



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

2026-27

**SIXTEENTH ASSEMBLY
SIXTY SEVENTH REPORT**

ON

GRANT NO. 26

DEPARTMENT : HIGHER EDUCATION

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

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(ii)

INTRODUCTION

1. I as Chairperson of the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (C) Departments having been authorized by the Committee to submit the Report on its behalf present this **67th Report on Grant No. 26** relating to Higher Education on the Budget Estimates for the Financial Year 2026-27, Govt. of Assam.
2. The Present Committee, in pursuance of Rule 260H (1) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Assam Legislative Assembly has been constituted on 9th July, 2026 by the Hon'ble Speaker, Assam Legislative Assembly for a term of one year and accordingly Notification was published on 10th July, 2026
3. The Committee has considered the Demand for **Grant No. 26** on the Budget Estimates for the Year 2026-27 in its meeting held on 16th July, 2026.
4. The Committee has been befitted with the assistance rendered by the Government representatives during the course 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 tendered by the Official witness, during the course of consideration of the Budget Estimates.
5. The Committee wishes to keep in record the genuine services rendered by the Government Officials to the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (C) Departments, Secretary as well as the concerned Officers and Staff of Assam Legislative Assembly Secretariat for their unstinted service devoted to the Committee during the preparation of this Report.
6. The Committee has considered the Draft Reports on 18th July, 2026 and approved on the same day.

Dispur:
Dated 18th July, 2026

Rupjyoti Kurmi
Chairperson,
Departmentally Related Standing Committee
on Development (C) Departments
Assam Legislative Assembly.

GRANT NO. 26**HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**

The Budget provision under Grant No. 26 of Higher Education Department for the year 2026-2027 is given under the following table:

BUDGET ESTIMATES

	Revenue	Capital	Total (in lakh)
Voted	368380.02	11325.77	379705.79
Charged	0.00	0.00	0.00

	Major Head of Account	Budget Estimates for the year 2026-2027 (Rs. in lakh)
2075	Miscellaneous General Services (Higher Education Services)	82.00
2202	General Education	339414.90
2203	Technical Education	28883.12
4202	Capital outlay on Education Sports & Art and Culture	11325.77
GRAND TOTAL (Revenue + Capital) :		379705.79

The DRSC on Development (C) Departments in its sitting held on 16th July, 2026 and examined the papers and documents received from the Department and took evidences from the Departmental representatives.

Name of LAC	Name of District	Name of Project	Source Of Fund	Year of Sanction	Sanctioned Amount in Crs	Name of Contractor	Physical Progress	Financial Progress (%) / Rs. in Lakh	Date of completion as per contract agreement	Target date of completion	Remarks
80 Nagaon-Batadraba	Nagaon	Model Women College at Batadraba	NIDA	2022	25.47	M/S T&T Projects Ltd.	82%	79.03%	01-06-2023 (24 Months)	30-08-2026	Work is in progress
12 Jaleswar	Goalpara	Model Women College at Jaleswar (Balance Work)	NIDA	2022	17.06	HTE Infra	NIL	NIL	12/05/2028 (24 Months)	5-12-2028	Work just started

Law Colleges

Dhubri	Dhubri	Law Colleges Law College at Dhubri	SOPD (Other Deptt.)	2020-21	15.5	Swapan Lodh Roy	99%	78.37%	21-01-2023 (24 Months)	30-06-2026	Civil Works completed and ready for handing over.
Lakhipur	Cachar	Law College at Silchar	SOPD (Other Deptt.)	2020-21	15.5	ATW	71%	37.05%	01-08-2025 (24 Months)	31.12.2026	Work is in progress
110 Diphu ST	Karbi Anglong	Law College at Diphu (Balance Work)	SOPD (Other Deptt.)	2020-21	17.825	North East Plantations	20%	17.92%	30-01-2023	-	Work withdrawn from the Contract. Balance work estimate under preparation
61 Raha	Nagaon	Law College at Raha, Nagaon	SOPD (Other Deptt.)	2020-21	15.5	Bijay Kr. More	5%	0%	19-01-2023 (24 Months)	30-12-2028	Work just started
Kaliabor	Nagaon	Govt. Law College, Kaliabor	SOPD	2023-24	22.64	Sanwarmal Khetawat	1%	0.00%	22/07/2027 (24 Months)	22-07-2027	Boundary wall work is in progress

List of Tutor Principal/ Tutor Assistant Professor/ Tutor Librarian and Assistant/ Associate Professor of Provincialised Colleges who are required to appear before the Screening Committee scheduled on 05-06-2026 at 10:30 AM in the Homen Borgohain Conference Hall, MCB Building, Cotton University, Panbazar, Guwahati-1, District-Kamrup(M)

Sl. No	Name of District	Name of College	Name of Incumbent	Designation/ Department
1	2	3	4	5
1	Kamrup Rural	Bamundi Mahavidyalaya	Dr. Champak Kumar Sarma,	Tutor Principal
2	Barpeta	Harendra Chitra College	Dr. Jakir Hussain,	Tutor Principal
3	Nagaon	Murazar College	Syed Ahmed Ali,	Tutor Principal
4	Barpeta	Harendra Chitra College	Niva Rani Roy,	Tutor Assistant Professor
5	Barpeta	Luitporia College	Abdur Rouf Siddiquee,	Tutor Assistant Professor
6	Barpeta	Luitporia College	Md. Chamsul Alam Sorowarthy,	Tutor Assistant Professor
7	Barpeta	Srimanta Sankar Madhab College	Abdul Hannan Khan,	Tutor Assistant Professor
8	Charaideo	Sonari Commerce College	Brajen Hazarika,	Tutor Assistant Professor
9	Chirang	U.N.Brahma College	Akbor Hussain,	Tutor Assistant Professor
10	Dhemaji	Simen Chapari College	Devanand Singh,	Tutor Assistant Professor
11	Dhubri	Progati College	Shah Alam Bepari,	Tutor Assistant Professor
12	Dhubri	Progati College	Mrinal Kanti Roy Sarkar,	Tutor Assistant Professor
13	Goalpara	Dolgoma Anchalik College	Hadayet Ahmed,	Tutor Assistant Professor
14	Goalpara	Agia College	Antariksha Kalita,	Tutor Assistant Professor
15	Goalpara	Agia College	Ashadur Rahman,	Tutor Assistant Professor
16	Lakhimpur	Harhi College	Nava Kr. Handique,	Tutor Assistant Professor
17	Dhubri	Hatidhura College	Yusuf Ali Sheikh,	Tutor Assistant Professor
18	Nalbari	Swahid Smriti Mahavidyalaya	Chirajul Haque,	Tutor Assistant Professor
19	Dhubri	A.R. College, Dhubri	Dr. Shahidul Islam Khan,	Tutor Assistant Professor
20	Dhubri	A.R. College, Dhubri	Dr. Nur Mohammad,	Tutor Assistant Professor
21	Dhubri	A.R. College, Dhubri	Dr. Md. Nurul Hassan,	Tutor Assistant Professor
22	Dhubri	Halakura College	Apurba Kr. Roy,	Tutor Assistant Professor
23	Dhubri	Hatidhura College	Aminur Rahman,	Tutor Assistant Professor
24	Dhubri	Hatidhura College	Dr. Golap Chand Chouhan,	Tutor Assistant Professor
25	Lakhimpur	Harhi College	Dr. Jitu Kr. Chamuah,	Tutor Assistant Professor
26	Tinsukia	Ledo College	Jiten Baruah,	Tutor Assistant Professor
27	Goalpara	Jaleswar College	Dr. Dilar Uddin Ahmed,	Tutor Assistant Professor
28	Dhemaji	Silapathar Town College	Dr. Indranuj Bargohain, E	Tutor Assistant Professor
29	South Salmara	South Salmara College	Moinul Hoque,	Tutor Assistant Professor
30	Nalbari	Uttar Kampeeth College	Dr. Abu Taher Ahmed,	Tutor Assistant Professor
31	South Salmara	South Salmara College	Rokibul Islam,	Tutor Assistant Professor

Sl. No	Name of College	Name of Incumbent	Designation/ Department
1	2	3	4
1	Intimpriya College, Barpeta	Md. Raham Ali	Tutor Assistant Professor, Education
2	Halakura College, Dhubri	Dewan Abu Rayhan	Tutor Assistant Professor, Political Science
3	Kamrbandha College, Golaghat	Atul Saikia	Tutor Principal
4	Bhuragaon College, Morigaon	Kandarpa Saikia	Tutor Assistant Professor, Geography
5	Hatsingimari College, Dhubri	Abdul Jalil	Tutor Assistant Professor, Botany

Sl. No	Name of College	Name of Incumbent	Designation/ Department
1	2	3	4
1	Mankachar College	Dr. Ibrahim Ali Mandal	Selected candidate for the post of Principal of Mankachar College
2	Tezpur College,	Gita Rani Das	Assistant Professor, Department of Economics

Member Secretary of the Screening Committee
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Dy. Director of Higher Education, Assam
Kahilipara, Guwahati-19

**ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON OBSERVATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS
OF DEPARTMENTALLY RELATED STANDING COMMITTEE ON
EDUCATION 2026-27 GRANT NO. 26
HIGHER EDUCATION DEPARTMENT**

Sl. No.	Recommendation	Action Taken
1.	The Committee recommends to Upgrade Dhakuakhana College (Autonomous) which is accredited, with Grade A by NAAC into a Multi disciplinary Education and Research University (MERU) with special importance on Sericulture, Regional Biodiversity, Tourism, Medicinal plants and studies.	As per Chapter-VII, Component-1 of the PM USHA Guidelines of June, 2023 issued by the Ministry of Education, the short-listing criteria has been mentioned as "Only Accredited State Govt. Universities would be eligible" for up-gradation into Multi disciplinary Education and Research University (MERU). Dhakuakhana College, being an Autonomous College, it is not eligible for up-gradation into a MERU, as it has not been up-graded to a State University yet. In this connection, in a meeting held on 18/11/2025 at the Directorate of Higher Education, Assam, the college authorities were advised to submit a proposal for up-gradation of the institution into a University first. Hence, at this stage, the proposal regarding up-gradation of the said college as MERU cannot be considered by the Government. However, in this regard, Director of Higher Education, Assam vide ECF No. 701121/3, dated 30.11.2025 has forwarded a proposal received from the Principal, Dhakuakhana, for up-gradation of the Dhakuakhana College (Autonomous) into a State University. The Government regrets the proposal that there is no consideration for upgradation for any college to University as of now. Hence, the proposal regarding up-gradation of the said college as MERU cannot be considered by the Government. (ANNEXURE-A)
2.	The Committee recommends to establish a Law college in Hojai and Batadrava.	As per press release dated 13.08.2025 issued by Principal, Secretary, Bar Council of India no new centre of legal education will be opened anywhere in India. Hence the proposal is regretted. (ANNEXURE-B)
3.	Committee recommends to appoint Principal in vacant posts of Model Colleges as soon as possible.	As per proposal received from Directorate of Higher Education, Assam, regarding creation of 7 (Seven) nos. of Principal posts for 7 nos. of Govt. Model College (5 nos. Govt. Model Colleges and 2 nos. of Govt. Model Women College, the matter is being processed in File. No E-431681. Accordingly, as per Finance Department's Executive Order No. 443188/83 dated 03.09.2025, Director of Higher Education, Assam, has been requested to resubmit the proposal through FinAssam portal vide letter No. 431681/17 dated 10.09.2025. The matter is under process. (ANNEXURE-C)

4.	The Committee recommends to complete the construction work of Ghilamora B.Ed College under Dhakuakhana Sub-Division and also recommends to establish a New B.Ed. College at Hojai.	As per information received from Director, SCERT, Assam regarding construction work of Ghilamora B.Ed College and establishment of a New B.Ed. College at Hojai :- The construction work of Govt. B.Ed. College, Lakhimpur at Ghilamora has been completed. PWD has communicated a letter to SCERT, for handing over the said Govt. B.Ed. College. Establishment of B.Ed. College at Hojai As per NEP 2020 Para 15.4. : All stand-alone TEIs will be required to convert to multidisciplinary institutions by 2030, since they will have to offer the 4-year integrated teacher preparation programme. As per NEP 2020 Para 15.5. : The 4-year integrated B.Ed. offered by such multidisciplinary HEIs will, by 2030, become the minimal degree qualification for school teachers. The 4-year integrated B.Ed. will be a dual-major holistic Bachelor's degree, in Education as well as a specialized subject such as language, history, music, mathematics, computer science, chemistry, economics, art, physical education, etc. Beyond the teaching of cutting-edge pedagogy, the teacher education will include grounding in sociology, history, science, psychology, early childhood care and education, foundational literacy and numeracy, knowledge of India and its values/ethos/art/traditions, and more. As per the NCTE (Recognition, Norms and Procedure) Amendment Regulation, 2021 and Norms and Standards for ITEP, all stand-alone TEIs will be required to convert into multidisciplinary institutions by 2030 to become eligible to offer the ITEP. As such, establishment of new B.Ed. College is not required as the General Degree Colleges can apply for ITEP. If a B.Ed. College is established at Hojai, then again it will have to be converted into the multidisciplinary Higher Education Institution. Government of Assam has already taken initiative for introduction of ITEP (B.A. B.Ed./ B.Sc. B.Ed./ B.Com. B.Ed.) in General Degree Colleges. Already 51 Degree Colleges have got recognition from NCTE for introduction of ITEP with an intake capacity of 4400. The existing Degree colleges of Hojai district can apply in NCTE for introduction ITEP subject to fulfillment of norms and standards of NCTE.
5.	The Committee recommends to upgrade the Model Colleges to Co-Educational Colleges specially Chenga Model Girls' College.	Matter already complied with Govt. Model College, Chenga vide Directorate of Higher Education, Assam letter No. PC/HE/Misc.02/2024/37, dated 14.05.2025.

6.	The Committee recommends that all Law Colleges should be affiliated under a particular University.	2 nos. of Govt. Law Colleges- Rangia Law college, Kamrup & Chowkighat law college, Tezpur have moved the proposal for issuance of NOC from concerned University.
7.	The Committee recommends to allot funds to the venture Law Colleges.	Govt, Higher education Department have not received such proposal from Venture Law Colleges. Also, as per the Budget Estimate of FY 2026-27, there is no such Budget provision.
8.	The Committee recommends to open Commerce and Science Stream in Shri Shri Sankardev College at Batadrava.	As informed by Directorate of Higher Education, Directorate of Higher Education, Assam, has issued a letter to Principal, Sri Sri Sankardev College at Batadrava requesting her to re-submit the proposal as per the Executive Order issued by the Finance Department vide this office letter No. E-708552/23, dated 21.05.2026, but no reply has been received yet, as informed. (ANNEXURE-D)
9.	The Committee recommends to Provincialise Gelakey Degree College which is Situated in Nazira, Sivasagar.	Directorate of Higher Education, Assam has stated that the Principal, Gelakey Degree College had verbally informed the Directorate that, they have applied in PMS portal.
10.	The Committee recommends to establish a Government College incorporating Science Stream in Nazira.	Higher Education Department, Assam has not received any such proposal yet.
11.	The Committee recommends to establish a Women College at Batadrava Rajabari in Dhing.	Women College at Batadrava Rajabari in Dhing have already been sanctioned under Nabard Infrastructure Development Assistance (NIDA). Work is under progress and is targeted to be completed by 30-08-2026, as per status report submitted by PWD (Health & Education) department vide letter no. Tech-I(H&E)/63/2018/10L dated 30.06.2026 (ANNEXURE-E)
12.	The Committee recommends to encourage translation of standard textbooks and research papers into local/regional languages.	Faculty of Government Engineering Colleges and Polytechnics have been engaged by Assam Science & Technology University, Jalukbari, to translate technical books from English to Assamese language vide AICTE Letter No. AICTE/IDC/TBW/2022-23 dated 12/07/2022.
13.	The Committee recommends to allocate at least 6% of State GDP in Education sector with structural monitoring and accountability system.	Government has decided to proceed with Financial allocation.
14.	A written complaint was received before the Hon'ble Committee on NCD college, Gugamukh of Dhemaji District. After careful observation and consideration of the complaint, the Committee recommends to enquiry on NCD College for huge corruption, anomalies and forgery that has	Director of Higher Education, Assam, was requested to conduct an enquiry into the huge financial irregularities NCD college, Gugamukh. Accordingly Director of Higher Education, Assam has constituted a Committee. As per Enquiry report submitted by Director of Higher Education, Assam, Govt of Assam, Higher Education Department reported vide letter eCF No.711933/2026/202 index 07/05/2026, that the recommendations contained in the enquiry

	been taking place for a long period regarding registration of irregular students and simultaneously facilitating to sit for various exam and also irregularities in Post Matric scholarship (PMS) from 2016 to 2020. Therefore, the Committee strongly recommends to submit a detailed report of such irregularities in NCD college, Gugamukh within 90 days from the date of the submission of the report in the House.	report regarding scholarship disbursement and allied matters of NCD College, Dhemaji are to be implemented. Accordingly, a detailed audit/special verification of scholarship disbursement for the relevant period may be conducted to ascertain the facts, records may be reconstructed wherever feasible in coordination with the affiliating university and other concerned authorities, and responsibility, if any, may be fixed based on the audit findings with appropriate action taken as per rules. In the interim, the issue of NOC/affiliation may be considered sympathetically in the interest of the students, subject to submission of an undertaking by the College, compliance with the Department's directions, and full cooperation in any further enquiry or audit. Accordingly, vide Govt. order eCF No. 765002/2026/136, dated 14.05.2026, Govt. of Assam, Higher Education Department reinstated the No Objection Certificate (NOC) to NCD College, Gogamukh, Dhemaji. (ANNEXURE-F)
15.	The Committee recommends to upgrade Tukrapara Anchalik Girls' High School, Chaygaon (Kamrup Rural) to a Girls College.	There is no such existing Govt. policy to upgrade a High School into College.
16.	The Committee recommends to upgrade Dr. Zakir Hussain H.S. School (Goroimari, Achalpara GP) to Zakir Hussain College.	There is no such existing Govt. policy to upgrade a High School into College.
17.	The Committee recommends to provide financial grant for STEM education with a provision of full scholarship for students pursuing STEM education in top National and International Universities Institutions.	As per the Budget Estimate of FY 2026-27, there is no such Budget provision.
18.	The Committee recommends to open Commerce Stream at Nabajyoti College, Kalgachia.	As informed by Director of Higher Education, Director of Higher Education, Assam has issued a letter to the Principal, Nabajyoti College requesting to re-submit the proposal as per the Executive Order issued by Finance Department vide office letter No. E-707338/8, dated 21.05.2026, but reply yet to be received. (ANNEXURE-G)
19.	The Committee recommends to establish a University at Barpeta District.	In view of the decision of the Hon'ble Cabinet dated 13.05.2026, and in consonance with the commitments made in the Sankalp Patra to establish one university in each district, the matter will be considered in due course of time.
20.	The Committee recommends to open a degree college at Jogijan at Hojai LAC.	As informed by DHE, Director of Higher Education, Assam, has issued a letter to the Inspector of Schools Hojai District Circle, Hojai vide letter No. E-

		632624/70, dated 12.09.2025 requesting him to submit feasibility report for establishment of a Govt. Model Degree College at Jogijan, but reply yet to be received. (ANNEXURE-H)
21.	The Committee recommends to upgrade 12 nos. of Tutor Principals, 73 nos. of Tutor Assistant Professors and 2 nos. Tutor Librarians in all over the State under the Assam Educational (Provincialisation of Services of Teachers and Re-Organization of Institutions) Act, 2017 and Amended Act, 2018.	12(Twelve) Tutor Principal and 73(Seventy-Three) Tutor Assistant Professor and 2(Two) Tutor Librarian of Provincialised Colleges were claimed for up-gradation of their services from Tutor Principal/ Tutor Assistant Professor/ Tutor Librarian to the post of Principal/ Assistant Professor/ Librarian in various Provincialised Colleges of Assam under the Assam Educational (Provincialisation of Service of Teachers and Re-organisation of Educational Institutions) Act, 2017 and as Amended Act, 2018 as they have acquired Ph.D. degree from the University outside the state of Assam. Accordingly, a proposal for upgradation of services of 87(Eighty-Seven) Tutor Principal/ Tutor Assistant Professor/ Tutor Librarian were sent to Govt. vide this office letter No.PC/HE/Prov.07/2023/77, dated 01-08-2023 for necessary action. Out of 87(Eighty-Seven) Tutor Principal/ Tutor Assistant Professor/ Tutor Librarian 68(Sixty-Eight) Tutor Principal/ Tutor Assistant Professor/ Tutor Librarian are found eligible for upgradation and 19(nineteen) Principal/ Tutor Assistant Professor/ Tutor Librarian are found ineligible due to Ph.D. Degree from unrecognized institutions. Out of the list of 68 (Sixty-Eight) Tutor Principals/Tutor Assistant Professors, a total of 5(Five) incumbents was dropped from the list for the following reasons, thereby reducing the total number of eligible incumbents to 63: i) Sl. No.1 of out of 68, Abdul Hamid Ahmed, Tutor Principal of Halakura College, Dhubri has retired/deceased. ii) Sl. No.25 of 68 list, Dimpul Saikia, Tutor Assistant Professor, Department of Sociology of Sissi Borggaon College, Dhemaji dropped from the list due to double entry. The incumbent had claimed for up-gradation with SLET instead of Ph.D. degree obtained from Jodhpur National University. She has already been included in another proposal in the list sent to Govt. vide this office letter E.Comp. No.698362/2025, dated 06-01-2026. iii) Sl. No.26 of 68 list, Dipamoni Gogoi, Tutor Assistant Professor, Department of Education of Sissi Borggaon College, Dhemaji may be dropped from the list due to double entry. The incumbent had claimed for up-gradation with SLET instead of Ph.D. degree obtained from Jodhpur National University. She has already been included in another proposal in the list sent to Govt. vide this office letter E.Comp.

		No.698362/2025, dated 06-01-2026. iv) Sl. No.15 out of 68, Sikdar Mahammad Ali, Tutor Assistant Professor, Department of Education of Srimanta Sankar Madhab College, Barpeta may be dropped from the list due to double entry. The incumbent had claimed for up-gradation with SLET instead of Ph.D. degree obtained from B.R.A. Bihar University. It is under process as the Masters degree requires verification as per Govt. letter No.E-362427/2023/422, dated 09-12-2025. v) Sl. No.45 of 68 list, Riazul Hoque, Tutor Assistant Professor, Department of English of South Salmara College, South Salmara, may be dropped from the list due to double entry. The incumbent has claimed for up-gradation with SLET instead of Ph.D. degree obtained from B.R.A. Bihar University. It is under process as the Masters degree requires verification as per Govt. letter No.E-702326/2025/93, dated 14-11-2025. Hence, the revised total number of Tutor Principals/Tutor Assistant Professors stands at 63 (Sixty-Three). Out of 63 (Sixty-Three) incumbent, 31(Thirty-One) incumbent has obtained their Masters Degree from the University outside the state of Assam hence, they have been placed before the Screening Committee held on 05-06-2026 headed by Prof. Ramesh Chandra Deka, Vice-Chancellor of Cotton University (Chairman of the Committee), constituted vide Notification No. E-402185/2024/139, dated 12-03-2026. Report of the Screening Committee yet to be received. Further, the 32(Thirty-Two) incumbent has obtained their MA from Gauhati University/ Dibrugarh University/ Assam University/ Aligarh Muslim University and also obtained Ph.D. from the University outside the state of Assam. Accordingly, a letter has been sent to the Gauhati University/ Dibrugarh University/ Assam University/ Aligarh Muslim University for verification of their Master's Degree. Complete report yet to be received from the Gauhati University. (ANNEXURE-I)
22.	The Committee reiterates its earlier recommendation No. 8 of Report No. 65 and recommends to withdraw and qualifications of Principal of Lakhipur college in Goalpara District.	Already withdrawn.

**ACTION TAKEN REPORT ON OBSERVATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS OF
DEPARTMENTALLY RELATED STANDING COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION 2026-27
GRANT NO.26 HIGHER EDUCATION (TECHNICAL) DEPARTMENT.**

Point No.	Recommendation	Action Taken
1	Establish an Engineering College in Sivsagar.	Government has regretted the recommendation.
2	To open Mining Engineering Department in all polytechnic institutions in the State.	Government has regretted the recommendation.
3	To establish more Departments in all Polytechnic Institutions in the State with special reference to Diphu Polytechnic.	Diphu Polytechnic is a fully Government, Polytechnic and offering 3 years' diploma courses in Civil Engineering only. A proposal has been received from DTE, Assam regarding post creation for introducing two new branches namely Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering and Electrical Engineering Branch at Diphu Polytechnic, Diphu vide TE[P] S-08/25/400 Dated 09.06.2025. The proposal has been processed in the Department and approval of Hon'ble Chief Minister, Assam has been obtained in e.File No.662600. At present, the file is submitted to Personnel Department for obtaining views, which is yet to be received. Government has regretted the recommendation
4	To establish new polytechnic institutions in newly declared Co-Districts.	Government has regretted the recommendation.
5	To establish a new polytechnic institute at Champupara High School Field.	Government has regretted the recommendation.
6	To upgrade Jorhat Institute of Science and Technology (JIST) into a University of Science and Technology.	Jorhat Institute of Science and Technology (JIST) is the only Engineering College having both Engineering streams and General Science with PG & PhD programmes being offered in physics, chemistry, mathematics and UG programme in B.Sc. (Computer Science & IT). Proposal for upgradation of JIST to a University may be submitted upon receipt of instruction of the Higher Education Department which has been sought vide DTE'S Letter ECF 428256/84 dtd. 26.06.2025. The Matter is under consideration.
7	To construct an Agriculture Institute, a Polytechnic Institute, an Engineering College and other related facilities at Hojai.	Government has regretted the recommendation.

**OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON HIGHER EDUCATION,
2026-27**

GRANT NO. 26

1. The Committee recommends to create post of teachers in the newly established law colleges to ensure the smooth commencement of academic activities and the effective functioning of these institutions from the academic year 2027.
2. The committee recommends to create one post of Bodo faculty at Baksa Model College.
3. The Committee recommends to introduce science stream at Rupahi, Juria and all other Colleges of the State on need base with a view to expanding academic opportunities and strengthening the educational offerings of these institutions.
4. The Committee observed that that CKB College, Teok College has already secured NAAC A+ accreditation. In view of this, the Committee recommends to take appropriate steps to upgrade the College into an Autonomous University and the Committee further recommends to upgrade Diphu College to an Autonomous University for enhancing higher education opportunities and strengthen academic and research excellence in the region.
5. The Committee recommends that all necessary arrangements and infrastructure at newly constructed Model Colleges across the state be comprehensively reviewed prior to the commencement of academic activities.
6. The Committee recommends to establish a Government College incorporating Science Stream in Nazira. The Committee also recommends to introduce Science and Commerce stream and Anthropology subject at Rukasen College, Bakalia, to broaden academic opportunities and address the educational needs of the accommodate the growing student enrolment, the establishment of a well-equipped Digital Library with modern ICT facilities and e-resources, the development of a playground to promote sports and extracurricular activities and construction of a modern auditorium to facilitate seminars, conferences, cultural programmes, workshops, examinations, and other academic events.

7. The Committee reiterates its earlier recommendation No-12 of Report No 66 and recommends to encourage translation of standard text books and research papers into local and regional languages through AI. The committee further recommends to active involvement of recognized literary bodies like Assam Sahitya Sabha,Bodo Sahitya Sabha and other accredited language organizations to ensure linguistic accuracy ,cultural appropriateness and academic quality in the translation process.
8. The committee reiterates its earlier recommendation No 13 of Report No 66 and recommends to allocate at least 6%. of State GDP in Education sector with structural monitoring and accountability system.
9. The Committee recommends to appoint a permanent Vice-Chancellor at North Lakhimpur University at the earliest to ensure the smooth and effective functioning of the University.
10. The Committee reiterates its earlier recommendation No. 17 of Report No 66 and recommends to provide financial grant for STEM education with a provision of full scholarship for students pursuing STEM education in top National and International Universities .
11. The Committee recommends to take urgent steps to identify the fake Master Degree and Ph.D. holders, and to initiate appropriate legal and disciplinary action against them.
12. The Committee recommends for infrastructural development, post creation and permanent retention of existing posts at Thong Nokbe College, Dokmoka -the premier provincialised higher education institution under Howraghat LAC

**OBSERVATIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON TECHNICAL
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1. The Committee recommends the expeditious creation of the requisite teaching and non-teaching posts and the introduction of Electronics and Telecommunication Engineering and Electrical Engineering diploma programmes at Diphu Polytechnic to enhance technical education and meet the growing demand for skilled manpower.
2. The Committee recommends that the proposal for the introduction of the new engineering branches at Diphu Polytechnic be accorded priority and processed expeditiously in coordination with the Finance Department to facilitate its early implementation.
3. The Committee recommends the upgradation of Jorhat Institute of Science and Technology (JIST) into a University, considering its established academic infrastructure and its offering of Engineering, Postgraduate, and Doctoral programmes, to strengthen higher education and research in the State.

The Committee also recommends that the Higher Education Department expedite the examination and approval of the proposal for the upgradation of Jorhat Institute of Science and Technology (JIST) into a University to enable its timely implementation.

4. The Committee recommends that the Department of Higher Education introduce emerging and industry-relevant courses such as Artificial Intelligence (AI), Robotic Engineering, and other advanced technologies in polytechnic institutions in a phased and time-bound manner to equip students with future-ready technical skills and enhance their employability.

The Committee, however, recommends that the Budgetary Allocation provided under Grant No. 26 for the year 2026-27 be voted for the Higher Education Department by the August House.
