



**DEPARTMENTALLY RELATED STANDING COMMITTEE
ON DEVELOPMENT (A) DEPARTMENTS**

ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

(SIXTEENTH ASSEMBLY)

DEMAND FOR GRANT NO. 81 FOR THE YEAR 2026-27

**DEPARTMENT: BARAK VALLEY DEVELOPMENT
DEPARTMENT**

SECOND REPORT

Presented to the House on 22nd July, 2026

**ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT
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**COMPOSITION OF THE DEPARTMENTALLY RELATED
STANDING COMMITTEE ON
DEVELOPMENT (A) DEPARTMENTS,
2026-27**

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| 6. Shri Akshay Chandra Baishya, Superintendent. |

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INTRODUCTION

1. I, as Chairperson of the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (A) Departments having been authorized by the Committee to submit the Report on their behalf, present this **Second Report** on Demand for **Grant No.81** relating to **Barak Valley Development Department** for the financial year 2026-27.
2. The Committee has considered the Demand for **Grant No.81** on the Budget Estimates for the year 2026-27 in its meeting held on **16th July, 2026**.
3. The Committee has been befitted with the assistance rendered by the Government representatives during the course of examination of the Budget Estimates under the aforementioned Grants for the year 2026-27. The Committee has formulated its observations taking into consideration the valuable submission rendered by official witnesses during the course of consideration of the Budget Estimates.
4. The Committee would also like to place on record their deep sense of appreciation for the invaluable assistance rendered to them by the officials of Assam Legislative Assembly Secretariat attached to the Committee.
5. The Committee has considered the Draft Reports on 18th July, 2026 and approved it on the same day.

Place : Dispur
The 18th July, 2026.

Rupak Sarmah
Chairperson,
Departmentally Related Standing Committee
on Development (A) Departments,
Assam Legislative Assembly.

CHAPTER-I

GRANT NO. 81

After presentation of the Budget in the House for the Financial Year, 2026-27 the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (A) Departments in its meeting held on 16th July, 2026 discussed on **Grant No.81 (Barak Valley Development Department)**

The Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (A) Departments in its meeting held on **16th July, 2026** examined the papers and documents received from the concerned department and took evidence of the Departmental representatives.

	REVENUE	CAPITAL	TOTAL (Rs. In lakhs)
VOTED	18.50	7352.00	7370.50
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00

The detailed Budget Estimates under the **Grant No.81** for the Financial year 2026-27 are as below :-

(Rupees in Lakhs)		
Revenue Accounts		
Head of Account	Major Head	Budget Estimates
2052	Secretariat General Services	18.50
4070	Other Administrative Service	7352.00
	Grand Total Rs.	7370.50

Budget provision under **Grant No.81** is relating to the **Barak Valley Development Department**. The amount so allocated before the House and is proposed to be spent in revenue and capital expenditure respectively.

CHAPTER-II

GRANT NO 81-BARAK VALLEY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

The Barak Valley Development Department (BVDD) is entrusted with the responsibility of promoting balanced and inclusive development of the Barak Valley region comprising the districts of Cachar, Sribhumi and Hailakandi. The Department functions as a coordinating agency to identify, formulate and monitor developmental projects aimed at improving infrastructure, public services, tourism, culture and socio-economic conditions in the region.

The budget under Grant No. 81 provides for:

- (i) Administrative expenditure of the Department.
- (ii) Developmental schemes and projects.
- (iii) Capital works

Grant No. 81 pertains to the **Barak Valley Development Department (BVDD)**, Government of Assam. The Department was created with the objective of ensuring balanced and inclusive development of the Barak Valley comprising the districts of Cachar, Sribhumi and Hailakandi. Main objective of the Grant is to accelerate the overall development of Barak Valley, promote tourism, culture and heritage of the Barak Valley.

The department was created on 11th December 2024 and the Budget was given under the said Grant for the first time in the FY 2025-26.

Performance of Budget:

(Amount in lakhs)			
Head	Budget	Utilized	Remarks
Revenue Head	507.59	0%	AA for ₹49.21 crore has been issued. Further, SSFC has approved the proposal for procurement of MRI Machine for three districts for Rs.36.18Cr, but procurement could not be completed during the financial year.
Capital Head	10000.00	0%	

Physical Target achieved during last year (Scheme wise):

SCHEMES OF BARAK VALLEY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT FOR THE FY-2025-26					
Sl. No.	Name of the scheme	Estimated Cost (in lakhs)	AA Issue No.	Executing Agency	Physical Progress
1	Land development, Internal Road, Internal drains, Septic Tanks, Fencing and hume pipe culvert on residential accommodation of 173 displaced families of Daloo Tea Estate, Cachar	126.17509	AA/89_2025-26(I)_01 dated 08-12-2025	DC- Cachar/ EE- Lakhimpur, Borkhola & Katigorah TBD	71% of the work has been completed so far. However, the internal drain and fencing work stopped by some local public demanding higher specifications of work than the sanctioned provision.

2	Infrastructure Development of Indoor Stadium of India Club at Silchar	100.00000	AA/89_2025-26(I)_20 dated 15-03-2026	DC-Cachar/EE-Silchar, Udharbond, Sonai, Dholai (SC) TBD	AA issued and the tendering process has been initiated
3	Infrastructure Development of Itkhola Club Playground, Silchar under Barak Valley Development Department	50.00000	AA/89_2025-26(I)_15 dated 11-03-2026	DC-Cachar	AA issued Physical work is yet to be started
4	Infrastructure Development of Community Hall near Siddeshwar Temple at Panchgram	100.00000	AA/89_2025-26(I)-16 dated 11-03-2026	DC-Cachar	AA issued Physical work is yet to be started
5	Construction of Staircase/ Footsteps etc of BhuvanThirtha Road from Motinagor (Length=1.00 KM) under BVDD for the FY 2025-26	200.00000	AA/89_2025-26(I)_12 dated 11-03-2026	DC-Cachar/EE-PWD (Roads), Lakhipur Civil Sub-Division Territorial Road Division	AA issued Physical work is yet to be started
6	Construction of Yatri Niwas, Water facilities and Toilet block at Bhuvan Thirtha Road under SOPD-G for the FY 2025-26	100.00000	AA/89_2025-26(I)_13 dated 11-03-2026	DC-Cachar	AA issued Physical work is yet to be started
7	Construction of Yatri Niwas & beautification of Baram Baba Mandir premises, Silcoorie	200.00000	AA/89_2025-26(I)_21 dated 15-03-2026	DC-Cachar/EE-Lakhipur, Borkhola&Katigora TBD	AA issued and the tendering process has been initiated
8	Construction of Manipuri Youth Hostel at Silchar (RCC G+1 Storied Building with provision for future extension along horizontal and vertical direction upto G+2 storied)	150.00000	AA/89_2025-26(I)_18 dated 12-03-2026	DC-Cachar/EE-PWD (Roads), Lakhipur Civil Sub-Division Territorial Road Division	AA issued Physical work is yet to be started
9	Development of Playground of Model Higher Secondary School at Mundamala, Patherkandi	50.00000	AA/89_2025-26(I)_11 dated 10-03-2026	DC-Sribhumi	Construction Committee has been formed and physical work is yet to be started
10	Infrastructure Development of DSA Playground at Ramkrishnanagar	100.00000	AA/89_2025-26(I)_10 dated 10-03-2026	DC-Sribhumi	Construction Committee has been formed and physical work is yet to be started

11	Infrastructure Development of DSA Playground, Lakhipur	100.00000	AA/89_2025-26(I)_19 dated 13-03-2026	DC-Cachar	AA issued Physical work is yet to be started
12	Construction of 60 Nos. of Nachghar (Community Hall) at different Tea Estates of Barak Valley @35Lakhs each.	2100.00000	AA/89_2025-26(I)_04 Date: 07-03-2026 (Sribhumi district-18 nos.) Amount: Rs. 630.00L AA/89_2025-26(I)_05 Date: 07-03-2026 (Cachar district-36 nos.) Amount: Rs. 1260.00L AA/89_2025-26(I)_06 Date: 07-03-2026 (Hailakandi district-6 nos.) Amount: Rs.210.00L	Respective DCs of three districts	AA issued and the Construction Committee has been notified by the respective DCs barring a few LACs
13	Construction of 35 Nos. of Community Hall near Bishnupriya/ Maitei Community Mandap at different location of Barak Valley @30Lakhs each.	1050.00000	AA/89_2025-26(I)_07 Date: 07-03-2026 (Cachar district-22 nos.) Amount: Rs. 660.00L AA/89_2025-26(I)_08 Date: 07-03-2026 (Sribhumidistrict-11 nos.) Amount: Rs. 330.00L AA/89_2025-26(I)_09 Date: 07-03-2026 (Hailakandi district-2 nos.) Amount: Rs.60.00L	Respective DCs of three districts	AA issued and the Construction Committee has been notified by the respective DCs barring a few LACs.
14	Renovation of Sribhumi Circuit House	150.00000	AA/89_2025-26(I)_03 Date: 30-01-2026	DC-Sribhumi/ EE-PWD, Sribhumi District Territorial Building Division	The project is in tendering phase as the work will be allocated once the bidder signs the agreement

15	Renovation, upgradation, Installation, of Air Condition, etc. of District Bar Association, Silchar, District-Cachar, Assam	175.65700	AA/89_2025-26(I)_17 dated 11-03-2026	DC-Cachar/EE-Silchar, Udharbond, Sonai, Dholai (SC) TBD	AA issued Physical work is yet to be started
16	Shifting of Ghungoor PWSS to AMRUT Campus	119.32723	AA/89_2025-26(I)_02 dated 06-01-2026	DC-Cachar/EE- (PHE), Silchar Division-II	At present laying of the clear water pumping main is in progress upto Durgapally. However a portion of the alignment in main road from Durgapally to old (PHE) Office Silchar Div. No.II, falls under the PWD Roads. In this regard approval is awaited for carrying out excavation and laying of pipe line along the main road stretch.
17	Infrastructure Development of Community Hall near Baithakhal Kalibari at the Patherkandi	50.00000	AA/89_2025-26(I)_14 dated 11-03-2026	DC-Sribhumi	Construction Committee has been formed and physical work is yet to be started
18	Procurement/ Installation of MRI machines at Sribhumi, Cachar and Hailakandi District Hospital @12.06 Cr each at Sribhumi, Cachar and Hailakandi Civil Hospital	3618.00000	SSFC has approved the proposal and the Indent form has been submitted to AMSCL for procurement	Assam Medical Services Corporation Limited	SSFC has approved the proposal and the Indent form has been submitted to AMSCL

1. Action Taken Report on the Recommendation made by Committee in its First Report on Grant No. 81:

Recommendation : The Committee recommends that the department to execute all schemes/projects pertaining to the Department being consulted with other Departments.

Action Taken : Department is implementing the scheme through line Departments as referred above.

OBSERVATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON GRANT NO.81 BARAK VALLEY DEVELOPMENT

1. The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for construction of a 2-Storied Building of the District Bar Association in Hailakandi.
2. The Committee recommends the Department take necessary steps for the establishment of the Jamira Multi Sports and Youth Development Complex in Hailakandi.
3. The Committee recommends the Department to undertake the beautification and up gradation of Algapur Bazar in Hailakandi.
4. The Committee observes that the Barak Valley Development Department proposes to organise “Barak Utsav” at Silchar as a flagship cultural initiative of the Govt. of Assam which will represent the distinct socio-cultural identity of the Barak Valley. However the Budget allocation of the Department especially the provision under the Revenue Head is insufficient to meet the expenditure required for organising the Barak Utsav at Silchar.

The Committee recommends for enhancement of Budgetary allocation.

5. The Committee recommends that the schemes of Barak Valley Development Department for the year 2025-2026 should be urgently implemented.
6. The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for infrastructure Development of Sonai Bazar Playground at Sonai, Cachar, Assam.
7. The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for construction of Auditorium hall at Bashkandhi, Cachar.

The Committee recommends that the Budget allocation provided under Grant No.81 for Financial Year 2026-2027 for the Barak Valley Development Department be approved by the August House.

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**DEPARTMENTALLY RELATED STANDING COMMITTEE
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ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

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DEMAND FOR GRANT NO. 55 FOR THE YEAR 2026-27

**DEPARTMENT : ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND
CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT**

TWENTY EIGHTH REPORT

Presented to the House on 22nd July, 2026

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INTRODUCTION

1. I, as Chairperson of the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (A) Departments having been authorized by the Committee to submit the Report on their behalf, present this **Twenty Eight Report** on Demand for **Grant No.55** relating to **Environment, Forest and Climate Change Department** for the financial year 2026-27.
2. The Committee has considered the Demand for **Grant No.55** on the Budget Estimates for the year 2026-27 in its meeting held on **16th July, 2026**.
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CHAPTER-I

GRANT No.55

ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT

After presentation of the Budget in the House for the Financial Year, 2026-27, the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (A) Departments in its meeting held on **16th July, 2026** discussed on **Grant No.55 (Environment, Forest and Climate Change Department)**.

The Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (A) Departments in its meeting held on **16th July, 2026** examined the papers and documents received from the concerned department and took evidence of the Departmental representatives. Besides, the Committee considered the Action Taken Report on the recommendations contained in the **27th Report** in addition to the scrutiny of the Budget provision.

	REVENUE	CAPITAL	TOTAL (Rs. In lakhs)
VOTED	94784.78	2265.01	97049.79
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00

The detailed Budget Estimates under the **Grant No.55** for the Financial year 2026-27 is as below :-

	(Rupees in Lakhs)
Major Head of Accounts	Budget Estimates 2026-27
2406 - Forestry and Wild Life	92889.86
2415 - Agricultural Research and Education	1894.92
4406 - Capital Outlay on Forestry & Wildlife	2216.01
4415 – Capital Outlay on Agricultural Research & Education	49.00
Grand Total Rs. 97049.79	

Budget provision under **Grant No.55** is relating to **Environment, Forest and Climate Change Department**. The amount so allocated before the House and is proposed to be spent in revenue and capital expenditure respectively.

CHAPTER-II
Grant No.55
ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT

Forestry is a vital sector of the State and it is a very important component of social sector in terms of goods and services it delivers.

The forest & tree cover in Assam as per the latest assessment by Forest Survey of India (F.S.I.) is 36.09% (as per latest Report, 2023) of the geographical area both within and outside the notified forest areas. The concept of extension forestry initiated in the early eighties under State Plan has percolated down fairly in terms of extent of forest cover outside the notified forest areas.

The thrust areas identified by the Department are as below:-

- Conservation of areas having rich biodiversity.
- Arresting the trend of degradation of Forests and reverting the process by reforestation through various stake holders.
- Eviction measures in Forest land of Assam and erection of boundary pillars in vulnerable areas.
- Conservation and Management of Protected Area Network.
- Upgradation of Research and Development activities.
- Improvement in livelihood support system of forest dependent communities.

1. Mandate of the Department: -

Function, role, and responsibilities of the Department:-

The mandate of the Forest Department is to manage the Forests, Forest produce, and Wildlife of the State of Assam.

The Assam Forest Policy, 2004, has been adopted in the State of Assam in line with the **National Forest Policy, 1988**.

Acts and Rules administered by the Department:

The Central Acts and Rules, as well as the State Acts and Rules administered by the Department, are listed below:-

a. Central Acts and Rules:

- Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 2023 & Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Rules, 2023.
- The Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972(amended up to date).
- Compensatory Afforestation Fund Rules, 2018.
- Compensatory Afforestation Fund Act, 2016.
- Wetlands (Conservation and Management (Rules, 2017).
- Biological Diversity Act, 2002. (amended up to date)
- National Green Tribunal Act, 2010.

b. State Acts and Rules:

- The Assam Forest Regulation, 1891 (amended to date) and Rules framed under this Regulation.
- Assam Joint (People's Participation) Forest Management Rules, 1998.
- The Wildlife (Protection) (Assam Amendment) Act, 2009.
- The Assam Forest (Removal and Storage of Forest Produce) Regulation Act, 2000
- Assam Wood-Based Industries (Promotion and Development) Rules 2022.
- Assam Trees outside Forest (Sustainable Management) Rules 2022.
- Assam Sale of Forest Produce, Coupes and Mahal Rules, 1977 (as amended up to date)
- Assam Biodiversity Rules, 2010.
- Assam Minor Mineral Concession Rules, 2013 & 2021.

Activities of the Department:

Description of the main Plans/ Programmes/ Work implemented by the Department

Brief description of the schemes indicating the main objectives, components, and beneficiaries:

Forestry is a vital sector of the State and a key component of the social sector, providing goods and services.

The forest cover in Assam, as per the latest assessment by the Forest Survey of India (F.S.I.), is 36.10% of the geographical area (as per the latest Report, 2023). The forest cover exceeds the target set by the National Forest Policy, 1988. The concept of extension forestry, initiated in the early eighties under the State Plan, has percolated fairly well, as evidenced by the extent of forest cover outside the notified forest areas.

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The above thrust areas have been the central focus of the SOPD schemes, which have been formulated and implemented during the period.

Implementation mechanism:

Most forest regeneration and conservation schemes are implemented within a participatory framework involving Joint Forest Management Committees. Besides, continuous efforts are being made to involve line departments to improve resource mobilization and the implementation of developmental schemes in forest and non-forest areas alike, given the increased interdependence of the forestry sector with other sectors of the economy.

Allocations, expenditure, targets, and achievements (Physical & Financial)

Plan Allocation & Expenditure of the Department for the last 3 years :

Rs. in lakh

Year	Allocation	Expenditure
2022-23	98819.28	77740.04
2023-24	105983.53	78996.44
2024-25	122805.12	80178.58

New initiatives and innovative steps taken by the Department to improve its functioning by increasing the use of information technology and/ or through any other reform measures :

- I. The Department has taken the initiative to modernize the DFO offices of Digboi, North Kamrup, in FY 2023-24, and continued in FY 2024-25 in Dibrugarh, Dhemaji, Lakhimpur, and Western Assam Wildlife Division, and will further continue the modernization phase-wise across the state in the subsequent Financial Years.
- II. The modernization of the Assam State Zoo (ASZ) was initiated in FY 2024-25 with support from SASCI and SOPD. Among the several modernization measures underway at the Zoo, the Aviary stands out as the largest in Asia, offering an underwater view of tigers, hippos, and crocodiles. ASZ is the only zoo in Asia with 5 different aviaries (Indigenous, Amazonian, Raptors, Waterbirds, Small birds). A Jurassic Theme Park is proposed with life sized dinosaur species curated specific to their periods of existence.

- III. During FY 2024-25, the DPR for the Dibrugarh Animal Safari cum Rescue Center was prepared and was finally accorded approval by the Central Zoo Authority in FY 2025-26. The carnivore and herbivore Safaris once established would be a unique asset for Assam offering the first such unique experience for visitors in the whole of the North East. The Rescue Center will cater to the needs of Dibrugarh, Tinsukia, Sibsagar, Dhemaji and Lakhimpur Districts augmenting the efforts of CWRC, Kaziranga in Upper Assam.
- IV. To provide a State-of-the-Art wildlife health and rehabilitation facility to the state, the DPR for the Institute of Wildlife Health and Research has been prepared and the necessary Land Acquisition process has been completed during FY 2024-25.
- V. Amrit Brikshya Andolan was launched by the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Assam on 02/08/2023 and more than One Crore seedlings were planted in a single day by the people of Assam on 17/09/2023. During the run-up to this day 10 Guinness World Records were created from 09/09/2023 to 17/09/2023. In FY 2024-25 under Amrit Brikshya Andolan a total of 3 crore seedlings have been distributed across the social spectrum covering a wide range of beneficiaries.

Human Resource Development

- I. The main strength of the Forest Department is the frontline staff working in the remote forests. Hence, the importance of training, both induction and in-service. Assam has two State Forest Training Institutes namely the Assam Forest School at Jalukbari and the Assam Forest Guards School at Makum for training Foresters and Forest Guards respectively. Training programmes have been taken up under APFBC and CAMPA in both the establishments during the FY 2024-25.
- II. Several officers of Range Officer and above ranks have been sent on exposure visit to protected areas of other states in the country as well as abroad under APFBC Phase-II during the FY 2024-25.

Legislation:

- a) *Details of new legislation enacted by the Department during the year-* Nil.
- b) *Brief details of setting up any major Commissions/ Committees-* Nil.

Any other matter which the Department would like to highlight in the report and which is not covered in any of the subject heads above :

In order to increase the forest cover, conserve biodiversity, improve the livelihood support systems for forest-dependent communities and build capacity in the Forest department, the following Projects and Schemes are in various stages of implementation as mentioned below:

(I) Assam Project on Forest and Biodiversity Conservation (APFBC) Phase-II

The “Assam Project on Forest and Biodiversity Conservation” (APFBC) Phase-I, co-funded by the French Development Agency (AFD) and the State Government of Assam, covered the entire state of Assam in a phased manner. Activities under the APFBC, Phase-I were implemented by the Field Implementation Units comprising 32 territorial divisions, 7 wildlife divisions and 13 social forestry divisions in the Forest Department of Assam. The Phase-I of the Assam Project on Forest and Biodiversity Conservation (APFBC) ended successfully on 31st May, 2019. Two agencies the AFC-IDCG India and the OKD Institute conducted independent evaluations of Phase I of the APFBC. Based on the said evaluations it was mutually agreed by the Government of Assam & AFD to have a Phase-II of APFBC.

The project vision is “to enable sustainable forest and biodiversity conservation and management in Assam through multi-scale integrative planning and involvement of forest-dependent communities in target areas and giving a fillip to their livelihood activities through sustainable use of forest and non-forest resources”.

The project budget amounts to a total of 55.72 M € (equivalent to INR 445.75 Cr.), comprising of 44.57 M € (INR 356.60 Cr.) loan component from the French Development Agency (AFD) and 11.14 M € (INR 89.15 Cr.) counterpart funding by the state Government of Assam. The project is planned to be implemented in the entire state of Assam from 2019-20 to 2023-24. The project has been extended till December, 2025.

Project Components:

The components of the project are:

Component 1: Conservation of Ecosystems (Sustainable Forest Management) aimed at carrying out forest management activities in a sustainable way.

Component 2: Community Engagement (Adding Value and opening markets/opportunities for forests and biodiversity goods and ecosystem services) aimed at adding value to goods and services generated by communities through sustainable use of forest and non-forest resources.

Component 3: Institutional Strengthening of Forest Department aimed at enhancing the capacity of the Assam Forest Department.

(II) Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (CAMPA):

The Ad-hoc CAMPA was established in 2008 at the orders of the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India. The Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India issued guidelines for the establishment of CAMPA in States/UTs in 2009. Accordingly, the Government of Assam established Assam State CAMPA in 2009.

Thereafter, the Compensatory Afforestation Fund (CAF) Act was enacted in 2016, and the CAF Rules were notified in 2018 by the Ministry of Environment, Forest & Climate Change, Govt. of India. The State Compensatory Afforestation Fund Management and Planning Authority (State CAMPA) was notified on 14th Sept. 2018 under the CAF Act, 2016. The Governing Body, State Level Steering Committee and State Level Executive Committee have been notified by the Govt. of Assam on 26th June, 2019.

Aim and Objective of State CAMPA

- Compensatory Afforestation against diversion of forest land.
- Plantations other than Compensatory Afforestation like Artificial Regeneration, Aided Natural Regeneration, Sal Coppice Management, etc.
- Soil Moisture Conservation.
- Wildlife Habitat Management.
- Construction of buildings and other infrastructure development work for the protection of forests and wildlife management.
- Research and Capacity Development.
- Publicity and Awareness for protecting forests.

The various Plantation activities taken under State CAMPA for the year 2024-25 are as follows:

Type of Plantation	Target (in ha.)	Achievement (in ha.)	Remarks
Compensatory Afforestation (SSP)	63.53	502.05	The backlog of the previous year's plantation is done
Artificial Regeneration (AR)	530	1809.374	The backlog of the previous year's plantation is done
Sal Coppice Management	25	25	
Aided Natural Regeneration	435	435	

Table -II A

Statement Showing the Staff Position

SI. No.	Category	Sanctioned Strength	Total Staff in Position	As of June 30th 2026
1	Grade I	300	144	
2	Grade II	458	302	
3	Grade III	10573	7419	
4	Grade IV	2226	930	
	Total	13557	8795	

Table II-B

SI. No.	Name of the Statutory Board/Corporation/ Board/Other Agencies fully funded by the Government	Sanctioned Strength	Staff in Position	Remarks
1	Assam State Biodiversity Board	3	2	The Spl. Chief Secretary, Environment and Forest Department, Govt. of Assam, is the Chairman of the Board, and the Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Biodiversity) is the Member Secretary. It consists of five ex officio members drawn from related Departments of the Govt. of Assam and five expert members with expertise in various aspects of Biodiversity and life-science-related fields.
2	Assam Agro-Forestry Development Board	-	-	Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Assam is the Chairman of the Board, and the APCCF & CHD, BTC is also the I/C Chief Executive Officer of the Board.

A BRIEF NOTE IN RESPECT OF GRANT NO.55

Fund status for SOPD, EAP and CS Schemes

(Rs. in lakhs)

Financial Year	Type of Scheme	Allocation	FOC Released	Remarks
2022-23	SOPD	14800.10	11766.72	Details in Annexure- C (a)
	EAP	901.00	900.99	
	CSS	14412.54	12719.46	
TOTAL		30113.64	25387.17	

(₹ in lakhs)

Financial Year	Type of Scheme	Allocation	FOC Released	Remarks
2023-24	SOPD	14108.67	8117.28	Details in Annexure- C (b)
	EAP	901.00	900.99	
	CSS	15424.29	12719.46	
TOTAL		30433.96	21737.73	

(₹ in lakhs)

Financial Year	Type of Scheme	Allocation	FOC Released	Remarks
2024-25	SOPD	13027.56	5232.18	Details in Annexure- C (c)
	EAP	10000.00	2700.00	
	CSS	17584.19	13222.82	
TOTAL		40611.75	21155.00	

Fund status for Establishment Expenditures

(₹ in lakhs)

Financial Year	Allocation	Fund Released
2022-23	59705.39	43352.87
2023-24	62858.75	57760.32
2024-25	82193.37	59023.58

Statement showing the Financial & Physical Progress Report under SOPD, CSS & EAP schemes during 2024-25							
Sl. No.	Name of the Scheme	Total Allocation	Fin. Sanction Amount	FOC issued	Physical Target	Physical Achievement	(₹ in lakh) Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
A	SOPD Schemes						
1	Arms & Ammunition	40.00	0.00	0.00			
2	Building for General Areas	1874.00	574.93	366.67	1. Construction of DFO office with auditorium and construction of new IB at Ukiam under Kamrup West Divn. 2. Construction of DFO Office under North Kamrup Divn. 3. Construction of fgd qtr Karimganj Division, Sribhumi Divn. 4. Construction of IB at Matijuri Range under Hailakndi divn 5. Renovation of CAC office	1. Construction of DFO office with auditorium and construction of new IB at Ukiam under Kamrup West Divn. 2. Construction of DFO Office under North Kamrup Divn. 3. Construction of fgd qtr Karimganj Division, Sribhumi Divn. 4. Renovation of CAC office	
3	Building Maintenance & Repairing	0.00	0.00	0.00			
4	Reduce Man Animal Conflict	123.98	123.80	109.95	Installation of hanging solar power fencing (50km) at 5 Divisions	Installation of hanging solar power fencing (15km) at 2 Divisions	
5	Forest Research	110.00	18.49	18.49	1. Supply of Scientific equipment and chemicl for TSL 2. Supply of forest research and lab equipment 3. Preparation of DPR and monitoring for establishment of Harben Park and sapling sales centre at Amsoi 4. Documentation and publication of Coffee table book on heritage trees of Assam	100%	
6	Forest Village	50.00	22.00	22.00	Installation of Smart Solar Light under at (30 nos.) Meshlo Bharali Taungya village, Bhogalipather Forest village, Pandhuwa Forest village of Namdang RF under Khowang Range and (10 Nos.) 36 Ghoria Forest village of Jokai RF, Supply of Apiculture Boxes Box at Namdang RF,3. Construction of 67 nos. Boundary Pillar (26 nos. Major Pillar and 41 nos. Minor Pillar) at Namdang RF,200000 Polypots and 50000 Naked Bed Seedlings at 1.5 ha Medella Nursery Near Dehingmukh RF under Dibrugarh Division	Installation of Smart Solar Light under at (30 nos.) Meshlo Bharali Taungya village, Bhogalipather Forest village, Pandhuwa Forest village of Namdang RF under Khowang Range and (10 Nos.) 36 Ghoria Forest village of Jokai RF, Supply of Apiculture Boxes Box at Namdang RF,3. Construction of 67 nos. Boundary Pillar (26 nos. Major Pillar and 41 nos. Minor Pillar) at Namdang RF,200000 Polypots and 50000 Naked Bed Seedlings at 1.5 ha Medella Nursery Near Dehingmukh RF under Dibrugarh Division	
7	Interpretation Center Cum Forest Museum	456.00	340.00	340.00	Construction of Interpretation center cum museum at Manas and Digboi	Construction of Interpretation center cum museum at Manas and Digboi	
8	Roads & Bridges new construction	68.00	32.00	32.00	Construction of patrolling path under rani range 7km, Construction of pavers road 1km under Kamrup West divn, Construction of forest road from cheragi bazar to lalgenai 2 km under Karimganj Divn, Sribhumi	Construction of patrolling path under rani range 7km, Construction of pavers road 1km under Kamrup West divn, Construction of forest road from cheragi bazar to lalgenai 2 km under Karimganj Divn, Sribhumi	
9	Forest Protection Force Construction.	600.00	123.80	22.23	Construction of 4 nos. staff quarter on the 1st floor existing staff quarter at 1st Assam Forest Protection Force, Guwahati-29.	100%	
10	Natural History Museum, Kaziranga	0.01		0.00			
11	Modernization of State Zoo	650.00	102.28	102.28	Construction of Amazonian Walk through Aviary, Construction of Giraffe and Zebra enclosure	Construction of Amazonian Walk through Aviary	
12	Silchar Zoo cum Rescue Centre.	0.00		0.00			
13	Institute of WL Health & research	580.00	579.61	579.61	Land acquisition for the Institute of WL Health & Research	Land acquisition for the Institute of WL Health & Research	
14	Dibrugarh Animal Safari cum Rescue Centre	200.00	55.00	55.00	Consultancy fees for Dibrugarh Animal Safari cum Rescue Centre	Consultancy fees for Dibrugarh Animal Safari cum Rescue Centre	
15	Forest School Kajalgaon	90.00	88.97	0.00			
16	Development of other Wildlife Areas	315.56	112.56	112.40	Construction of Anti Poaching Camp, Construction of fair weather road and patrolling path, Wireless Communication System, Construction of culvert, Construction of Watch Tower etc.	Construction of Anti Poaching Camp, Watch Tower, culvert & Wireless Communication System.	
17	Development of National Park & WL Sancturries	329.73	149.89	149.83	Construction of Forester Quarter, Repairing of Roads, Camps, Forest Guard Quarter, Boundary Wall, Renovation of camps, Installation of Digital Wirless Network, Procurement of Wildlife Monitoring Equipments, Procurement of Mechanized boat & Country boat etc.	Repairing of Roads, Camps, Forest Guard Quarter, Boundary Wall, Renovation of camps, Procurement of Wildlife Monitoring Equipments, Procurement of Mechanized boat & Country boat .	
18	Vehicle Ambulance Purchase	0.00	0.00	0.00			
19	Laika Dadhiya	40.24	38.31	38.31	Rehabilitation of Laika Forest Village from Dibru-Saikhowa National Park to Namphei Reserve Forest & Paharpur reserve Forest under Digboi Division, Digboialong	Rehabilitation of Laika Forest Village from Dibru-Saikhowa National Park to Namphei Reserve Forest & Paharpur reserve Forest under Digboi Division, Digboialong	

20	Amenities to the Staffs	0.00		0.00			
22	Social Forestry General	519.61	252.41	252.41	Construction of Boundary Wall (Completed) under Bongaigaon SF Division Creation of 10.00 Hac Nursery at Budhipara under Goalpara SF Division	Construction of Boundary Wall (Completed) under Bongaigaon SF Division Creation of 10.00 Hac Nursery at Budhipara under Goalpara SF Division	
23	Plantation of Avenue Tree	100.00	186.34	87.82	<i>Creation & maintenance of Institutional Single Planting (4200 nos.) & Rural Roadside Single Planting (3600 nos.) under GGGC-SOPD Scheme.</i>	<i>Creation & maintenance of Institutional Single Planting (4200 nos.) & Rural Roadside Single Planting (3600 nos.) under GGGC-SOPD Scheme.</i>	
24	Road side Plantation of NH	0.01	0.00	0.00			
25	Friendly Crossing	0.00		0.00			
26	Ex-gratia	1150.00	1149.44	1147.13	<i>Ex-gratia / compensation paid to the beneficiaries due to wild animal/elephant conflict</i>	<i>Total nos of Ex-gratia / compensation paid to the beneficiaries - Human death 128 nos, injury 110 nos, House damage 3810 nos, Crop damage 6913 bigha and livestock 68 nos.</i>	
27	Animal Sensor System Maintenance	650.00	649.35	324.67	<i>Repairing , Restoration, Operation & AMC of Animal Sensor systems including replacement of Equipment at Kaziranga NP.</i>	<i>Repairing , Restoration, Operation & AMC of Animal Sensor systems including replacement of Equipment at KNP.</i>	
28	Asset Purchase	0.00		0.00			
29	WPO	35.00	20.65	20.64	<i>1. Working Plan Survey and Documentation of Reserve Forest under Sivasagar division 2. Working Plan Survey and Documentation of Reserve Forest under Nagaon division</i>	<i>100%</i>	
30	Forest Gaonburah remuneration	255.42	160.92	160.74	<i>Total 869 nos. Gaonburah</i>	<i>Total 869 nos. Gaonburah get remuneration</i>	
31	Chief Minister's Green Fellowship Programme	290.00	290.00	290.00	<i>60 Students</i>	<i>60 Students</i>	
32	Amrit Brikshya Andolan	4500.00	4500.00	1000.00	<i>1.IT Infra, Connectivity, SMS, Mobile App & Portal 2. HAndling and Transportation to Distribution Points 3. Miscellaneous 4. Liabilities of ABA 2023 5. Saplings distribution target : 30000000</i>	<i>1. IT Infra, Connectivity, SMS, Mobile App & Portal 2. HAndling and Transportation to Distribution Points 3. Miscellaneous 4. Liabilities of ABA 2023 5. Saplings distribution achievement : 31983123</i>	
	Sub-Total of SOPD	13027.56	9570.75	5232.18			
B	EAP						
33	EAP- Assam Project on Forest & Bio-diversity Conservation Society (APFBC) (CS)	8000.00	8000.00	2200.00	• <i>Procurement of Software and Hardware for Establishment of GIS lab</i> • <i>Procurement of Cloud Services</i> • <i>System Integrator for Technology Solutions under Forest Management Information System (FMIS)</i> • <i>Devising Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation Strategies for Forest and Biodiversity of Assam (REDD+)</i> • <i>112 Nos. of Departmental Buildings- Building construction completed in 37 Divisions</i> <i>AFPF Barrack: 12, Anti-Poaching Camp/ Protection Camp: 17, Forester Quarter: 35, Forest Guard Quarter: 27 and Range/Beat Office: 21</i> • <i>Conduct Multi-scale Approach to Adaptive Landscape Management and Conservation Planning in Assam</i> • <i>Implementation of WL Landscape Mngt plans</i> • <i>Grassland Management - Manas</i> • <i>Wetland Management – Manas, Nameri and Eastern Assam Wildlife Division</i> • <i>Artificial Water Holes - Raimona and Manas</i> • <i>Invasive weed management - Manas</i> • <i>Strengthening and piloting of ABS guidelines and Capacity Building of BMCs</i> • <i>Preparation of People's Biodiversity Register (PBR)</i> • <i>Micro Planning and Enhancing Livelihood Opportunities</i> • <i>Entry Point Activity</i> • <i>Construction of eco-development facilities & services</i> • <i>Plantations</i> • <i>Specialised training courses- for JFMC &n EDC Members, Forest Guard and GIS Training</i>	• <i>Procurement of Software and Hardware for Establishment of GIS lab</i> • <i>Procurement of Cloud Services</i> • <i>System Integrator for Technology Solutions under Forest Management Information System (FMIS)</i> • <i>Devising Climate Change Mitigation and Adaptation Strategies for Forest and Biodiversity of Assam (REDD+)</i> • <i>112 Nos. of Departmental Buildings- Building construction completed in 37 Divisions</i> <i>AFPF Barrack: 12, Anti-Poaching Camp/ Protection Camp: 17, Forester Quarter: 35, Forest Guard Quarter: 27 and Range/Beat Office: 21</i> • <i>Conduct Multi-scale Approach to Adaptive Landscape Management and Conservation Planning in Assam</i> • <i>Implementation of WL Landscape Mngt plans</i> • <i>Grassland Management - Manas</i> • <i>Wetland Management – Manas, Nameri and Eastern Assam Wildlife Division</i> • <i>Artificial Water Holes - Raimona and Manas</i> • <i>Invasive weed management - Manas</i> • <i>Strengthening and piloting of ABS guidelines and Capacity Building of BMCs</i> • <i>Preparation of People's Biodiversity Register (PBR)</i> • <i>Micro Planning and Enhancing Livelihood Opportunities</i> • <i>Entry Point Activity</i>	

					• 129 vehicles delivered. • Veterinary Rescue Hospital in Manas • Silviculture Research - Polyhouse repair and other repairing works in Rani • Procurement of equipment and supplies for Rapid Response Teams (RRT) and Community Response Team (CRT)	• Construction of eco-development facilities & services • Plantations • Specialised training courses- for JFMC & EDC Members, Forest Guard and GIS Training • 129 vehicles delivered. • Veterinary Rescue Hospital in Manas • Silviculture Research - Polyhouse repair and other repairing works in Rani • Procurement of equipment and supplies for Rapid Response Teams (RRT) and Community Response Team (CRT)	
	EAP- Assam Project on Forest & Bio-diversity Conservation Society (APFBC) (SS)	2000.00	2000.00	500.00			
	Sub-Total of EAP	10000.00	10000.00	2700.00			
C	CSS						
34	Project Tiger & Elephant (CS)	3841.66	3024.09	3024.09	Formation of Anti-depredation squads and providing logistics , Procurement of Ammunition , Running cost of vehicles and logistics for protection and anti-depredation measures, Purchase of standing crop,Hiring of kunkie , Construction of AP camp, Construction of Watch Tower, Monitoring of Captive elephant etc. Construction of Staff quarters., Culverts, Gate,Conference hall, Construction of damaged camps, Installation of tube wells, weed eradication,creation of road network, creation of wireless tower,creation of bridge , Ration allowance , Tiger allowance, payment of wages , Procurement of Mobile Handset, Construction of Wooden bridge, camp, culvert. rep. of highland, purchase of POL, , Repairing and maintenance of vehicles.Repairing of country boat, mechanised boat, speed bots,Maintenance of office buildings, AMC of Electronic eye,Wages of Van mazdur, Installation of boring with solar pump, Awareness camp & signage Boards installation CCTV surveillance system, repairing of Kaccha road, patrolling path, procurement of mechanised board, country boat, procurement of Arms & Ammunition etc.	Formation of Anti-depredation squads and providing logistics , Procurement of Ammunition , Running cost of vehicles and logistics for protection and anti-depredation measures, Purchase of standing crop,Hiring of kunkie , Construction of AP camp, Construction of Watch Tower, Monitoring of Captive elephant etc. Construction of Staff quarters., Culverts, Gate,Conference hall, Construction of damaged camps, Installation of tube wells, weed eradication,creation of road network, creation of wireless tower,creation of bridge , Ration allowance , Tiger allowance, payment of wages , Procurement of Mobile Handset, Construction of Wooden bridge, camp, culvert. rep. of highland, purchase of POL, , Repairing and maintenance of vehicles.Repairing of country boat, mechanised boat, speed bots,Maintenance of office buildings, AMC of Electronic eye,Wages of Van mazdur, Installation of boring with solar pump, Awareness camp & signage Boards installation CCTV surveillance system, repairing of Kaccha road, patrolling path, procurement of mechanised board, country boat, procurement of Arms & Ammunition etc.	
	Project Tiger & Elephant (SS)	426.85	339.99	339.99			
35	Management Action Plan Biosphere Reserve Manas & Dibru-Saikhowa (CS)	405.00	0.00	0.00			
36	Management Action Plan Biosphere Reserve Manas & Dibru-Saikhowa (SS)	45.00	0.00	0.00			

37	Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitat (CS)	2538.60	0.00	1222.83	Construction of temporary earthen bundh for retaining adequate water in the water body, construction of tongi, anti-poaching camp, staff quarter, wooden bridge , culvert, check dam, watch tower, patrolling path, Maintenance of Mechanized boat, patrolling and trekking path, maintenance of vehicle etc. eco-development and community oriented activities, publicity & public awareness, Purchase of POL, hiring of vehicle, paymewnt of wages to incremental labour, installation of hanging fence/ solar power fence, chain link fencing, purchase of computer, camera, binocular, walkie talkie, uniform and field equipment etc.	Construction of temporary earthen bundh for retaining adequate water in the water body, construction of tongi, anti-poaching camp, staff quarter, wooden bridge , culvert, check dam, watch tower, patrolling path, Maintenance of Mechanized boat, patrolling and trekking path, maintenance of vehicle etc. eco-development and community oriented activities, publicity & public awareness, Purchase of POL, hiring of vehicle, paymewnt of wages to incremental labour, installation of hanging fence/ solar power fence, chain link fencing, purchase of computer, camera, binocular, walkie talkie, uniform and field equipment etc.	
	Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitat (SS)	282.06	0.00	135.91			
38	Forest Fire Prevention & Management (CS)	40.50	0.00	0.00			
39	Forest Fire Prevention & Management (SS)	4.50	0.00				
40	Natiaonal Mission for a Green India (GIM) (CS)	0.01	0.00	0.00			
41	Natiaonal Mission for a Green India (GIM) (SS)	0.01	0.00	0.00			
	Sub Total of CSS	7584.19	3364.08	4722.82			
D	CAMPA	10000.00	10000.00	8500.00	Plantation- 1053.53 Ha, Procurement of Vehicle-129 nos., Conservation of Fresh Water Turtles in different temple ponds across Assam, Assement of cane in Dihingmukh RF - 1 ons.	Plantation- 2771.424, Procurement of Vehicle-129, Conservation of Fresh Water Turtles in different temple ponds across Assam, Assement of cane in Dihingmukh RF - 1 ons.,	Plantation achievement, including backlog plantation activities from previous years
	Grand Total (A+B+C+D)	40611.75	32934.83	21155.00			

Action taken report on the recommendation contained in the Twenty-Seventh Report of the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Department (A) Departments, Assam Legislative Assembly, 2025-2026.

1. The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for controlling the menace caused by the Squirrels and monkeys especially in Nalbari District.

Action:

With regard to the monkeys in general, the Rhesus Macaque (*Macaca mulatta*) was listed in Part-I of Schedule-II of the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972 prior to the amendment of the Act in 2022. However, in the 2022 amendment, the Rhesus Macaque was removed from the Schedule. The Govt. of Assam has also launched a project under the SOPD-Reduce Man-Animal Conflict scheme for the financial year 2025-26 to mitigate Human-Simian Conflict and has been accorded an Administrative Approval for Rs 300 Lakhs. Under this a unit under the aegis of Assam State Zoo shall be established to mitigate the conflict in the Lower Assam Region.

The Range Officer, Nalbari Range, under the Divisional Forest Officer, North Kamrup Division, along with staff, has extended their support to the civil administration to drive the monkeys from the affected area.

2. The Committee recommends the Department to identify locations for construction of fencing in Manas National Park to prevent Men Elephant Conflict.

Action :

The Field Director, Manas National Park & Tiger Reserve has submitted the identified locations for construction of fencing in Manas National Park to prevent man-elephant conflict. The following are the locations where Solar fencing is required to be installed or improved.

- a. From Latitude 26.648829° N and Longitude 90.677433° E up to Bishnupur APC under Kuklung Ranges, the existing fencing requires strengthening and repair with higher- grade materials.
- b. From Lakhijora APC to Thasobeel APC under Panjabari Range, the existing fencing requires necessary repair and maintenance.
- c. From Kahitama Beat Office to Songlapani APC, new fencing needs to be constructed.
- d. From Kalijhar APC under Bhuyanpara Range up to Latitude 26.700569° N and Longitude 91.141065° E, towards the east of Digjari APC, installation of a five-string high –strength fencing is required.

3. The Committee recommends the Department to construct Elephant watch towers near Dhansiri River in Mazbat Constituency to enable the people residing near the river to take up agriculture activities without any disturbances from elephants. Further the Department is recommended to process compensation for the people where their crops has been affected by the destruction caused by the Wild Elephant at a speedy pace.

Action :

The report states that 20 (Twenty) Nos. of Watch Tower and 28 km (twenty eight) installation of solar power fencing are proposed in and around Mazbat Constituency under SOPD Scheme “Gaja Mitra” for helping the people residing near the river to take up agriculture activities.

Compensation payment for the people where their crops has been affected by the Wild Elephant as flows:

Year	Compensation Paid (Rs. in Lakh)	
	Crops damaged	House damaged
2023	5.824	9.856
2024	5.850	8.345
2025	10.585	23.625

Further with regard to the compensation, the department has been disbursing the compensation for the crop damage as when the proposals are received. Also under the CSS Project Elephant, the Department has started a Crop Buyback Scheme on pilot basis under Goalpara Division since 2024-25. Under this scheme the crop of the farmers in the elephant depredated areas is assured at Rs. 8000/ per bigha.

4. The Committee recommends the Department to construct Watch Towers in suitable areas to prevent Men & Elephant conflict and to make proper arrangements for training of ‘Gaja-Mitra’.

Action :

Under Gaja Mitra Scheme 80 Nos. of Gaja Mitra Teams have been formed with each team consisting of 8 members each with necessary support to mobilize and train the teams.

As per Clause 7(b) of the Gaja Mitra Guidelines watch towers/tongi shall be erected in the strategic locations to reduce the damage of crops and to monitor the movement of the elephants. These watch towers shall assist in acquiring and dissemination of information regarding movement of elephant herds and act as early warning facilities in the affected villages.

In line with the scheme guidelines, 89 tongis/watch towers have been proposed under ‘Reduce man Animal Conflict’ of SOPD for the year 2025-26 and necessary Administrative Approvals for the same have been accorded. Respective divisions are undertaking the procurement and construction activities in accordance with the Administrative Approvals.

5. The Committee recommends the Department to provide adequate compensation to people who are engage in horticulture activities (Tamul-Pan etc.) for destruction caused by elephants.

Action :

The compensations are provided against crop damages due to wildlife depredation @ Rs.7,500/ - per family as per rates fixed vide Govt. Notification No.FRE-3/ 2017/ 31 dtd.06.03.2017.

6. The Committee recommends the Department to increase the budget allocation for taking up infrastructure activities/ developments activities including construction of camps/ purchasing vehicles, watch tower etc. in all National Parks of Assam.

Action :

The Department has taken up a proposal for the construction of camps and watch towers under CSS- Project Tiger and Elephant as well as under CSS- Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats. The APO for CSS of the state for the year 2025-2026 is as follows:

Scheme	Budget Allotted for FY 2024-25 (in Rs. Lakh)	Proposed Budget Amount for 2025-26 FY (in Rs. Lakh)	Budget Allotted for FY 2025-26 (in Rs. Lakh)	Total Amount released in FY 2025-26 (in Rs. Lakh)
CSS- Project Tiger and Elephant	4268.51	4598.44	4598.44	2533.10
CSS- Integrated Development of Wildlife Habitats	2820.66	3017.58	1666.67	876.00
SOPD-RMAC	123.98	855.00	855.00	138.88

Scheme	Budget Allotted for FY 2024-25 (in Rs. Lakh)	Proposed Budget Amount for 2025-26 FY (in Rs. Lakh)	Budget Allotted for FY 2025-26 (in Rs. Lakh)	Total Amount released in FY 2025-26 (in Rs. Lakh)
SOPD-Dev. Of National Parks and WLS	329.73	950.00	950.00	241.33
SOPD- Other WL Areas	315.56	570.00	570.00	234.63
SOPD-Gaj Mitra	0.00	300.00	300.00	60.70
Total	7858.44	10291.02	8940.11	4084.64

7. The Committee observed that Bijni Bon Uddyan is one of the oldest park and is in a very dilapidated condition. The committee therefore recommends the Department to renovate and also to undertake developmental activities for the upgradation of the Uddyan.

Action :

DPR preparation is under process for upgradation of Bijni Bon Uddyan (Bijni Deer Park) under Social Forestry Range Bijni of Kokrajhar SF Division.

8. The committee recommends to take necessary steps for construction of Forest IB at Gharmurah range, AFPF camp at Kukicherra range and Community cum Forest Camp Baruncherra under Kukicherra Range.

Action :

DPRs have been prepared and the proposals shall be considered on priority in the schemes specific to the works in the Financial Year, 2026-27 subject to the availability of funds.

9. The committee recommends to take necessary steps for construction of quarters for Forest Ranger at Matijuri Range and Range Headquarter Kukicherra Range, Manipur Area. It is further also recommended to construct Forest Beat office at Ramnathpur under Gharmurah Range and quarters for the staff.

DPRs have been prepared and the proposals shall be considered on priority in the schemes specific to the works in the Financial Year, 2026-27 subject to the availability of funds.

10. The Committee recommends to construct Forest IB at Lumding, Udalguri, Bijni, Pakabatkari, Hailakandi and Rangapara.

Action :

For construction of **Forest IB at Lumding** under Nagaon South Division, Hojai, the Administrative Approval has been received vide No.AA/ FOR_2025-26 (I)_529 dtd.12.01.2026 and the procurement process will be initiated at the earliest.

For the construction of the **Forest IB at Udalguri under Dhansiri Division, Udalguri**, the forest department in consultation with the district administration is in the process of identifying suitable land for the proposed IB.

For construction of **Forest IB at Bijni** under Kokrajhar SF Division, the DPR is under process of preparation.

For the construction of the **Forest IB at Pakabatkari under Barpeta SF Division**, the forest department in consultation with the district administration is in the process of identifying suitable land for the proposed IB.

For construction of **Forest IB at Hailakandi under Hailakandi Division**, DPR has been prepared and the proposals shall be considered on priority in the schemes specific to the works in the Financial Year, 2026-27 subject to the availability of funds.

For construction of **Forest IB at Rangapara** the DPR is under process of preparation.

11. The committee recommends the Department to undertake plantation projects of Barpeta Bhawanipur Road, Dangarkuchi Kaljhar Road, Kayakuchi Newlarbhitha Road, Rajaghat Bhaktardoba Road, Bhaktardoba to Sarthebari Road and Kayakuchi Jarabari Road to help promote greenery.

Action :

The proposed plantation projects will be considered on priority under suitable schemes at the earliest opportunity.

OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON GRANT NO.55 OF ENVIRONMENT, FOREST & CLIMATE CHANGE DEPARTMENT FOR THE YEAR, 2026-2027.

1. The Committee directed the Department to submit a comprehensive Report indicating the extent of fencing completed so far in Manas National Park along with the remaining areas where fencing is yet to be undertaken.
2. The Committee recommends the Department to enhance the remuneration paid to the employees engaged under “Gaja Mitra” from the existing Rs.500/-pm to Rs.2000/- pm considering the dedicated service rendered by them.
3. The Committee recommends the Department to ensure proper assessment of the damages caused to houses, crops and other properties by elephants and other wild animals and provide adequate compensation to the affected families.

Further, the Department should in consultation with the concerned Deputy Commissioners create a Special Fund for providing immediate assistance to the affected families for timely disbursement pending disbursement of final compensation to reduce the suffering of the people.

4. The Committee recommends the Department to ensure that the contractors who are allowed to cut trees should deposit the cost of planting of 10 plants against cutting of one tree with the Forest Department for proper implementation of planting and maintenance of plants.
5. The Committee observed that the Environment and Forest Department has been renamed as Environment, Forest and Climate Change Department and Climate Change Cell in the department is being managed by the Assam Climate Change Management Society (ACCMS). Presently ACCMS is understaffed and only three contractual consultant/employees are working in the Society apart from the Chief Executive Officer.

The Committee therefore recommends strengthening of Assam Climate Change Management Society by way of increasing manpower having experience in Climate Change subject and also by allocating sufficient budget.

6. The Committee recommends the Department to take stringent measures to prevent any illegal mining activities within the forest areas and ensure that the contractors do not transport stones, sand or other materials in excess of the quantity specified in the transit challans measured in cubic metres.

The Committee further recommends that mining on river bed should not be more than 3 metres.

7. The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for overall development of Laokhowa Wildlife Sanctuary under Nagaon District including renovation and repairing of the existing Forest IB to encourage Tourism and other related activities.
8. The Committee recommends the Department to expedite the renovation and up-gradation of Chakrasila IB/Guest House and construction of Magurmari IB under Baokhungri LAC at an early date.

Further, the Department is recommended to take necessary stapes for construction of Forest road at Paroura under Baokhungri LAC.

9. The Department is recommended to take necessary steps for construction of Forest IB's in Tangla and Pakabatkari under Barpeta SF Division.
10. The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps to revive the Timber Treatment & S Plant situated in Makum, Tinsukia which is presently non-functional.
11. The Committee reiterates its earlier recommendation to the Department to undertake plantation projects of Barpeta Bhawanipur road, Dangarkuchi Kaljhar road, Kayakuchi Newlarbhitha road, Rajaghat Bhaktardoba road, Bhaktardoba to Sarthebari road and Kayakuchi Jarabari road to help promote greenery.

The Committee recommends that the Budget allocation provided under Grant No.55 for Financial Year 2026-2027 for the Environment, Forest and Climate Change Department be approved by the August House.

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**DEPARTMENTALLY RELATED STANDING COMMITTEE
ON DEVELOPMENT (A) DEPARTMENTS**

ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

(SIXTEENTH ASSEMBLY)

DEMAND FOR GRANT NOS. 12 & 21 FOR THE YEAR 2026-27

**DEPARTMENT : GENERAL ADMINISTRATION
DEPARTMENT**

TWENTY THIRD REPORT

Presented to the House on 22nd July, 2026

**ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT
DISPUR : : GUWAHATI- 781006.**

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**COMPOSITION OF THE DEPARTMENTALLY RELATED
STANDING COMMITTEE ON
DEVELOPMENT (A) DEPARTMENTS,
2026-27**

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| 1. Shri Rupak Sarmah, | MLA |
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| 3. Shri Bhaskar Sharma, | MLA |
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2. Shri Parag Kumar Medhi, Deputy Secretary,
3. Shri Baidurjya Bharali, Protocol Officer,
4. Shri Ashim Sonowal, Under Secretary,
5. Smti Juri Baishya, Superintendent,
6. Shri Akshay Chandra Baishya, Superintendent.

(ii)

INTRODUCTION

1. I, as Chairperson of the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (A) Departments having been authorized by the Committee to submit the Report on their behalf, present this **Twenty Third Report** on Demand for **Grant Nos.12 & 21** relating to **General Administration Department** for the financial year 2026-27.
2. The Committee has considered the Demand for **Grant Nos.12 & 21** on the Budget Estimates for the year 2026-27 in its meeting held on **16th July, 2026**.
3. The Committee has been befitted with the assistance rendered by the Government representatives during the course of examination of the Budget Estimates under the aforementioned Grants for the year 2026-27. The Committee has formulated its observations taking into consideration the valuable submission rendered by official witnesses, during the course of consideration of the Budget Estimates.
4. The Committee would also like to place on record their deep sense of appreciation for the invaluable assistance rendered to them by the officials of Assam Legislative Assembly Secretariat attached to the Committee.
5. The Committee has considered the Draft Reports on 18th July, 2026 and approved it on the same day.

Place : Dispur
The 18th July, 2026.

Rupak Sarmah
Chairperson,
Departmentally Related Standing Committee
on Development (A) Departments,
Assam Legislative Assembly.

CHAPTER-I
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT
GRANT NO.12

The Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (A) Departments in its meeting held on 16th July, 2026 examined the papers and documents received from the concerned department and took evidence of the Departmental representative. Besides, the Committee considered the Action Taken Report on the recommendations contained in the **22nd Report** in addition to the scrutiny of the Budget provision. The Budget under Grant No. 12 relating to General Administration Department for the Financial Year 2026-2027 as follows.

	REVENUE	CAPITAL	TOTAL (Rs. in lakhs)
VOTED	69209.90	6114.69	75324.59
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00

GENERAL AREAS			
	REVENUE	CAPITAL	TOTAL (Rs. in lakhs)
VOTED	63411.31	4993.90	68405.21

CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00
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KARBI ANGLONG AUTONOMOUS COUNCIL			
	REVENUE	CAPITAL	TOTAL (Rs. in lakhs)
VOTED	1518.18	371.06	1889.24
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00

NORTH CACHAR HILLS AUTONOMOUS COUNCIL			
	REVENUE	CAPITAL	TOTAL (Rs. in lakhs)
VOTED	822.36	176.57	998.93
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00

BODOLAND TERRITORIAL COUNCIL			
	REVENUE	CAPITAL	TOTAL (Rs. in lakhs)
VOTED	3458.05	573.16	4031.21
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00

The details budget Estimates under the Grant No.12 for the financial Year 2026-2027 are as below :-

Revenue/Capital Accounts (Rupees in Lakhs)		
Head of Account	Major Head	Budget Estimates
General Area		
2053	District Administration	60681.41
2059	Public Works	38.33
2070	Other Administrative Service	36.00
2216	Housing	1230.00
2235	Social Security & Welfare	1425.57

4059	Capital Outlay on Public Works	1711.86
4070	Other Administrative Service	2165.25
4216	Capital Outlay on Housing	1087.80
4250	Capital Outlay on Social Service	28.99
	Total Rs.	68405.21
Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council		
2053	District Administration	1460.16
2070	Other Administrative Services	0.00
2235	Social Security & Welfare	58.02
4059	Capital Outlay on Public Works	294.00
4070	Other Administrative Service	26.10
4216	Capital Outlay on Housing	50.96
	Total Rs.	1889.24
North Cachar Hills Autonomous Council		
2053	District Administration	813.63
2070	Other Administrative Services	0.00
2235	Social Security & Welfare	8.73
4059	Capital Outlay on Public Works	34.30
4070	Other Administrative Services	24.67
4216	Capital Outlay on Housing	117.60
	Total Rs.	998.93
Bodoland Territorial Council		
2053	District Administration	3421.25
2070	Other Administrative Services	0.00
2235	Social Security & Welfare	36.80
4059	Capital Outlay on Public Works	354.76
4070	Other Administrative Services	140.00
4216	Capital Outlay on Housing	78.40
	Total Rs	4031.21
GRAND TOTAL RS.		75324.59

General Administration Department

The General Administration Department was created for dealing with matters concerning improvement in the quality and standards of the general administration in the state by providing manpower, infrastructure and capacity building support to the District Sub-Divisional level administrative set ups and for monitoring of the administrative units at these levels. The department also looks after protocol matters and provide logistic support to the State Protocol, matters relating to Celebration of National Days and State Ceremonial / State Functions, matters relating to accommodation in Circuit Houses and Assam Houses/Bhawans, matters relating to construction/renovation/maintenance of Government buildings under the department, matters relating to Directorate of Sainik Welfare, Assam and matters relating to the issue of license to Cinema Halls etc.

The General Administration Department and Secretariat Administration Department was merged and renamed as General Administration Department on 20th July, 2021.

Vision is-

“To bring about improvement in the quality and bringing the general administration closer to the public in the state.”

Mission is: -

“Ensuring highest standards of efficiency, transparency, accountability and citizen-centricity in the general administration in the State through a holistic approach”.

Details of Business transacted by the Department: -

- 1) Construction and improvement in the infrastructures of District Commissioners / Co-District Commissioners / Sub -Divisional Officers (C)/ Circuit Houses / Assam Houses/ Bhawans/ State Guest Houses etc including arrangement of land, purchase of furniture and provision of communication connectivity.
- 2) Strengthening of the General Administration at Districts, Co-District Commissioners and Sub-Divisional levels through improvement in organizational and manpower support and process re-engineering.
- 3) Inspection and monitoring of the district level administration.
- 4) Organizing training and capacity building for the staffs of Districts, Co-Districts and Sub-Divisional Offices.
- 5) Implementation of e-Governance projects in the areas of General Administration.
- 6) Creation and re-organization of New Districts, Co-Districts and Sub-Divisions.
- 7) Creation, improvement and maintenance of the network of State Bhawans, State Houses and Circuit Houses.
- 8) “State Protocol” Matters.
- 9) “State Guests” Matters.
- 10) Order of Precedence for State Functions.
- 11) Relevant matters relating to National Flag and National Anthem.

- 12) State Ceremonial Functions, observance of National Days as notified from time to time.
- 13) Preparation of Annual Holiday List for Government of Assam and declare all other Holidays under the Negotiable Instruments Act, 1881 along with payment of remuneration for the astrologers consulted.
- 14) Matters relating to the Directorate of Sainik Welfare, Assam.
- 15) Housing facilities for the Ministers, Government Officers and Staff subject to the provisions under the relevant rules administered by General Administration Department.
- 16) Matters relating to Assam Cinema (Regulation) Act, 1953 and Assam Cinema (Regulation) Rules, 1960.
- 17) Functioning as Nodal Department for Census Operations.
- 18) Matters relating to EPABX and installation of new connections of telephone in all departments and officers' chambers, etc.
- 19) Establishment matters of Offices of District Commissioners, Co-District Commissioners, Sub-Divisional Officers(C), Assam Houses, Bhawans, Guest Houses and Circuit Houses.
- 20) Service to Hon'ble Governor, Council of Ministers, other Senior Government Officers etc for providing Helicopter/ Airlift along with re- imbursement of entitlements.
- 21) All establishment matters related to Drivers for Protocol Duties along with payment of Petrol, Oil and Lubricant (POL) bills for protocol duties.
- 22) Convening of conference of District Commissioners (DC); and Superintendent of Police (SP) Conferences in case of joint DC/SP conference.
- 23) Functioning as Nodal Department for Implementation of Aadhaar Project in all districts of Assam.
- 24) Selection and conferring of State Civilian Awards.
- 25) All matters related to Special Casual Leave to the State Government employees.

The Budget Estimate for the year 2025-2026 to defray expenses was Rs.**53494.25** lakh (Revised) under REVENUE /CAPITAL Account and break-up is shown below:

Head of Accounts	REVENUE/Capital ACCOUNTS	(Excluding Salary & wages)
	Major Head	Budget Estimates 2025-26 (in lakhs)
General Areas		
2053	District Administration	41501.89
2059	Public work	475.00
2070	Other Administrative Services	47.50
2216	Housing	1255.02
2235	Directorate of Sainik Welfare	665.84
4059	Capital Outlay on Public Works	2037.80
4070	Other Administrative Services	1329.76
4215	Capital Outlay on Housing	1744.23
4250	Directorate of Sainik Welfare	0.00

Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council		
2053	District Administration	1141.41
2070	Other Administrative Services	0.00
2235	Directorate of Sainik Welfare	10.13
4059	Capital Outlay on Public Works	368.22
4070	Other Administrative Services	0.00
4216	Capital Outlay on Housing	218.50
North Cachar Hills Autonomous Council		
2053	District Administration	260.59
2070	Other Administrative Services	0.00
2235	Directorate of Sainik Welfare	3.04
4059	Capital Outlay on Public Works	30.40
4070	Other Administrative Services	0.00
4216	Capital Outlay on Housing	12.88
Bodoland Territorial Council		
2053	District Administration	3421.25
2070	Other Administrative Services	0.00
2235	Directorate of Sainik Welfare	4.19
4059	Capital Outlay on Public Works	882.24
4216	Capital Outlay on Housing	247.00
4070	Other Administrative Services	47.50
	Grand Total	53494.25

The revenue part of the head of accounts includes provision for Non-Salary expenses in respect of the establishments of the amalgamated establishments of District Commissioners, Co-District Commissioners, Sub-Divisional Officers(C) and the Directorate of Sainik Welfare.

The Capital part of the Head of account contains provision for undertaking new works and repairing of buildings under the department including the office / residential buildings of the officers and staff of District Commissioners, Co-district Commissioners, Circuit Houses and the Assam Houses /Bhawan's outside the state of Assam. Further, provision is there for construction /repairing of the quarters of the Hon'ble Chief Minister, Assam, Hon'ble Ministers, Officers, staff of the Janata Bhawan.

The department created additional budget by way of Supplementary Demand/re-appropriation for payment of bills against the repairing / construction works undertaken in the General Areas / Sixth Schedule Areas under the capital part of the head of account.

CHAPTER-II

GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT GRANT NO.21

The Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (A) Departments in its meeting held on 16th July, 2026 examined the papers and documents received from the concerned department and took evidence of the Departmental representative. Besides, the Committee considered the Action Taken Report on the recommendations contained in the **22nd Report** in addition to the scrutiny of the Budget provision. The Budget under Grant No. **21** relating to General Administration Department for the Financial Year 2026-27 as follows.

	REVENUE	CAPITAL	TOTAL (Rs. in lakhs)
VOTED	4180.31	1647.24	5827.55
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00
GENERAL AREAS			
	REVENUE	CAPITAL	TOTAL (Rs. in lakhs)
VOTED	4011.88	1517.24	5529.12
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00

KARBI ANGLONG AUTONOMOUS COUNCIL			
	REVENUE	CAPITAL	TOTAL (Rs. in lakhs)
VOTED	35.67	50.00	85.67
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00

NORTH CACHAR HILLS AUTONOMOUS COUNCIL			
	REVENUE	CAPITAL	TOTAL (Rs. in lakhs)
VOTED	32.17	20.00	52.17
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00

BODOLAND TERRITORIAL COUNCIL			
	REVENUE	CAPITAL	TOTAL (Rs. in lakhs)
VOTED	100.59	60.00	160.59
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00

The details budget Estimates under the Grant No.21 for the financial Year 2026-27 are as below :-

Revenue/Capital Accounts (Rupes in Lakhs)		
Head of Account	Major Head	Budget Estimates
2070	Other Administrative Services	4011.88
4070	Other Administrative Services	1517.24
	Total Rs.	5529.12
Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council		
2070	Other Administrative Services	35.67
4070	Other Administrative Services	50.00
	Total Rs.	85.67
North Cachar Hills Autonomous Council		
2070	Other Administrative Services	32.17
4070	Other Administrative Services	20.00
	Total Rs.	52.17
Bodoland Territorial Council		
2070	Other Administration Services	100.59
4070	Other Administration Services	60.00
	Total Rs.	160.59
GRAND TOTAL RS.		5827.55

The Budget Estimate for the year 2025-26 to defray expenses in connection with "Guest House, Government Hostels, Bhawans Etc." was Rs. **3429.05 L.**(except salary & wages) under REVENUE / CAPITAL Account and break-up is shown as under,

Head of Accounts	Major Head	Budget Estimates 2025-26 (in lakhs)
General Areas		
2070	Other Administration Services	2238.59
4070	Other Administration Services	962.37
Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council		
2070	Other Administration Services	23.33
4070	Other Administration Services	50.00
North Cachar Hills Autonomous Council		
2070	Other Administration Services	11.30
4070	Other Administration Services	20.00

Bodoland Territorial Council		
2070	Other Administration Services	63.46
4070	Other Administration Services	60.00
	Grand Total Rs.	3429.05

Performance Budget/Annual Report of the Department

- 1) The Government of Assam through the department has taken up implementation of Aadhaar enrolment exercise on a priority basis. The Status of Aadhaar Generation till May, 2026 is given below-

State Name	Projected Population	Total Aadhaar generated	Percentage of Aadhaar generated in Assam
Assam	350.63772	349.59641	99.70%

- 2) One of the key achievements is the launch of Swagata Satirtha 2.0 on 2nd February 2026, an online portal designed to streamline mutual transfers of Grade-III and Grade-IV employees. Under this over 16,700 employees have registered, and more than 4,400 have already benefited from mutual transfers.
- 3) Department through implementation department PWD, also made substantial progress in the construction of new Assam Bhawans. In Mumbai, land has been procured and we are on the verge of executing the lease agreement with the Mumbai Port Authority for another Assam House. Meanwhile, the Assam Bhawan in Bengaluru is nearing completion. Another Assam Bhawan at Dwarka, New Delhi is under construction.
- 4) Another major reform is the operationalization of Co-Districts. Out of 78 Co-Districts created, 49 have already been made functional in a phased manner, strengthening grassroots administration.
- 5) On the recruitment front, the Department has made significant progress in strengthening administrative capacity by filling sanctioned vacant posts through the ADRE process. In January 2026, appointment letters were issued to a total of 456 Grade-III and 268 Grade-IV candidates across the Assam Secretariat, District Administration, and Assam Houses/Bhawans. In addition, seven Stenographer Grade-II (English) were also appointed in the Assam Secretariat during the year 2026.
- 6) The Government has also continued to recognize excellence through prestigious initiatives like the State Civilian Awards - Assam Baibhav, Assam Saurabh, Assam Gaurav and the Lok Sewa Puraskar, which honours dedicated government employees annually.
- 7) Further, significant strides have been made in digitization of archival records. Over 74,000 files have already been digitized during 2025-26, and we aim to digitize 80,000 more files in 2026-27, making them accessible to scholars and researchers.
- 8) The e-office file management system implemented by the Department is now extended to the Governor's Secretariat, all Directorates, all District Commissioner's Offices, all Co-District Offices, all Sub-Divisional Offices and Assam Houses/Bhawans making file movement faster ensuring better accountability and responsibility of Govt. Officials.

- 9) In order to give a sense of Indian identity, to preserve its rich cultural heritage and for fostering Indian identity, the Government had renamed Karimganj District as Sribhumi District and Karimganj Town as Sribhumi Town.
- 10) To reverence to the name of the Great Saint of the soil, Mahapurush Srimanta Sankardev and to signify his contributions to the Society, Government had renamed Sankardev Nagar the Headquarter of Hojai District as Srimanta Sankardev Nagar.
- 11) Purchased 80 flats from Housefed for using as Government quarters at Pragjyotish Nagar, Maligaon.
- 12) As a step to facilitate e-services to the citizen & business establishments, GAD has been according approval for issue of Cinema Licenses for cinemas Like Permanent Mini Cinemas/ Multiplexes to the Licensing Authorities herein the District Commissioners for issue of Cinema License through EoDB Portal as per provision of the Assam Cinema (Regulation) Act, 1953 and Assam Cinema (Regulation) Rules, 1960 as amended.
- 13) To ease the living of the Citizens on the electronic platform, GAD has been providing the services for issuance of Next of kin (NoK) Certificate & Senior Citizen Certificate through RTPS (Sewa Setu) portal with specific time line for disposal of the services at various levels as per guidelines.

Major Projects under General Administration Department in last 3years

Sl No.	Name of Project	Project Cost in Cr.	FWO no and Date	Physical Progress in Percentage	Remarks
Ongoing Works					
1	Reconstruction of Assam Bhawan at No. 1 SP MARG, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi	66.10278	CE/TB-IV/51/2021/49 Dtd. 20/05/2022	65%	Work is in progress.
2	Reconstruction of Assam House at 8-Russel Street, Kolkata	99.91225	CE/TB-IV/101/2021/27 Dtd. 24/05/2022	55.30%	Work is in progress.
3	Construction of Offices of Chief Secretary/Addl. Chief Secretary, Hon'ble Minister's & Convention Centre at CM Secretariat Campus, Dibrugarh, Assam	64.9374	CE/TB-II(Bldg.)/24/2025/35 Dtd. 25/09/2025	8%	Work is in progress.
4	Construction of Moran Bhaban at Guwahati (Phase-II) Dakhingaon, Dispur	4.5	CE/TECH-V/30/2024/15 Dtd. 11/03/2025	60%	Work is in progress.
5	Construction of Integrated DC Office in KAMRUP METRO district	81.2033655	CE/TB-IV/77/2021/22 Dtd. 22/11/2022	95%	Work is in progress.
6	Construction of Integrated DC Office in NALBARI district	49.4523	CE/TB-IV/82/2021/27 Dtd. 1/12/2022	97%	Work is in progress.
7	Construction of Integrated DC Office in BISWANATH district	51.92463	CE/TB-IV/81/2021/14 Dtd. 18/11/2022	99%	Work is in progress.
8	Construction of Integrated DC Office in CHARAIDEO district	50.2466	CE/TB-IV/84/2021/20 Dtd. 01/12/2022	93%	Work is in progress.
9	Construction of Integrated DC Office in GOLAGHAT district	49.4797	CE/TB-IV/79/2021/22 Dtd. 12/12/2022	99%	Work is in progress.
10	Construction of Integrated DC Office in BAKSA district	21.3167	CE/TB-IV/86/2021/23 Dtd. 05/01/2023	64.60%	Work is in progress.
11	Construction of Integrated DC Office in DHEMAJI district	49.898	CE/TB-IV/78/2021/20 Dtd. 06/12/2022	95%	Work is in progress.
12	Construction of Integrated DC Office in DIPHU district	26.0782	CE/TB-IV/87/2021/24 Dtd. 27/01/2023	99%	Work is in progress.
13	Construction of Integrated DC Office in JORHAT district	49.6157	CE/TB-IV/77/2022/29 Dtd. 27/01/2023	85%	Work is in progress.
14	Construction of Integrated DC Office in BAJALI district	48.2274	CE/TB-IV/75/2021/22 Dtd. 21/12/2022	82%	Work is in progress.
15	Construction of Integrated DC Office in CACHAR district	47.8981	CE/TB-IV/83/2021/29 Dtd. 20/03/2023	20%	Work is in progress.
16	Construction of Integrated DC Office in TAMULPUR district	22.0008	CE/TB-IV/80/2022/24 Dtd. 10/08/2023.	99%	Work is in progress.
17	Mini Secreteriat at Silchar	135.071	CE/TB-IV/165/2020/23 Dtd. 28/01/2022.	82%	Work is in progress.

Sl No.	Name of Project	Project Cost in Cr.	FWO no and Date	Physical Progress in Percentage	Remarks
18	Construction of Integrated Directorate Complex at Betkuchi, Guwahati, Assam.	808.4052	CE/TB-IV/89/2021/63 Dtd. 17/10/2022	70%	Work is in progress.
19	Construction of the R.C.C Multistoried (B+G+8) Residential Building at Senior Officer's Colony at Khanapara, Ghy-22.	46.93503	CE/TB-IV/128/2022/Pt/19 Dtd.09/02/2024	19%	Work is in progress.
20	Construction of New Assembly Complex and MLA Hostel at Dibrugarh, Assam	284.0309511	CE/TB-II(Bldg.)/51/2025/32 Dated: 23/02/2026	1%	Work is in progress.
21	Construction of Guest House cum Conference Hall, Hamren, West Karbi Anglong	12.056	CE/TB-II(Bldg.)/79/2025/28 Dated: 17/02/2026	80%	Work is in progress.
22	Circuit House at Sadiya	11.47	CE/TB-VII/12/2023/24 dtd. 16.03.2024	68%	Work is in progress.
23	Circuit House at Nagaon	29.11	CE/TB-VII/23/2024/20 dtd. 05.07.2024	70%	Work is in progress.
24	Circuit House at Majuli	12.61	CE/TB-VII/62/2023/22 dtd. 27.06.2024	60%	Work is in progress.
25	Circuit House at Darrang	12.33	CE/TB-VII/179/2023/52 dtd. 11.03.2025	77%	Work is in progress.
26	Circuit House at Dhemaji	11.62	CE/TB-VII/184/2023/41 dtd. 30.11.2024	60%	Work is in progress.
27	Circuit House at Nalbari	15.49	CE/TB-VII/86/2024/22 dtd. 27.06.2025	17%	Work is in progress.
28	Circuit House at Morigaon	14.52	CE/TB-III(B)/59/2024/24 dtd. 27.02.2026	19%	Work is in progress.
29	Circuit House at Sivasagar	12.33	CE/TB-III(B)/125/2023/50 dtd. 18.09.2025	5%	Work is in progress.
30	Circuit House at Silchar	25.14	CE/TB-VII/12/2024/22 dtd. 19.11.2024	42%	Work is in progress.
31	Circuit House at Tamulpur	9.39	CE/TB-III(B)/87/2025/18 Dated 13-03-2026	1%	Work is in progress.
32	Construction of new Circuit House at Baksa,	11.73			Under Process of allotment
33	Construction of New Circuit House at Udalguri	14.63			
34	Construction of New Circuit House at Tezpur under Sonitpur District	24.77			
35	Construction of Co-District Office (RCC G+4) at Dergaon, Golaghat District, Assam	18.86	CE/TB-VII/25/2025/10 dtd. 16.07.2025	38%	Work is in progress.

Sl No.	Name of Project	Project Cost in Cr.	FWO no and Date	Physical Progress in Percentage	Remarks
36	Construction of Co-District Office (RCC G+4) at Patharkandi , Sribhumi District, Assam	19.42	CE/TB-VII/19/2025/12 dtd. 18.06.2025	37.00%	Work is in progress.
37	Construction of Co-District Office (RCC G+4) at R.K. Nagar , Sribhumi District, Assam	19.41	CE/TB-VII/24/2025/13 dtd. 29.08.2025	37.00%	Work is in progress.
38	Construction of Co-District Office (RCC G+4) at Mahmora , Charaideo District Assam	18.24	CE/TB-VII/18/2025/12 dtd. 19.06.2025	28%	Work is in progress.
39	Construction of Co-District Office (RCC G+4) at Demow	18.96	CE/TB-VII/12/2025/15 dtd. 29.10.2025	27%	Work is in progress.
40	Construction of Co-District Office (RCC G+4) at Lumding	18.42	CE/TB-VII/14/2025/23 dtd. 15.11.2025	25%	Work is in progress.
41	Construction of Co-District Office (RCC G+4) at Laharighat	15.6	CE/TB-VII/21/2025/12 dtd. 18.06.2025	21%	Work is in progress.
42	Construction of Co-District Office (RCC G+4) at Jagiroad	17.9	CE/TB-VII/17/2025/12 dtd. 26.06.2025	19%	Work is in progress.
43	Construction of Co-District Office (RCC G+4) at Golakganj , Dhubri District, Assam	16.87	CE/TB-VII/15/2025/12 dtd. 16.06.2025	15%	Work is in progress.
44	Construction of Co-District Office (RCC G+4) at Goalpara West , Goalpara District, Assam	17.91	CE/TB-VII/16/2025/12 dtd. 16.06.2025	18%	Work is in progress.
45	Construction of Co-District Office (RCC G+4) at Naduar , Sonitpur District, Assam.	18.5	CE/TB-VII/22/2025/08 dtd. 31.07.2025	17%	Work is in progress.
46	Construction of Co-District Office (RCC G+4) at Naharkatia , Dibrugarh District, Assam.	19.39	CE/TB-VII/20/2025/12 dtd. 11.06.2025	1%	Work is in progress.
47	Construction of Co-District Office (RCC G+4) at Dalgaon , Darrang, District, Assam	19.09	CE/TB-III(B)/10/2025/18 dtd. 13.03.2026	0%	Under design stage.
48	Construction of Co-District Office (RCC G+4) at Tingkhong , Dibrugarh District	19.11	CE/TB-VII/11/2025/14 dtd. 10.06.2025	6%	Work is in progress.
49	Construction of Co-District Office (RCC G+4) at Dhekiajuli , Sonitpur District, Assamco	19.07	CE/TB-VII/23/2025/12 dtd. 17.11.2025	0%	20 Bighas of land selected for CDC office however NOC yet to be received. Test Pile work is in progress
50	Construction of Co-District Office (RCC G+4) at Palashbari , Kamrup District, Assam	19.3	CE/TB-III(B)/10/2025/18 dtd. 13.03.2026	0%	Test pile Work is in progress
51	Construction of Co-District Office (RCC G+4) at Sipajhar , Darrang, District, Assam	18.9	CE/TB-VII/09/2025/ dtd. 18.06.2025	0%	Work is in progress. Dismantling work is in progress, SSI & initial pile load test completed

Sl No.	Name of Project	Project Cost in Cr.	FWO no and Date	Physical Progress in Percentage	Remarks
Completed Works					
1	Construction of New Governor's Residence at Kharghuli, Guwahati, Assam	41.3251	CE/TB-IV/82/2022/30 Dtd. 22/02/2023	100%	Work is completed.
2	Construction of the Annexe-II Building with Extended Floors and including Interior and Furnishing works at Dispur, Guwahati-06.	94.4636402	CE/TB-IV/74/2021/25 Dtd. 07/03/2022	100%	Work is completed.
3	Construction of the Annexe-II Building with Extended Floors and Including Interior and Furnishing Works at Dispur, Guwahati-06. (Additional Estimate for Providing Furniture and Work Stations)".	6.9925702	CE/TB-II(Bldg.)/58/2025/29 Dtd. 20/11/2025	100%	Work is completed.
4	CONSTRUCTION OF MULTI-STORIED ASSAM BHAWAN COMPLEX INCLUDING CONVENTION CENTRE AT BANGALORE, KARNATAKA (BALANCE WORKS)	71.2363216	CE/TB-IV/75/2021/34 Dtd. 19/05/2022	100%	Work is completed.
5	Construction of Proposed Integrated Sub- Divisional Office at Rangia in Kamrup	17.9219	CE/TB-IV/85/2022/30 Dtd. 23/02/2023	100%	Work is completed.
6	Construction of Integrated DC Office in BONGAIGAON district	49.7878	CE/TB-IV/80/2021/19 Dtd. 18/11/2022	100%	Work is completed.
7	Construction of New Assam House at Sector 13, Dwarka, New Delhi	21.65576	CE/TB-IV/69/2021/33 Dtd. 10/03/2022	100%	Work is completed.
8	Proposed Construction of DC Bungalow of Kamrup(Rural) at Amingaon	5.7388253	SMC/44/2021/22 Dtd. 11/01/2022	100%	Work is completed.
9	Circuit House at Biswanath	12.17	CE/TB-VII/144/2022/19 dtd. 29.11.2022	100%	Work is completed.
10	Circuit House at Tinsukia	20.63	CE/TB-VII/31/2024/18 dtd. 16.03.2024	100%	Work is completed.
11	Circuit House at Barpeta	13.56	CE/TB-VII/27/2024/18 dtd. 19.09.2024	100%	Work is completed.
12	Circuit House at Hailakandi	12.64	CE/TB-VII/122/2023/17 dtd. 10.07.2024	100%	Work is completed.

Action Taken Report against Recommendation of 22nd Report of DRSC (Grant No.12& 21) held on 21.3.2025

Sl. No.	Recommendation made by DRSC	Action taken by GAD/PWD(B)
1	The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for increasing the allotment of Government quarters to the employees of Assam Legislative Assembly Secretariat and to venture all possibilities in this connection including allotment of lands on a priority basis.	Presently, 91 nos. of Assam Legislative Assembly (ALA) employees are occupying the Govt. Quarters. Further, due to demolition of quarters at Supermarket complex, General Administration Department (GAD) is presently facing acute shortage of Government residential quarters. Despite the shortage, the Department has been allotting Govt. Quarters to the employees of ALA from time to time through the Quarter Allotment Meetings. To augment the availability of Government residential quarters, and in pursuance of the decision taken in the Cabinet meeting held on 18.5.2022, a Residential Housing Project at Pachim Boragaon, Guwahati, is currently under construction. Further, the Department has requested the PWD (Bldg.) Department to submit the Plan and Estimate for the construction of new multi-storied Government residential quarters within the available land at the Dispur Super Market area and the Rukminigaon area. After completion of construction works as mentioned above, GAD shall be able to provide adequate quarters to ALA employees based on the availability of quarters.
2	The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps to improve the standard of food items served in the canteens of Assam Bhawans situated in different States of India and issue necessary directions to the concerned for serving traditional Assamese food items in traditional brass utensils.	To improve the food quality and inclusion of Assamese cuisine at the canteen of Assam Bhawan, New Delhi, the Resident Commissioner, Assam Bhawan, New Delhi has been instructed. The Authorities of other Bhawans are also being instructed to follow the same instructions. Further, regarding the canteen of Assam Bhawan, New Delhi, it is to note that a penalty of Rs. 50,000/- was imposed on Maihang Restaurant for lapses of the conditions in their contract. Now, M/s Sai One Group has been engaged for providing catering services at Assam House New Delhi w.e.f. 20.4.2026 incorporating the terms and conditions as suggested for providing quality food items.

3	The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps to ensure that the MLA's quarters proposed to be constructed in Dibrugarh for accommodation of Hon'ble Members during Assembly Sessions should be constructed as Hotel type Rooms so that during off session period the rooms can be rented and the Govt. can earn considerable revenue.	The matter has been initiated by P.W(Building) Department. CE, P.W(Building) Department has informed that, EE Dibrugarh has been requested to take necessary action for the proposed modification and information in consultation with the EPC contractor and consultant regarding the proposed modification.
4	The committee recommends the department to take necessary steps regarding construction of Circuit Houses/IB's in all co-districts of Assam including Lumding, Pakabetbari and Orang town area at an early date	The matter has been initiated by P.W (Building) Department. CE, PW(Building) Department has informed that, 20 Nos of Circuit Houses have already been taken up for construction, out of which construction of 4 nos of Circuit Houses have been completed, 10 nos. of Circuit Houses are currently in progress and 3 Circuit Houses are presently under tendering process. Further, the DPR for the remaining 3 Circuit Houses will be submitted to the Government in PWD for sanction. Further, Chief Engineer, P.W (Building) Department has also informed that, no any correspondence has been received from concerned department regarding construction of Circuit Houses at Lumding, Pakabetbari and Orang. (Detail report is enclosed as Annexure -I). The construction of Inspection Bungalows (IBs) at various locations in Assam has been taken up, as detailed in Annexure-II. The IBs at Lumding, Pakabetbari, and Orang Town fall under the jurisdiction of the PWD (Roads) Department. However, based on the recommendation of the Hon'ble MLA of 64 No. Lumding LAC, necessary steps have been initiated for preparation of DPR for the up- gradation of the Lanka Inspection Bungalow from the Hojai District Territorial Building division and will be submitted for sanction.

5	The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for construction of a Guest House at Bijni and Balipara under Rangapara LAC	The matter has been initiated by P.W (Building) Department. CE, P.W (Building) Department has informed that, Senior Architect (B) was requested to make arrangement for engagement of DPR Consultant vide letter No.I/11/117028/2025 Dated 10-06-2025. Also, the EE of the concerned divisions were requested to initiate arrangements for acquisition of encumbrance free land in consultation with the concerned Circle Officer vide the same Letter No. in response to the above mentioned letter, the EE of Sonitpur District Territorial Building Division, Tezpur vide Letter No.MISC-01/PB/Other Deptt./2024-25/910 dated 30.06.2026 informed that it requested the Co-District Commissioner, Rangapara for identification and allotment of suitable land for the project at Balipara but no suitable Govt. land was allotted to the Division till date. The AEE of Chirang District Territorial Building Sub-division also informed that it had requested the Circle Officer of Bijni Rev.Circle to allot a suitable plot of land for the proposed construction at Bijni vide letter No.M-8/CHR(B)/2022-23/497 dated 24.01.2026. DPR Consultant engaged for the preparation of DPRs. (Consultant- Space Ace) as per No. CE/BLDG/ARC-B/43/2026/09 dated 25/05/2026 for Balipara; No. CE/BLDG/ARC-B/42/2026/09 dated 25/05/2026 for Bijni engaged for the preparation of DPR. (Consultant- Space Ace).
6	The Committee recommends the department to take necessary steps for construction of IB's at Gharmurah on the site of Old damaged IB under Katlichera LAC area at an early date.	CE, P.W (Building) Department has informed that, The IB at Gharmurah under Katlichera LAC, Hailakandi is under the jurisdiction of PWRD. Accordingly, PWRD has been requested to take necessary action.
7	The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for construction of a Guest House at Thaisofa G.P., Kaki under Lumding LAC.	The matter has been initiated by P.W (Building) Department. CE, P.W (Building) Department has informed that, Sr. Architect (B) was requested to make arrangement for engagement of DPR Consultant vide Letter No.I/1107028/2025 dated 10.06.2025. Also, the EE of the concerned division was requested to initiate arrangements for acquisition of encumbrance free land in consultation with the concerned Circle Officer vide the same Letter No. in response to the above-mentioned letter, the concerned EE, vide Letter No. EE/HDTBD/T-132/2026-27 dated 02.07.2026 informed that it requested the Co-District Commissioner, Lumding to identify and confirm 2 (two) Bighas of encumbrance free land for the proposed construction, but no response was received from their end till date. DPR Consultant engaged for the preparation of DPR. (Consultant- Space Ace) as per No. CE/BLDG/ARC-B/44/2026/09 dated 25/05/2026.

Annexure -I

Sl. No	Name of the Work	Project Cost (Cr.)	Status
1	Circuit House at Biswanath	12.98	Completed
2	Circuit House at Tinsukia	20.63	
3	Circuit House at Barpeta	14.00	
4	Circuit House at Hailakandi	12.76	
5	Circuit House at Sadiya	11.95	Work is in progress.Physical Progress-68%
6	Circuit House at Nagaon	25.73	Work is in progress.Physical Progress-70%
7	Circuit House at Majuli	13.84	Work is in progress.Physical Progress-60%
8	Circuit House at Darrang	12.77	Work is in progress.Physical Progress-77%
9	Circuit House at Dhemaji	12.81	Work is in progress.Physical Progress-60%
10	Circuit House at Nalbari	18.11	Work is in progress.Physical Progress-16.5%
11	Circuit House at Morigaon	15	Work is in progress.Physical Progress-19%
12	Circuit House at Sivasagar	12.77	Work is in progress.Physical Progress-5%
13	Circuit House at Silchar	26	Work is in progress.Physical Progress-42%
14	Circuit House at Tamulpur	9.71	Work is in progress.Physical Progress-1%
15	Construction of new Circuit House at Baksa,	11.73	Under Process of allotment
16	Construction of New Circuit House at Udalguri	14.63	
17	Construction of New Circuit House at Tezpur under Sonitpur District	24.77	
18	Construction of Circuit House at Titabor in Jorhat District	14.46	DPR will be submitted to Government for sanction.
19	Construction of Circuit House at Hatsingimari, South Salmara Mankachar District	15	
20	Construction of Circuit House at Sonari, Charaideo District	15	

Annexure -II			
Sl. No	Name of the Work	Project Cost (Cr.)	Status
1	Construction of IB at Goghrapar, Nalbari.	4.96	Work is in progress.Physical Progress-99%
2	Construction of IB at Tangla, Udalguri	4.23	Work is in progress.Physical Progress-99%
3	Construction of IB at Narayanpur, Lakhimpur District	4.171	Work is in progress.Physical Progress- 78%
4	Construction of IB at Dotma,Korajhar	4.23	Work is in progress.Physical Progress-1%
5	Construction of IB at Tezpur	4.99	DPR submitted to Govt. for sanction on 22.05.2026
6	Construction of IB at Gumrah,Katigora	3.32	DPR will be re-submitted to Government for sanction.
7	Construction of IB at Moran,Dibrugarh	14.93	
8	Construction of IB at Milanpur,Nalbari	11.4	
9	Conservation,Restoration and upgradation of Amguri IB Complex,Kaliabor, Nagaon.	8.63	
10	Construction of IB at RCC G+AT(Assam Type) Chapor IB,Dhubri	2.85	
11	Construction of IB at Dak Bunglow PWD IB at Khairabari	2.39	DPR return to the concerned Division for re-submission
12	Construction of IB at Japarjan, Karbi Anglong.	4.99	
13	Construction of IB at Hidipi, Karbi Anglong.	4.99	
14	Construction of IB at Silonijan, Karbi Anglong.	4.99	DPR will be submitted to Govt. Soon.
15	Construction of IB at Sonari, Charaideo.	6.1	

GRANT NOS. 12 & 21
GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT
OBSERVATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2026-27

1. The Committee after detailed deliberation observes that there has been a major delay in the construction of staff residential quarters for the officials of Govt. of Assam.

The Committee therefore recommends the Department to furnish a clear timeline for completion of the residential quarters and allot suitable number of quarters for employees of Assam Legislative Assembly Secretariat on a priority basis.

2. The Committee observes that the condition of the Assam Houses/Bhawans across different States are in a very dilapidated condition lacking the basic hygiene, cleanliness, poor catering services and other necessary facilities.

The Committee therefore recommends the Department to look into the matters and take necessary steps to improve the overall services and offer traditional Assamese cuisine of standard quality and provide essential amenities to ensure a comfortable stay for the public representatives, officials and also general public.

3. The Committee recommends the Department to take up the matter with the Finance Department Govt. of Assam regarding release of funds for the construction of the new MLA quarters in Old MLA Hostel, Dispur and take all necessary steps to complete the project within 8 (eight) months to provide residential facilities for the Hon'ble Members.
4. The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for the construction of Inspection Bungalow (IB) at Balajan under Gauripur LAC and Circuit House/IB and Co-District office under Pakabetbari, LAC at an early date.
5. The Committee recommends the Department for construction of a new Guest House at Fakiragram under Baokhungri LAC, at an early date.

The Committee further recommends that immediate steps should be taken for the repair and renovation of the existing Circuit House at Kokrajhar and Gossaigaon as it is in a dilapidated condition.

6. The Committee recommends the Department for construction of 7 (seven) new quarters for ADC and Assistant Commissioner in Udalguri District.

The Committee recommends that the Budget allocation provided under Grant Nos.12 & 21 for the Financial Year 2026-2027 for the General Administration Department be approved by the August House.

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**DEPARTMENTALLY RELATED STANDING COMMITTEE
ON DEVELOPMENT (A) DEPARTMENTS**

ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

(SIXTEENTH ASSEMBLY)

**DEMANDS FOR GRANT NOS. 31, 32, 34, 44 & 73 FOR THE
YEAR 2026-27**

**DEPARTMENT: HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS
DEPARTMENT**

TWENTY SEVENTH REPORT

Presented to the House on 22nd July, 2026

**ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT
DISPUR : : GUWAHATI- 781006**

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**COMPOSITION OF THE DEPARTMENTALLY RELATED
STANDING COMMITTEE ON
DEVELOPMENT (A) DEPARTMENTS,
2026-27**

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6. Shri Akshay Chandra Baishya, Superintendent.

INTRODUCTION

1. I, as Chairperson of the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (A) Departments having been authorized by the Committee to submit the Report on their behalf, present this **Twenty Seventh Report** on Demands for **Grant Nos. 31, 32, 34, 44 & 73** relating to **Housing & Urban Affairs Department** for the financial year 2026-27
2. The Committee has considered the Demands for **Grant Nos. 31, 32, 34, 44 & 73** on the Budget Estimates for the year 2026-27 in its meeting held on **16th July, 2026**.
3. The Committee has been befitted with the assistance rendered by the Government representatives during the course of examination of the Budget Estimates under the aforementioned Grants for the year 2026-27. The Committee has formulated its observations taking into consideration the valuable submission rendered by official witnesses during the course of consideration of the Budget Estimates.
4. The Committee would also like to place on record their deep sense of appreciation for the invaluable assistance rendered to them by the officials of Assam Legislative Assembly Secretariat attached to the Committee.
5. The Committee has considered the Draft Reports on 18th July, 2026 and approved it on the same day.

Place : Dispur
The 18th July, 2026.

Rupak Sarmah
Chairperson,
Departmentally Related Standing Committee
on Development (A) Departments,
Assam Legislative Assembly.

CHAPTER- I

HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS GRANT NOS. 31, 32, 34 & 73

The Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (A) Departments in its meeting held on 16th July, 2026 examined the papers and documents received from the concerned department and took evidence of the Departmental representative. Besides, the Committee considered the Action Taken Report on the recommendations contained in the **26th Report** in addition to the scrutiny of the Budget provision. The Budget under Grant Nos.31, 32, 34 & 73 relating to **Housing & Urban Affairs Department** for the Financial Year 2026-27 as follows :

Grant No. 31 Relating to Housing & Urban Affairs (Town & Country Planning)

(Rupees in Lakhs)

	Revenue	Capital	Total
			Budget Estimate 2026-27
Voted	45367.16	36299.30	81666.46
Charged	0.00	0.00	0.00

Out of the total budget provision of Rs.81666.46 Lakhs, Rs.45367.16 Lakhs and Rs. 36299.30 Lakhs have been earmarked under the Revenue and Capital Head respectively.

Grant No. 32 Relating to Housing & Urban Affairs (Housing Schemes)

(Rupees in Lakhs)

	Revenue	Capital	Total
			Budget Estimate 2026-27
Voted	868.95	0.00	868.95
Charged	0.00	0.00	0.00

Out of the total budget provision of Rs.868.95 Lakhs has been earmarked under the Revenue and Capital Head respectively.

Grant No. 34 Relating to Housing & Urban Affairs (Municipal Administration)

(Rupees in Lakhs)

	Revenue	Capital	Total
			Budget Estimate 2026-27
Voted	52790.01	19340.93	72130.94
Charged	0.00	0.00	0.00

Out of the total budget provision of Rs. 72130.94 Lakhs, Rs.52790.01 Lakhs and Rs.19340.93 Lakhs have been earmarked under the Revenue and Capital Head respectively.

Grant No.73 Relating to Housing & Urban Affairs (Guwahati Development)

(Rupees in Lakhs)

	Revenue	Capital	Total
			Budget Estimate 2026-27
Voted	13919.12	272763.30	286682.42
Charged	0.00	0.00	0.00

Out of the total budget provision of Rs.286682.42 Lakhs, Rs.13919.12 Lakhs and Rs.272763.30 Lakhs have been earmarked under the Revenue and Capital Head respectively.

CHAPTER- II

PRELIMINARY STATUS PAPER RELATING TO GRANT NOS. 31,32,34,44 & 73

The major projects/schemes/programme taken up for implementation in Urban Areas of Assam Under Grant No.31.

Preparation of Master Plan: The Directorate of Town & Country Planning plays a pivotal role in guiding the planned and systematic growth of urban centres across Assam. Its primary role is the preparation of Master Plans for notified urban areas under the Assam Town & Country Planning Act, 1959 (as amended).

Out of the 104 notified towns (including Guwahati and North Guwahati), 77 Final Master Plans have been notified, while 27 Master Plans prepared are in draft stage,.

However, as mandated by State Government and also as an approach towards climate resilient cities, this Directorate is also assigned with preparation and implementation of Drainage Master Plans, Creation of Urban Forests as well as preservation and Conservation of Water Bodies for mitigation of flash floods in the towns and cities of Assam.

During the financial year 2026-27, an amount of **Rs.84.00 lakh** is proposed for preparation of Physical Master Plan & Drainage Master Plan in GIS environment applying DGPS LiDAR technology, implementation of the Online Building Permission System etc.

Implementation of Master Plan : In accordance with provision of Assam Town & Country Planning Act 1959 (as amended), Development Authorities are constituted by the Govt. So far State Govt. has constituted 24 numbers of Development Authorities implementation of Master Plan and development of Master Plan areas in Assam. The main functions of Development Authority are implementation of provision of Master Plan of the town as well as to enforce the Zoning Regulations and development of infrastructures in in the Master Plan areas outside the Municipal areas.

Moreover, the Online Building Permission System (OBPAS) was ceremonially launched on 15th December, 2025 for the notified Master Plan Areas of the state. It will be extended in phases to cover all newly notified Master Plan areas across Assam. The online platform will make the building permission process more transparent, simple and faster benefitting the general public.

Further, Mukhya Mantrir Sohoj Griha Nirman Achoni (MMSGNA) is also extended to 29 Master Plan areas under which residential buildings up-to Ground+2 floors in plot areas upto 670.00 m² as a part of implementation of the Master Plans in the State. It is to be stated that, OBPS and MMSGNA will further be extended to other and new Master Plan areas as and when Final Master Plans are being notified by Government time to time.

City Infrastructure Development Fund (CIDF) :

The Govt. of Assam in Department of Housing and Urban Affairs has been implementing urban development scheme namely –City Infrastructure Development Fund (CIDF) for the infrastructure development of 15 towns excluding Guwahati. At present 223 projects with involvement of Rs.103464.05 lakh have been taken up for implementation and Govt. of Assam has released an amount of Rs. 77728.60 lakh for the ongoing and completed projects under SOPD. Out of total sanctioned projects, so far 165 projects have been completed. Government has decided to complete all ongoing projects and committed to clear all past liabilities.

During the year 2026-27, an amount of **Rs.7774.68 lakh** is proposed to be utilised for implementation of the ongoing & physically completed projects under CIDF.

Sl.No	Component	Facts and figures
1	Total no. of project taken up	223
2	Total amount of financial liability/ allocation	Rs.103464.05 lakh
3	Total no. of project completed	165
4	Total amount of fund released	Rs. 77728.60 lakh
5	Total amount proposed for FY 2026-27	Rs. 7774.68 lakh

Infrastructure Development in Other Towns:

Under this programme, it is proposed to implement drainage project at Silchar and Moran to mitigate the urban artificial flood. During 2026-27, an amount of Rs. 2000.00 lakh is proposed to be utilized for implementation of the New drainage project.

Bilasipara Water Supply Scheme: The Bilasipara Town Water Supply Project has been taken up under AMRUT 2.0 to provide a safe, reliable, and continuous drinking water supply to Bilasipara Municipal Board.

The work order was awarded on 12th March 2024 for ₹32.90 crore, (Capex: ₹30.21 crores; Operation & Maintenance (O&M) 2.69 crores).

Sonari Water Supply Project: The Sonari Town Water Supply Project has been taken up under AMRUT 2.0 to provide a safe, reliable, and continuous drinking water supply to Sonari Municipal Board.

The work order was awarded on 22nd August 2024 for Rs 29,71,25,802.00 (Capex – Rs 26,38,72,902.00 O&M – Rs 3,32,52,900.00).

Bihpuria Water Supply Scheme: The Bihpuria Town Water Supply Project has been taken up under AMRUT 2.0 to provide a safe, reliable, and continuous drinking water supply to the residents of Bihpuria Municipal Board.

The work order was awarded on 14th March 2024 for a total cost of Rs 21,77,06,123.00 (Capex –Rs 19,41,40,858.00 O&M – Rs 2,35,65,265.00).

The project components are as follows:

Component	Scope	Physical Progress	Financial Progress
Intake	Ground water, 1 Deep Tube Well	83%	67%
Raw water main	602 m		
One new Water Treatment plant	1.25 MLD		
One augmentation of existing Water Treatment plant	1.05 MLD		
One elevated Service Reservoir	700 cum		
Clear water main	35 m		
Distribution network	34.852 km		
House service connection	3845		

The project is expected to be completed by March 2027.

Lanka Water Supply Scheme: The Lanka Town Water Supply Project has been taken up under AMRUT 2.0 to provide a safe, reliable, and sustainable drinking water supply of Lanka Municipal Board.

The work order was awarded on 26th February 2025 for a total cost of Rs. 26,39,29,760.00 (Capex –Rs 23,66,94,760.00 O&M – Rs 2,72,35,000.00).

The project components are as follows:

Component	Scope	Physical Progress	Financial Progress
Intake	Ground water, 2 Deep Tube Well	62.80 %	55.40 %
Raw water main	2217 m		
One augmentation of existing Water Treatment plant	3.6 MLD		
Two elevated Service Reservoir	700cum each		
Clear water main	2196 m		
Distribution network	37.063 km		
House service connection	2960 nos.		

The project is expected to be completed by March 2027.

In the year 2021, Govt. of Assam constituted Technical Cell under Department of Housing & Urban Affairs vide Notification No. UDD(T) 58/2021/32, dated 23/07/2021 with Chief Engineer office at Guwahati with 6(six) Division offices namely –

- (i) Upper Assam Division
- (ii) North Assam Division
- (iii) Middle Assam Division
- (iv) Lower Assam Division
- (v) West Assam Division
- (vi) Barak Valley Division

In the budget Speech 2022-23, Urban Infrastructure Development Fund was introduced for use primarily for shifting of old jails and creating open spaces, Building Auditorium with a seating capacity upto 1000, Water Supply Projects and Solid Waste Management Scheme and Inter State Bus Terminus and Budget provisions have been made under the Grant No.31.

The major projects/schemes/programme taken up for implementation in Urban Areas of Assam Under Grant no. 32

Scheme/Project Name	Physical progress	Financial progress	Remarks
Construction of Rental Housing Scheme (RHS) for Govt. Officers/employees at Dibrugarh for ASHB	42%	Nil	(a) No.of units=12, Nos., Floor Area=374.00 sq.m x 3 = 1122.00 sq.m (b) On-going
Construction of 1(one) No. RCC building under Rental Housing Scheme for Gr-III Govt. Employees for the year 2022-23 under State Funding Priority Development at Tinsukia	80%	Rs.2.4869	(a) No.of units=16, Nos., Floor Area=286.16 sq.m x 4 = 1146.44 sq.m (b) On-going
Construction of 1(one) No. RCC building under Rental Housing Scheme for Gr-IV Govt. Employees for the year 2022-23 under State Funding Priority Development at Tinsukia	80%		(a) No.of units=16, Nos., Floor Area=228.76 sq.m x 4 = 915.04 sq.m (b) On-going

The major projects/ schemes/ programme taken up for implementation in Urban Areas of Assam Under Grant no.34.

1. Under DMA

Name of scheme	Physical Target	Physical Progress	Financial Progress	Achievement
a) Infrastructure Development in ULBs (4217-03-051-1589-000-43-99 SOPD G)				
i) Construction of drains in ULBs	35.6 km	24.8 km. (69.66%)	Rs. 2520.66 lakhs (47.56%)	Reducing water logging problem and improvement of drainage network in ULBs after conversion of kutchha drains into RCC covered drains.
ii) Procurement of 2 nos. of Super Sucker under Dibrugarh MC		100%	Rs. 498.00 lakhs (100%)	Improves drain clearance and sewer maintenance works with higher operational efficiency. This also reduce urban flooding.
iii) Construction of Dwelling units at Horizon Colony under Nalbari MB	1 Project	100%	Rs. 103.28 lakhs (100%)	Accommodation with modern basic facilities are provided in the Dwelling units of Safai Karmacharies of Nalbari MB for improve living condition.
iv) Construction of office building in the ULBs	5 nos. of office buildings in 5 newly created ULBs	64%	Rs. 378.46 lakhs (24.20 %)	This new office buildings will create a better working environment, citizen centric municipal services delivery and better administrative efficiency.
b) Street Light to ULBs (4217-60-051-0103-000-13-01 SOPD G)	7022 nos. of solar street lighting system	7022 units	Rs. 7499.50 lakhs	Efficient street lighting system to improve road safety and public security etc. with no Electric energy bill.

	9007 nos. LED street lighting system and CCMS system	8299 units	Nil	Energy efficient and remotely monitor and control street lighting system.
c) Safai Karmacharies Insurance Fund (2217-80-192-7223-000-32-01 SOPD G)	4301 nos. of beneficiaries	4301 nos. of beneficiaries	Rs. 16.31 lakhs (100%)	To provide insurance coverage and financial protection to Safai Karmacharis, ensuring their welfare and social security

The major projects/ schemes/ programme taken up for implementation in Urban Areas of Assam Under Grant no.73

Scheme Description

1. Improvement of Infrastructure of Guwahati City-Transfer of fund for Infrastructural Assets-Normal
2. Guwahati Metropolitan Development Authority-Grants-in-aid General (Non-Salary)
3. Construction of working Women Hostels under Special Assistance to States for Capital Investment
4. Development of Silsako Beel along with peripheral Road (Cost of land acquisition)
5. Rejuvenation, Bioremediation of Silsako Beel, Guwahati, Assam under PMKSY-HKKP-RRR (Central Share)
6. Rejuvenation, Bioremediation and Sustainable Conservation of Silsako Beel under funding of PMKSY-HKKP-RRR (State Share)
7. GMC Employees' Pension-Grants-in-aid General (Non-Salary)-Others
8. Guwahati Municipal Corporation-Mission Flood Free-Grants-in-aid General (Non-Salary)-Others
9. Guwahati Municipal Corporation-Guwahati Utilities Company Ltd.-Payment Of Energy Charge to APDCL, Installation & Repairing of Street lights-Grants-in-aid General (Non-Salary)-Others
10. Guwahati Municipal Corporation-Pay proceed of Motor Vehicle Tax collected in Guwahati to GMC-Grants-in-aid General (Non-Salary)-Others.
11. Guwahati Municipal Corporation-Mission Flood Free-Transfer of fund for Infrastructural Assets-Normal
12. "Improvement of Infrastructure of Guwahati City-Null-Transfer of fund for Infrastructural Assets-Normal (GMC)"
13. Award of State Finance Commission-Guwahati Municipal Corporation-Grants-in-aid General (Non-Salary)-Arrears
14. Award of State Finance Commission-Guwahati Municipal Corporation-Grants-in-aid General (Non-Salary)-Others
15. Direct Grant (under the Award of 6th ASFC)-Guwahati Municipal Corporation-Grants-in-aid General (Non-Salary)-Arrears
16. Direct Grant (under the Award of 6th ASFC)-Guwahati Municipal Corporation-Grants-in-aid General (Non-Salary)-Others
17. Guwahati Metropolitan Drinking & Sewerage Board
18. 107 MLD South Guwahati West Water Supply Project
19. Balance work for South Central and North Guwahati Water Supply Project
20. JICA Assisted Guwahati Water Supply Project (GWSP)
21. JICA Assisted Guwahati Swerage Project (GSP)

AUIDFCL was established by the Government of Assam under the Department of Housing & Urban Affairs as a dedicated nodal institution to strengthen urban infrastructure development across the State. It was created to address the challenges of rapid urbanization, infrastructure gaps, weak municipal finances, and limited institutional capacity of Urban Local Bodies (ULBs). AUIDFCL serves as the State Level Nodal Agency for National Urban Missions and Externally Aided Projects, supporting project planning, financing, implementation, capacity building, and urban reforms. Its role is to mobilize financial resources, provide technical and institutional support, and ensure sustainable, resilient, and efficient urban infrastructure and service delivery across Assam.

The Government of India intends to transform 100 Indian cities into Smart Cities. Guwahati was one of the twenty cities to be selected in the first round of smart cities challenge. In this context, Guwahati has incorporated a special purpose vehicle (SPV) – Guwahati Smart City Limited (GSCL) (the “Authority”) to plan, design, implement, coordinate and monitor the smart city projects in Guwahati. GSCL is a company incorporated under Indian Companies Act 2013 with equal shareholding from Govt. of Assam. The SPV has been established on 11th May, 2016.

The basic objective of GSCL is the Development of ABD Modules and PAN City proposal with core infrastructure elements such as sanitation, including solid waste management, efficient urban mobility and public transport, robust IT connectivity and digitalization, good governance, especially e-Governance and citizen participation, sustainable environment, safety and security of citizens, particularly women, children and the elderly, Flood resilient city, proper smart illumination of the city.

PHYSICAL TARGET ACHIEVED DURING LAST THREE YEARS Grant No. 31

Master Plan: Preparation of master plans is the core function of Directorate of Town and Country Planning. The most essential purpose of the Master Plan is to ensure support the ULBs to streamline urban growth along with adequate circulation and utilities. The master plan allows for sustainable use of available urban lands and conservation of green spaces and water bodies. Till date 74 Master Plan have already been completed on GIS and final notifications have been made.

Type of Master Plan	No of Master Plans
Master Plan Final Notification	77
Master Plan Draft notified	27
Drainage Master Plan Completed	4 (Rangia, Dhekiajuli, Moran (pt), Makum)
Drainage Master Plan Undergoing	6 (Nagaon, Silchar, Mongoldoi, Sipajhar, Palashbari, Dibrugarh (Pt))

GIS GeoHub: The GIS GeoHub is a technical cell created within Directorate of Town & Country Planning for taking up the mapping, survey and analysis works of T&CP with latest technologies and GIS software. It also supports other verticals of DoHUA and various authorities in GIS related works, data sharing etc.

Establishment of Assam Urban Knowledge Hub (AUKH)

The Assam Urban Knowledge Hub has been created under this Directorate to act as the “think tank” and repository of urban planning experts for preparation of projects, DPR etc. and for implementing the various urban reforms undertaken in DoHUA.

Implementation of Major projects under City Infra Development Fund (CIDF):

Out of total 223 sanctioned projects, during last three years 76 nos project have been completed by utilizing an amount of Rs. 50071.42 lakh.

**Total regular employment provided by the Department during last three year : 102 Nos.
Major policy initiatives undertaken and new Legislation enacted.**

1. Town & Country Planning has been restructured by abolishing 236 posts out of which 103 posts abolished immediately and created only 19 posts.
2. Assam Urban Water bodies (preservation and Conservation) Act, 2024 has been notified to mitigate urban flooding and protect urban centres and water bodies. It will provide for preservation, protection, rejuvenation, conservation, regulation and maintenance of water bodies. In the year 2025,in phase I, 18 Master Plan areas are covered for preparation of schedules and further 20 Master Plan areas are proposed in phase II in 2026 for preparation of schedule.

**STATUS AND BRIEF REPORT ON GRANT NOS.31, 32, 34 & 73 ON THE
RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DRSC
OBSERVATION & RECOMMENDATIONS**

POINT NO.	RECOMMENDATION AND OBSERVATION	ACTION TAKEN REPORT
1	The Committee recommends the Department to take adequate measures for creating awareness among the general public regarding the Schemes/projects implemented by the Department.	<u>Implementing Agency:</u> <u>DMA</u> ULBs are directed to publish all Government schemes/projects through print, electronic, social media and ULBs' websites for creating awareness among general public. Urban citizens are now using a dedicated online portal for availing different Municipal Services like self-assessment and payment of Property tax, availing Trade licenses, booking of Cesspool cleaners, water connection etc.
2	The Committee recommends the Department to consider taking up projects for construction of new Housing Complexes.	<u>Implementing Agency:</u> <u>ASHB</u> Assam State Housing Board has identified the following 3(three) location for taking up project for construction of new housing complexes in phase wise: 1. Silchar(Paragana Barakpar) - 8K-11.7Ch (6287 sq.ft.) 2. Dibrugarh- (i) Milannagar - 2B-15 Ls (ii) Na-Hazari - 4B-4K 3. Jorhat (Kumar Kaibarta) - 1B In 1st phase project "Construction of Rental Housing Scheme (RHS) for Govt. officers/employees at Dibrugarh" with project cost of Rs.3.56 crore under SOPD fund in Dibrugarh Milannagar (Mancotta) has been started during the financial year 2025-26. Up to date physical progress of the project is 50%. The project will be completed during the financial year 2026-27. Regarding Silchar and Jorhat land is available with ASHB. However, work will be started as and when fund is available.
3	- The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps at an early date to renovate the Auditorium of District Library and Gandhi Maidan under UIDF in Silchar. - The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for installing street lights in Silchar city.	3. <u>Implementing Agency: Technical Cell, DoHUA</u> The Technical Cell, Department of Housing & Urban Affairs, will take necessary steps to visit the sites immediately and take up the matter with Govt. of Assam in DoHUA for taking up the project soon based on availability of budget provision.

	The Committee recommends the Department to take special measures regarding the supply of clean water in Silchar city.	4. <u>Implementing Agency: DMA & GUCL</u> <u>Action taken by DMA</u> To Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning (SITC) of Smart LED Street lighting System and Smart Decorative LED street lighting system and CCMS system in Silchar MC, a project was undertaken for Rs. 4,38,52,787.00. Accordingly, Administrative approval was accorded during the FY 2025-26. The scheme was implemented by GUCL. 100 % works were completed. <u>Action taken by GUCL</u> Installation of 810 Smart LED Streetlights with Centralized Command and Monitoring System (CCMS) has been completed under Directorate of Municipal Administration under AA/MDB_2025-26(I)_547 and HOA Code: 4217-60-051-0103-000-13-01-SOPD-G-V-GA. 5. <u>Implementing Agency: AMRUT</u> The Silchar Water Supply Project was commenced on 13.07.2020 and was successfully commissioned and handed over to the Silchar Municipal Corporation on 13.05.2026 The Silchar Water Supply Project Ph II under AMRUT 2.0 was commenced on 14.03.24 and the scheduled date of completion is 31.12.26. (details enclosed at Annexure-A) 6. <u>Implementing Agency: DMA</u> A proposal is under consideration for renovation/re-construction works of the A, B, C, D & E buildings situated in Fatak Bazaar, Silchar city under Urban Challenge Fund.
4	The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps looking at the feasibility as stated hereunder regarding the provision of drainage for Bijni LAC under Urban area:- a) Construction of RCC Drain From Irrigation office to Bijni Gerukbari PWD Road Cannel via Judicial Court Bijni.	Under the jurisdiction of Welfare of Bodoland Department.

	b) Construction of RCC Pucca drain cum foot path along Bijni Panbari PWD Road (from Kulen Pathak to Town Boundary with Required Piling/Filling at Motilal Bogariya M.V School). c) Construction of RCC Pucca drain cum foot path along East Side Bijni Gerukabari PWD Road (from Kamala Press to main out let cannal of Dhanshing Basumatary Road). d) Construction in Extension of Main water outlet canal along West side of Bijni Gerukabari PWD Road. e) Construction in Extension of Main water outlet canal from AKRSU Office Dulani river Via Dhanshing Basumatyary Road. f) Construction of RCC Pucca Main Drain along North side of Railway Track from Railway gate to River Dulani with one Switch Gate Gate Cum protection wall at Extreme point. g) Construction of RCC Pucca main Drain along South Side of Railway Track from Railway gate to River Dulani with one Switch Gate Gate Cum protection wall at Extreme point. h) Construction of RCC Pucca drain cum foot path along G.N.B Road (from Atul Deb Ray Junction point of GNB & Bijni Panbari Road.). i) Construction in Extension of RCC Drain along R.P Das Road in ward No-4 from Thengphakhri Statue to Existing Drain. j) Construction of Pucca drain at Sree Durga colony Road from Manik Saha to Kutcha Nala Via Kisan Sevak Sangha	
5	The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for construction of walking Zone near Bank of River Dulani (East side) at Bijni Town, Ward No.4.	Under the jurisdiction of Welfare of Bodoland Department .
6	The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for construction of 200 mtrs. Of road with covered drains on both sides and installing street lights in Trinayan Path, Kundil Nagar, Kalitakuchi, Birkuchi, Narengi, Guwahati.	<u>Implementing Agency: GMC & GUCL</u> <u>Action Taken by GMC</u> If the proposed work is not taken up by the Public Works Department, the Guwahati Municipal Corporation shall execute the road and covered drain works under the SOPD Scheme, subject to availability of

		funds and receipt of necessary administrative approval from the Government. <u>Action Taken by GUCL</u> Installation of 112 Smart LED Lights with CCMS has been completed in areas of Trinayan Path, Kundil Nagar, Kalita Kuchi, Birkuchi, Narengi under under AA/72_2024-25()_845, HOA: 4217-01-051-5936-000-43-01-SOPD-G-V-GA and TS: 02/GER/Elect/2024 and 03/GER/Elect/2024 and installation of 22 LED Streetlights from Narengi Chariali to Bonda road
7	The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for construction of 250 mtrs. Of road with covered drains on both sides and installing street lights in Sarusajai Karabi Path,Ghy-40 till Mili Keleng Path of Lokhra and the where Mili Keleng Path with covered drain in right hand side of the road.	<u>Implementing Agency: GMC & GUCL</u> <u>Action Taken by GMC</u> If the proposed work is not taken up by the Public Works Department, the Guwahati Municipal Corporation shall execute the road and covered drain works under the SOPD Scheme, subject to availability of funds and receipt of necessary administrative approval from the Government. <u>Action Taken by GUCL</u> Installation of 75 Smart LED Lights with CCMS has been completed in the area under AA/72_2024-25(1)_845, HOA: 4217-01-051-5936-000-43-01-SOPD-G-V-GA and TS: 02/GER/Elect/2024 and 03/GER/Elect/2024
8	The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for installing street lights in Boloram Basumatati P, covering the area from Kerakuchi to Dakshingaon.	<u>Implementing Agency: GUCL</u> Installation of 40 Smart LED Lights with CCMS has been completed in Boloram Basumatari P, Covering the area from Kerakuchi to Dakshingaon under AA/72_2024-25(1)_845, HOA: 4217-01-051-5936-000-43-01-SOPD-G-V-GA and TS: 02/GER/Elect/2024 and 03/GER/Elect/2024
9	The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for providing water supply and City gas supply in the Janani Path, Kalyani Nagar, Kahilipara, Ghy-19.	<u>Implementing Agency: JAL BOARD</u> Water Supply of Janani Path was commissioned in February 2026 and is covered by Sonaighuli Distribution Zone under South Central Guwahati Water Supply Project. House Service Connections are being provided in the location under SG04 DMA. 19 applications for House Service Connection has been received and 10 connections have been installed already. The rest are work in progress and is being followed up for completion.
10	The Committee recommends the Department for widening and improving the road with both side draining system from Udalguri Mission Charali to Stadium and College road.	Under the jurisdiction of Welfare of Bodoland Department.

GRANT NOS. 31, 32, 34 & 73
HOUSING & URBAN AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT
OBSERVATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2026-27.

1. The Committee recommends the Hengrabari Housing Complex to be renovated as per norms.
2. The Committee recommends the construction of a Housing Complex in all major towns including Nagaon town for residential purpose of the Harijan community.
3. The Committee observes Guwahati city experiences severe artificial flooding every year particularly during monsoon season, causing significant hardship to its residents. Therefore, the Committee strongly recommends that the Department to formulate and implement appropriate policies to make Guwahati an artificial flood-free city.
4. The Committee also observes a serious issue regarding shortage of ground water. Therefore the Committee recommends the Department to focus on scientific ground water harvesting policies on a priority basis to enhance the ground water level and solve the problem
5. The Committee observes a severe artificial flood in Tinsukia town due to the blockage of 4 canals linked with the Tingrai and Brahmaputra river. Hence, the Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for clearing the passage of water through the canals for preventing the artificial flood in the town.
6. The Committee recommends construction of RCC Pucca drain cum foot path as well as widening and improving the road with both side draining system in G.N.B Road, Tinsukia & A.T. Road of Tinsukia.
7. The Committee reiterates the recommendation No. 6 of 26th Report (2025-26) to take necessary steps for construction of 200 meters of road with cover drain on both sides and installing street light in Trinayan Path, Kundil Nagar, Kalitakuchi, Birkuchi, Narengi, Guwahati.
8. The Committee reiterates the recommendation No. 7 of 26th Report (2025-26) to take necessary steps for construction of 250 meters of road with cover drain on both sides and installing street light in Sarusajai- Karabi Path, Guwahati-40.
9. The Committee recommends that a construction of drainage system in both side of the road in Baikunthapur near Games Village, Guwahati which is essential for the benefit of the people residing there.
10. The Committee recommends the department to prepare and implement a comprehensive master drainage system for Nagaon Town to address the water-logging problem in NMB Ward NO.- 3,4,20,21 and 22 necessary provision should be make to drain out flooding water to Sonai River with proper drainage system.
11. The Committee also recommends to revive the RHS (Rental Housing Scheme) in all over Assam for Gr. III & Gr. IV State Govt. employees.
12. The Committee recommends for overall development of road and drainage system in Tangla town.
13. The Committee recommends for the upgrading of Nagaon Town Committee to Municipality Corporation.
14. The Committee recommends for installation of Street Light in Dergaon town.

15. The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps on following matters of Kokrajhar District :
- i. Construction of drainage system from Narabari to Baruapara
 - ii. Construction of drainage system at Fakiragram
 - iii. Construction of modern market shed at Fakiragram
 - iv. To make provisions for the installation of street lights in Kokrajhar town and Fakiragram town.

The Committee recommends that the Budget allocation provided under Grant Nos.31, 32, 34 & 73 for the Financial Year 2026-2027 for the Housing and Urban Affairs Department be approved by the August House.

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**DEPARTMENTALLY RELATED STANDING COMMITTEE
ON DEVELOPMENT (A) DEPARTMENTS**

ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

(SIXTEENTH ASSEMBLY)

DEMANDS FOR GRANT NOS. 56 & 57 FOR THE YEAR 2026-27

DEPARTMENT: PANCHAYAT & RURAL DEVELOPMENT

TWENTY EIGHTH REPORT

Presented to the House on 22nd July, 2026

**ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT
DISPUR : : GUWAHATI- 781006**

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**COMPOSITION OF THE DEPARTMENTALLY RELATED
STANDING COMMITTEE ON
DEVELOPMENT (A) DEPARTMENTS,
2026-27**

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6. Shri Akshay Chandra Baishya, Superintendent.

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INTRODUCTION

1. I, as Chairperson of the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (A) Departments having been authorized by the Committee to submit the Report on their behalf, present this **Twenty Seventh Report** on Demand for **Grant Nos. 56 & 57** relating to **Panchayat & Rural Development Department** for the financial year 2026-27.
2. The Committee has considered the Demand for **Grant Nos. 56 & 57** on the Budget Estimates for the year 2026-27 in its meeting held on **16th July, 2026**.
3. The Committee has been befitted with the assistance rendered by the Government representatives during the course of examination of the Budget Estimates under the aforementioned Grants for the year 2026-27. The Committee has formulated its observations taking into consideration the valuable submission rendered by official witnesses during the course of consideration of the Budget Estimates.
4. The Committee would also like to place on record their deep sense of appreciation for the invaluable assistance rendered to them by the officials of Assam Legislative Assembly Secretariat attached to the Committee.
5. The Committee has considered the Draft Reports on 18th July, 2026 and approved it on the same day.

Place : Dispur
The 18th July, 2026.

Rupak Sarmah
Chairperson,
Departmentally Related Standing Committee
on Development (A) Departments,
Assam Legislative Assembly.

CHAPTER -I
REPORT
GRANT NO. 56
PANCHAYAT & RURAL DEVELOPMENT (PANCHAYAT)

After the presentation of the budget in the House for the financial year **2025-26 on 10th July, 2026**, the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (A) Departments held in its meeting on **16th July, 2026** to discuss Grant No 56 relating to Panchayat & Rural Development (**Panchayat**).

Budget provision under Grant No.56 relating to the Panchayat & Rural Development (Panchayat) Department for the financial year, 2026-27 are as follows:

(Rs. in lakhs)

	REVENUE	CAPITAL	TOTAL
VOTED	225088.76	98.00	225186.76
CHARGED	729.02	29.28	758.30

Under the following heads, an estimated budget allocation has been fixed as shown below:

• 2235	Social Security & Welfare	0.00
• 2515	Other Rural Development Programmes	225088.76
• 4059	Capital Outlay on Public Works	98.00
• 4515	Capital Outlay on other Rural Development Programmes	0.00
	Grand Total	225186.76

The amount so allocated is presented before the House and is proposed to be spent in the Revenue and Capital expenditure respectively.

While discussing the Budget provision for the year 2026-27, the Committee found that the Budget so allocated comparatively less than the previous Financial Year and there is no clear indication as to why the Budget allocation has been reduced.

The DRSC on Dev. (A) Departments in its sitting held on **16th July, 2026** examined papers and documents received from the concerned department and took evidence of departmental representatives. At the same time, the Committee considered the **Action Taken Report on the recommendations made in its Twenty Seventh Report**.

CHAPTER-II
PANCHAYAT & RURAL DEVELOPMENT
Brief Note Grant No.56

During the year 2025-2026, the total outlay against Central Share and State Share is Rs.352638.63 (L). For the year 2026-2027, Finance Department has allocated amount of Rs.1203.58 (L) as EE (non-salary) and an amount of Rs.10858.50(L) is proposed under Revenue Head of Account (excluding Salaries & Wages). Out of which an amount of Rs. 1370.17 (L) has Budget Estimate under EE Non-salary and there are no SOPD Scheme under Grant No.56 for the F.Y 2026-27.

It is stated here that for the F.Y 2026-27, previous CSS and SOPD Schemes under Grant No. 56 are now transferred under Grant No. 57.

The Budget Estimate under the 7th Assam State Finance Commission and 16th Central Finance Commission are as shown below as per allocation from Finance(Economic Affairs) Department for the F.Y 2026-27:

Grant No. 56

(Rs. In lakh)

SL. No.	Name of schemes/Project	Central Share	State Share	Remarks.
1	7 th State Finance Commission	--	21598.50	
2	16 th Central Finance Commission	157786.00	--	
	Total =	157786.00	21598.50	

1) **7th Finance Commission** :- During the year 2025-26, Govt. has provided an amount of Rs.13241.13 (L) under 6th ASFC. Out of the said amount expenditure incurred during the F.Y 2025-26 was Rs.12355.89(L). During the year 2026-2027 an amount of Rs.**21598.50**(L) is proposed for providing in the budget as per allocation of the Finance (E.A.) Department under 7th Finance Commission.

2) **16th Finance Commission** :- During the year 2025-2026 Govt. has provided an amount of Rs.217307.70 (L) under 15th CFC. Out of which, an amount of Rs.86628.00 (L) has been incurred as expenditure and Rs.736.63 (L) as balance fund. An amount of Rs.**157786.00**(L) is proposed for providing budget under 16th Finance Commission during the FY 2026-27.

P & R.D. Department strives for decentralization and empowerment of PRIs through various interventions. All the schemes of the Department are implemented through PRIs only. The NSAP and RGSA Scheme are major programmes being implemented by the Department under Grant No.56, which is now transferred under Grant No.57 for the F.Y. 2026-27. The 7th Assam State Finance Commission and 16th Central Finance Commission Budget Provision are under Grant No.56. Accordingly, the Budget Provision has been propose in the respective Head of Account during the F.Y. 2026-27 are shown as below :-

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No	Programme/Scheme	Budget propose		Remarks
		Central Share	State Share	
	1	2	3	4
	“2515-ORDP” etc.			
	Finance Commission:-			
1	State Finance Commission		112553.16	
2	Central Finance Commission	191809.00		

**Action Taken Report on the recommendation of Departmentally Related
Standing Committee of Assam Legislative Assembly, Dispur 2025-2026.
(27th Report)
Sector :- Panchayat Development Sector, Grant No.56.**

Sl. No.	Recommendation	Action Taken
1	2	3
1	The Committee after holding a threadbare discussion and on close scrutinization of the report related to Grant No.56 of the Panchayat& Rural Development (Panchayat) Department on the evidences provided by the Departmental representatives made the following Observations and Recommendations: During the course of discussion, the Committee observes that there is insufficiency of staff quarters in the Block offices of GP's. The Committee recommends that all the staffs of Block offices should be allocated with sufficient nos. of staff quarters with special reference to Pakabetbari, Ghilamari, Rupsi, Lumding and each district of Assam.	In compliance with the letters issued by this Commissionerate, P&RD, Assam, regarding submission of revised proposal for incorporating the Construction of Block Development Office along with Staff Quarters at Pakabetbari Development Block, the Chief Executive Officer, Barpeta Zilla Parishad stated that as reported by the BDO, Pakabetbari Dev. Block, the office building of Pakabetbari Development Block has already been constructed under SOPD Scheme without the provision of staff quarter and the Block Office has been functioning from the said building since the year 2025. Further the Block Development Officer has informed that a separate detailed proposal for construction of Staff Quarters within the Block Office campus is under preparation and will be submitted separately shortly (Copies enclosed at Annexure- I-A, I-B and I-C) It is pertinent to mention here that, there is no provision under SOPD for the construction of staff quarters as a standalone project. However, the approved Model Plan and Estimate provided by the Chief Engineer, PWD (Building), Assam, includes a provision for staff quarters as part of the plan, design, and estimate for the construction of Block Office Buildings under SOPD. Moreover, the Government had approved to construct 11 Development Blocks, namely, South Salmara, Pakabetbari, Ujani Majuli, Langsomepe, Mahmora, Udarbond, Bhabanipur, Tapang, Chakchaka, Dhalpukhuri&Boginodi for the year 2019-20 & 2021-22. However, Ghilamari, Rupsi, & Lumding Development Blocks were not recorded in the said approved list. It may be mentioned here that, necessary initiatives for construction of Staff Quarters pertaining to the Ghilamari, Rupsi and Lumding Development Blocks shall be taken up from the State Finance Commission (ASFC) at an early date.
2	During the course of discussion, the Committee observes that some of the office buildings of Gaon Panchayats in Assam are not properly constructed. The Committee, therefore recommends for construction/renovation of the office buildings in all Gaon Panchayats where necessary.	Following the delimitation exercise, the requirement for construction of office buildings for newly constituted Gram Panchayats and Anchalik Panchayats was collected from the districts. Thereafter, the consolidated proposal was forwarded to the Special Secretary, Finance (Economic Affairs) Department, Dispur, Guwahati vide <i>Letter No. E-614211/I/1262978/2025 dated 26.09.2025</i> for consideration under the 7th Assam State Finance Commission (ASFC). A copy of the said letter is enclosed herewith as Annexure -II for ready reference.

		Following the delimitation exercise, the requirement for construction of office buildings for newly constituted Gram Panchayats and Anchalik Panchayats was collected from the districts. Thereafter, the consolidated proposal was forwarded to the Special Secretary, Finance (Economic Affairs) Department, Dispur, Guwahati vide <i>Letter No. E-614211/I/1262978/2025 dated 26.09.2025</i> for consideration under the 7th Assam State Finance Commission (ASFC). A copy of the said letter is enclosed herewith as Annexure -II for ready reference. The GBSIPRD, Assam under Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA) of Ministry of Panchayati Raj has been constructing the new Gaon Panchayat buildings in the state @ Rs. 20.00 lakhs as per requirement submitted by the CEO, Zilla Parishads. Since 2018 – 19 to till date 215 new Gaon Panchayats have been constructed and construction works of 147 Gaon Panchayats are going on. Besides construction of new buildings, physical infrastructure of 125 Gaon Panchayats have been renovated / repaired. Details of the year wise number of GP buildings taken up for construction of new buildings.
3	The Committee recommends that the vacancies of the post of Gram Rojgar Sevak (GRS) and SRS are to be filled up at an early date.	The Commissionerate has already issued an advertisement for recruitment of 464 (four hundred sixty-four) posts of Gram Rozgar Sahayak vide Advertisement No. E-4364211/1447476/2026 dated 19-02-2026. The process for receipt of applications has been successfully completed. At present, the Commissionerate of Panchayat & Rural Development, Assam is in the process of conducting the written examination for the said posts. (Copy at Annexure-III)
4	During the course of discussion, the Committee observes that there are shortage of Computer Assistants in every Block Office of Gaon Panchayats. Therefore, the Committee recommends that the nos of Computer Assistant to be increased in all Block Office of Gaon Panchayats.	Similarly, The Commissionerate has already issued an advertisement for recruitment of 291 (two hundred ninety one) posts of Computer Assistant vide Advertisement No. E-4364211/1447476/2026 dated 19-02-2026. The process for receipt of applications has been successfully completed. At present, the Commissionerate of Panchayat & Rural Development, Assam is in the process of conducting the written examination for the said posts. (Copy at Annexure-IV)
5	During the course of discussion the Committee observes that there is encroachment of land in market places. The Committee, therefore recommends that evictions should be undertaken in the encroached market areas.	In this regard, a letter was issued to all District Commissioners vide No. E-553019/DFA/1383171, dated 20/08/2025,(Copy placed at Annexure –V) requesting them to take necessary action on the Committee's recommendation that evictions should be undertaken in the encroached market areas under PRIs. Another letter vide No. E-553019/DFA/1383171,dated- 08/07/2026(Copy placed at Annexure –VI). has been initiated requesting action taken in the matter if any.

6	The Committee recommends the Department for construction of a building for Sahabad Block Development Office on the vacant land of Katlicherra irrigation sub-division at Sahabad.	In compliance with the letters issued by this Commissionerate, P&RD, Assam, the Chief Executive Officer, Hailakandi Zilla Parishad, stated that, as per the report of the Circle Officer, Katlicherra Revenue Circle, it appears that out of the total land measuring 05 bighas 03 kathas and 04 chatak of land said to belong to the Irrigation Department, only a plot of land measuring 19 kathas and 3 chatak of Sahabad Pt-I, Rongpur VII and Rongpur VIII was found to be under the possession of the Katlicherra Irrigation Sub-Division and utilized for construction of office building, office quarters, campus, etc. The rest unused and vacant land measuring 4 bighas 4 kathas and 1 chatak is said to belong to other individuals and not in the name of the Irrigation Department. It also appears that there is a Court Case pending in the Hon'ble Gauhati High Court in W.P. (C) No. 7676/2015 over the said land. (Copies enclosed at Annexure –VII-A, VII-B, VII-C)
7	The Committee recommends the Department to construct office building for Pub Betbari G.P., Madhya Betbari G.P., Dakshin Paka G.P., Paschim Betbari G.P., Uttar Betbari G.P. and Uttar Pub Betbari G.P.	In compliance with the letters issued by this Commissionerate, P&RD, Assam, the Chief Executive Officer, Barpeta Zilla Parishad stated that, the Block Development Officer, Pakabetbari Development Block, has reported that the Gaon Panchayats, namely, Madhya Betbari G.P., Dakshin Paka G.P., Paschim Betbari G.P., Uttar Betbari G.P. and Uttar Pub Betbari G.P. are presently functioning from well furnished Gaon Panchayat Office Buildings having adequate office accommodation and basic infrastructure. Accordingly, no proposal for construction of new Gaon Panchayat Office Buildings in respect of the aforesaid Gaon Panchayats are required at present. Further, the Block Development Officer has reported that the existing Office Building of 25 No. Pub Betbari Gaon Panchayat is in a dilapidated condition and suitable Government land is available for construction of a new Gaon Panchayat Office Building. The Block Development Officer has also informed that a detailed proposal for construction of a new Office Building for 25 No. Pub Betbari Gaon Panchayat is under preparation and the same will be submitted separately shortly. (Copies enclosed at Annexure-VIII-A, VIII-B and VIII-C)
8	The Committee recommends the Department to construct Staff Quarter at Pakabetbari Development Block.	In compliance with the letters issued by this Commissionerate, P&RD, Assam, regarding submission of revised proposal for incorporating the Construction of Block Development Office along with Staff Quarters at Pakabetbari Development Block, the Chief Executive Officer, Barpeta Zilla Parishad stated that as reported by the BDO , Pakabetbari Dev. Block, the office building of Pakabetbari Development Block has already been constructed under SOPD Scheme without the provision of staff quarter and the Block Office has been functioning from the said building since the year 2025.

		Further the Block Development Officer has informed that a separate detailed proposal for construction of Staff Quarters within the Block Office campus is under preparation and will be submitted separately shortly. (Copies enclosed at Annexure- I-A, I-B and I-C)
9	The Committee recommends the Department to take measures so that the land of Kayakuchi Bazar, Bhatardoba Bazar and Barbala Bazar can be freed from encroachment.	In this regard, a letter was issued to all District Commissioners vide No. E-553019/DFA/1383171, dated 20/08/2025, (Copy placed at Annexure –V) requesting them to take necessary action on the Committee's recommendation for carrying out eviction drives in encroached market areas under the jurisdiction of the Panchayati Raj Institutions (PRIs). Further, another letter to the District Commissioner, Barpeta vide No. E-553019/DFA/1853832 dated-08/07/2026, (Copy placed at Annexure –IX) has been initiated requesting to furnish the action taken report regarding the encroachments in Kayakuchi Bazar, Bhatardoba Bazar and Barbala Bazar. In this connection, the Chief Executive Officer, Barpeta Zilla Parishad, vide Letter No. BZP(ALA)714/2026/2342, dated 08/07/2026, (Copy placed at Annexure –X) requested the Block Development Officer, Pakabetbari Development Block, to conduct a field verification and furnish a detailed report on the status of encroachments in the aforesaid market areas, including the nature and extent of encroachment, ownership and classification of the land, details of encroachers, action taken, and recommendations for further necessary action. A copy of the letter was also endorsed to the Circle Officers of Barpeta/Sarthebari Revenue Circles, requesting them to furnish the relevant revenue particulars and legal status of the land involved in the aforesaid market areas and to extend necessary assistance to the Block Development Officer in this regard.

CHAPTER-III
PANCHAYAT & RURAL DEVELOPMENT
Brief Note Grant No.57

The total sum of **Rs.691085.56** lakhs under Panchayat and Rural Development is required for approval of the House during the financial year 2026-27.

The total allocation of fund under Grant No.57 for both Revenue and Capital heads for administration of Panchayat and Rural Development (Rural Development) Department for the year 2026-27 is presented before the House for approval.

Budget provision under Grant No. 57 relating to the Panchayat and Rural Development (Rural Development) Department, 2026-27 are as follows:

(Rs. in lakhs)			
	REVENUE	CAPITAL	TOTAL
VOTED	691085.56	0.00	691085.56
CHARGED	97.52	0.00	97.52

Under the following heads, an estimated budget allocation has been fixed as shown below:

(Rs. in Lakhs)		
• 2216	Housing	292398.42
• 2235	Social Security & Welfare	81823.53
• 2501	Special Programmes for Rural Development	70411.43
• 2505	Rural Employment (1)	241794.00
• 2515	Other Rural Development Programmes	4658.18
• 5475	Capital outlay of other General Economic Services	0.00
	Grand Total	691085.56

The amount so allocated is presented before the House and is proposed to be spent in the Revenue and Capital expenditure respectively.

CHAPTER-IV

PANCHAYAT & RURAL DEVELOPMENT

Preliminary Status Relating to Grant No. 57.

During the financial year 2025--2026, the total outlay against Central Share and State Share was Rs.747051.94 (L). For the year 2026-2027 Finance Department has allocated an amount of Rs.1121.77 (L) as Non- salary component and an amount of Rs.29301.85 (L) is allocated under SOPD Schemes. No limit has been stated for Central share. Accordingly, the same has been proposed to be provided in the budget 2026-2027 under Grant No. 57.

It is stated here that all the CSS Schemes including State Share have been transferred to SNA SPARSH.

An amount of Rs.936473.40(L) as central share, an amount of Rs. 95189.06 (L) as State Share and an amount of Rs.27908.76 under SOPD-G Scheme(Revenue) andRs. 12251.22(L)under SOPD Scheme (Capital) has been proposed to be provided in the budget 2026-27 under Grant No.57 details of which are given below.

Grant No. 57

(Rs.

In lakh)

Sl. No	Name of schemes/Project	Central Share	State Share	SOPD	Remarks
1	2	3	4	5	6
1	National Social Assistance Programme (NSAP)	58749.98	--	--	Including IGNOPS and IGNWPS State Top-up
2	Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhijan (RGSA)	9300.00	1033.32		
3	VB-G-RAM-G (Previously Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act.(MGNREGA)	334848.00	37205.00	---	
4	PradhanMantriAwasYojona – Gramin (PMAY-G)	444550.00	49394.50	---	
5	National Rural Livelihood Mission (NRLM)	68547.37	7460.15	---	
6	State Institute of Panchayat & Rural Development (SIPRD)	85.00	15.00	---	
	Total =	916080.35	95107.97	----	
7	SOPD-Scheme	----	---	40159.98	
	Grand Total =	916080.35	95107.97	40159.98	

1) **NSAP (National Social Assistance Programme):-**It was started by Govt. of India in 1995-96. Formerly this programme was implemented by the Social welfare Deptt. and from 2003-04, it was transferred to Panchayat & R.D. Deptt. It has five components like IGNOAPS, IGNWPS, IGNDPS & NFBS Schemes.

(a) IGNOAPS(Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme):- The BPL people in age group of 60-79 years is given monthly pension @ Rs.200/- from the Central Assistance and Rs.200 /- from State Govt. The BPL people in the age group of 80 years and above is given a monthly pension of Rs.500/- from Central Assistance and Rs.50 /- from State Govt.

(b) IGNWPS(Indira Gandhi National Widow Pension Scheme):- The BPL widow people in the age 40-79 years is given a monthly pension @ Rs.300/- P.M. from Central Assistance and Rs.950 /- from State Govt. . After attaining the age of 80 years and above, the beneficiaries are entitled to get Rs.500/- P.M. from Central Assistance and Rs.950 /- from State Govt.

(c) IGNDPS(Indira Gandhi National Disabilities Pension Scheme) :- Under this schemes, BPL disabled person in the age group 18-79 years is given a monthly pension @ 300/- P.M. from Central Assistance. After attaining the age of 80 years and above, the beneficiaries are entitled to get @Rs.500/- P.M. Central Assistance.

(d) NFBS(National Family Benefitted Scheme) :- Under NFBS, Rs. 20000/- is given as one time assistance to the bereaved household in the event of death of the breadwinner.

During the year 2025-26, out of total budget provision of Rs.48918.36 (L) in NSAP CSS & State Top-up HoAs, an amount of Rs.43785.42 (L) expenditure has been incurred.

As SNA SPARSH system has been implemented for CSS Schemes under NSAP, in the year 2026-27, an amount of Rs.32696.49 (L) and Rs.26053.49 (L) is proposed as Central Share and State Top-up respectively under the CSS HoAs of NSAP Scheme.

2) RGSA (Rashtriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan) :-

The Government of India, Ministry of Panchayati Raj has launched Rastriya Gramin Swaraj Abhiyan. In order to ensure improved people centric Governance, responsive service delivery by Panchayats and localising the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), leadership capabilities of Elected Representatives and functional competencies of functionaries and awareness level of rural masses need to be enhanced by many folds. With the above objectives, the institute submitted a project proposal to the Ministry of Panchayati Raj, and the Central Empowered Committee of Revamped RGSA had approved the proposal for an amount of Rs. 155.97 crores to carryout different activities during the financial year 2025 – 26.During the financial year 2025 – 26, the Government of India, Ministry of Panchayati Raj had sanctioned an amount of Rs.76.00crores to the State Government and out of the fund received, the institute has incurred an amount of Rs. 71.00 crores.For the next five year plan period from 2026 – 27 to 2033 – 31, the Government of India, Ministry of Panchayati Raj has informed that the revamped RGSA will be continued with some new initiatives during the next plan period.

As per timeline fixed by the Ministry of Panchayati Raj, the institute has already undertaken Peoples Plan Campaign in entire state. The institute organized large number of training programmes for officials and other stakeholders on preparation of Goan Panchayat Development Plan and Poverty Reduction Plan.

3. MGNREGA (Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act):-

MGNREGA was a Centrally Sponsored Scheme that provided a statutory guarantee of wage employment to rural households through demand-driven, unskilled manual work. Its core objectives were to strengthen rural livelihoods and create durable community assets.

MGNREGA has been officially repealed and replaced by the Viksit Bharat – Guarantee for Rozgar and Aajeevika Mission (Gramin) Act, 2025 (VB-G RAM G) on 1st. July, 2026. Under this updated framework, the employment guarantee for eligible rural households has been expanded from the previous 100 days to 125 days per financial year. All ongoing works, assets, and active job cards from MGNREGA are being seamlessly transitioned into the new scheme.

Under MGNREGA, during the financial year 2024–25, the State achieved a significant milestone by completing 8.30 lakh works. A total of 711.36 lakh persondays of employment were generated, benefiting 19.12 lakh households. Women accounted for 54.44% of the total persondays generated, reflecting strong participation in the programme. The total expenditure incurred during the year was ₹2,28,148.37 lakh.

During the financial year 2025–26, the programme generated 561.85 lakh persondays of employment, providing work to 17.36 lakh households, while 2.92 lakh works were completed. Women contributed 55.09% of the total persondays generated. The total expenditure incurred during the year amounted to ₹1,94,636.39 lakh.

During the financial year 2026–27 (up to date), the programme generated 201.39 lakh persondays of employment, benefiting 9.82 lakh households, and 91,572 works were completed. Women's participation further increased to 60.02% of the total persondays generated, demonstrating the programme's continued emphasis on inclusive participation. During the year, administrative funds amounting to ₹8,523.38 lakh were received, of which ₹8,497.06 lakh were utilized. Additionally, material funds amounting to ₹17,200.00 lakh were received, against which ₹12,413.58 lakh were utilized for programme implementation.

Achievements under Viksit Bharat–GRAM G (VB-GRAM G) :

The VB-G RAM G Act, 2025 has come in to force on 1st of July, 2026 in Assam across all the districts of States. The schemes under VB-G RAM G have been successfully going on across all districts. Under VB-G RAM G the wage rate has been enhanced up to Rs.300/- per day.

First State in India to Generate FTO: Assam became the first State in the country to generate the Fund Transfer Order (FTO) under VB-GRAM G and successfully release the first timely wage payment to workers, setting a national benchmark. The first payment was made for a work in Pithaguti Gram Panchayat, Tingkhong Development Block, Dibrugarh District.

QR-enabled Smart Job Cards: Assam successfully piloted QR-enabled Smart Job Cards in Boko Block, enabling real-time worker verification, digital access to employment records, improved transparency, faster service delivery, and simplified benefit access.

Financial Allocation: Assam received an interim allocation of ₹1,929.70 crore under VB-GRAM G. For the first quarter, a Mother Sanction of ₹630.96 crore was received, comprising ₹350.53 crore in Wages, ₹233.69 crore in Material, and ₹46.74 crore in Administrative cost.

- 4) **PMAY-G (PradhanMantriAwasYojona- Gramin) Formerly Indira AwasYojona** :- PMAY-G (PradhanMantriAwasYojona- Gramin) Formerly Indira AwasYojona :- It is an important rural housing scheme of Govt. of India for rural B.P.L. households. It is a continuous Centrally Sponsored scheme and funded by Govt. of India and State Govt. in the ratio of 90 : 10 basis. During the financial year 2025–2026, During the financial year, 2025-26 an amount of Rs.456473.00 lakh was released out of allocation of Rs.547085.23 lakh against Central Share and an amount of Rs.60787.25 lakh was released against State Share. For the year 2026-27 an amount of Rs.624550.54 (L) is budgeted as Central Share and Rs.69394.50 (L) as State Share.
- 5) **A.S.R.L.M. (Assam State Rural Livelihoods Mission)**:- Earlier N.R.L.M. programme has now been restructured and renamed as Assam State Rural Livelihoods Mission (ASRLM). The restructured programme is being implemented in a mission mode with a time bound and outcome based approach. The ASRLM is a Centrally Sponsored Flagship Programme funded by Govt. of India and State Govt. on 90 : 10 basis. In the Financial Year 2025-26, an amount of Rs.68450.04 lakh was released as Central Share and State Share out of budget provision of Rs.86563.35lakh. For the year 2026-27 an amount of Rs.101888.56(L) is budgeted as Central Share and State Share.
- 6) **S.I.P.R.D. (State Institute of Panchayat Rural Development)**:-During the financial year 2025-2026 an amount of Rs.195.80 (L) as Central Share was provided in the budget. An amount of Rs.60.10 (L) as the Central Fund was directly released to the CNA Account of SIPRD through NeFMS by the Govt. of India and an amount of Rs.44.00 lakh was provided in the Budget as State Share out of which Rs. 13.03 (L) was drawn as State Share. For the year 2026-2027, an amount of Rs.120.00 (L) has been proposed as Central Share and State Share.
- 7) **SOPD (Revenue and Capital)**:-During the year 2025-2026, an amount of Rs.46119.36lakh was provided in the budget under SOPD-G Revenue scheme. Out of the said provision an amount of Rs.42735.44 lakh was drawn & disbursed under Revenue Scheme. An amount of Rs.12295.42(L) had budget provision under SOPD Capital out of which an amount of Rs.865.25 (L) was incurred as expenditure during the F.Y 2025-26. For the Financial year 2026-27 an amount of Rs.27908.76(L) has been proposed to provide Budget under SOPD Revenue for implementation of schemes under SOPD-G and an amount of Rs.12251.22(L) for SOPD Capital.

BRIEF NOTE GRANT NO.57

Rural Housing, job opportunity of Self Help Group etc. are in Major thrust area under Grant No.57. Now, NSAP and RGSA Scheme has been transferred to Grant No. 56 to Grant No. 57. The Old Aged Persons, Widows and Physically Challenged persons and National Family Benefit Programme will be provided monthly pension under the NSAP programmes. Panchayats will be strengthened through (RGSA) for better performance. Implementation of aforesaid are expected to bring socio economic changes in rural areas. The MGNREGA scheme has been officially repealed and replaced by the Viksit Bharat – Guarantee for Rozgar and Aajeevika Mission (Gramin) Act, 2025 (VB-G RAM G) on 1st. July, 2026. Under this updated framework, the employment guarantee for eligible rural households has been expanded from the previous 100 days to 125 days per financial year. All ongoing works, assets, and active job cards from MGNREGA are being seamlessly transitioned into the new scheme. Moreover, the PMAY-G (Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana- Gramin) scheme formerly Indira Awas Yojana is an important rural housing scheme of Govt. of India for rural B.P.L. households. It is a continuous Centrally Sponsored scheme and funded by Govt. of India and State Govt. in the ratio of 90 : 10 basis. The Assam State Rural Livelihoods Mission (ASRLM) restructured programme is being implemented in a mission mode with a time bound and outcome based approach. The ASRLM is a Centrally Sponsored Flagship Programme funded by Govt. of India and State Govt. on 90 :10 basis. Capacity Building and training programmes is organized for elected representatives of PRIs, youths artesian etc. by SIPRD. Landscape of rural economy is accepted to improve significantly through implementation of aforesaid Schemes. Accordingly, the Budget Provision has been proposed in the respective Head of Account during the F.Y. 2026-27 are shown as below :-

(Rs. in lakh)

Sl. No.	Name of Schemes/Project	Budget proposed			Remarks
		Central Share	State Share	SOPD	
1	2	3	4	5	6
	“2235-NSAP/2501-SPRD/2505 VBRAM-G /2216-PMAY-G” etc.				
1	National Social Assistant Programme (NSAP)	58749.98	----	----	The Budget Provision for the FY 2026-27 is inclusive of both Central Share and State Share, in the respective Head of Account under SNA-SPARSH
2	Rastriya Gram Swaraj Abhiyan (RGSA)	11333.35	----	----	
3	Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee act.(MGNERGA/VBRAM-G)	374053.00	----	----	
4	PradhanMantriAwasYojana-Gramin (PMAY-G)	693945.00	----	----	
5	Assam State Rural Livelihoods Mission (ASRLM)	108888.56	----	----	
6	State Institute of Panchayat & Rural Development (SIPRD)	100.00	----	---	
	Total :-CSS Scheme	1247069.89	----	----	
7	SoPD-G (Revenue & Capital)	----	----	40159.98	

**Action Taken Report on the recommendation of Departmentally Related Standing
Committee of Assam Legislative Assembly, Dispur 2025-2026.
(27th Report)**

Sector: - Rural Development Sector, Grant No.57.

Sl. No.	Recommendation	Action Taken
1	2	3
1	The Committee after holding a threadbare discussion and on close scrutinization of the Report related to Grant No.57 of the Panchayat& Rural Development (Rural Development) Department on the evidences provided by the Departmental representatives made the following Observations and Recommendations: The Committee observes that in implementation of MGNREGA, the maximum ongoing work limit is fixed at 20 (twenty) nos. per G.P. and due to nonpayment of material component most of the schemes are still shown as ongoing for which the GPs are unable to take up new schemes. The Committee, therefore recommends to take necessary steps for increasing the ceiling limit of ongoing works and to pay MGNREGA on priority basis and also other bills with small amounts for increasing the number of work completion. The Committee also recommends for convergence of MGNREGA with 15th Finance Commission in construction of CC Block Roads so that at least 500 mtr. Length of the village road can be covered.	The Ministry of Rural Development, Government of India, has replaced the Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (Mahatma Gandhi NREGA) with the VB-G RAMG. While Mahatma Gandhi NREGA remained operational up to 30th June, 2026, the VB-G RAMG came into force across the State with effect from 1st July, 2026. Regarding limitation of 20 ongoing scheme under MGNREGA, MoRD had made a provision in NREGASoft to mark scheme as physically completed which allowed to take scheme within the limitation of 20 ongoing scheme per Gaon Panchayat. The communication letter in this regard was shared to all districts vide letter No. E- 517718-1/1447541/2026, Dated 19-02- 2026 at Annexure-I. Under VB-G RAMG, there is no limitation of 20 ongoing scheme per Gaon Panchayat. The G.P will take up schemes as per the normative allocation allocated to the G.P Under Mahatma Gandhi NREGA, a Notification was issued vide letter No. CPRD/MGNREGA/30/2022/43, Dated 07.07.2023 (Copy at Annexure-II) which allows that 25% of total expenditure of the block can be made under MGNREGA and maximum upto 100% of untied grants of XV Finance Commission be made for implementation of all weather pucca road. Under VB-G RAMG, it is proposed to construct pavers block road in Gaon Panchayats in convergence with Finance Commission grant.
2	The Committee observes that most of the PMAY-G houses in the state have been completed without providing 95 days wage under MGNREGA, due to which the beneficiaries have been deprived from their daily wages. The Committee therefore recommends to take up the matter with the Ministry of Rural Development to allow providing 95days of wages after completion of the PMAY-G houses.	If any PMAY-G houses marked as completed in Awaassoft, NREGASoft does not permit the payment of unskilled wages to the PMAY-G beneficiaries. The matter was communicated to MoRD and accordingly, MoRD, Gol had decided to allow one-time relaxation for the houses sanctioned in/after FY 2023-24 vide letter No. M-12018/02/2019-RH (MNT) (368146), Dated 26.12.2025,at Annexure-III, where the entitlement of 95 person-days had provided by the executing agency. In FY2025-26, a total of 2,70,93,900 person days generated against PMAY-G houses covering all districts of the State under Mahatma Gandhi NREGA. Apart from this continuous monitoring has been made from the State level up to the GP level for providing unskilled wages to the beneficiaries. The recent communication was made to all districts letter vide No. E- 5748201/1591911/2026, Dated 9.6.2026 at Annexure-IV.

3	The Committee recommends the Department to construct Ring Bunds on both sides of Pahumar river, Tihu river, Palla river, Kaldia river and Unnir Jan river to be covered under MGNREGA.	As per permissible list of MGNREGA, as well as VB G RAM-G construction of Ring Bunds does not fall in the permissible list.
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GRANT NOS. 56 & 57
PANCHAYAT & RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
OBSERVATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2026-27

1. The Committee recommends that the Department make necessary arrangements for the construction of residential quarters for BDO office complex of Assam.

The Committee further recommends that the required funds for the construction of such residential quarters to be provided under the SOPD Fund.

2. The Committee recommends the Department to fill up the vacant posts of Accountants and Gram Rozgar Sevaks (GRSs) under the Panchayat Department within a period of four months.
3. The Committee recommends the Department to take expeditious steps to remove all encroachments from markets situated under the jurisdiction of the Development Blocks across the State.
4. The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for the establishment of two new Development Blocks in Gauripur LAC under Dhubri District namely:- Balajan Development Block and Aatari Development Block.
5. The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps to resolve the issues relating to the non-linking of Aadhaar with Job Cards which has resulted in the deletion of the names of certain Job Cards and the consequent deprivation of eligible beneficiaries from receiving financial assistance under PMAY-G.
6. The Committee recommends the Department to examine the feasibility of undertaking works relating to road connectivity, erosion protection, ring embankments and other similar infrastructure development activities under the VB-G RAM G Schemes in the State.
7. The Committee recommends that all Village Council Development Committees (VCDCs) under Tangla LAC to be transferred to Kalaigaon Development Block, including those VCDCs (formerly Panchayats) presently under West Mangaldai Development Block and East Mangaldai Development Block. All the VCDC of Tangla LAC should be transferred to Kalaigaon Block.
8. The Committee recommends the Department to examine the feasibility of bringing the privately managed markets located within Tea Garden areas under the control of the Government with a view to augmenting Government revenue.
9. The Committee recommends the Department to take immediate steps for the repairing and renovation of the Bebejia Market complex under Raha LAC with the award winning money.
10. The office building of the Khagarijan Development Block under Nagaon Batadroba are presently in a dilapidated condition need to be constructed newly.

11. The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for construction of administrative and BDO office at Elaisrijhar Development Block and Bhaoraguri Development Block under Baokhungri LAC with overall requirement which will ensure the smooth functioning of the administration.
12. The Committee observes that the Block Development Office at Kalaigaon is currently operating on solar energy. Also the Block Office of Kalaigaon should be newly constructed.

The Committee therefore recommends the Department to take urgent steps on a priority basis for providing electricity to the office to ensure its smooth functioning.

13. The Committee recommends the department to construct Staff Quarter for the New Block office at Pakabetbari, Ghilajari and Rupshree Development Block.
14. The Committee recommends the Department to take measures so that the land of Kayakuchi Bazar, Bhatardoba Bazar and Barbala Bazar can be freed from encroachment.
15. The Committee recommends the Department for construction of a building for Sahabad Block Development Office on the vacant land of Katlicherra irrigation sub-division at Sahabad.

The Committee recommends that the Budget allocation provided under Grant Nos.56 & 57 for the Financial Year 2026-2027 for the Panchayat & Rural Development Department be approved by the August House.

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**DEPARTMENTALLY RELATED STANDING COMMITTEE
ON DEVELOPMENT (A) DEPARTMENTS**

ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

(SIXTEENTH ASSEMBLY)

DEMAND FOR GRANT NO. 62 FOR THE YEAR 2026-27

DEPARTMENT : POWER (ELECTRICITY)

TWENTY EIGHTH REPORT

Presented to the House on 22nd July, 2026

**ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT
DISPUR : : GUWAHATI- 781006**

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**COMPOSITION OF THE DEPARTMENTALLY RELATED
STANDING COMMITTEE ON
DEVELOPMENT (A) DEPARTMENTS,
2026-27**

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6. Shri Akshay Chandra Baishya, Superintendent.

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INTRODUCTION

1. I, as Chairperson of the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (A) Departments having been authorized by the Committee to submit the Report on their behalf, present this **Twenty Eighth Report** on Demand for **Grant No.62** relating to **Power (Electricity) Department** for the financial year 2026-27.
2. The Committee has considered the Demand for **Grant No.62** on the Budget Estimates for the year 2026-27 in its meeting held on **16th July, 2026**.
3. The Committee has been befitted with the assistance rendered by the Government representatives during the course of examination of the Budget Estimates under the aforementioned Grant for the year 2026-27. The Committee has formulated its observations taking into consideration the valuable submission rendered by official witnesses, during the course of consideration of the Budget Estimates.
4. The Committee would also like to place on record their deep sense of appreciation for the invaluable assistance rendered to them by the officials of Assam Legislative Assembly Secretariat attached to the Committee.
5. The Committee has considered the Draft Reports on 18th July, 2026 and approved it on the same day.

Place : Dispur
The 18th July, 2026.

Rupak Sarmah
Chairperson,
Departmentally Related Standing Committee
on Development (A) Departments,
Assam Legislative Assembly.

CHAPTER-I
POWER (ELECTRICITY)
GRANT NO-62

After presentation of the Budget in the House for the Financial Year, 2026-27, the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (A) Departments in its meeting held on 16th July, 2026 discussed on **Grant No.62 (Power Department)**.

The Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (A) Departments in its meeting held on **16th July, 2026** examined the papers and documents received from the concerned department and took evidence of the Departmental representative. Besides, the Committee considered the Action Taken Report on the recommendations contained in the **27th Report** in addition to the scrutiny of the Budget provision.

	REVENUE	CAPITAL	TOTAL (Rs. In lakhs)
VOTED	79854.59	178087.63	257942.22
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00

The detailed Budget Estimates under the **Grant No.62** for the Financial year 2026-27 are as below :-

(Rupees in Lakhs)

Revenue Accounts		
Head of Account	Major Head	Budget Estimates
2045	Other Taxes & Duties on commodities and Services	590.36
2801	Power	79264.23
4075	Capital Outlay on Miscellaneous General Service	13.00
4801	Capital Outlay on Power project	178074.63
6801	Loans for power project.	0.00
	Grand Total Rs.	257942.22

Budget provision under **Grant No.62** is relating to **the Power Department**. The amount so allocated before the House and is proposed to be spent in revenue and capital expenditure respectively.

CHAPTER-II POWER ELECTRICITY

Brief note in Respect of Grant No. 62 under the Inspectorate of Electricity for the Departmentally Related Standing Committee (DRSC) of Assam Legislative Assembly

Inspectorate of Electricity, Assam under the Power Department, Government of Assam is a Directorate Level establishment with the Chief Electrical Inspector -cum- Adviser as the Head of the Directorate (HoD).

The objective of the Inspectorate of Electricity is to implement and administer the following Acts, Rules and Regulations to ensure safety:

- i) Certain provisions of the Electricity Act, 2003 and Rules/Regulations made thereunder;
- ii) Central Electricity Authority (Measures Relating to Safety and Electric Supply) Regulations, 2023;
- iii) Certain provisions of the Assam Cinema (Regulation) Rules, 1960.
- iv) The Assam Electrical Licensing Rules, 2025.
- v) The Energy Conservation Act 2001.
- vi) The Assam Lifts and Escalators Act, 2006.
- vii) The Assam Lifts and Escalators Rules, 2010.

The Inspectorate of Electricity, Assam consists of Head Quarter Office at Guwahati and four (4) Zonal Offices at Silchar, Tezpur, Jorhat and Dibrugarh, all of which are under NON-PLAN. There is no Plan Scheme in so far as the Electrical Inspectorate is concerned. This Inspectorate does not execute any project work but is primarily concerned with administration of certain provisions the Acts and Rules/ Regulations stated above to ensure safety.

In the year 2025-26, there were no Schemes for implementation by this Inspectorate in respect of the Demand for Grant in the last year's Budget.

Followings are the salient points reflecting the working and relevant requirement of budget:-

1. Administration of Electricity Act 2003 and Rules/Regulations made there under:

The Electricity Act, 2003 and Central Electricity Authority (Measures relating to Safety and Electric Supply) Regulations, 2023 provides for safety and related rules to be followed by organizations/personnel involved in Generation, Supply/Transmission, Distribution and Utilization of Electrical Energy, with an objective to provide safety to Human/Animal Life and equipments/properties.

2. Administration of provisions of Assam Cinema (Regulation) Rules. 1960:

Under provisions of this regulation permanent Cinema Halls are to be inspected and tested from this Inspectorate every year for the purpose of issuing Electrical Safety Certificates.

The Cinema Operator's License are issued and renewed by the Inspectorate.

3. Administration of the provisions of the Assam Electrical Licensing Rules, 2025.

The Electrical Licensing Board is constituted by the State Govt. under the above regulation with the Chief Electrical Inspector -cum- Adviser, Assam as the ex-officio Chairman of the Board. The main functions of the Board are to grant Electrical Workmen permits, Supervisors certificate of competency and electrical contractor's license.

4. Co-ordinate, Regulate and enforce the provisions of the Energy Conservation Act 2001.

The office of the Chief Electrical Inspector -cum- Adviser is the Designated Agency for the State of Assam as per the Energy Conservation Act, 2001 to co- ordinate, regulate and enforce the provisions of the Energy Conservation Act within the state of Assam.

5. Administration of the Assam Lifts and Escalators Act, 2006 and Rules:

The Govt. of Assam enacted the Assam Lifts and Escalators Act, 2006 to regulate the installation, maintenance and safe operation of lifts and escalators within the state of Assam. Necessary Rules under the Act i.e. the Assam Lifts and Escalators Rules, 2010 was made in December 2010.

6. Inquiry of Electrical Accidents;

The Inspectorate of Electricity has to conduct inquiry into cases relating to electrical accidents as per provisions of the Section 161 (2) of the Electricity Act, 2003, as and when directed by the Government and also by the Hon'ble Court.

Budget and receipt of fund:

1. This Inspectorate submitted the Budget Demand under NON-PLAN in the format prescribed by the Finance Department and also submitted in Govt. Web site i.e www.finassam.in.
2. The budget on the grant during the last three Years are as follows:-

2023-24	Rs. 540.40 Lakh
2024-25	Rs. 664.74 Lakh
2025-26	Rs. 632.31 Lakh

3. There was no Plan Scheme in this Inspectorate.

4. Demand placed by this Inspectorate for the FY 2026-27 was as under:

1787	Inspectorate of Electricity	Rs. 649.90 Lakh
1788	Licensing scheme/Board	Rs. 25.81 Lakh

During the year 2025-26, total Budget provision for the Inspectorate as a whole was Rs. 664.74 Lakh including salary.

Sl. No.	Designation of the Post	Sanctioned Post at		Vacancy position As on June/ 2026	Remarks
		Head Office	Zonal Office		
1.	Chief Electrical Inspector-cum-Adviser.	1	-	Nil	By Promotion
2.	Addl. Chief Electrical Inspector-cum-Adviser.	1	-	1 (One)	By Promotion
3.	Deputy Chief Electrical Inspector	2	-	2 (Two)	By Promotion
4.	Senior Electrical Inspector.	1	4	2 (Two)	By Promotion
5.	Electrical Inspector (Senior Grade)	3	4	7 (Seven)	By Promotion
6.	Electrical Inspector.	-	4	Nil	
7.	Asstt.Electrical Inspector.	2	-	Nil	
8.	Sub-Asstt.Electrical Inspector.	4	4	5 (Five)	Direct Recruitment
9.	Stenographer.	2	-	1 (One)	Direct Recruitment
10.	Addl. Secretary, ELB.	1	-	Nil	
11.	Superintendent.	1	-	Nil	
12.	Senior Assistant.	5	4	2 (Two)	By Promotion
13.	Junior Assistant.	9	8	1 (One)	Direct Recruitment
14.	Accountant.	1	-	Nil	
15.	Record Keeper.	1	-	Nil	
16.	Driver.	6	4	2 (Two)	Direct Recruitment
17.	Duftry.	1	-	Nil	
18.	Chowkidar.	1	4	1 (One)	Direct Recruitment
19.	Peon./Electrical Jugali (MTS)	18	24	9 (Nine)	Direct Recruitment
	Total	60 Nos.	60 Nos	33Nos	

Present staff pattern of the Inspectorate of Electricity, Assam is shown below:

Details of works and activities carried out during the year 2025-2026 by the Inspectorate of Electricity, Assam are shown below:

A. Inspection works:

i) Inspection of High & Extra high voltage installations:	232 Nos.
ii) Approval of generating sets under CEA Regulation 34:	155 Nos.
iii) Inspection and approval of High rise buildings:	Nil.
iv) Periodical Inspection of Cinema Halls:	Nil.
v) Inspection of Lifts;	1035 Nos.
vi) Inspection of Escalators;	23 Nos.
vii) Electrical accident inquiries conducted as per direction of Government and Hon'ble Court:	09 Nos.

B. Licensing matters:

i) Electrical Supervisors certificate of competency granted to qualified candidates:	1862 Nos.
ii) New Electrical Contractors License granted:	255Nos
iii) Electrical Workmen permits granted:	4768Nos.

Total revenue collected from inspections & licensing matters:Rs.1,99,60,110.00

Since 15th October 2017 till date, the all G2B & G2C Services in relating to this Inspectorate of Electricity are online and operational within the Single Window Clearance System (EoDB) Assam.

The office of the Chief Electrical Inspector -cum- Adviser, Assam is also the State Designated Agency (SDA) for the State of Assam under the Energy Conservation Act, 2001 to coordinate, regulate and enforce the provisions of the Act in the State. In the matter of energy conservation works in the State, the Assam SDA is required to work in tandem with the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE), Government of India, a statutory body under the Energy Conservation Act.

In order to activities in the Inspectorate of Electricity, Assam in respect of effective administration of the Act, Rules/Regulations keeping pace with increased works, it has become essential to expand the Inspectorate with additional workforce, infrastructural facilities like adequate vehicles, adequate travel expenses and regular release of monthly ceilings to meet obligatory payments.

PRELIMINARY STATUS PAPER RELATED TO GRANT 62 OF 2025-26

Rs. In Lakh					
Sl. No.	Project Description	Approved cost during 2025-26	Fund Received Status	Fund Utilization Status	Present Status
1	2	3	4	5	6
A	(Budget Head 4801-80-190-2062-501-20-99-SOPD-G-GA-V)				
	APGCL Normal work Component	10957.97	5820.89	Payment Done	Work completed.

PRELIMINARY STATUS PAPER RELATED TO GRANT 62 OF 2026-27

ASSAM POWER DISTRIBUTION CO. LTD. (APDCL)

(Rs. in Lakhs)

SI. No.	Name of Project/ Scheme	Budget Proposed during FY 2026-27	Present Status of the Fund
1	2	3	4
A	Grant No.62 (Budget Head 4801)		
1	Procurement of Distribution and Power Transformers.	2769.08	Rs. 31057.53 lakhs was budgeted in VoA Budget 2026-27 and Rs. 25818.64 released till date. In the Annual Budget 2026-27, Rs. 66410.89 lakhs is proposed.
2	Debt Servicing for RE related works Implemented by APDCL	7887.90	
3	Strengthening of Distribution Network .	758.40	
4	24x7 Protection towards wildlife corridor	854.99	
5	Electrification for Establishing On Grid Connectivity to Amarpur Char Area under Tinsukia Electrical Circle, APDCL	381.81	
6	STATE SHARE AGAINST ELECTRIFICATION OF UN ELECTRIFIED HOUSEHOLDS UNDER RDSS ADDL HH SCHEME	4090.95	
	Total	16743.13	
B	Grant No.62 (Budget Head 2801)		
7	Targeted Subsidy to APDCL	30000.00	
8	Tariff Subsidy	35000.00	
9	Energy Forecasting and Analytics	224.20	
10	PM Surya Ghar State Subsidy	10500.00	
11	Opex Charges for Smart Metering Project implemented by APDCL on DBFOOT basis under RDSS	5000.00	
12	Implementation of GIS-based Asset Mapping and Consumer Indexing in APDCL	1.09	
	Total	80725.29	
	GRAND TOTAL	97468.42	

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UNDER GRANT NO. 62

1) Strengthening of distribution network and infrastructure development:

Under the scheme, deficient areas in the distribution network have been taken up for execution of several projects such as renovation/upgradation of 33/11 kV Substation, 33 kV, 11 kV & LT lines, distribution substations to improve the overall safety of the distribution network of APDCL. The proposals pertaining to different electrical circles of three region of APDCL have been received at this end and thoroughly scrutinized based on the inherent priority to provide quality and reliable power supply to our valued consumers.

With view to the above, it is worthwhile to mention that for uninterrupted power supply to our valued consumers, to provide quality and uninterrupted power supply to our high valued consumers (Industries and Commercial consumers), to avoid delay of power restoration, to reduce fault incidences in flood prone areas, in theft prone areas, snapping of conductors, , ageing conductors to reduce AT&C Losses and in densely populated areas to eliminate any chances of electrical hazards and eventualities especially during flood/storms is executed at different locations in the FY 2025-26 under SOPD, Grant No. 62.

In the FY 2025-26, Rs, 5115.56 Lakh was budgeted under Grant No. 62. The work is 85% completed and Rs. 3694.00 Lakh received from Govt. of Assam.

2) Procurement, installation, augmentation and repair of distribution & power transformer along with lines, fittings and necessary civil works:

To provide 24X7 power supply by replacing all damaged transformers in time and also install new transformers as part of augmentation in order to meet the load growth and provide quality service to the consumers.

Currently, there are more than 88,000 nos. of 11/0.415 kV DTRs in entire APDCL distribution network. To provide 24X7 power, damaged transformers need to be replaced and to meet the load growth, new transformers with associated lines and fittings will be required. Procurement of DTRs shall facilitate replacement of damaged DTRs and meet up the need of the future loading/demand.

So, considering the urgent need of preventive, breakdown maintenance and to secure un-interrupted power supply to all consumers, the APDCL has proposed to procure distribution transformers, power transformers (different capacity) and to repair the damaged DTRs/PTRs located in different field offices to respond effectively in the event of any contingencies.

In this regard, it is worthwhile to mention that said scheme amounting to Rs.25008 Lakhs is approved in the Hon'ble Cabinet dtd: 26/10/2021.

In the FY 2025-26, Rs.6250Lakh budgeted, and total amount is released for the said scheme under Grant No. 62.100% work completed.

3) 24x7 Protection towards wildlife corridor: Assam is one of the richest biodiversity zones in the word consisting of world heritage sites like Kaziranga and Manas National Parks, DihingPatkai and other tropical rainforest, riverine grasslands and wetlands where numerous numbers of wild animals and endangered species like Golden Langoor, Hollock Gibbon, One Horn Rhinoceros, Elephants etc. live. In order to safeguard the life of these animals and endangered species, Conversion/heightening of LT & HT line within Eco-sensitive Zone of the Manas National Park & Tiger Reserve, also the area of Chatnapar (Bhukipar) falls under reserve forest, forest officer has requested for renovation/conversion of the bare conductor of the under Barpeta Electrical Circle. Certain areas under Nayekgaon Forest Range which include Kultungpara, Aaamguri and Nayekgaon where frequent movement of Golden Langur and Rhesus Macaque are recorded under Kokrajhar Electrical Circle. Also, under Guwahati Electrical Circle-II of APDCL, the areas of Chakardeo, Patgaon, Sajjanpara, Panichanda, Anderijuli, Rangapara, Hatimaraghuli (Natuun Rani), Mahendri, Belguri, Nalapara, Matia and Mikirpara are not properly guarded as such Range Forest Officer request for renovation of the line to avoid incidents during elephant movement in the corridors. Also, Shifting/heightening of 33kV Joypur feeder with MVCC and heightening of LT lines with 3 phase 4 wire ABC under Dibrugarh Electrical Circle as a safety measure towards wildlife is proposed.

To accommodate these projects the amount of Rs. 1400.00 Lakhs budgeted under SOPD 2025-26. The work is 100% completed and Rs. 531 Lakh received from Govt. of Assam

- 4) **State Share component of RDSS infrastructure work- loss reduction implemented:** Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme (RDSS) is a Govt. of India's scheme, launched with the objective of improving the quality and reliability of power supply to consumers through a financially sustainable and operationally efficient distribution sector. The scheme aims to reduce the AT&C losses to 12-15% and ACS-ARR gap to zero by 2024-25. The funding mechanism of RDSS Infrastructure Works- Loss Reduction, for Assam as a special category state, is as follows:

Project Cost : - Rs.257054.00 lakh

- 90% grant from Government of India - Rs.231348.00lakh
- 10% Utility/ State Contribution. Demand Amount: Rs. 25705.40 Lakhs

Rs.27776 Lakh has been budgeted in the FY 2025-26 for the said scheme under Grant No. 62 and full amount released.

- 5) **Electrification of establishing On-Grid connectivity to the Amarpur Char area under Tinsukia Elect. Circle:** Construction of 11 KV single circuit line with 14 (Fourteen) Nos. of 132 KV, C+6 type tower for crossing at Deopani, Dibang and Datung River as a part of extension of single circuit 11 KV line for electrification of the villages of Amarpur Char Area under Tinsukia Electrical Circle under APDCL for on-grid electrification of the villages of Amarpur&Gohpur Area under Tinsukia Electrical Circle, APDCL, Tinsukia from the nearest connectivity at Chapakhowa.

The total estimated amount against the works =Rs. 15,05,65,797.00

Rs.750 Lakh has been budgeted in the FY 2025-26 for the said scheme under Grant No. 62 and no fund released against the said scheme. 95% work completed.

- 6) **Additional Households under RDSS:** The Rural Electrification Scheme was implemented for Village and Household electrification in all the revenue villages of Assam. Through the implementation of DDUGJY-RE (erstwhile RGGVY Scheme) and DDUGJY-New Scheme for VEI, all villages in Assam are electrified as per the definition of electrification of MoP, GOI. Under DDUGJY-RE and DDUGJY-New Scheme, 42 nos. of New 33/11 KV Sub-Stations are commissioned and 68 nos. of existing 33/11 KV Sub-Stations are augmented for catering additional power. Moreover, for universal household electrification, Govt. of India launched a flagship program named "SAUBHAGYA". This program envisaged 100% household electrification in the entire country. Around 14.0 lakhs households are electrified in Assam under the Saubhagya Scheme.

Even after the implementation of Saubhagya, around 4.80 lakhs households remained un-electrified. Furthermore, a sanction has been received from REC Ltd. for electrification of 4.80 lakhs of households under DDUGJY-New Scheme in the State of Assam during the month of July, 2021. Around 3.68 lakhs households could be electrified, due to constraints of time and as per sanction the closure proposal of DDUGJY-New Scheme was sent to REC during the month of March, 2022, the deadline given by REC Ltd.

Around 1,27,111 nos. of household were remained un-electrified in the State of Assam even after the implementation of DDUGJY-New Scheme. As per the instruction from Ministry of Power, Govt. of India, these un-electrified households are proposed for electrification under RDSS.

Rs.4696 Lakh has been budgeted in the FY 2025-26 for the said scheme under Grant No. 62 and no fund released against the said scheme. 40% work completed.

- 7) **Rooftop solar PV station at Guwahati Medical College and Hospital:** Rooftop solar installations ensure efficient utilization of existing infrastructure while lowering carbon emissions and supporting the Government's broader goals for widespread renewable energy adoption across the State. Under this project, Grid-Connected Solar Power Plants will be installed at the Chief Minister's Secretariat, Dibrugarh, following the successful model implemented at JanataBhawan, Dispur. The project also includes Grid Connected Solar Power Plants to be installed at the KarBhawan buildings, Dispur and the Bijulee Bhawan, Guwahati building.

Rs.1200Lakh has been budgeted in the FY 2025-26 for the said scheme under Grant No. 62 and no fund released against the said scheme. 100% work completed.

8) EXTERNALLY AIDED PROJECTS:

1. Assam Power Distribution System Enhancement & Loss Reduction Project (AIIB):

Massive infrastructure push with total project outlay of around USD- 482.20 million under Externally Aided Project (Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) funded) for creation of:

- 196 Nos. of New 33/11 kV Sub-station- (Capacity 1670 MVA)
- 2772 C Km New 33 kV Sub-transmission line
- 4725.5 C Km New 11 kV Distribution line
- High Voltage Dist. System (HVDS) at 1140 locations.

Work order has been issued and execution of works has been started.

In the FY 2025-26, Rs. 67224.00 lakh was budget and released for the said scheme under Grant No. 62 and overall progress of 87% achieved till date.

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Status of APGCL For the financial year 2025-26 is as follows: -

RUNNING POWER PLANTS (As on 29.06.2026)

1. Lakwa Thermal Power Station (97.2 MW):

Presently LTPS is generating an average of 55-60 MW (61.72%) load subject to availability of gas.

2. Lakwa Replacement Power Project (69.75 MW):

Presently LRPP is generating an average of 60-65 MW (93%) load subject to availability of gas and demand.

3. Namrup Replacement Power Project (98.4 MW):

Presently NRPP is generating an average of 85-95 MW (96.5%) load subject to availability of gas and demand.

4. KarbiLangpi Hydro Electric Project (100 MW):

At present KLHEP is generating at an average of 80-100MW (100%) as per availability of water and load demand.

5. Myntriang Stage-I Small HEP (9 MW):

MSHEP Stage-I generating at an average 4 MW-6 MW (66%) as per availability of water.

6. Myntriang Stage-II Small HEP (4.5 MW):

MSHEP Stage-II is generating at an average 1.5 MW -3 MW (66%) as per availability of water.

ONGOING PROJECTS OF APGCL

1. 120 MW Lower Kopili Hydro Electric Project:

The 120 MW Lower Kopili Hydro Electric Project is one of the staged developments of Kopili River valley. Located in the Dima Hasao and Karbi Anglong Districts of Assam. This will enhance the power generating capacity of the state. The run of river project is funded by Asian Development Bank (ADB) under its Assam Power Sector Investment Program. The Trial run and dry commissioning of the project was successfully completed in February, 2026. The 120 MW Lower Kopili Hydro Electric Project was virtually inaugurated by the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India Shri Narendra Modi on March 13, 2026. The Commercial Operation Date (COD) of the project is expected by the end of June, 2026.

2. 24 MW KARBI LANGPI MIDDEL -II SMALL HYDRO POWER PROEJCT:

APGCL is implementing a 24 MW Karbi Langpi Middle-II Hydro Power Project located in the West Karbi Anglong District of Assam. Hon'ble State Cabinet on 17.11.2023 approved the project for a total project cost of Rs. 417.32 Cr.

PMC (Package- IV), civil works (Package-I) and Hydro-mechanical (Package-II) contractors are engaged. Works are on-going. For Electro-Mechanical works (Package-III) tender has been floated on 21-05-2026.

3.25 MW Namrup Solar Power Project.

APGCL and OIL is implementing 25 MW Namrup Solar Power project in Joint Venture mode in Dibrugarh district, Assam. JV agreement has been signed on 8th Jan 2024. the project is expected to be completed by 2026-27. The project will generate around 50 million units of clean electricity.

UPCOMING PROJECTS OF APGCL SMALL HYDRO PROJECTS:

22.5 MW KARBI LANGPI MIDDLE-I HYDRO POWER PROJECT:

1. The revised project cost of Rs. 386.42 Cr. has been approved by APGCL Board on 11th board meeting held on 28.03.2024.
2. The project proposal was placed before PIB, GoA for approval on 10-10-2023, however the proposal was deferred and suggested to resubmit after financial closure of the project.
3. DEBT(70%) is Rs 189.34 Cr and EQUITY (30%) is Rs 81.15 Cr
4. NOCs from departments under KAAC viz. Irrigation, Agriculture, Forest and Fishery have been received.
5. Land documents of Project Affected Families (PAFs), amount of compensation for land, Zirat etc. are to be finalized from Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council.
6. Preliminary Identification Survey and demarcation of the important project locations has been carried out.

BRIEF NOTES OF THE SCHEMES FOR THE FY-2026-27:

1. Upgrade of Electrical and Automation System consisting HMI system upgradation with sWOIS system at LRPP

The sWOIS (Server Wärtsilä Operator Interface System) is a virtualized HMI platform designed to extend the lifecycle of power plant control systems while mitigating hardware obsolescence and cyber threats. It incorporates IEC 62443 standard security controls—including firewalls, OS hardening, and network segmentation—to protect critical operations. The integrated sWOIS Management System further ensures reliability by proactively monitoring device health and managing validated backups for rapid post-failure recovery.

Hence, for Upgrade of Electrical and Automation System consisting HMI system upgradation with sWOIS system at LRPP is considered against budget provision amounting to **Rs. 1280.00 Lakh** under Annual Plan 2026-27. The work will be executed by APGCL.

2. Supply installation and commissioning of 3 nos. Of, 220/11 KV, 21 MVA, 1 Phase Generator Transformer for KLHEP.

The 07 nos. 220/11kV, 21MVA Single Phase Generator Transformers of KLHEP were manufactured in the year 1982 and were commissioned in the year 2007. 06 nos. each of these transformers are used in the 02 nos. hydro turbines of KLHEP and 01 no. is kept as standby. Since commissioning, the transformers have been in continuous service till date i.e., for a period of more than 16 years. The overall age of the transformers is around 40 years, as it was kept ideal for more than 20 years due to delay in completion of the project. The useful service life of the transformer has been completed and condition of the Transformer have started to deteriorate due to ageing. Failure of any transformer will cause huge generation loss.

Hence, it is proposed to procure, install & commissioning of 03 (Three) nos. of 220/11kV, 21 MVA Single Phase Generator Transformers in phased manner for KarbiLangpi Hydro Electric Project (KLHEP), APGCL is considered against budget provision amounting to **Rs. 1650.00 Lakh** under Annual Plan 2025-26. The work will be executed by APGCL.

Brief Note of AEGCL under Grant No. 62

A. Budget Estimates for FY 2026-27 under SOPD-G Equity Share Capital to AEGCL amounting to Rs. 25000.00 Lakhs

i. Contribution to ASEB Pension Fund Trust

The Govt. of Assam vide Notification No. PEL.190/2004/69, dated 4 Feb. 2005 had made necessary commitment for extending support to meet deficit towards past unfunded liabilities of the existing employees/Pension-holders of ASEB and its successor companies in addition to other sources indicated in the said Notification.

ASEB Pension Trust is servicing Pension, Commuted Pension & Gratuity liability of the retirees of the successor companies of erstwhile ASEB. The estimated Cash outflow of Pension Trust for FY 2026-27 is

Rs.926.65 Crores and on the other hand, the Cash Inflow on account of BST, ED & interest income is around Rs.759.72 Crores, creating a shortfall of Rs.166.93 Crores. The Trust is ought to manage this shortfall by withdrawal from existing corpus and as such, the corpus may deplete by around Rs.15 Crores per month.

Although the estimated shortfall of ASEB Employees Pension Fund Trust for the FY 2026-27 is Rs.166.93 Cr., but due to Budget limitations, as other Capital/Non Capital schemes are also included under this Head and to accommodate all the schemes, the estimated deficit of ASEB Pension Trust is revised to Rs.150 Cr. Under the above circumstances, the GoA is requested for providing Budgetary Support of Rs. 150 Cr. to ASEB Pension Fund Trust for the whole FY 2026-27.

ii. Composite Schemes of Transmission and Distribution in NER (NERPSIP)

The Composite scheme of Transmission and Distribution in NER- ‘North Eastern Region Power System Improvement Project (NERPSIP)’ is a centrally funded scheme with 50% funding from Govt. of India and 50% funding from the World Bank and is being implemented by Power Grid Corporation of India Ltd. (PGCIL). As per the MOU signed between PGCIL and AEGCL, the extracts at clause No. 3.3 states “State Govt. (Govt. of Assam) shall reimburse all forms of state level taxes, duties and levies”.

Now, PGCIL has submitted demand for total outstanding State portion of GST payable under NERPSIP for the works under AEGCL up-to 31.03.2026, i.e. 4th Quarter of 2025-26, for an amount of Rs.72.9450622 crore. Out of this, a total amount of Rs. 68.9530000 crore has been released by the Govt. of Assam till F.Y. 2025-26. Hence, the balance fund receivable now from the Govt. of Assam is Rs. 3.9920622 crore (Rs.72.9450622 crore - Rs. 68.9530000 crore).

Moreover, PGCIL had given tentative projected demand of the S-GST reimbursement for the F.Y. 2026-27 (1st qtr. to 4th qtr.) amounting to around Rs. 3.51 crore. This brings the total estimate to around Rs. 7.50 crore (Rs. 3.99 cr + Rs. 3.51 cr).

However, AEGCL is currently placing budget estimate proposal at present for only the outstanding receivable of Rs. 3.9920622 crore only, due to budgetary limitations.

iii. Augmentation of 2x100 MVA, 220/132 kV Rangia GSS by 2x200 MVA Auto-Transformer (Phase-I)

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2022-23 with a Phase-I project estimate of Rs. 2000.00 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2022-23. Revised AA was received during 2025-26 for revised project cost of Rs. 2086.00 Lakhs. Fund amounting to Rs. 2077.40 Lakhs against the project has been released during previous FYs (Rs. 229.00 Lakhs during 2023-24, Rs. 1771.00 Lakhs during 2024-25 and Rs. 77.40 Lakhs during 2025-26) which has been utilised. Phase-I of the project (augmentation of one 100 MVA transformer to 200 MVA) has been completed during 2024-25. Therefore, remaining project cost of Rs. 8.60 Lakhs is required for the project in FY 2026-27 for pending bills and associated works.

220/132 KV Rangia GSS supplies power to several 132/33 KV GSSs including Nalbari, Sipajhar, Kamalpur, Barnagar and Rangia. Earlier, the GSS had 2×100 MVA transformers which operated near full capacity during peak load, causing overloading, frequent blackouts and interruption of power from the Deothang Hydroelectric Project during transformer tripping. Therefore, to improve grid stability and meet growing demand in Lower Assam, the transformation capacity had to be augmented from 2×100 MVA to 2×200 MVA.

iv. Stringing of 2nd Circuit of 132kV Nazira-Jorhat (Garmur) Line alongwith associated terminal equipment

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2022-23 with a project estimate of Rs. 1112.00 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2022-23. However, proposal for revision of AA amounting to Rs. 1904.00 Lakhs was submitted during 2024-25, post tendering, which is yet to be received. Project cost of Rs. 50.00 Lakhs shall be required for the project in FY 2025-26, after revision of AA.

The districts of Jorhat, Sibsagar and part of Golaghat are presently fed through the 132 kV Nazira–Teok–Jorhat S/C line. During peak load conditions, the line experiences heavy loading,

leading to under-frequency tripping, forced load shedding and reduced redundancy during maintenance or breakdown of the 132 kV Garmur–Mariani D/C line. Several instances of tripping and load shedding have been recorded, highlighting the urgent need for stringing of the second circuit of the 132 kV Nazira–Teok–Jorhat line to improve reliability and redundancy of power supply.

v. Construction of 132kV Line Bay at 132kV APM GSS along with extension and strengthening of the bus system (Phase-I)

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2023-24 with a Phase-I project estimate of Rs. 144.00 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2023-24. Fund amounting to Rs. 119.761 Lakhs against the project has been released during previous FYs (Rs. 72.00 Lakhs during 2023-24, and Rs. 47.761 Lakhs during 2025-26). Therefore, remaining project cost of Rs. 24.239 Lakhs is required for the project in FY 2026-27.

To support the upcoming shipping port and proposed logistic park at Jogighopa, the nearby 132/33 kV Jogighopa (APM) GSS needs strengthening and augmentation to meet the increasing power demand. The substation, being over 40 years old, requires major renovation and expansion, including extension of the existing bus and gantry system which are already under excessive load stress. The project shall be completed during 2026-27.

vi. Height raising/erection of two numbers of new towers due to low ground clearance between tower loc no. 29 & 30 of Samaguri-Mariani Circuit-1

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2024-25 with a project estimate of Rs. 83.00 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2024-25. Whole project cost of Rs. 83.00 Lakhs is required for the project in FY 2026-27.

The 220 kV Samaguri–Mariani S/C transmission line, constructed in 1985, is presently in dead condition and is proposed to be charged soon to meet the load demand of Nagaon District. However, due to road upgradation at Khalihamari No. 2, Amoni, the ground clearance between tower locations 29 and 30 has reduced below the permissible limit, posing serious risk to human life and property. Therefore, urgent height raising/erection work is required before energisation of the line for the upcoming 220/33 kV Jakhlabandha GIS and to ensure reliable power supply in the region. The project shall be completed during 2026-27.

vii. SAS Upgradation at 220/132 KV Rangia GSS, AEGCL

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2024-25 with a project estimate of Rs. 110.00 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2024-25. Fund amounting to Rs. 91.27743 Lakhs against the project has been released during previous FYs (Rs. 45.63 Lakhs during 2024-25 and Rs. 45.647 Lakhs during 2025-26) which has been utilised. The project has been completed during 2024-25. Therefore, remaining project cost of Rs. 18.723 Lakhs is required for the project in FY 2026-27 for associated works.

The SAS and Gateways at 220/132 kV Rangia GSS, commissioned in 2014, had become obsolete and was facing frequent malfunction, SCADA breakdown, alarm failure, data discontinuity and metering issues, affecting control and monitoring of the switchyard. OEM inspection revealed faulty and non-recoverable servers with outdated hardware/software having no further support. Therefore, urgent upgradation and migration of the SAS system, including OS, Gateway PC and system license, was necessary for reliable and secure operation of the substation and associated equipment.

viii. Procurement of one 160MVA Transformer at Salakati GSS

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2024-25 with a project estimate of Rs. 2310.00 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2024-25. Project cost of Rs. 1800.00 Lakhs is required for the project in FY 2026-27.

To support major developmental projects in Assam and the North Eastern region, including railway electrification, Jogighopa Shipping Port, Logistic Park and Mega Food Park, AEGCL has established/planned several grid substations to meet the growing power demand.

Notably, the 220/132/33 kV Salakati GSS, which supplies power to most of Lower Assam districts, serves as the primary source of transmission in the region. Hence, strengthening and augmentation of the GSS is essential to ensure reliable power supply for the upcoming infrastructure and industrial projects. The project shall be completed during 2027-28.

ix. Construction of 132 KV D+0 tower (01 No) on pile foundation in place of river eroded tower at loc. No. 136 of 132 KV Dibrugarh-Tinsukia near sesa river, Lahoal, Dibrugarh

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2024-25 with a project estimate of Rs. 196.00 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2024-25. Project cost of Rs. 150.00 Lakhs is required for the project in FY 2026-27.

The tower near the Sesa River at Lahoal, Dibrugarh is under severe threat due to river erosion, with the river stream presently only 5.5 meters away from the tower. Hence, urgent protection and construction of a new pile foundation is required to prevent possible collapse. As the line is vital for power transmission in Dibrugarh District and the upcoming Chabua GSS is connected through LILO from this line, any interruption will severely affect power supply. The project shall be completed during 2026-27.

x. Construction of flood affected tower along with associated works of transmission line at loc 225 A of 132 KV NalkataGohpur line and loc 73 of NalkataDhemaji line

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2024-25 with a project estimate of Rs. 198.00 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2024-25. Project cost of Rs. 150.00 Lakhs is required for the project in FY 2026-27.

Tower Loc. 225A of the 132 kV Gohpur–Nalkata D/C line at Pohumara, North Lakhimpur is located in a permanently waterlogged marshy area, making the existing tower vulnerable to rusting and possible collapse. Similarly, Tower Loc. 73 of the 132 kV Nalkata–Dhemaji line near Podumani is under severe threat from erosion by the turbulent BhimpuraBaliyan River. As these lines are crucial for power supply to Nalkata GSS, Dhemaji District, parts of Lakhimpur and Arunachal Pradesh, urgent replacement of the old towers with new towers on caisson/pile foundations is necessary to prevent possible blackout and ensure reliable power supply. The project shall be completed during 2026-27.

xi. Augmentation of the existing 132 KV Bus (ACSR Zebra Conductor) by HTLS Drake Conductor at 132/33 KV Kahilipara GSS, AEGCL

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2024-25 with a project estimate of Rs. 963.00 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2024-25. Fund amounting to Rs. 598.94647 Lakhs against the project has been released during 2025-26 which has been utilised. The project has been completed during 2025-26. Project cost of Rs. 150.00 Lakhs is required for the project in FY 2026-27 for associated works.

132 kV Kahilipara GSS, which caters to nearly 70% of Assam's capital load and adjoining areas of Guwahati, was operating under heavy load conditions, with bus loading reaching 200 MW during summer. The then existing 132 kV bus system with old ACSR Zebra conductors and structurally weak columns/beams required urgent augmentation and replacement with higher-capacity HTLS conductors to ensure reliable power evacuation and meet the growing demand in Guwahati and adjoining areas.

xii. Construction of 132kV Line Bay at 132kV APM GSS alongwith Extension and Strengthening of the Bus System (Phase-II)

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2025-26 with a project estimate of Rs. 419.10 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2025-26. Fund amounting to Rs. 13.8991 Lakhs against the project has been released during 2025-26 which has been utilised. Project cost of Rs. 230.893 Lakhs is required for the project in FY 2026-27.

To meet the growing power demand of the Jogighopa Shipping Port and Logistic Park, the 40-year-old 132/33 kV Jogighopa (APM) GSS requires strengthening and expansion. While Phase-I works for strengthening of the 132 kV main bus have almost been completed, Phase-II includes earth filling and bus extension works, and Phase-III (to be proposed in subsequent FY) will cover construction of 132 kV bays and tower shifting/construction works. The project shall be completed during 2027-28.

xiii. Destraining of Existing Panther Conductor and Stringing of HTLS Conductor of 132 kV Khandong-Haflong LILO at 132 kV Umrangso GSS along with associated works

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2025-26 with a project estimate of Rs. 357.890 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2025-26. Whole Project cost of Rs. 357.890 Lakhs is required for the project in FY 2026-27.

M/s Dalmia Cement North East Limited sought an additional load of 21.75 MW at Umrangso from the 132 kV Umrangso Substation. To meet this demand, the LILO line from the Khandong–Jiribam line to Umrangso is required to be upgraded with 600 Amp HTLS conductor. While PGCIL will upgrade the Khandong–Jiribam line, the LILO line upgrade is to be carried out by AEGCL. The project shall be completed during 2026-27.

xiv. Reconductoring of 132 kV Rangia- Nalbari Transmission Line using HTLS Conductor

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2025-26 with a project estimate of Rs. 1980.310 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2025-26. Project cost of Rs. 900.00 Lakhs is required for the project in FY 2026-27.

Repeated snapping of conductors in the 132 kV Rangia–Nalbari S/C line due to aging has caused major load shedding in Nalbari and Barpeta districts and poses serious safety risks. As the line is also unable to operate at rated capacity amid rising traction, commercial and domestic load demand, augmentation of the line with HTLS conductor in place of existing ACSR Panther conductor is urgently required to ensure reliable and uninterrupted power supply.

xv. Reconductoring of 132 kV Kahilipara-Narengi line and 132 KV NarengiSonapur line using Panther Conductor

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2025-26 with a project estimate of Rs. 1206.760 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2025-26. Project cost of Rs. 1000.00 Lakhs shall be required for the project in FY 2026-27.

The 132 kV Kahilipara–Narengi and Narengi–Sonapur (up to CTPS GSS) transmission lines, commissioned during 1977–78, have nearly 50-year-old conductors whose current carrying and mechanical strength have significantly deteriorated, making maintenance difficult and risky. Therefore, urgent overhauling of the conductors, along with painting and strengthening of the old mild steel towers prone to rusting, is necessary to meet growing power demand and ensure reliable operation of the transmission lines.

xvi. Reconducting of 220kV D/C Sonabil-Balipara line (Assam portion only) with HTLS Conductor

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2025-26 with a project estimate of Rs. 806.710 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2025-26. Project cost of Rs. 600.00 Lakhs shall be required for the project in FY 2026-27.

HTLS Conductor can carry 2 times the current of a Zebra conductor due to better thermal resistance. The conductor is able to operate at high temperatures, i.e., 150°-250°C as compared to 75°C for Zebra Conductor. HTLS conductor can be installed on existing towers, without requiring new transmission corridor. The total load on the Sonabil-Balipara Ckt-1 & Ckt-2 is 464Amp (each Ckt) in the month of May, 2024, So, if one circuit gets tripped due to any cause the entire load i.e., $464 \times 2 = 928$ Amp shift to the remaining circuit. This will cause overcurrent in the second circuit, leading to its automatic tripping, which will result in a blackout at all the substations connected with Sonabil-Balipara Ckts. So, to avoid the blackout situation, reconductoring of both Sonabil-Balipara Ckt-1&2 is required. The project shall be completed during 2026-27.

xvii. Height Raising /Shifting of 132KV D/C Gauripur-Bilashipara Transmission line & 132KV S/C Gossaigaon-Gauripur Transmission Line

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2025-26 with a project estimate of Rs. 238.19 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2025-26. Fund amounting to Rs. 98.6680 Lakhs against the project has been released during 2025-26 which has been utilised. Remaining Project cost is required for the project in FY 2026-27.

The 132 kV Gauripur–Gossaigaon and Gauripur–Bilasipara S/C transmission lines are vital links supplying power to Dhubri district and adjoining Assam–West Bengal border areas. However, towers at vulnerable locations are facing severe footing erosion due to the changing course of the Tipkai Hel River. As temporary protection measures are no longer sufficient against strong monsoon currents, permanent protection works are urgently required to prevent tower collapse and disruption of the transmission system. The project shall be completed during 2026-27.

xviii. Upgradation of the existing SAS at 132KV Bilasipara GSS

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2025-26 with a project estimate of Rs. 110.210 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2025-26. Fund amounting to Rs. 110.00 Lakhs against the project has been released during 2025-26. Remaining Project cost of Rs. 0.210 Lakhs is required for the project in FY 2026-27.

The 132kV Bilasipara GSS established in 2016 is an important and vital substation in the Lower Assam Region. The existing SAS (Alstom make) at 132kV Bilasipara GSS has been in service since July 2016. Multiple issues relating to SAS malfunction have occurred and have been rectified in the recent years. Since almost 9 years have passed, upgrading the existing substation automation systems (SAS) is necessary to improve grid reliability, efficiency, and safety by enabling real-time monitoring, faster fault detection, and remote control, ultimately leading to a more robust and modern power system. The project shall be completed during 2026-27.

xix. Upgradation of the existing 132KV Bus with HTLS Conductor at 132KV Agia GSS

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2025-26 with a project estimate of Rs. 136.750 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2025-26. Project cost of Rs. 110.00 Lakhs is required for the project in FY 2026-27.

The 220 kV Agia GSS is facing increasing load demand at the 132 kV side, with peak load reaching 127.80 MW, exceeding the capacity of the existing Zebra conductor bus system. To prevent possible failure of the saturated bus and to accommodate additional railway traction load from the upcoming 132 kV Railway TSS line, urgent upgradation of the bus with higher-capacity HTLS conductor is essential for reliable power transmission. The project shall be completed during 2027-28.

xx. Procurement of spare terminal equipment like Circuit Breaker, Current Transformer, Lightning arrester etc. for GSS under Lower Assam Region AEGCL

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2025-26 with a project estimate of Rs. 490.750 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2025-26. Project cost of Rs. 398.063 Lakhs is required for the project in FY 2026-27.

There is an acute shortage of critical spare terminal equipment across various Grid Substations in the Lower Assam Region of AEGCL, which may delay restoration during unforeseen breakdowns, especially in peak summer season. Since procurement of such equipment is time-consuming and costly, advance procurement is essential to ensure quick restoration, uninterrupted power supply and reliable operation of the transmission network. Past incidents, such as the delay in restoring a malfunctioned 33 kV Circuit Breaker at 220 kV Sarusajai GSS due to non-availability of spare equipment, further highlight the urgent necessity of maintaining adequate spares. The project shall be completed during 2026-27.

xxi. Construction of new tower with pile foundation (40m pile) against erosion of tower footing at Loc 15 & 16 of 220KV Sonapur LILO D/C TL

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2025-26 with a project estimate of Rs. 1056.360 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2025-26. Project cost of Rs. 150.00 Lakhs shall be required for the project in FY 2026-27.

Towers at locations 15 and 16 of the 220 kV D/C Samaguri–Sarusajai LILO line are situated approx. 15 meters from the Kapili River and are vulnerable to flooding, soil erosion and possible collapse during monsoon. As these towers carry power between Sonapur GIS and Samaguri GSS, any failure may result

in loss of around 190 MW power and blackout in parts of Morigaon and Kamrup districts. Hence, urgent relocation of the towers with pile foundation is essential to prevent future hazards.

xxii. Construction of new tower with pile foundation against erosion of tower footing at Loc 160 of 132KV Dhaligaon-Gossaigaon TL

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2025-26 with a project estimate of Rs. 97.950 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2025-26. Whole Project cost of Rs. 97.950 Lakhs is required for the project in FY 2026-27.

The 132 kV Dhaligaon–Gossaigaon S/C transmission line, commissioned in 1980, is a vital link supplying power to Kokrajhar district, adjoining Assam–West Bengal border areas and NF Railway Traction Substation. However, Tower Loc. 160 is under severe threat of footing erosion due to the changing course of River Hel. As temporary protection measures are inadequate against strong monsoon currents, permanent protection work is urgently required to prevent tower collapse and disruption of the transmission system. The project shall be completed during 2026-27.

xxiii. Procurement and Installation of transmission line surge arrester (TLSA) for 132KV Dhaligaon-Gossaigaon and 132KV Dhaligaon-BTPS Transmission line

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2025-26 with a project estimate of Rs. 193.50 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2025-26. Whole Project cost of Rs. 193.50 Lakhs is required for the project in FY 2026-27.

The 132 kV BTPS–Dhaligaon D/C and Dhaligaon–Gossaigaon S/C transmission lines experience frequent tripping during monsoon due to lightning-induced faults, leading to grid disturbances and blackout in several Lower Assam districts, besides affecting railway electrification. To reduce such tripping and improve grid reliability, installation of Transmission Line Surge Arresters (TLSA) at critical stretches of these lines was proposed. Installation has been considered for the top and bottom conductors of both the transmission lines for one-third of the total towers in each transmission line.

xxiv. Reconductoring of 132 kV Salakati- Kokrajhar 1st Circuit using HTLS Conductor

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2025-26 with a project estimate of Rs. 1148.045 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2025-26. Project cost of Rs. 500.00 Lakhs is required for the project in FY 2026-27.

The 132 kV Kokrajhar GSS, established in 2016, is a vital substation supplying power to Kokrajhar and Dhubri districts. However, during tripping of the HTLS-equipped Salakati–KokrajharCkt-II, the existing ACSR Panther conductor of Ckt-I gets overloaded and trips, leading to complete blackout in the region. Therefore, urgent reconductoring of Ckt-I with HTLS conductor is necessary to ensure stable and reliable power supply.

xxv. Construction of one new B+0 tower with foundation in place of existing tower at loc no 412 of 132kV Depota-Dhekiajuli TL

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2025-26 with a project estimate of Rs. 38.230 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2025-26. Whole Project cost of Rs. 38.230 Lakhs shall be required for the project in FY 2026-27.

Low ground clearance of the transmission line poses serious safety risks to people, vehicles and nearby structures, besides increasing the possibility of faults, flashovers and line tripping. Due to urbanization, road development and changes in ground profile, the statutory clearance requirement is no longer being maintained. Since rerouting is not feasible because of land constraints and existing suspension towers, increasing the tower height is the most practical and necessary solution to restore safe clearance, improve reliability and reduce maintenance issues. The project shall be completed during 2026-27.

xxvi. Construction of one new B+3 and one A+6 tower with foundation in place of existing tower at loc no 96 and 97 of 132kV Sonabil-BiswanathChariali-Gohpur TL

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2025-26 with a project estimate of Rs. 71.310 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2025-26. Whole Project cost of Rs. 71.310 Lakhs is required for the project in FY 2026-27.

Low ground clearance of the transmission line poses serious safety risks to people, vehicles and nearby structures, besides increasing the possibility of faults, flashovers and line tripping. Due to urbanization, road development and changes in ground profile, the statutory clearance requirement is no longer being maintained. Since rerouting is not feasible because of land constraints and existing suspension towers, increasing the tower height is the most practical and necessary solution to restore safe clearance, improve reliability and reduce maintenance issues. The project shall be completed during 2026-27.

xxvii. Civil Works including construction of new approach road to facilitate 132 kV bus extension to accommodate future 132 kV bays at North Lakhimpur

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2025-26 with a project estimate of Rs. 402.640 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2025-26. Project cost of Rs. 150.00 Lakhs is required for the project in FY 2026-27.

The 132 kV Nalkata GSS is a critical substation facing space constraints for future expansion due to the existing boundary wall and office building. To facilitate extension of the 132 kV bus system and construction of a new bay for the proposed Nalkata–Dhemaji 2nd Circuit, demolition of the existing office building and construction of a new office building, approach road and associated civil works have become essential. The proposed approach road will also ensure smooth transportation of heavy equipment and materials during construction and commissioning activities.

xxviii. Height raising at various affected locations (Loc No 02-09, 19-24, 150-155) of 132 KV Dibrugarh-Tinsukia line due to low ground clearance

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2025-26 with a project estimate of Rs. 632.940 Lakhs, for which AA was received during 2025-26. Project cost of Rs. 150.00 Lakhs is required for the project in FY 2026-27.

The 132 kV Dibrugarh–Tinsukia line, constructed around 1985, has comparatively low tower height, and subsequent development of roads and land beneath the line has reduced ground clearance at several locations below permissible safety limits as per CEA guidelines. Hence, execution of the height raising work is essential to ensure safety of the public and property.

xxix. Augmentation of 2x100 MVA, 220/132 KV Rangia GSS By 2x200 MVA Auto-Transformer (Phase-II)

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2025-26 however, AA was not received. In this regard, the same has been proposed now under SOPD-G 2026-27 with re-estimated cost of Rs. 4083.329 Lakhs. Project cost of Rs. 204.166 Lakhs shall be required for the project in FY 2026-27.

220/132 KV Rangia GSS caters load demand of several 132/33 KV GSS viz. Nalbari, Sipajhar, Kamalpur and Barnagar including Rangia. 220/132 KV Rangia GSS presently have one no. of 200 MVA auto-transformer (commissioned under Phase-I of the project) and one no. of 100 MVA auto-transformer installed. The existing 100 MVA transformer at Rangia GSS is operating close to its maximum capacity, leading to frequent overloading issues. The augmentation will enhance the reliability of power supply in the region and cater to the growing load demand. This project will help reduce transmission losses and improve voltage stability across the network. With increased capacity, industrial and commercial sectors will benefit from a more stable power supply. The project is necessary to support future infrastructure developments and urban expansion in the area. Load growth projections indicate that without augmentation, power disruptions may increase significantly. The proposed augmentation aligns with Assam's long-term energy planning and development objectives. Strengthening the transmission network will ensure compliance with national grid standards and efficiency benchmarks.

xxx. Procurement and Installation of 02 Nos of 200 MVA 220/132 kV Transformer at 220KV Sonapur GIS

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2025-26 however, AA was not received. In this regard, the same has been proposed now under SOPD-G 2026-27 with re-estimated cost of Rs. 7650.00 Lakhs. Project cost of Rs. 382.500 Lakhs shall be required for the project in FY 2026-27.

Commissioned in June 2018, 220 kV GIS Sonapur has a total installed capacity of 200 MVA (2x100 MVA). The substation feeds power in 132 kV Voltage level to Narengi, Chandrapur and Baghjap Substation and in 33kV Voltage level to Sonapur, Khetri and Air force Station Digaru substation. The maximum recorded load for the FY 24-25 is 124.26 MW with both the transformers running in parallel. This loading condition during the summer makes it difficult to take shutdown of any one of the Transformers. Also, the load at consumer end in and around Jagiroad is likely to increase exponentially in the coming years, with the development of small-scale industries. Thus, the total MVA capacity of 220 kV GIS Sonapur needs to be augmented.

xxxi. Civil Infrastructure for back up SLDC

The project was proposed under SOPD-G 2025-26 with a project estimate of Rs. 990.210 Lakhs, however, AA was not received. In this regard, the same has been proposed now under SOPD-G 2026-27. Project cost of Rs. 330.070 Lakhs shall be required for the project in FY 2026-27.

SLDCs play a critical role in coordinating and managing the real-time operation of state electricity grid. A backup SLDC shall ensure continuity during disruptions such as cyber-attacks, technical failures, and natural disasters. It can also support parallel grid operations, reducing the burden on the main control center. Establishing backup control centers also aligns with global best practices and recommendations from regulatory bodies like CERC. AEGCL currently operates only one SLDC and plans to set up a backup SLDC at Samaguri. AEGCL has planned for replacement of the existing SCADA/EMS system to latest SCADA/EMS control system for main control center and procure latest SCADA/EMS control system for setting up a backup control center. Funds for procurement of control systems shall be allocated from Power Sector Development Fund. Power Sector Development Fund has no provision for allocating funds for civil infrastructure. Therefore, AEGCL has been advised to seek alternate source of fund to construct building for setting up backup SLDC. The project is therefore proposed under SOPD-G.

xxxii. Revival of 132kV Srikona-Panchgram Line by Line Rerouting

132KV Panchgram–Srikona line is a critical transmission link for ensuring stability and reliability of Panchgram, Srikona and Pailapool GSSs catering to major load demand of Barak Valley. Its prolonged outage has weakened transmission redundancy, increased risk of voltage instability and possible power collapse during contingencies, besides affecting security of Srikona and Pailapool GSSs. The outage has also reduced the availability factor, leading to financial impact on AEGCL under AERC tariff provisions. Hence, urgent revival of the collapsed section of the 132KV Srikona–Panchgram line is essential for reliable power supply in the Barak Valley region. The project for “Revival of 132kV Srikona-Panchgram Line” with construction of 02 nos. of new towers (one D+9 with normal cross arm and another A+30 with composite insulated cross arm) and converting one existing B+12 to suspension tower with composite insulated cross arm was proposed for funding under SOPD Scheme 2022-23 and AA was received, post which tendering was done and work was awarded. However, due to contractual failure on contractor's part, the contract had to be cancelled. The Power Dept., GoA was also intimated regarding non-completion of the project vide letter dated 19.05.2025. Moreover, during the flood of 2024; major erosion was observed at project site leaving the nearby tower locations vulnerable to accidents due to further erosion. As a result of continuous erosion in the Barak River, an alternate route through the AIDC (erstwhile HPC) campus has been surveyed which will revive the line curtaining the need to cross the river. For rerouting of the line, construction of 07 nos. of new towers will be required. Also, dismantling of existing 06 nos. of towers will be done as these will no longer be needed due to line rerouting. Further, strengthening and upgradation of 132 kV Panchgram-HPC Bay at 132 kV Panchgram GSS would be required for managing power flow to 132 KV Srikona Line. In this regard, the project with est. amount of Rs. 1200.00 Lakhs is proposed now under SOPD-G scheme 2026-27 with budgeted amount requirement of Rs. 60.00 Lakhs.

- xxxiii. Replacement of dilapidated ACSR Pather Conductor of 132KV Depota-Dhekiajuli TL, 132KV Dhekiajuli-Rowta TL and 132KV Rowta-Rangia (Upto Loc No. 71 Rowta end) S/C TL**
The ACSR Panther conductor of the 132kV DepotaRowta -Rangia S/C Transmission line is in vulnerable condition and is exhibiting significant rusting in the inner layer of steel. It is worth mentioning here that in addition to 132kV Rowta GSS, 132/33 kV Dhekiajuli GSS and 132/33kV Tangla GSS are also connected as LILO to this 1963 constructed transmission line. Therefore, looking at the safety and reliability risk of 132kV Depota- Rowta -Rangia S/C Transmission line, the project "Replacement of dilapidated ACSR Pather Conductor of 132KV Depota-Dhekiajuli TL (45 Km), 132KV Dhekiajuli-Rowta TL (31 Km) and 132KV Rowta-Rangia (Upto Loc No. 71 Rowta end) S/C TL (51 Km)" is urgently required. In this regard, the project with est. amount of Rs. 1800.00 Lakhs is proposed now under SOPD-G scheme 2026-27 with budgeted amount requirement of Rs. 90.00 Lakhs.
- xxxiv. Shifting of Towers in between Loc No. 101 to 111 of 132 KV Hailakandi-Durlavcherra Line due to Soil Erosion at Tower Base**
The hillock of the tower bases in the 132 KV Hailakandi-Durlavcherra Line has suffered from major soil erosion due to flood and incessant rain during previous years due to which the tower bases are prone to collapse. Hence to protect the transmission line, shifting of the affected section (Loc. No. 101 to 111) is urgently required. Unavailability of these 132 KV Hailakandi-Durlavcherra lines will reduce the transmission reliability of 132 KV Durlavcherra GSS as in case of failure of the only remaining source, i.e., 132 KV Durlavcherra-Dharmanagar TL, there will be complete failure of the GSS which will severely affect those connected. Therefore, this project with est. amount of Rs. 800.00 Lakhs is of critical requirement and therefore is proposed now under SOPD-G scheme 2026-27 with budgeted amount requirement of Rs. 40.00 Lakhs.
- xxxv. Height Raising of various transmission lines under UAR**
Low ground clearance of the transmission line poses serious safety and reliability concerns, including risk of accidental contact, flashover, faults during adverse weather, and vegetation encroachment. Due to urbanization, road crossings, and changes in ground profile over time, the statutory clearance requirement of 6.1 m is no longer adequately maintained. As rerouting is constrained by land availability and existing towers, increasing tower height is the most practical solution to restore mandatory clearances, improve reliability, and reduce maintenance requirements. This project of height raising at affected locations of 15-47 years old TL's (132KV Dibrugarh-Tinsukia line, 132KV LTPS-NTPS D/C line, 132KV Mariani-LTPS line, 132KV LTPS-Mariani S/C line, 132KV N. Lakhimpur-Dhemaji Transmission line, 132KV Golaghat-Sarupathar line, 132KV Mariani-Golaghat line, 132KV Bokajan-Dimapur line, 132KV Nalkata-Gohpur D/C line and 132KV Nalkata-Majuli line) is of critical requirement and therefore is proposed now with est. amount of Rs. 2800.00 Lakhs under SOPD-G scheme 2026-27 with budgeted amount requirement of Rs. 140.00 Lakhs.
- xxxvi. HTLS Reconductoring of 132kV Mariani-Dimapur Transmission Line and height raising at various locations**
The 132kV Mariani-Dimapur S/C transmission line, commissioned in 1980 with a total length of approximately 135 km, is one of the important transmission corridors in the region. Over the years, load flow through the line has increased significantly due to commissioning of various LILO connections, namely 132kV Golaghat LILO (2009), 132kV Bokajan LILO (2010), and 132kV Sarupathar LILO (2022), for evacuation of power to Golaghat, Bokajan, and Sarupathar GSSs. Due to aging of the line and increased loading, conversion of the line to HTLS conductor has become necessary to enhance transmission capacity and to improve reliability. Also, vertical clearance of bottom conductors at several locations has reduced below the statutory minimum clearance of 6.1 metres prescribed under the Indian Electricity Rules/CEA regulations. Reduced ground clearance poses safety risks to public and infrastructure and may affect reliable operation of the transmission system. Therefore, height raising of bottom conductors at affected locations along with conversion of the line to HTLS conductor has become necessary and therefore is proposed now with est. amount of Rs. 14000 Lakhs under SOPD-G scheme 2026-27 with budgeted amount requirement of Rs. 700.00 Lakhs.

xxxvii. Various Civil Works under O&M

The proposed civil works under O&M are essential for safe and reliable operation of substations. The office building at Panchgram GSS and the control room building at Lakwa GSS are in dilapidated condition, requiring urgent renovation/construction. Further, absence of shift staff quarters at Rangia and proper security barrack at Haflong GSS is affecting round-the-clock operation and security management. Hence, the proposed works are necessary for efficient operation, maintenance and security of the transmission system. The project is proposed with est. amount of Rs. 2000 Lakhs under SOPD-G scheme 2026-27 with budgeted amount requirement of Rs. 100.00 Lakhs.

B. Budget Estimates for FY 2026-27 under EAP (Central Share) amounting to Rs. 55537.00 Lakhs and EAP (State Share) amounting to Rs. 14463.00 Lakhs

Central Share:

The Department of Economic Affairs, DEA has discontinued the Direct Disbursement Procedure for Externally Aided Projects (EAP) (where contractors were paid directly from the Bank on receiving of the verified claims from the implementing Agency) vide notification no.1/11/2017-ADB-1 Dated 29th September 2017 and instructed to follow Reimbursement Procedure for disbursement.

- a) Under Phase-I, Construction of 02 (Two) 400kV Substation along with associated transmission lines at Location-Rangia (Tamulpur) and Sonapur(Chamatapathar) which covers major share of project value (approx. 53% of Project Cost) is going on in full swing. High Value equipment like Power Transformers, GIS switchgear equipment, Underground cables, superstructures are in transit and is expected in the first half of FY 2026-27.
- b) Under phase-II, contracts of 03(Three) packages have been awarded and Civilandsupply works at the sites of 5 locations under 3 contract packages has already been started and is anticipated that claims will be submitted by the concerned contractors against the works.

**** The Budget expenditure for 2026-27 considered includes cost for both Phase-I and Phase-II amounting to Rs. 55537.00 Lakhs.**

State Share:

The Department of Economic Affairs, DEA has discontinued the Direct Disbursement Procedure for Externally Aided Projects (EAP) (where contractors were paid directly from the Bank on receiving of the verified claims from the implementing Agency) vide notification no.1/11/2017-ADB-1 Dated 29th September 2017 and instructed to follow Reimbursement Procedure for disbursement. Moreover, as per the standard tender clause of AIIB funded project, 10% of the contract value as mobilization advance is required to be paid to the contractor in order to make the contract effective and subsequently to ensure commencement of work. GST reimbursement claims made against the bills submitted by the EPC and expenses against Right of Way and other overhead expenditures are to be covered from the State Share Fund.

**** The Budget expenditure for 2026-27 considered includes cost for both Phase-I and Phase-II amounting to Rs. 14463.00 Lakhs.**

Annual Report of AEGCL

During the last three years, the technical progress of AEGCL in construction of EHV substations, Transmission lines and OPGW network including Augmentation of existing capacity of Grid Substations and Transmission Lines are as follows:

Sl. No.	Item	FY 2023-24	FY 2024-25	FY 2025-26
1	Total Transformer Capacity (in MVA)	9340	10030	10052
2	No. of Substation	81	82	82
3	Maximum Load Handled (in MW)	2413.27	2684.27	2842.76
4	Transmission Network (in ckt Km)	5270	5426	5342
5	OPGW Network (in Km)	2200	2800	2800
6	Transmission Loss (%)	3.28	3.24	3.22
7	Transmission Availability (%)	99.50	99.08	99.58

**Action Taken on Observation and Recommendation made by DRSC in its Report No.
Twenty Seven (Grant No. 62) of 2025-26**

1. Observation and Recommendation:

The Committee recommends that one new sub-station should be installed at Lala Sub-Division under Katigorah LAC.

Action taken:

It may be mentioned that Lala ESD falls under Katlicherra LAC, Hailakandi Dist. and Katigorah LAC is in Cachar Dist and under Kalain ESD.

Works undertaken in Lala ESD as follows:

At present the power supply under Lala ESD is fed from 4 nos. of 33/11 kV substations i.e. Lala Distribution Substation (DSS), Katlicherra DSS, Manipur DSS, Aynakhal DSS**.

The 132/33 kV Panchgram Grid Substation of AEGCL already exists in the vicinity of the location at a distance of approx. 4-5 km from Katigorah. Additionally, construction of a new GSS under Patharkandi is presently under consideration.

The following works have been completed under AIIB:

1. 33/11 kV (2x5)MVA**Aynakhal Substation is completed and charged.
2. HVDS
 - (i) 100 kVA- 7 nos.
 - (ii) 63 kVA- 20 nos.
 - (iii) 25 kVA- 10 nos.
 - (iv) 11 kV line= 29 ckm
 - (v) LT ABC= 21.3 ckm

The following works going on under RDSS :

1. 11 kV line= 193.55ckm(105.24ckm completed)
2. 11 kV MVCC = 14.07 ckm(5.85 completed)
DTR
 - (i) 25 KVA= 90 nos. (37 nos. charged)
 - (ii) 63 KVA=188 nos. (117 nos. charged)
 - (iii) 100 kVA= 62nos.(38 nos. charged)
 - (iv) 250 kVA= 6 nos. (4 nos. charged)

Additionally, a new 33/11 kV Substation has been proposed at Gharmurah in RDSS (phase-II) which falls under the jurisdiction of Lala ESD. Subsequently, on the recommendation of the DRSC the proposal is processed and will be executed under SOPD subject to approval and availability of fund from Govt. of Assam.

Works undertaken in Katigorah LAC (under Kalain ESD):

1. A New 33/11 KV (2x5) MVA Distribution Sub-Station with line length of 33 kV=10.56 ckm and 11 kV= 9.35 ckm has been set up at Rajpur under Kalain ESD in Katigorah LAC, under AIIB Scheme.

2. To address the low voltage issues in Katigorah LAC, new DTRs are being installed under HT RDSS Schemes & HVDS scheme under Kalain ESD. The details given below:

Under AIIB the following works have been completed:

1. 11 kV line 6.514 ckm
2. LT AB cable: 7.787 ckm
3. DTR -24 nos.
- (i) 63 KVA= 14 nos.
- (ii) 100 KVA= 8 nos.
- (iii) 25 KVA= 2 nos.

Under RDSS the following works are going on:

1. 11 kV line= 29 ckm(11.39ckm completed)
DTR
- (i) 25 KVA= 6 nos.(5 nos. charged)
- (ii) 63 KVA=27 nos.(14 nos. charged)
- (iii) 100 kVA= 14 nos.(12 nos. charged)
- (iv) 250 kVA= 1 nos. (charged)

2. **Observation and Recommendation:**

The Committee observes that Katigorah LAC is facing shortage of Power supply. Therefore, to alleviate such condition of power supply, the Committee recommends that all 16 KV & 25 KV transformer should be up-graded.

Action taken:

1. A New 33/11 KV (2x5)MVA Distribution Sub-Station with line length of 33 kV=10.56 ckm and 11 kV= 9.35 ckm have been set up at Rajpur under Kalain ESD in Katigorah LAC, under AIIB Scheme.

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- (i) 25 KVA= 6 nos.
- (ii) 63 KVA=27 nos.
- (iii) 100 kVA= 14 nos.
- (iv) 250 kVA= 1 no.

3.Observation and Recommendation:

The Committee reiterates its earlier recommendation that Lumding LAC is facing shortage of power supply. Therefore the Committee recommends for installation of 133/32 Power substation to overcome the hardship. In this connection land has already been allotted and survey has also been conducted.

Action taken:

For construction of one no. of 132/33 kV 2X50 MVA GSS at Lumding, specification has been finalised and tender document has already been prepared. However, due to non-finalization of funding source, tender has not been floated.

4. Observation and Recommendation:

The Committee recommends that one new Solar Plant should be installed at each LAC of Assam.

Action taken:

APDCL has installed a total of **1,44,662** Rooftop solar plants, with an aggregate capacity of **476.43MW** (as on **30.06.2026**) across all 35 districts of Assam under the PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana (details are enclosed at **Annexure A**).

The PM Surya Ghar Muft Bijli Yojana also includes a "**Model Solar Village**" component with the objective of developing one Model Solar Village in each district of the country. The scheme envisages the constitution of a District Level Committee (DLC) for overall monitoring and implementation of the scheme at the district level. The constitution of DLCs has been completed in all 35 districts of Assam. After the selection of the Model Solar Village by the respective DLC, the Assam Energy Development Agency (AEDA) will prepare the Detailed Project Report (DPR) and submit the same to the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE). As of now, Model Solar Villages have been selected in five districts and two DPRs have been completed. (details are enclosed)

APDCL is also actively implementing large-scale solar power projects across the State. A total of **245 MW** of large scale ground mounted solar capacity has already been commissioned under the **Build-Own-Operate (BOO)** mode for supply of power to APDCL.

Further, a **50 MW Solar Power Plant at Borsola, Sonitpur**, is being developed by **SJVN Green Energy Limited (SGEL)** under the BOO mode and is on the verge of completion. Another **200 MW** of solar capacity under the BOO mode, to be developed at suitable locations across Assam, is also under implementation.

In addition, APDCL has pipeline of approximately **2,000 MW**, proposed to be developed through Joint Venture Companies (JVCs) formed with leading Central Public Sector Undertakings (CPSUs), namely **NLC India Limited** and **SJVN Limited**.

To facilitate higher integration of renewable energy into the grid and enhance grid reliability, advanced energy storage solutions, including **Pumped Storage Projects (PSPs)** and **Battery Energy Storage Systems (BESS)**, are also being pursued. Pumped Storage Projects with a cumulative capacity of nearly **5,900 MW** are currently under development in the State by private developers. In the BESS segment, a total capacity of **250 MW** is proposed to be developed through a Joint Venture Company with **OTPC**, of which the first **25 MW** project is already under implementation.

Moreover, APGCL OIL Green Power Limited (AOGPL), a joint venture company between APGCL and OIL incorporated on 21.02.2025, is implementing the 25 MW (Phase-I) Namrup Solar PV Project within the Namrup Thermal Power Station campus. The project is under construction. The total estimated project cost is

Rs. 115.86 Cr. with gross annual contribution of APGCL & OIL is 51% & 49 % respectively. The project is expected to be completed within this FY.

Further APGCL had requested Deputy Commissioners of each district of Assam for allotment of land for setting up of Solar Power Project in the district via letters. However, no response obtained.

5. **Observation and Recommendation:**

The Committee recommends the Department to provide regular electricity bills to the Tea Garden Households in the entire State.

Action taken:

Regular Electricity bills are provided to all the Tea Garden households having Postpaid meter connections. In case of Prepaid meter connections, monthly bills are generated which is made available through website, mobile application and SMS.

6. **Observation and Recommendation:**

The Committee reiterates its earlier recommends to shift the transformer placed near ManashaMandirSagalpara, Lohra (in front of the land of Mrs.Bhattacharjya and Mr.Rangsal) to other nearby place in the SagalparaLohra area of Guwahati within one month).

Action taken:

A survey was conducted in relation to the issue of shifting the transformer situated near ManashaMandir, Sagalpara, Lohra in front of the land of Mrs. Bhattacharya and Mr.Rangsal to a nearby place. During the inspection, it was observed that the present location of the DTR is at the load centre and the LT loads are distributed uniformly on both sides of the road. Alternate feasible location not yet found.

Further, with the verbal discussion with the Local MLA, the alternate location will be provided for shifting of the transformer.

7. **Observation and Recommendation:**

The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for shifting all the Electric poles which are located near the market areas/ town areas to suitable place.

The Committee also observes that an electric pole is found in a dangerous condition behind Hotel Rajdhani Regency near Lastgate. Therefore, the Committee directs the Department to remove/replace the pole at the earliest.

Action taken:

Three numbers of tilted aged concrete poles which have been already dismantled in the entrance of Rukmininagar road, Last gate area and new Steel Tubular poles are erected and 11 KV conductors have been changed to covered conductor.

8. **Observation and Recommendation:**

The Committee recommends the Departmental officers to make arrangements for installation of one Sub-station near BhaktadobaBajar under Sarukhetri Constituency and near Silchar Medical College.

Action taken:

A proposal for construction of 33/11 kV sub-station (2x5MVA) at Naligaon (Bhaktardoba) of Saukhetri LAC under Barpeta District had already been proposed under RDSS 2nd phase considered and under process for approval from Govt. of India.

Subsequently, on the recommendation of the DRSC held on 23-10-2025 at Barpeta, the required land was handed over by the Circle Officer, Sarthebari Revenue Circle, on 23/06/2026, the tender process has been started and will be executed from SOPD subject to approval and availability of fund.

Also, 33/11 kV Silchar Medical College Substation has been commissioned, charged and loaded.

9. **Observation and Recommendation:**

The Committee observes that Panbari village under Tezpur Sub-division in Rangapara LAC has not been provided electrification yet.

Therefore the Committee recommends the Department to electrify as soon as possible so that the public can be benefited.

Action taken:

Construction of electrical lines (11 KV line 0.82 KM, 3 Ph line 0.19 Km and 1 Phase 0.70 Km) and transformer (63 KVA x 1) have been completed at Panbari village, Rangapara LAC under Tezpur ESD2, Service kit connections in all 27 unelectrified households of the village have been completed, meter installation completed in 6 household and pending in 21 households, works is going in full swing.

10. **Observation and Recommendation:**

The Committee recommends that drawing of 33KVA line from Dullabcherra (Sribhumi District) to Gharmurah (Hailakandi district) should be installed.

Action taken:

A new 33 KV line from Dullabcherra to Latakandi has been sanctioned under AIIB-funded ADSELR project and the said line is under construction under Lala ESD and 75% work is completed.

11. **Observation and Recommendation:**

The Committee observes that the residents of Bikash Nagar, Kailashpur, Odalbakra (in front of the house of Mr. Deka) are facing problems as the overhead LT line got reduced to less than the required standard height posing as danger to residents of the area.

Therefore, the Committee recommends the Department to take immediate necessary action to solve the problem by replacing existing concrete poles as per requirement and overhead steel wires by insulated cables.

Action taken:

The low lying LT lines at Odalbakra, Bikash Nagar, Kailashpur (in front of the house of Mr. Deka) have already been heightened with PSC Poles.

12. **Observation and Recommendation:**

The Committee recommends the Department to shift electric poles and to re-install by insulated wires from Kayakuchi Bazar to Fazu Bazar, Tapa Chok, Pakabetbari development block. The Committee also recommends to shift electric poles and re-install by insulated wires from Kalijhar to Nittananda Chowk.

Action taken:

Reconductoring & dismantling works of 33kV Tapa feeder at Bartapa, Galia, Purona Bazar, Purana Bhawanipur, Jamtol area have been completed.

Moreover, for renovation regarding installation of insulated wires from Kayakuchi to Fazu Bazar, Tapa Chowk, Pakabetbari Development block is proposed and will be executed under SOPD subject to approval and availability of fund from Govt. of Assam

13. **Observation and Recommendation:**

The Committee recommends to install electric substation at Bhaktardoba Bazar and Barbala under Sarukhetri LAC.

Action taken:

A proposal for construction of 33/11 kV sub-station (2x5MVA) at Naligaon (Bhaktardoba) of Sarukhetri LAC under Barpeta District had already been proposed under RDSS 2nd phase considered and under process for approval from Govt. of India.

Subsequently, on the recommendation of the DRSC held on 23-10-2025 at Barpeta, the required land was handed over by the Circle Officer, Sarthebari Revenue Circle, on 23/06/2026, the tender process has been started and will be executed from SOPD subject to approval and availability of fund.

14. **Observation and Recommendation:**

The Committee recommends that new electric connections to be provided to the disadvantaged people under Sarukhetri LAC.

Action taken:

New Electricity Connections under Sarukhetri LAC is implemented under Additional Household under RDSS. The details of electricity connections are as follows:

Sl No.	Total Awarded HH Electrical Connection	Already Done	Connections yet to be released
1	2908 No.	650 No.	2258 No.

The Project completion date is March 2028 and all connections would be completed within project timeline.

GRANT NO.62

POWER (ELECTRICITY) DEPARTMENT

OBSERVATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2026-27

1. The Committee recommends that the quality of Distribution Transformers (DTRs) be properly monitored and ensured. Whenever any DTR is found to be malfunctioning, the Department should take immediate steps to repair or replace it without unnecessary delay and should not wait for the MLA's permission before initiating the necessary action.
2. The Committee recommends the Department to undertake extensive awareness and promotional activities to encourage the adoption of Solar Energy Schemes among the public to the greatest extent possible.
3. The Committee recommends that the Department conduct meetings in each district with the respective MLAs and the Deputy Commissioner to identify and allot suitable land for the implementation of Solar Energy Schemes.
4. The Committee observes that some of the existing power distribution lines in some rural areas are over the bamboo poles causing serious safety threats in areas of Bhuyakhat, Ganakpara, Segnnpara area of Tangla LAC; Dolabari and some other villages under Baokhungri LAC and Raidangjuri area of Titabar LAC.
The Committee recommends the Department to make necessary assessment in all the areas and take steps for standard and safe distribution lines with PC Poles.
5. The Committee observes that the action taken on observation/recommendation (no.13) from the previous report have not been completed in respect of installation of a sub-division at Barbala.
The Committee recommends the Department to take up the construction work of the sub-station at the earliest.
6. The Committee also recommends that the transmission/distribution lines to the Beki river in Char area, Mini Shimla and Sarcharia to be repaired at the earliest.
7. The Committee recommends the Department to take immediate steps for electrification of unelectrified households in Banyaguri, Bagdurga gaon under Gauripur LAC area under some suitable scheme.
The Committee further recommends that power supply in Satbaini area under Agomoni SDE should be improved immediately and the Department should take necessary steps at the earliest.
8. The Committee recommends to take safety issues of electrical workers and public to be taken as a priority to avoid electrocution/electrical accidents. All the low height distribution lines that poses safety threats due to raising of roads, embankments or damaged poles to be raised immediately.
The Committee recommends that the process of payment for compensation in electrical accidents/deaths should be streamlined/simplified to ensure immediate relief to the victim/NoK.
9. The Committee observed that the Department have not taken any action regarding the shifting of Transformer placed near Manasa Mandir Sagalpara, Lokhara as per the Previous recommendation of 2025-26.
The Committee recommends the Department to submit a detail report within 15 days as to why the works have not been carried out till date.

10. The Committee observed that the shifting of electric poles located near all major market areas/ town areas were not carried out as per the recommendation from the previous report 2025-26(sl. no. 7) and many electric poles are located in the middle of the roads.

The Committee recommends the Department to take immediate action without undue delay. Timely relocation will not only enhance public safety but also help reduce the overall cost of the relocation process.

11. The Committee further recommends that the Sub-Divisional Office (SDO) of a Constituency be located within the jurisdictional radius of its respective LAC to ensure better accessibility and efficient service delivery.
12. The Committee recommends the Department to conduct proper survey of the transformers across the State in order to prevent overloading and if so found, it should be immediately altered.
13. The Committee observed that the transformer located in Ganeshnagar Swargapur area, Basistha and Barahata Baishya Chuburi under Baihata Chariali Sub-division, Kamrup (R) are experiencing significant overloading. The Committee therefore recommends that the capacity of the transformer should be enhanced to meet the increasing electricity demand and ensure a reliable power supply.
14. The Committee recommends the Department to shift and relocate the Games village Sub-station.
15. The Committee recommends the Department to examine the feasibility of providing power supply to the Barkhetri area through Chamata Feeder and the Mukalmua Sub-station instead of the existing Hajo Freeder as the present network traverses multiple channels resulting in an unnecessary long distribution line.
16. The Committee recommends that electrical wiring connections be laid underground and that unused electric poles obstructing the beautification of Tinsukia Town be removed.
17. The Committee also recommends the Department to install Sub-station at Tinsukia by-pass.
18. The Committee recommends the Department to renovate and upgrade the existing 33kV Joyma GSS- Fakiragram main power line to ensure stable and reliable electricity supply.

The Committee also recommends the Department to renovate and strengthen the 33kV Fakiragram- Kokrajhar power line for uninterrupted electricity supply.

19. The Committee recommends that Batadrava Than (birth place of Shrimanta Shankardev) under Nagaon- Batadrava LAC should be powered with a dedicated power line. The Department should also make all the necessary initiative to enable to supply 24 hrs uninterrupted power.

The Committee recommends that the Budget allocation provided under Grant No.62 for Financial Year 2026-2027 for the Power (Electricity) Department be approved by the August House.

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**DEPARTMENTALLY RELATED STANDING COMMITTEE
ON DEVELOPMENT (A) DEPARTMENTS**

ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

(SIXTEENTH ASSEMBLY)

DEMAND FOR GRANT NO.63 FOR THE YEAR 2026-27

DEPARTMENT: WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

TWENTY EIGHTH REPORT

Presented to the House on 22nd July, 2026

**ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT
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**COMPOSITION OF THE DEPARTMENTALLY RELATED
STANDING COMMITTEE ON
DEVELOPMENT (A) DEPARTMENTS,
2026-27**

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INTRODUCTION

1. I, as Chairperson of the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (A) Departments having been authorized by the Committee to submit the Report on their behalf, present this **Twenty Eighth Report** on Demand for **Grant No.63** relating to **Water Resources Department** for the financial year 2026-27.
2. The Committee has considered the Demand for **Grant No.63** on the Budget Estimates for the year 2026-27 in its meeting held on **16th July, 2026**.
3. The Committee has been befitted with the assistance rendered by the Government representatives during the course of examination of the Budget Estimates under the aforementioned Grant for the year 2026-27. The Committee has formulated its observations taking into consideration the valuable submission rendered by official witnesses, during the course of consideration of the Budget Estimates.
4. The Committee would also like to place on record their deep sense of appreciation for the invaluable assistance rendered to them by the officials of Assam Legislative Assembly Secretariat attached to the Committee.
5. The Committee has considered the Draft Reports on 18th July, 2026 and approved it on the same day.

Place : Dispur
The 18th July, 2026.

Rupak Sarmah
Chairperson,
Departmentally Related Standing Committee
on Development (A) Departments,
Assam Legislative Assembly.

CHAPTER-I
WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT
GRANT NO.63

The Water Resources Department is one of the most important Departments of the Government of Assam. The problems of flood, erosion and drainage ecosystem are chronic problem of the state which has crippled the entire economic besides entraining enormous flood damage and causing measures to the people at large. Sometimes life line to the Northeast is disrupted because of devastating floods.

Flood control activities in Assam started after announcement of National Policy for Flood in 1954 by the Govt. of India, Though there was short term and long term measures in National Flood Policy 1954, to get the immediate relief to the flood ravaged State, construction of embankment as short term measures had been widely adopted because this could be constructed quickly with local resources and abundant man-power to protect large area with comparatively smaller outlays.

Total Budget under Grant No.63 Relating to Water Resources Department for the financial year 2026-27 is as follows:

Rupees in Lakhs			
	Revenue	Capital	Total
Voted	43952.50	123004.83	166957.33
Charged	0.00	0.00	0.00

Out of the Total Budget provision Rs.166957.333 (Lakhs) made for the financial year 2026-27, Rs. **43952.50** (Lakhs) and Rs.**123004.83** (Lakhs) have been earmarked under the Revenue and Capital Head respectively.

CHAPTER-II

WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT GRANT NO.63

The Department performed works under the name Public Works Department (PWD) till 1970 when the Department along with Irrigation Department bifurcated from the parent Department i.e. P.W.D. vide Notification No. ABP/135/70/10 dated 18/09/1970. Again in the year 1974, the Irrigation: Department was separated out from the Flood Control Department vide notification No. ABP.74/73/Pt/17 dated 22/01/1974. Lastly, the Department was renamed as Water Resources Department in the year 2002 vide notification No.AR/21/2002/4 dated 01/11/2002.

Flood and Erosion Management Works:

- a. Continuing a Legacy: Since 1954, Assam has constructed a vast network of embankments, totalling around 4,832 km. These embankments, along with flood walls, remain a crucial part of the flood control strategy, aiming to contain the flow of rivers and protect vulnerable areas.
- b. Modernization and Strengthening: Recognizing the need to enhance the resilience of existing infrastructure, Assam is prioritizing the raising and strengthening of embankments. Over 1,508 km of dykes have been reinforced to withstand the increasing intensity of floods.
- c. Innovative Construction Techniques: In areas where conventional embankment construction is challenging, Assam is employing innovative methods like Ready-Made Embankments (RME) and Geo-tubes.

River Training and Bank Protection:

- a. Erosion Control: Riverbank erosion is a major concern in Assam. To address this, the state has implemented 1,430 nos. of anti-erosion and town protection works. These projects involve the use of various materials and techniques to stabilize riverbanks and prevent erosion.
- b. Shifting to Sustainable Materials: Assam is transitioning from traditional boulder-based erosion protection to more sustainable and environmentally friendly alternatives like polypropylene geo-textile materials. This shift not only strengthens embankments but also minimizes the impact on river ecosystems.

Drainage Improvement:

Sluice Gates: The construction and maintenance of 691nos. of sluice gates (146 major and 545 minor) are vital for regulating water flow and improving drainage in flood-prone areas. These structures help to manage water levels and reduce the risk of inundation.

Schemes taken up by W. R. Department during 2023-24, 2024-25 & 2025-26:

Year 2023-24 :

- a. 58 nos of schemes amounting to Rs. 526.51 Crore under RIDF-XXIX. The schemes were taken up for construction of new embankment for 57.60 Km, R/S of existing embankment for 42.53Km, Anti-erosion works for 19.48 Km, Construction of 15 nos. of new sluice gates.
- b. 46 nos. of schemes amounting to Rs. 500.00 Crore were taken up under NIDA with the provision of 26.85 Km of new embankment, R/S of existing embankment for 30.99 Km, Anti-erosion works with Revetment & Apron for 29.72 Km, Construction of major sluice 9 nos. & minor sluice gates 2 Nos sluice gates.
- c. Under SOPD-G, 29 nos of schemes amounting to Rs.43.22 Crore with provision of 0.45 Km of R/S of existing embankment, Anti-erosion works with Revetment & Apron for 2.24 Km were taken up during 2023-24.

Year 2024-25 :

The W. R. Department has formulated 70 schemes at a cost of Rs. 554.45 Crores for construction of 212.13 km new embankment, R/S for a length of 11.05 Km, Anti-erosion works for a length of 11.98 Km under SOPD-G, 46 schemes at a cost of Rs. 356.55 Crore with provision of 15.78 Km of new embankment, 33.37 Km of R/S, 21.03 Km of Anti-erosion works under RIDF-XXX during the year 2024-25.

Year 2025-26 :

The W. R. Department has formulated 35 schemes at a cost of Rs. 299.92 Crores for construction of 179.11 km new embankment, R/S for a length of 24.30 km, Anti-erosion works for a length of 1.45 km under RIDF-XXXI, 15 schemes at a cost of Rs.692.00 Crore for rejuvenation of 24 nos. of wetlands, 172 schemes at a cost of Rs.279.90 Crore with provision of R/S for a length of 280 km under PDNA, 143 schemes at a cost of Rs.362.29 Crore with provision of 59.72 km of new embankment, 66.70 km of R/S and 67.79 km of anti-erosion works under SOPD-G were taken up during the year 2025-26.

Externally Aided Projects:

World Bank-aided AIRBMP: With a total loan of \$500 million, the Assam Integrated River Basin Management Programme is being implemented in phases. The first phase (\$135 million) focuses on comprehensive flood management for the Buridehing and Beki rivers and piloting an integrated flood forecasting system. The second phase (\$240 million) will extend to the Dikhow-Desang, Kollong-Kopilli-Killing, Puthimari, and Aie-Manas basins.

ADB-aided CRBIFRERP: The Climate Resilient Brahmaputra Integrated Flood and Riverbank Erosion Risk Management Project, supported by a \$255 million loan from the Asian Development Bank, targets flood and erosion management along the main steam of the Brahmaputra in five districts: Dibrugarh, Tinsukia, Morigaon, Kamrup, and Goalpara. The project incorporates provisions of riverbank protection works for 90 km, 14 km of emergency works, installation of 183 porcupine screens as pro-siltation measures and construction and strengthening of embankments across 8 districts.

Additional financing of \$182 million under Phase-II of ADB works will expand to Dhakuakhana-Sivasagar, Nagaon, Dhemaji, Dhubri and Barpeta zones with additional provisions of 67 km of additional erosion protection works, 144 porcupine screens, 21 km of embankment construction.

Non-Structural Measures:

- a. Flood Forecasting and Warning: Assam is investing in modernizing its flood forecasting and warning systems. Under the National Hydrology Project, 91 telemetry stations have been installed (out of a planned 103) to provide real-time data on rainfall and river levels, enabling more accurate and timely flood forecasts.
- b. Hydro-Informatics Unit: Established in June 2023, the HIU supports AIRBMP through improved flood forecasting (3-5-day lead times in select sub-basins), 2D river modeling, the WRAMS project for real-time asset monitoring, and detailed hydrological surveys. The initiative under Water Resources Asset Management System (WRAMS) enhances the digitizing of infrastructure inventory and maintenance records. The HIU is also installing 25 Real-Time Data Acquisition Systems (RTDAS) and conducting cross-section surveys in the Beki, Buridehing, and Jiadhal sub-basins to enhance early warning systems. Additionally, 33 more are being installed under AIRBMP funded by the World Bank that will enhance advanced data acquisition & forecasting capabilities of the basin. Furthermore, The Hydro-Informatics Unit (HIU) has further enabled data-driven governance by leveraging advanced analytics, GIS-based mapping, and modern hydro-informatics applications for effective water resources management.

NEW INITIATIVE

Wetland Utilization: Assam is exploring the innovative use of wetlands for floodwater storage during peak flood seasons. This approach has the potential to reduce flood intensity while also contributing to wetland rejuvenation. Accordingly, the Water Resources Department has identified 15 nos. of wetland in 9 districts and has formulated the DPR under the initiative Restoration and rejuvenation of wetlands of Assam to enhance water retention capacity and mitigate risk of flooding and erosion at a total cost of Rs. 692.05 Cr including structural as well as non-structural activities. The DPRs have been submitted to the Ministry of Home Affairs for necessary approval of fund under National Disaster Mitigation Fund (NDMF).

To accommodate resources required for maintaining the already executed flood management structure and to take up further work provision for fund is made under "Grant No. 63" in the State Budget to defray the expenditure of Water Resources Department of both Revenue and Capital Head.

**ACTION TAKEN ON OBSERVATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF 27th REPORT OF
DRSC, ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

Para	Observations and Recommendations of DRSC	Action Taken Report
1.	The Committee recommends the Department to erect porcupine on the left bank of Golondi river to protect the road cum embankment.	PSC porcupine was launched from the head of 'Supply of flood fighting material 2025-26' in the said location. Moreover, one scheme "Restoration of embankment on L/B of Golondi river at Bekigaon area (Items of Supply & Labour)" amounting to Rs.110.15 Lakh has been executed on L/B of Golondi river at Bekigaon area under the head PDNA.
2.	The Committee recommends the Department for erection of porcupine on both the banks of Bharla river from Ghagra bridge to Deulguri bridge.	An estimate for the scheme "A/E measures to protect Ghagra and its adjoining area from the erosion of river Bharla on B/B" amounting to Rs.480.00 Lakh is prepared for protection of both the banks of Bharla river. The scheme will be executed after due recommendation and budget provision.
3.	The Committee recommends the Department to take measures for protection of right bank of Bharla river at Shantipur with boulder pitching.	For protection of right bank of Bharla river at Shantipur, an estimate for scheme under nomenclature "A/E measures to protect the Santipur area from the erosion of Bhola (Lakhi/Bharla) river on its R/B." amounting to Rs.410.00 Lakh is prepared. The scheme will be taken up after due recommendation and budget provision.
4.	The Committee recommends the Department to take measures for recoupment of protection work of Dhansiri river on both banks.	For erosion protection work of different reaches for Dhansiri (South) river on both banks 4 (four) schemes under Golaghat district are under execution. Details of the schemes are enclosed at Annexure-I. Moreover, schemes proposed for Dhansiri (South) and Dhansiri (North) under Golaghat and Udalguri District respectively are enclosed at Annexure-I. The schemes will be taken up after due recommendation and budget provision.
5.	The Committee recommends the Department to take anti-erosion measures at Sungabodi on left bank of Pasnoi river.	One scheme namely "Anti-erosion measures on the B/B of Pasnoi River at Sungabodi and Pasnoi Nonkearea" amounting to Rs.200.00 Lakh under SOPD-Ghas been sanctioned in 2025-26 and the work for the scheme is in progress.
6.	The Committee recommends the Department to construct embankment at Gabharu river starting from Dhendai to Phuloguri.	An estimate for the scheme under nomenclature "R/S to Gabharu L/Bank embankment from Dhendai to its outfall including A/E measures at different locations" for an estimated amount of Rs. 1575.00 Lakhs is prepared to construct embankment at Gabharu river starting from Dhendai to Phuloguri and will be executed after necessary approval.
7.	The Committee recommends the Department to take measures to protect the left bank embankment at Hablakha, Pub Hanapara and Borluitpar from the erosion of Pagladia river.	An estimate for the scheme under nomenclature, "Protection of L/B embankment at Hablakha, Pub Hanapara and Borluitpar from the erosion of river Pagladia" amounting to Rs.530.00 Lakh has been prepared and the work will be executed after necessary approval of the scheme.

8.	The Committee recommends the Department to take measures to protect the road cum embankment from Karia to Adabari.	A scheme under nomenclature "Restoration of damaged embankment on R/B of river Pagladia in between Bijulighat and Adabari" amounting to Rs.305.10 lakh was sanctioned under PDNA and the works including A/E works at Karia and earthwork along the embankment from Bijulighat to Bihdia have been executed and completed.
9.	The Committee recommends the Department to take measures for raising and strengthening the Pagladia embankment on right bank from Karia to Adabari including anti-erosion works at Karia, Hanapara and Bihdia of Nalbari district.	A scheme under nomenclature, "Restoration of damaged embankment on R/B of river Pagladia in between Bijulighat and Adabari" amounting to Rs.305.10 lakh was sanctioned under PDNA and the works including A/E works at Karia and earthwork along the embankment from Bijulighat to Bihdia have been executed and completed.
10.	The Committee recommends that fund may be sanctioned for Teteliguri, Santak, Dhubighat, Gokhaidhol schemes etc in Nazira LAC as per proposal received from Government.	The status of schemes for Teteliguri, Santak, Dhubighat, Gokhaidhol etc in Nazira LAC is enclosed at Annexure-II.
11.	The Committee recommends to sanction fund under Flood Deal for every division under BTC.	Flood fighting materials are allocated to every division under BTAD. The details are enclosed at Annexure III.
12.	The Committee recommends the Department to reconstruct the road cum embankment on the upper part of Aai river, and also recommends to take effective measures to prevent the erosion caused by this river as it has become a serious threat to the villagers of No. 1 Khujrabguri.	An estimate for the scheme under nomenclature "Protection of village No.1 Kujrabguri and its adjoining area from the erosion of river Aie on L/B" for Rs.495.00 Lakhs is prepared. The scheme will be taken up after due recommendation and allocation of budget.
13.	The Committee recommends the Department to take anti-erosion measures to protect Sahabad to Mahammedpur Dyke at Mahammedpur Part ii Village from the erosion of river Katakhal on its Left Bank.	An estimate for the scheme under nomenclature "Anti-erosion measures to protect Sahabad to Mohammedpur Dyke at Mohammedpur Pt-II Village from the erosion of river Katakhal on its L/B." Estimated Amount: 967.40 L is prepared. The scheme will be taken up after due recommendation and allocation of budget.
14.	The Committee recommends the Department to take anti-erosion measures to protect the Killarbak Triganga area from the erosion of river Dhaleshwari on its Right Bank.	An estimate for the scheme under nomenclature "Anti-erosion measures to protect Killerlack Triganga K Palloicherra area from the erosion of river Katakhal (Not Dhaleshwari) on its L/B (Not R/B)" Estimated Amount: Rs. 1547.00 L is prepared. The scheme will be taken up after due recommendation and allocation of budget.
15.	The Committee recommends the Department to take anti-erosion measures to protect Bharatpur area from the erosion of river Katakhal on its Right Bank. (SC)	After the flood period, once the water level of the River Katakhal recedes, a Detailed Project Report (DPR) will be prepared based on a proper field survey of the affected location. The scheme will thereafter be taken up after approval and necessary sanction.
16.	The Committee recommends the Department to take effective measures to prevent erosion of Jaleswar river at Katlicherra.	After the flood period, once the water level of the River Dhaleswari recedes, a Detailed Project Report (DPR) will be prepared based on a proper field survey of the affected location. The scheme will thereafter be taken up after approval and necessary sanction.

17	The Committee recommends the Department to take immediate measures for construction of boulder protection to prevent severe erosion by Dhola, Chika and Dulani affecting certain regions of Bijni Constituency.	Estimates are prepared for the schemes under nomenclature 1. Protection of village Jharbishpani and its adjoining areas from the erosion of river Dhola on its L/B. for Rs.482.17 Lakh 2. Protection of village No.2 Bishnupur and its adjoining areas from the erosion of river Sikha for Rs.449.00 Lakh 3. Protection of village Kawatika from the erosion of river Dulani on its R/B for Rs.383.87 Lakh. The schemes will be taken up after due recommendation and allocation of budget.
18	The Committee recommends the Department to undertake construction of Guard Walls and Bridges over Rangirkhal.	The overall length of the Rangirkhal till the jurisdiction of Silchar Municipal area is approximately 8.2 KM. Out of this reach length DoHUA is already constructing guard wall along both bank of Rangirkhal for a length of 1.5 KM i.e. both bank 3.00 KM. As such the remaining portion need to be considered for construction of Guard wall on both bank of Rangirkhal. In view of the above fact, the Cachar WR Division after preliminary survey have prepared an Estimate with the nomenclature <i>“Construction of guard wall on both bank over Rangirkhal including sluice gates at various locations”</i> amounting to Rs 198.00 Cr. Detail Project Report and estimate will be prepared in consultation with NIT Silchar and hence the DPR will be prepared and submitted after proper field level survey which will be carried out after the on-going monsoon season.

STATUS OF ACTION TAKEN ON DRSC RECOMMENDATION AGAINST SI No. 4

Sl. No.	Location	Name of scheme	Estimated Amount (in Lakhs)	Present Status of the Scheme
1.	Golaghat	1) Anti-erosion measures at Sesamukh area on the left bank of river Dhansiri for a length of 600 m	499.81	Work in Progress (81%)
		2) Anti-erosion measures at Mithaam Chapori area on the left bank of river Dhansiri for a length of 450 m.	391.89	Work in Progress (90%)
		3) Anti-erosion measures at Bogoriani area on the right bank of river Dhansiri for a length of 605 m	499.79	Work in Progress (80%)
		4) Anti-erosion measures at Sankala Sungi Hula area on the right bank of river Dhansiri for a length of 610 m	499.99	Work in Progress (80%)

A) Schemes under execution

B) Schemes proposed

Sl No	Name of Division	Name of scheme	Estimated Amount (in Lakhs)	Present Status of the Scheme
1.	Golaghat	Protection measures works at Dasamowa area on the right bank of river Dhansiri.	627.90	Schemes will be taken up after due recommendation and budget provision.
2.	Golaghat	Protection measures works at Kathkatia area on the right bank of river Dhansiri.	922.00	
3.	Golaghat	Anti-Erosion measures to protect 3 no Koibarta area on the left bank of river Dhansiri.	767.00	
4.	Golaghat	Anti-Erosion measures at Sankala Sungi Hula area PH-II on the right bank of river Dhansiri.	543.94	
5.	Golaghat	Anti - Erosion measures to protect West Dhodang and Borpak area from erosion of the river Dhansiri (Right Bank).	764.51	
6.	Golaghat	Anti - Erosion measures to protect Dhansiri bund Left Bank at Kuruabahi area.	463.34	
7.	Udalguri	Bank stabilization works on both bank of river Dhansiri at different reaches from Tarabari to Boro bazar area.	2586.00	

Annexure-II

STATUS OF ACTION TAKEN ON DRSC RECOMMENDATION AGAINST SI No. 10

No	Location	Name of Scheme	Estimated Amount	Status
1	Santak Bazar	Anti erosion measures to protect Dikhow river right bank at Santak Bazar area	360.00L	Yet to be sanctioned
2	Dhubighat	Anti erosion measures to protect Dikhow river right bank near Dhubighat area	240.00 L	Yet to be sanctioned
3	Teteliguri	M&R to protect Teteliguri area of Dikhow right bank near Simaluguri Town.	150.00L	The Scheme has already physically and financially completed.
4	Gorakhiadole			Protection work at this location has already done by the PWD deptt.

Annexure-III

STATUS OF ACTION TAKEN ON DRSC RECOMMENDATION AGAINST SI No. 11

**FLOOD FIGHTING MATERIALS FOR THE YEAR 2025-26
(BTAD)**

SL	Name of Division	Mega Bag	EC bag	Sand bag	PSC Porcupine
1	Baksa	3000	10000	10000	11598
2	Tamulpur	4000	5000	5000	8000
3	Chirang	3000	15000	15000	12302
4	Kokrajhar	3000	10000	10000	8000
5	Udalguri	3000	10000	10000	24120
	Total	16000	50000	50000	64020

**FLOOD FIGHTING MATERIALS FOR THE YEAR 2026-27
(BTAD)**

SL	Name of Division	Mega Bag	EC bag	Sand bag	PSC Porcupine
1	Baksa	3000	5000	5000	6000
2	Tamulpur	3000	5000	5000	3000
3	Chirang	3000	5000	5000	3000
4	Kokrajhar	3000	5000	5000	3000
5	Udalguri	3000	5000	5000	14800
	Total	15000	25000	25000	29800

Annexure-IV

STATUS OF ACTION TAKEN ON DRSC RECOMMENDATION AGAINST SI No. 19

List of ongoing schemes pertaining to Barpeta W.R. Division for Kaldia river, Pahumar river, Tihu river and Palla river

Sl. No.	Name of river	Name of scheme	Head of Accounts	Estimated Amount (In lakh)	Physical progress
1	Pahumara	Protection of Colony Bazar & Kayakuchi goan areas from the erosion of river Pahumara on its B/B.	SOPD- G	200.00	60%
3	Pahumara	Protection of different reaches at Kayakuchi area by bank protection works from the erosion of river Pahumara.	SOPD- G	350.00	60%
2	Kaldia	Protection at Helachar pam, Pithadi pam and Jalkara area from the erosion of river Kaldia on its L/B.	SOPD- G	250.00	35%
4	Palla	Protection at Pachim Barbala, Bhulkabari pather and khandarkur area from the erosion of river Palla on its L/B.	SOPD- G	250.00	40%
5	Tihu	Restoration Of DRDA Bund Of River Tihu to Protect Village Batiya, Khairartari & Kawaimari No.G Block On its L/B.	NABARD-RIDF XXXI	820.00	49.50%
6	Tihu	Restoration Of DRDA Bund Of River Tihu including AE measures to Protect Village Medhittari No. 5 Block, Kawaimari No.6 Block & Kawaimari No.7 Block on its R/B.	NABARD-RIDF XXXI	770.25	Pk I: 44%
					Pk II: 52%

List of Proposed schemes pertaining to Barpeta W.R. Division for Kaldia river, Pahumar river, Tihu river and Palla river

Sl. No.	Name of river	Name of scheme	Estimated Amount (In lakh)	Remarks
1	Kaldia	Protection of Niz Saldah areas from the erosion of river Kaldia on its R/B. (SOPD)	175.14	Estimate is prepared and will be taken up after due recommendation and budget allocation.
2	Kaldia	River training works to protect Kawaimari areas by pro-siltation measures from the erosion of river Kaldia on its B/B under SDMF for 2026-27.	126.87	
3	Tihu	River training works to protect Neularbhita U/S & D/S areas from the erosion of river Tihu on its L/B under SDMF for the 2026-27.	289.70	
4	Tihu	Restoration Of DRDA Bund Of River Tihu to Protect Village Batiya, Khairartari & Kawaimari No.G Block On its L/B.	490.00	Estimate under preparation

OBSERVATION & RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2026-27

WATER RESOURCES DEPARTMENT

1. The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for the construction of an embankment with boulder fencing from Nayatamora to Barchara Champawati Ghat in Bongaigaon District.
2. The Committee observes that several tea gardens, cremation ground, Chat Puja Ghat and a major waste management plant are situated on the river bank of Tingrai river in Tinsukia District.

The Committee therefore recommends the Department to take immediate measures to control the erosion of the bank of the river.

3. The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for the construction of embankments on the Tihu, Palla, Kaldia, Pahumara and Beki Rivers in Barpeta District to prevent riverbank erosion and floods.

The Committee further recommends the concerned Executive Engineers of the Department to hold a meeting with the concerned Hon'ble Members of the LAC concerned for effective and timely implementation of the schemes.

4. The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps for the installation of porcupine spurs on the banks of the Gangadhar River to provide permanent protection to Uttara Tokrachara and Kumarganj villages under Gauripur LAC in Dhubri District from recurring floods and river erosion.

The Committee further recommends that similar porcupine spurs be installed along the banks of the Tipkai River to provide permanent protection to Baraibari Pt.-V.

5. The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps as stated here under Kokrajhar District.
 - i. Protection of village Kotpara from the erosion of river Gangia on left bank.
 - ii. Protection of village Satbil-I and its adjoining areas from the erosion of river Garuphella on right bank.
 - iii. Anti erosion measures to protect the village Joypur, Namapara and Mokhrapara areas from the erosion of river Gaurang on left bank.
 - iv. Anti-erosion measures to protect at Bhatipara village and its adjoining area from the erosion of river Gaurang on left bank.
6. The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps to revive river Kolang of Nagaon LAC to facilitate the flow of water into the Kolong River.
7. The Committee observed that the closure of the Kolong intake in 1974, though effective in mitigating floods in Nagaon and Morigaon districts, led to severe environmental degradation, stagnation of water, proliferation of water hyacinth, and loss of aquatic biodiversity.

The proposed rejuvenation is expected to:

- Restore the river ecosystem and improve water quality through regulated flow.
- Revive wetlands (*Beels*) and enhance fish habitat and aquatic biodiversity.
- Recharge groundwater and improve water availability in adjoining areas.
- Support agriculture by providing a sustainable source of irrigation.
- Promote eco-tourism, inland water transport, and livelihood opportunities for local communities.

The Committee, therefore, recommended that the Water Resources Department take up the Kolong Rejuvenation Project on priority through a scientifically designed and environmentally sustainable approach while ensuring that flood safety is not compromised.

8. The Committee recommends that rampant erosion done by river Nanoi, in Nachansali area, by river Kulsi in Namjala and by river Kulsi in Gar Kash area should urgently be protected.
9. The Committee recommends that the erosion caused by Bholanadi of Tangla LAC near Mura Deor should be urgently protected.
10. The Committee recommends following jobs in Mangaladai Constituency:
 - i. Anti-erosion measures to protect Krishna Nagar, Sataipur, Samshanghat, 40 No. Gariapara and its adjoining areas from the erosion of the river Bega.
 - ii. Pro siltation measures to protect Boroliakhata, Aparia and its adjoining areas from erosion of river Saktola and Brahmaputra.
 - iii. Anti-erosion measures to protect Bhokelimara village and its adjoining areas from the erosion of river Saktola.

The Committee recommends that the Budget allocation provided under Grant No. 63 for the Financial Year 2026-27 for Water Resources Department be approved by the August House.

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