, Rs.135 crore was released against 272 selected villages for taking up developmental schemes for holistic development of villages in the state.

405. Three field surveys - Labour Force Survey (LFS), Survey of Industries and Survey of Unincorporated Sector Enterprises (SUSE) - were successfully completed under the project 'District Domestic Product Estimation & District Vision Document of Assam'.

406. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.370 crore to the Department.

Tribal Affairs (Plain) Department – Empowering Tribal Communities

407. Speaker Sir, educational initiatives prioritized student success, providing scholarships to over 50,000 ST(P) students, supporting competitive exam preparation, and launching e-learning tools that boosted NEET and JEE admissions.

408. Implementation of the Forest Rights Act secured land tenure for beneficiaries through over 94,000 titles, while agrarian initiatives, including the distribution of modern farming equipment and the PMAAGY scheme strengthened tribal livelihoods across the state.

409. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.808 crore to the Department.

Water Resources Department – Safeguarding Lives and Livelihoods

410. Speaker Sir, the Department executed 1,202 schemes, resulting in the construction of 723 km of new embankments, the modernization of 863 km of existing structures, and the implementation of 280 anti-erosion schemes covering 456 km.

411. Our Government is implementing 15 wetland restoration projects and proposes further development of wetlands and flood storage reservoirs.
412. The Climate Resilient Brahmaputra Integrated Flood & Riverbank Erosion Risk Management Project is strengthening regional defenses across 12 districts which includes 155 km of riverbank protection, 22 km of new flood embankment and 46 km of pro-siltation works.
413. Under Assam Integrated River Basin Management Programme (AIRBMP) Phase I, Buridihing and Beki basins are being covered, while Phase II will cover expansion to Dikhow - Disang, Kolong - Kopili - Kiling, Puthimari and Aie-Manas basins.
414. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.1,670 crore to the Department.

Welfare of Bodoland Department – Sustaining Heritage, Scaling Prosperity

415. Department with support of BTC is ensuring proper utilization of SOPD and Infra grants.
416. Key building projects were completed, such as the UDSA Sports Complex and Model residential schools, while 160 *bigha* of land was allotted for a new medical and cancer facility at Tamulpur.

417. Infrastructure growth also includes six major road and bridge projects. The 316 sq km Sikhna Jwhlwao National Park was established, tourism facilities were expanded in Manas, and forest department staff were bolstered by new recruitment.
418. Irrigation schemes were completed, creating 1,72,190 hectares of irrigation potential to benefit farmers across Kokrajhar, Chirang, Baksa, Tamulpur, and Udalguri.
419. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.4,028 crore to the Department.

**Welfare of Minorities and Development Department –
Fostering Holistic Growth**

420. The Department facilitated scholarship support to thousands of minority students. Infrastructure and community development projects were implemented in minority-concentrated and char areas through PMJVK and State schemes.
421. In addition, the Assam Board of Waqfs strengthened welfare activities through effective management of Waqf properties and support to vulnerable sections of society.
422. The Assam Linguistic Minorities Development Board (ALMDB) undertook distribution of eco-ambulances, e-rickshaws, sewing machines, financial assistance to

meritorious students and critical patients, skill training programmes.

423. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.78 crore to the Department.

**Women and Child Development Department –
Empowering Women and Strengthening Child
Protection**

424. Speaker Sir, our Government has enhanced support for professional women by constructing 10 new Working Women's Hostels in the State.

425. Our Government is continuing the construction of Model Anganwadi Centres (AWCs) across the State. During 2026–27, the Government will complete the ongoing centres and take up construction of an additional 1,733 Model AWCs.

426. Assam became the 1st state in India to implement a six-month ECCE certificate course for its Anganwadi staff, training 12,846 workers across 20 districts.

427. Sir, I hereby propose to allocate Rs.3,800 crore to the Department.

PART - II

Speaker Sir, Kautilya's *Arthashastra* reminds us that "*Kosh Mulo Dand*" — a strong treasury is the foundation of effective governance.

I now turn to Part-II of my Budget Speech dealing with Taxation and Revenue Collection, which remains central to the State's fiscal strength and development agenda. Through sustained reforms, improved compliance and technology-driven governance, Assam has witnessed steady growth in revenue collection over the years.

Finance (Taxation) Department

1. Speaker Sir, the Finance (Taxation) Department remains the backbone of the State's Own Revenue collection, contributing nearly 70 percent of total tax revenue. During 2025–26, the Department collected Rs.26,447 crore, registering 11 percent growth over the previous year. The State also recorded 14 percent growth in GST collection.
2. Under the SGST Reimbursement Scheme, Rs.423 crore has been reimbursed to 433 eligible industrial units. Special support has also been extended to the Bell Metal industry to preserve and promote this traditional sector.
3. To provide relief to small tea growers, I propose to enhance the Agricultural Income Tax exemption threshold from Rs.2.5 lakh to Rs.10 lakh of annual agricultural income. At

the same time, the tax will be restored for larger assesseees with effect from 1st April, 2026. The additional revenue generated shall be dedicated exclusively to the welfare of tea garden communities.

4. To encourage clean and sustainable energy, our Government proposes to extend the exemption from Electricity Duty on captive consumption of electricity generated from renewable energy sources for a further period of three years, from 1st April, 2026 to 31st March, 2029.
5. Speaker Sir, to reduce household energy costs, promote cleaner fuel and support city gas expansion, I propose to reduce VAT on Piped Natural Gas from 14.5 percent to 5 percent.
6. Further, coordination with the Mines & Minerals and Forest Departments has been strengthened to ensure proper collection of GST on Forest royalty and curb tax evasion.

Excise Department

7. Speaker Sir, Excise Department has registered strong growth in revenue collection during 2025-26. The Department collected Rs.4,054 crore as Excise revenue, compared to Rs.3,609 crore in the previous year.

8. Our Government remains committed to curb illicit liquor trade and safeguard public health. During 2025-26, the Department registered 24,228 excise offences and seized 1,52,295 litres of illicit liquor through sustained enforcement and vigilance measures.
9. We have rationalized the existing ad-valorem levy structure to make the taxation framework more efficient, transparent and revenue responsive.
10. Our Government is also taking firm steps to encourage production and marketing of traditional beverages of the State in a regulated manner.
11. Our Government is introducing 'Assam Made Liquor' with the objective of providing affordable, regulated and quality-assured alternatives while discouraging illegal production and distribution.
12. Sir, to strengthen supply chain monitoring and prevent diversion of liquor consignments, digital lock systems will be introduced for interstate consignments and for movement of liquor from distilleries, manufactories and wholesale warehouses.

Revenue & Disaster Management Department

13. Speaker Sir, our Government has set an ambitious target of mobilising Rs.4,000 crore by 2031-32, comprising

Rs.3,000 crore from Stamp Duty and Registration Fees and Rs.1,000 crore from Land Revenue.

14. We propose to introduce a scientific GIS-based zonal valuation system to align property valuation with market realities, reduce under-declaration and ensure fair revenue realisation for the State.
15. For the first time, land revenue will be linked with zonal valuation, creating a dynamic revenue base that grows with economic development. Land revenue on high-value non-agricultural land will also be rationalised. However, Government will not increase land revenue for the agricultural land and for the rural areas.
16. To improve accessibility and grassroots participation, land revenue collection will be diversified through e-Khazana, Gram Panchayats, Urban Local Bodies and Gaon Pradhans.
17. Our Government will also expand the revenue base by bringing additional legally recognised transactions within the ambit of compulsory registration.

Transport Department

18. Speaker Sir, the Department collected Rs.2,123 crore as revenue in 2025-26, compared to Rs.1,914 crore in the previous financial year.
19. Our Government proposes to introduce a One-Time Settlement Scheme for regularization of tax and fitness

defaulting vehicles and establishment of a Transport Tax Surveillance Unit to strengthen monitoring and revenue collection.

20. To further promote electric mobility, I announce Motor Vehicle Tax subvention of 3 percent for citizens purchasing electric vehicles during this year. Detailed guidelines regarding eligible categories of EVs will be issued by the Department.

Mines & Minerals Department

21. Speaker Sir, during 2025-26, royalty collection was Rs.3,444 crore, and the Department expects revenue generation of Rs.4,512 crore during 2026-27.
22. As of April 2026, the District Mineral Foundation has accumulated Rs.336 crore. Out of this, Rs.102 crore has been utilized under the *Pradhan Mantri Khanij Kshetra Kalyan Yojana* for development projects in mining-affected areas.
23. Sir, I am happy to share that our Government has recently notified the Assam Minor Mineral Concession (Amendment) Rules, 2026 to address operational gaps, seasonal supply disruptions and inadequate enforcement mechanisms. These changes will ensure a sustained revenue growth in the years to come.

Environment, Forest & Climate Change Department

24. The revenue collected by the department has been steadily increasing from Rs.392 crore in 2021-22 to Rs.604 crore in 2025-26.
25. While the department currently operates about 200 Minor Mineral Concession areas, with the completion of District Survey Report (DSR) for all districts, the number is slated to increase in the current financial year.
26. The department proposes to enforce GPS in all vehicles carrying Minor Mineral alongside setting up of weighbridges and CCTV camera networks to stop revenue leakages.

Green Cess for a Sustainable Future

27. Speaker Sir, guided by the principle that those who contribute to environmental degradation should also contribute towards its mitigation, our Government will introduce a Green Cess on identified polluting activities and assets.
28. Accordingly, I propose to levy a Green Cess on stone crushers, coke-based industries, brick kilns, transfer of second-hand vehicles, commercial extraction of groundwater and such other environmentally sensitive industries and activities as may be notified by the Government.

29. The proceeds from this cess will be utilised for afforestation, pollution control, biodiversity conservation, climate adaptation, green energy, water resource management and other environmentally sustainable infrastructure.

Speaker Sir, strengthening Assam's Own Source Revenue remains a key priority of our Government. To this end, we are adopting a Whole-of-Government approach to revenue mobilisation, under which departments will work in a coordinated manner to share data, identify new revenue opportunities, improve compliance and plug leakages.

Hon'ble Speaker Sir, Kalidasa wrote in his poem 'Raghuvansham'

Prajana mev bhutyarthang sa tabhyo balimgrahita |

Sahashragunamutsrastu madatte hi rasang rabihi ||

This is best understood through a timeless analogy:

"Just as the sun draws water from the earth, only to return it a thousand fold as rain, making the land green and prosperous; so too do the authorities, achieve development and welfare a thousand times over with the cooperation of its people."

This is the principle objective of our government as well. We are unwavering in our decision to follow the wisdom and guidance of our virtuous ancestors.

In the Mahabharata, Sage Narada asked Yudhishthira –

“Kassit te dayitah sarve krishigorakhjeevinah |

Bartayang sangshritastat lokohayang sukhamedhate ||”

It implies -

"Are you financially helping the common people involved in agriculture, animal rearing and trade? Because it is the expenditure on these main pillars of the economy that makes the lives of the common people the most prosperous and happy."

Hon'ble Speaker Sir,

The NDA government led by Hon'ble Chief Minister Dr. Himanta Biswa Sarma is committed to fulfill the hopes and aspirations of the people of Assam. In his writings addressed to the young generation, the illustrious Rupkonwar Jyotiprasad Agarwala had envisioned the dream of building a *“sundoror sadhonar desh”*. We too are marching down the same path. Our goal is to accelerate the development of our state.

Our aim is to ensure that we can truly say with pride,

“Bajok doba bajok sankha,

Bajok mridang khol

Asom akou unnotir pothot

Joi Aai Asom bol ||”

With these words, Hon'ble Speaker Sir, I present the Budget Estimates for the year 2026–27 to this august House for its kind consideration.

Budget Estimates

The Budget Estimates of FY 2026-27 show a receipt of Rs.151843.23 crore under the Consolidated Fund of the State. Out of this, Rs.118562.23 crore is on Revenue Account and the remaining Rs.33281 crore is under Capital Account. I have shown the estimated receipt in the Consolidated Fund from different sources at Table 1. After adding the receipt of Rs.134466.22 crore under Public Account and Rs.2000 crore under Contingency Fund, the aggregate Receipts amount to Rs.288309.45 crore. As against this, total expenditure from the Consolidated Fund of the State in FY 2026-27 is estimated at Rs.156714.88 crore of which Rs.118562.23 crore is on Revenue Account and Rs.38152.65 crore is on Capital Account. The estimates of Grant-wise Expenditure from the Consolidated Fund during 2026-27 have been shown in Table 2. Taking into account, the expenditure of Rs.126369.57 crore under Public Account and Rs.2000 crore under Contingency Fund, the aggregate expenditure for the year is estimated at Rs.285084.45 crore. Thus, estimated transactions during the year will result in an estimated surplus of Rs.3225 crore. This, together with the opening deficit of Rs.3644.26 crore will lead to a Budget deficit of Rs.419.26 crore at the end of the

financial year 2026-27. The Budget for FY2026–27 targets a fiscal deficit of 3% of the State's projected GSDP.

“Joi Aai Asom”

“Bharat Mata Ki Jai”

Table -1

Estimates of Inflow into the Consolidated Fund of the State during 2026-27

Component	2026-27 BE	% of Total against 2026-27
State Tax Revenue	36000.10	23.71
Non-Tax Revenue	6449.10	4.25
Share of Central Taxes	47905.24	31.55
Centrally Sponsored Schemes	24657.81	16.24
Finance Commission Grants	3238.60	2.13
Other Transfer/Grants to States with Legislature	311.38	0.21
Public Debt	30000.00	19.76
Recoveries of Loans & Advances	3281.00	2.16
Total	151843.23	100.00

Where Rupee Comes From

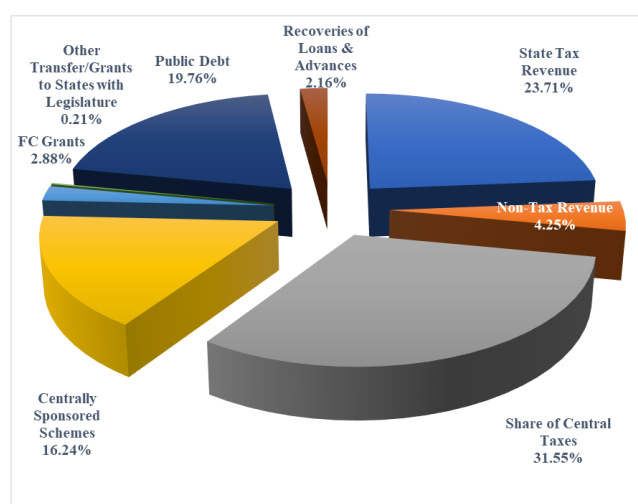


Table -2

STATEMENT SHOWING GRANT-WISE TOTAL AMOUNT OF VOTED, CHARGED, REVENUE AND CAPITAL FOR REGULAR BUDGET 2026-27				
(Amount in Rupees)				
Grant No./ Appropriat	Title of Demand/ Appropriation	Voted	Charged	Total
C1	Public Service Commission	Revenue	500000.00	181457000.00
		Capital	0.00	3500000.00
C2	Head of State	Revenue	0.00	172109000.00
		Capital	0.00	6699000.00
PD	Public Debt And Servicing Of Debt	Revenue	0.00	133474089000.00
		Capital	0.00	86853915000.00
1	State Legislature	Revenue	1294403000.00	17300000.00
		Capital	1087542000.00	0.00
2	Council of Ministers	Revenue	117234000.00	0.00
		Capital	6492250000.00	1194461000.00
3	Administration of justice	Revenue	831798000.00	85575000.00
		Capital	3234802000.00	917373000.00
4	Elections	Revenue	26692000.00	0.00
		Capital	8786565000.00	0.00
5	Sales Tax & Other Tax	Revenue	321099000.00	0.00
		Capital	4959930000.00	200000.00
6	Land Revenue	Revenue	114790000.00	0.00
		Capital	427514000.00	0.00
7	Stamps and Registration	Revenue	63687000.00	0.00
		Capital	832643000.00	0.00
8	Excise & Prohibition	Revenue	45666000.00	0.00
		Capital	3662040000.00	0.00
9	Transport Services	Revenue	1216342000.00	0.00
		Capital	20930000.00	0.00
10	Other Fiscal Service	Revenue	7027667000.00	0.00
		Capital	153030000.00	0.00
11	General Administration (Secretariat and Attached Offices)	Revenue	6920990000.00	0.00
		Capital	611469000.00	0.00
12	General Administration (District and Sub-Divisions)	Revenue	1171506000.00	0.00
		Capital	53112000.00	0.00
13	Treasury & Accounts Administration	Revenue	67182355000.00	53000000.00
		Capital	3546117000.00	0.00
14	Police	Revenue	1176576000.00	2380000.00
		Capital	214272000.00	0.00
15	Jails	Revenue	1640939000.00	0.00
		Capital	82585000.00	0.00
16	Printing & Stationery and Information & Publicity	Revenue	3065750000.00	3150000.00
		Capital	27261325000.00	0.00
17	Administrative and functional Buildings	Revenue	2290816000.00	0.00
		Capital	301367000.00	0.00
18	Fire & Emergency Services	Revenue	2778217000.00	0.00
		Capital	69000000.00	0.00
19	Vigilance Commission & Others and Social Security & Welfare (Freedom Fighter)	Revenue	630242000.00	0.00
		Capital	102478000.00	0.00
20	Civil Defence and Home Guards	Revenue	418031000.00	0.00
		Capital	164724000.00	0.00
21	Guest Houses, Government Hostels	Revenue	218823000.00	0.00
		Capital	80609000.00	0.00
22	Administrative Training	Revenue	24500000000.00	0.00
		Capital	100000.00	0.00
23	Pension & Other Retirement Benefits	Revenue	54813378000.00	0.00
		Capital	10249203000.00	0.00
24	Aid Materials	Revenue		
		Capital		
25	Miscellaneous General Services & others	Revenue		
		Capital		

26	Education (Higher)	Revenue	36838002000.00	0.00	36838002000.00
		Capital	1132577000.00	0.00	1132577000.00
27	Art & Culture	Revenue	1259272000.00	0.00	1259272000.00
		Capital	266481000.00	0.00	266481000.00
28	Medical Education & Research	Revenue	23621499000.00	0.00	23621499000.00
		Capital	11731122000.00	0.00	11731122000.00
29	Health & Family Welfare	Revenue	42632521000.00	44900000.00	42677421000.00
		Capital	3670210000.00	0.00	3670210000.00
30	Water Supply & Sanitation	Revenue	8377457000.00	65923000.00	8443380000.00
		Capital	21373951000.00	0.00	21373951000.00
31	Housing & Urban Affairs (Town and Country Planning)	Revenue	4536716000.00	0.00	4536716000.00
		Capital	3629930000.00	0.00	3629930000.00
32	Housing & Urban Affairs (Housing Schemes)	Revenue	86895000.00	0.00	86895000.00
33	Residential Buildings	Revenue	24446000.00	0.00	24446000.00
		Capital	3687000.00	0.00	3687000.00
34	Housing & Urban Affairs (Municipal Administration)	Revenue	5279001000.00	0.00	5279001000.00
		Capital	1934093000.00	0.00	1934093000.00
35	Skill, Employment & Entrepreneurship	Revenue	2408329000.00	748000.00	2409077000.00
		Capital	2554758000.00	0.00	2554758000.00
36	Labour Welfare	Revenue	843479000.00	0.00	843479000.00
		Capital	54377000.00	0.00	54377000.00
37	Food Storage & Warehousing	Revenue	9796818000.00	0.00	9796818000.00
		Capital	17269000.00	0.00	17269000.00
38	Tribal Affairs (Plain)	Revenue	6894281000.00	0.00	6894281000.00
		Capital	1187916000.00	0.00	1187916000.00
39	Women & Child Development	Revenue	34521124000.00	0.00	34521124000.00
		Capital	3480307000.00	0.00	3480307000.00
40	Social Justice & Empowerment	Revenue	4372643000.00	0.00	4372643000.00
		Capital	514412000.00	0.00	514412000.00
41	Natural Calamities	Revenue	31908840000.00	0.00	31908840000.00
		Capital	519401000.00	0.00	519401000.00
42	Other Social Services (Welfare of Minorities & Development)	Revenue	782459000.00	0.00	782459000.00
		Capital	143000.00	0.00	143000.00
43	Co-Operation	Revenue	1436455000.00	0.00	1436455000.00
		Capital	284459000.00	0.00	284459000.00
44	North Eastern Council Scheme	Capital	124724000.00	0.00	124724000.00
45	Census, Survey & Statistics	Revenue	451670000.00	0.00	451670000.00
		Capital	40673000.00	0.00	40673000.00
46	Consumer Dispute Redressal	Revenue	113866000.00	0.00	113866000.00
		Capital	8800000.00	0.00	8800000.00
47	Trade advisor	Revenue	13114000.00	0.00	13114000.00
48	Agriculture	Revenue	14346969000.00	33608000.00	14380577000.00
		Capital	1060051000.00	0.00	1060051000.00
49	Irrigation	Revenue	5163555000.00	0.00	5163555000.00
		Capital	4381377000.00	0.00	4381377000.00
50	Other Special Area Programmes (Border Protection & Development)	Revenue	55449000.00	0.00	55449000.00
		Capital	182680000.00	0.00	182680000.00
51	Soil & Water Conservation	Revenue	566383000.00	0.00	566383000.00
		Capital	956702000.00	0.00	956702000.00
52	Animal Husbandry and Veterinary	Revenue	5997594000.00	0.00	5997594000.00
		Capital	543511000.00	0.00	543511000.00
53	Dairy Development	Revenue	503520000.00	0.00	503520000.00
		Capital	270646000.00	0.00	270646000.00
54	Fisheries	Revenue	1020508000.00	0.00	1020508000.00
		Capital	421972000.00	0.00	421972000.00

55	Environment & Forest	Revenue	9478478000.00	0.00	9478478000.00
		Capital	226501000.00	0.00	226501000.00
56	Panchayat & Rural Development (Panchayat)	Revenue	22508876000.00	72902000.00	22581778000.00
		Capital	9800000.00	2928000.00	12728000.00
57	Panchayat & Rural Development (Rural)	Revenue	69108556000.00	9752000.00	69118308000.00
58	Industries & Commerce	Revenue	9730363000.00	0.00	9730363000.00
		Capital	5261826000.00	0.00	5261826000.00
59	Village & Small Industries Sericulture and Weaving	Revenue	2481254000.00	0.00	2481254000.00
		Capital	263142000.00	0.00	263142000.00
60	Cottage Industries	Revenue	566682000.00	7300000.00	573982000.00
61	Mines & Minerals	Revenue	182971000.00	0.00	182971000.00
		Capital	19179000.00	0.00	19179000.00
62	Power (Electricity)	Revenue	7985459000.00	0.00	7985459000.00
		Capital	17808763000.00	0.00	17808763000.00
63	Water Resources	Revenue	4395250000.00	0.00	4395250000.00
		Capital	12300483000.00	0.00	12300483000.00
64	Roads & Bridges	Revenue	8679913000.00	70346000.00	8750259000.00
		Capital	98779604000.00	0.00	98779604000.00
65	Tourism	Revenue	458052000.00	0.00	458052000.00
		Capital	265293000.00	0.00	265293000.00
66	Compensation & Assignment To Local Bodies & Panchayati Raj Institutions	Revenue	5941575000.00	0.00	5941575000.00
67	Horticulture	Revenue	2364855000.00	0.00	2364855000.00
		Capital	86615000.00	0.00	86615000.00
68	Loans to Govt. Servant etc	Capital	10000000.00	0.00	10000000.00
69	Science, Technology and Climate Change	Revenue	186898000.00	0.00	186898000.00
		Capital	787398000.00	0.00	787398000.00
70	Hill Areas	Revenue	56887000.00	0.00	56887000.00
		Capital	13070000.00	0.00	13070000.00
71	School Education	Revenue	171564410000.00	0.00	171564410000.00
		Capital	17132098000.00	0.00	17132098000.00
72	Social Security & Welfare	Revenue	328476000.00	0.00	328476000.00
73	Housing & Urban Affairs (Guvahati Development)	Revenue	1391912000.00	0.00	1391912000.00
		Capital	27276330000.00	0.00	27276330000.00
74	Sports & Youth Welfare	Revenue	2016719000.00	0.00	2016719000.00
		Capital	6551000.00	0.00	6551000.00
75	Information & Technology	Revenue	504061000.00	0.00	504061000.00
		Capital	1000.00	0.00	1000.00
76	Karbi-Anglong Autonomous Council	Revenue	15635511000.00	0.00	15635511000.00
		Capital	1150000000.00	0.00	1150000000.00
77	N.C. Hills Autonomous Council	Revenue	8297546000.00	0.00	8297546000.00
		Capital	600000000.00	0.00	600000000.00
78	Bodoland Territorial Council	Revenue	36929468000.00	0.00	36929468000.00
		Capital	3100000000.00	0.00	3100000000.00
79	Welfare of Bodoland	Capital	250000000.00	0.00	250000000.00
80	Indigenous And Tribal Faith And Culture	Revenue	374672000.00	0.00	374672000.00
		Capital	142039000.00	0.00	142039000.00
81	Barak Valley Development	Revenue	1850000.00	0.00	1850000.00
		Capital	735200000.00	0.00	735200000.00
82	Innovation, Incubation and Start-ups	Revenue	334996000.00	0.00	334996000.00
		Capital	360641000.00	0.00	360641000.00
83	Tea Tribes & Adivasi Welfare	Revenue	695951000.00	0.00	695951000.00
		Capital	1046176000.00	0.00	1046176000.00
	Total	Revenue	1050218707000.00	135403625000.00	1185622332000.00
		Capital	294573846000.00	86952617000.00	381526463000.00
	Grand Total		1344792553000.00	222356242000.00	1567148795000.00