



**DEPARTMENTALLY RELATED STANDING
COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT (B) DEPARTMENTS
(2026-27)**

**SIXTEENTH
ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

PUBLIC WORKS (HEALTH & EDUCATION) DEPARTMENT

**REPORT ON THE DEMANDS FOR GRANT NOS. 17, 26, 28, 29 & 71
FOR THE YEAR 2026-27**

FIRST REPORT

(Presented to the House on 22nd July, 2026)

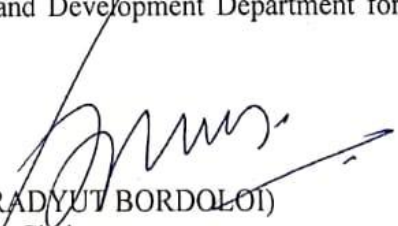
**ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT
DISPUR, GUWAHATI-781006.**

INTRODUCTION

I, the Chairperson of the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (B) Departments, Assam Legislative Assembly having been authorized by the Committee to present this **FIRST REPORT** of the Committee on Demands for Grants (Grant No.17) relating to the Public Works (Health & Education) Department for the financial year, 2026-27.

1. In Pursuance of Rule 260 H (I) of the Rules of Procedure and conduct of Business in Assam Legislative Assembly, Hon'ble Speaker has been pleased to constitute the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (B) Departments, on 10th July, 2026 for a period of one year.
2. The Committee scrutinized the various documents and relevant papers including the status report received from the Public Works Department and also took the personal evidence of the representatives of the Department on the said Demands for Grants in its meeting held on 16th July 2026.
3. The Committee considered the Draft Report and approved it on 16th July, 2026.
4. The Committee expressed its appreciation to the representatives of the Public Works Department for extending their co-operation to the Committee and the officers/officials of Assam Legislative Assembly Secretariat attached to the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (B) Departments for their full co-operation and unstinted assistance.
5. The Committee also places on record its thanks to the representatives of Finance Department and also the Transformation and Development Department for assisting the Committee in its deliberation.

Dated Dispur 16th July, 2026


(PRADYUT BORDOLOI)
Chairperson,
DRSC on Development (B) Deptts.
Assam Legislative Assembly.

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COMPOSITION OF THE COMMITTEE

CHAIRPERSON ::

SHRI PRADYUT BORDOLOI, MLA

Chairperson.

MEMBERS:

1. Shri Bhubon Pegu	MLA & Member
2. Shri Kamalakhya Dey Purkayastha	MLA & Member
3. Shri Suren Phukan	MLA & Member
4. Shri Amiya Kanti Das	MLA & Member
5. Dr. Mridul Kumar Dutta	MLA & Member
6. Shri Vijay Kumar Gupta	MLA & Member
7. Shri Jibon Gogoi	MLA & Member
8. Shri Wazed Ali Choudhury	MLA & Member
10. Shri Abdur Rahim Ahmed	MLA & Member
11. Shri Dipak Kumar Das	MLA & Member
12. Shri Maheswar Boro	MLA & Member
13. Md. Badruddin Ajmal	MLA & Member

SECRETARIAT :

1. Shri Rajib Bhattacharyya, AAS	Secretary
2. Shri Indrajit Mozumder, AAS	Additional Secretary
3. Shri Sudip Roy	Under Secretary
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6. Shri Partha Mitra	Committee Officer
7. Shri Ratneswar Saikia	Committee Officer

CHAPTER-I

Brief Note on Grant No. 17 PW (Health & Education) Department

In the Financial year **2025-26**, PW (Health & Education) Department was bifurcated from PW (Bldg. & NH) Department transferring 2(two) nos of Global Head of Account **4059-60-051-5247-253-13-01-SOPD-G** & **4059-60-051-5247-254-13-01-SOPD-G** under Grant-17 for execution of the works under Health sector and Education sector respectively. The approved budget provision for the above-mentioned H/As were **Rs. 62590.00 (L)** & **Rs. 37100.00 (L)** and corresponding expenditure for F.Y. **2025-26** were **Rs. 51940.95951 (L)** & **Rs. 32816.36217 (L)**. In the last quarter of the Last Financial Year another H/A-**4059-60-051-7437-000-13-01-RIDF-LS** was created with approved Budget provision of **Rs. 45000.00 (L)** for execution of work under Education Sector and no expenditure incurred in the said H/A.

In the Financial year **2026-27**, the approved budget provision in the **Vote of Account** for the H/A- **4059-60-051-5247-253-13-01-SOPD-G**, **4059-60-051-5247-254-13-01-SOPD-G** & **4059-60-051-7437-000-13-01-RIDF-LS** under Grant-17 are **Rs. 20863.33 (L)**, **Rs. 12366.67 (L)** and **Rs. 16000.00(L)**. In the sectoral allocation for 2026-27, the Govt. in Finance Department allocated **Rs. 73750.00 (L)** in SOPD and **Rs. 16000.00(L)** under RIDF which were divided among the aforesaid SOPD H/As for **Rs. 41123.33 (L)** and **Rs. 32626.67 (L)** respectively and **Rs. 16000.00(L)** for **RIDF H/A** and submitted the Budget Estimate to the Govt. in Finance Deptt.

A proposal for transferring 3(three) Nos of H/A -**4059-60-051-2036-000-13-01-SOPD-G**, **4059-60-051-1763-000-13-01-NIDA-LS** & **4059-60-051-1763-000-13-01-NIDA-SS** from PW (B&NH) Deptt. were submitted to Govt. in Finance Deptt. and transferring is under process. The sectoral budget distributed for **Rs. 506.67(L)**, **Rs. 8437.5 (L)** and **Rs. 937.5 (L)** respectively among the aforesaid H/As in budget estimate.

Public Works (Health & Education) Department was created by bifurcation of Public Works (Bldg. & NH) Department vide letter No. E-637171/12, dt. 2/04/2025.

Budget estimates under the Grant No.17 are as follows:

(Rs. in lakhs)

	Revenue	Capital	Total
BE for FY 2025-26	0	71250.00	71250.00
RE for FY 2025-26	0	99690.00	99690.00
Utilization	0	85318.00	85318.00
Utilization %	0	86%	86%
Proposal for 2026-27	0	94256.00	94256.00

Out of the total budget provision of Rs. 99690.00 lakhs made for the financial year 2025-26 Rs. 85318.00 lakhs have been the expenditure. It seems that for the financial year 2026-27 an amount of Rs. 94256.00 lakhs have been earmarked which is a decrease of Rs. 5434.00 lakhs then that of the previous year's budget estimate (2025-26).

ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT 2025-26

PWD -Health

In the health sector, several major projects have been completed in last 5 Years including Medical Colleges at Dhubri, Nagaon, Tinsukia, Nalbari, Kokrajhar and North Lakhimpur, and the Super Speciality Hospital (C&N Centre) at GMCH of 7 Nos. Medical Colleges amounting Rs.3,518.21 Cr .

Ongoing Medical Colleges & Hospitals are Sivasagar, Morigaon, Dhemaji, Tamulpur, Bongaigaon, Charaideo, Biswanath, Darrang, Golaghat, Sribhumi, Sivasagar under central and state scheme of 11 Nos. amounting Rs. 7228.32 Cr.

Upcoming Projects Includes Medical Colleges & Hospitals at Goalpara with a Total Budget Rs. 559.89 Cr & Establishing the North-East Regional Institute of Medical Science at Rowmari, Chirang District with Rs 500.00 Cr. And for Proposed Medical Colleges at Hojai and Hailakandi District Commissioner was communicated for identification & finalization of land.

BSc Nursing Colleges :Ongoing B.Sc. Nursing colleges at Nagaon, Diphu, Kokrajhar, Lakhimpur, Dhubri, Jorhat and Nalbari under CSS & NEC scheme of 7 Nos. with a Total Budget Rs. 81.54 Cr.

Upcoming BSc. Nursing college in Dhubri at with a Total Budget Rs. 10.00 Cr.

Ayush: Ongoing Ayush Hospitals at Bajali, Baksa, Morigaon, Nagaon, Kokrajhar and Ayurvedic College & Hospital at Dudhnoi, Goalpara District total 6 Nos with a Total Budget Rs 137.50 Cr.

Upcoming Projects Includes Ayurvedic College at Palasbari And Ayush Hospital at Diphu with a Total Budget Rs 359.46 Cr.

CCB: 25 Nos , of CCBs at various places of Assam including Hojai, Dhubri, Jorhat, Darrang, Udalguri, Baksa, Sibsagar, Cachar, Kokrajhar, Barpeta, Goalpara, Tamulpur, Biswanath, Bongaigaon, Tinsukia, Marigaon, Karimganj, Nagaon, Nalbari, AMCH, Dhemaji, Tezpur, Golaghat, Tolaram Bafana, Diphu with a Cost of Rs. 614.50 are Currently under Construction and are expected to be completed by next year.

PWD-Education

In the Education Sector, substantial progress has been made with the completion of five Universities: Rabindranath Tagore University, Madhabdev University, Bhattadev University, Majuli University of Culture and Women's University (Phase-I) at a total cost of Rs.243.00 Cr. To strengthen professional education, construction of 10 B.Ed. colleges has been undertaken for a total cost Rs.86.00 Cr, of which 6 have already been completed. The remaining works are targeted to be completed by December 2026. Similarly, 11 law colleges has been undertaken for a total cost Rs.188.00 Cr, out of which 6 have been completed, while the remaining projects are targeted to be completed by December 2026.

In addition, several flagship initiatives aimed at advancing higher education in the State are being implemented. These include Swahid Kanaklata Barua State University (Rs.400.00 crore), Dibrugarh University under the Chief Minister's Special Grant and MERU Grant (Rs.146.00 crore), Aniruddhadeva Sports University (Rs. 58.00 crore), and the Agriculture College (Rs. 122.22 crore). All these projects are targeted to be completed by September 2028. Also, Birangana Sati Sadhini State University at Golaghat is taken up at a project cost of Rs.63.33 Cr and will be completed by July, 2026.

Further, 6 colleges located at Sibsagar, Kokrajhar, Bongaigaon, Nagaon, North Lakhimpur and Jagannath Barooah College are being upgraded into universities under TNEIF at an estimated cost of Rs.60.00 crore, with completion targeted by May 2027. In addition, Model Degree Colleges at Bedeti (Biswanath) and Borchalla (Sonitpur) are also taken up with a total project cost of Rs.70.00 crore and are expected to be completed by March, 2028.

Several other projects are also underway to expand and strengthen higher education infrastructure in the State. These include 6 Engineering Colleges (3 under RUSA and 3 under NIDA) at a total project cost of Rs.354.00 Cr. along with new Model Degree Colleges comprising 5 under RUSA at a total project cost of Rs.80.00 Cr, 6 under NIDA at a total project cost of Rs.121.92, 9 Model Women's Colleges under NIDA at a total project cost of Rs.256.57 Cr, and 9 Government Model Degree Colleges under ABOCWWB at a total project cost of Rs.315.00 Cr. is taken up. Out of these 6 Engineering Colleges 1 no. of Engineering College at Behali is completed, 11 new Model Degree Colleges (5 under RUSA and 6 under NIDA), 4 have already been completed, while the remaining projects are scheduled to be completed by

December, 2026. Likewise, 4 out of the 9 Model Women's Colleges under NIDA have been completed, and the remaining works are targeted to be completed by May 2028. Also, out of 9 nos. of colleges under ABOCWWB, 1 no. of College at West Karbi Anglong is completed and the remaining works are targeted to be completed by March, 2027.a

Under the initiative for establishment of 21 new polytechnics at a total project cost of Rs.298.71 Cr, 14 have already been completed, while construction work on three additional polytechnics at Hajo, Majuli and Tingkhong at a total project cost of Rs.162.40 Cr is currently in progress. The State is also developing 21 Model Residential Schools at a total project cost of Rs.639.00, of which 18 have already been completed. The remaining projects are targeted to be completed by June 2026. 75 no.s of Model Tea Garden School out of 100 under RIDF-XXVIII at a total project cost of Rs. 300.8 Cr have already been completed and remaining 25 to be completed by Dec`26. Total 252 schools at a total project cost of Rs. 1827.0 Cr under RIDF-XXIX and XXX are under construction out of which 30 no.s of schools under RIDF-XXIX have already been completed, the remaining 96 schools under RIDF-XXIX(882Cr) to be completed by Dec`26 and 126 schools under RIDF-XXX(945Cr) by Aug`27. 20 no.s of Schools in the capital region under PM-DeVINE at a total project cost of Rs. 132.86 Cr have already been completed and another 24 no.s of School out of 50 under NESIDS-OTRI at a total project cost of Rs. 400.0 Cr have been completed and remaining to be completed by Oct`26. Another phase of NESID having 65 ongoing schools (455Cr) to complete by Feb`2027. The transformation of ITI(39) and Polytechnics(22) into Centre of Excellence with modern workshops with cost of Rs. 306.83 Cr, out of which 55 have already been completed and remaining 6 to be completed by Aug`26. 100 Schools under RIDF-XXXI(Rs. 455.0 Cr) under allotment process with target to complete by Nov`27.

Upcoming initiatives includes second phase of 3 nos. of universities namely Women's University, Rabindranath Tagore University and Madhabdev University at a total cost of Rs.175.00 Cr; 4 nos. of new Model Degree Colleges at Goalpara, Kokrajhar, Hojai and Guwahati at a total cost of Rs.140.00 Cr and Transformation of 18 Schools under PMJVK at a total cost of Rs.144.00 Cr. The transformation of ITI and Polytechnics into Centre of Excellence by addition of workshops in collaboration with TATA for another 16 nos. of Institute are also in the pipeline.

BUDGET ESTIMATES

PWD-1

After presentation of the Budget Estimates to the House on 10th July, 2026 the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on works Departments has scrutinized the Demands for Grant for the financial year 2026-2027.

Budget Estimates under Grant No. 17 for the financial year 2026-27 are as follows-

Grant No. 17 Relating to ADMINISTRATIVE & FUNCTIONAL BUILDING:-

(Rupees in Lakhs)

	Revenue	Capital	Total	Remarks
				Revised Budget Estimates 2025-2026
Voted	30657.50	272613.25	303270.75	408797.89
Charged	31.50	0.00	31.50	

Out of the total voted Budget provision of Rs. 303270.75 Lakhs made for the financial year 2025-26 Rs. 30657.50 Lakhs and Rs. 272613.25 Lakhs have been earmarked under the Revenue and capital head respectively. It seems that for the financial year 2026-2027 an amount of Rs. 105527.14 has been decreased than that of the previous year's revised Budget Estimates (2025-2026).

However, in charged budget of Rs. 31.50 Lakhs in Revenue Head and Rs. 0.00 in Capital Head with a Total of Rs. 31.50 Lakhs has been allotted in the Budget Provision for the Financial Year 2026-27.

OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS
PWD (Health & Education)
(Grant Nos. 17, 26, 28, 29 & 71)

1. The Committee observes that, in view of the recent demarcation of the PWD Buildings; (Health & Education) department, there appears to be overlap and ambiguity in the allocation and expenditure of funds under the various budget heads. The Committee, therefore, recommends that the appropriate authority undertake a comprehensive review and clearly delineate the respective jurisdiction, functions and financial responsibilities of the PWD Buildings; (Health & Education) department in order to eliminate any overlap or confusion.
2. The Committee expresses its dismay and dissatisfaction with the functioning of this recently created Department, as there is a lack of clarity and considerable confusion in its functioning and in the expenditure of the budgetary allocations under the Department. The Committee recommends that the appropriate authority review the existing arrangement and bring about the necessary clarity.
3. The Committee further directs the Department to appear before it after one month with complete clarity on the division of responsibilities, inter-departmental coordination, and the status of all projects pertaining to the PWD, Buildings (Health & Education) department, including all capital expenditure (CAPEX) projects. The Department shall submit a comprehensive PowerPoint presentation containing project-wise details, including the physical and financial status, progress achieved, timelines, and all other relevant information, to facilitate a detailed review by the Committee.
4. The Committee reiterates its earlier recommendation under **Sl.No. 1 of the Action Taken Report on the Recommendations of the DRSC contained in its 26th Report on Grant No. 17, 26, 28, 29 & 71** to ensure completion construction of ITI Building at Nidanpur, Laxhipur in Goalpara District under MSDP/PMJ VK.

The Committee recommends that the Budget allocation provided under Grant No. 17, 26, 28, 29 & 71 for the financial year 2026-2027 for PWD (Health & Education) be approved by the August House.

The Action Taken Report on the recommendations made in the report may be submitted to the Committee within 90 (ninety) days from the date of its presentation in the House.

Annexure-I

- Action taken report on the recommendation made by DRSC is enclosed.

• Action taken report against Recommendations of 26 th Report of DRSC (Grant No. 17) for the year 2025-26.			
• Sl. No	• Observation & Recommendations No.	• Action Taken by PWD(B)	• Action Taken by PWD(B) as on 3rd July'2026
• 1.	• The Committee recommends to ensure completion construction of ITI building at Nidanpur, Lakhipur in Goalpara district under MSDP/PMJV K.	• Work withdrawn from the contractor as he stopped the work. The contractor had filed court case vide WP(C)/4948/2023 and parawise reply submitted to Standing Counsel vide divisional EE letter No.TB-254/15-6/BLD/1883 dtd. 04.10.2023. No communication received either from Standing Counsel or Contractor till now. Balance Work Estimate received and is forwarded to The Director Minority Affairs vide no. CE/TB-VI/49/2025/36 dt 11.04.2025	• The estimate for the balance work has been approved and is awaiting clearance from the Standing Counsel to proceed with the tendering process. Recently, a joint survey was conducted by the District Administration and PWD as per Court Order to measure the incomplete work on 26-03-2026 and 17-04-2026. However, the contractor remained absent in both the days resulting in delay of the disposal of the case despite repeated notices. Further, the contractor vide Letter dated 07-04-2026 requested the Divisional EE to remain present at the Mediation Centre for mediation on 28-04-2026 as per Court Order. The contractor failed to appear on the day of mediation despite repeated reminders.

- **Construction of ITI under MSDP in Nidanpur**

- The work was withdrawn from the contractor Muslim Ali after he stopped execution. The contractor subsequently filed a court case (WP(C) No. 4948/2023), and a para-wise reply was submitted to the Standing Counsel vide the Divisional Executive Engineer's letter No. TB-254/15-16/BLD/1883 dated 04.10.2023. Balance Work Estimate was forwarded to The Director Minority Affairs vide no. CE/TB-VI/49/2025/36 dt 11.04.2025.
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ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

NOTIFICATION

No.LADRSC(B). 1/2026/519

Dated Dispur, the 10th July, 2026.

In pursuance of the Rule 260-I (1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Assam Legislative Assembly, the Hon'ble Speaker, Assam Legislative Assembly has been pleased to nominate the following Members to constitute the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (B) Departments, Assam Legislative Assembly.

1. Shri Pradyut Bordoloi	MLA & Chairperson
2. Shri Bhubon Pegu	MLA & Member
3. Shri Kamalakhya Dey Purkayastha	MLA & Member
4. Shri Suren Phukan	MLA & Member
5. Shri Amiya Kanti Das	MLA & Member
6. Dr. Mridul Kumar Dutta	MLA & Member
7. Shri Vijay Kumar Gupta	MLA & Member
8. Shri Jibon Gogoi	MLA & Member
9. Shri Wazed Ali Choudhury	MLA & Member
10. Shri Abdur Rahim Ahmed	MLA & Member
11. Shri Dipak Kumar Das	MLA & Member
12. Shri Maheswar Boro	MLA & Member
13. Md. Badruddin Ajmal	MLA & Member

And in pursuance of Rule 260 I (3) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Assam Legislative Assembly, the Hon'ble Speaker has been pleased to appoint **Shri Pradyut Bordoloi**, MLA and Member of the Committee as the Chairperson of the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (B) Departments, Assam Legislative Assembly.

The term of the Committee shall be for a period of one year with effect from the 10th July, 2026.

Sd/- R. Bhattacharyya
Secretary,
Assam Legislative Assembly

Memo No.LADRSC(B). 1/2026/520-32

Dated Dispur, the 10th July, 2026.

Copy forwarded for kind information to :

1. Shri Pradyut Bordoloi, MLA & Chairperson, Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (B) Departments, Assam Legislative Assembly.
2. All concerned Members of the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (B) Departments, Assam Legislative Assembly.
3. The Director, Assam Govt. Press, Bamunimaidan, Guwahati-21 for favour of publication of the above notification in the next issue of the Assam Gazette in Part-I. Five Spare copies of the same may be pleased supplied to this necessary action.
4. The Principal Accountant General, Assam, Maidamgaon, Beltola, Guwahati 29.
5. The P.S to Speaker for information of the Hon'ble Speaker, Assam Legislative Assembly.
6. The P.S. to Deputy Speaker for information of the Hon'ble Deputy Speaker, ALA.
7. The P.S. to Leader of the Opposition for information of the Hon'ble Leader of the Opposition, Assam Legislative Assembly.
8. The Sr. Financial Adviser, Accounts Branch, Assam Legislative Assembly Secretariat.
9. The Chief Reporter Cum Editor of Debates & Ex- Officio- Joint Secretary, ALA.
10. The P.S. to Secretary for information of the Secretary, Assam Legislative Assembly.
11. The Officer In-Charge, Nazarat Branch, Assam Legislative Assembly.
12. The Officer-in Charge All Legislature Committees, Assam Legislative Assembly.
13. The Office In-Charge Website Branch for uploading in the official website.


Additional Secretary