

DEPARTMENTALLY RELATED STANDING COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT (A) DEPARTMENTS

ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

(FIFTEENTH ASSEMBLY)

DEMAND FOR GRANT NOS. 12 & 21 FOR THE YEAR 2025-26

DEPARTMENT : GENERAL ADMINISTRATION

TWENTY SECOND REPORT

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COMPOSITION OF THE DEPARTMENTALLY RELATED STANDING COMMITTEE ON DEVELOPMENT (A) DEPARTMENTS, 2025-26

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INTRODUCTION

- 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 Second Report on Demands for Grant Nos. 12 & 21
 relating to General Administration Department for the financial year 2025-26.
- 2. The Committee has considered the Demands for Grant Nos. 12 & 21 on the Budget Estimates for the year 2025-26 in its meeting held on 13th March, 2025.
- **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 2025-26. 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 16th March, 2025 and approved it on the same day.

Place : Dispur The 16th March, 2025. GOBINDA CHANDRA BASUMATARI Chairperson, Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (A) Departments,

Assam Legislative Assembly.

CHAPTER 1 GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT GRANT NO. 12

The Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (A) Departments in its meeting held on 13^{th} March, 2025 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 21^{st} 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 2025-26 as follows.

	REVENUE	CAPITAL	TOTAL (Rs. In lakhs)
VOTED	72070.85	6319.54	78390.39
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00

General Areas				
	REVENUECAPITALTOTAL (Rs. In lakhs)			
VOTED	64729.21	4512.80	69242.01	
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00	

Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council					
REVENUECAPITALTOTAL (Rs. In lakhs)					
VOTED 1575.55 586.72		2162.27			
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00		

North Cachar Hills Autonomous Council				
REVENUE CAPITAL TOTAL (Rs. In lakhs)				
VOTED	1089.35	43.28	1132.63	
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00	

Bodoland Territorial Council				
REVENUE CAPITAL TOTAL (Rs. In lakhs)				
VOTED	4676.74	1176.74	5853.48	
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00	

The detailed Budget Estimates under the **Grant No.12** for the Financial year 2025-26 are as below :-(Rupees in Lakhs)

		upees in Lakits)			
	Revenue/Capital Accounts				
Head of Account	Head of Account Major Head				
		Estimates			
2053	District Administration	61552.08			
2059	Public Works	475.02			
2070	Other Administrative Services	47.50			
2216	Housing	1100.02			
2235	Social Security & Welfare	1554.59			
4059	Capital Outlay on Public Works	2366.83			
4070	Other Administrative Service	1349.00			
4216	Capital Outlay on Housing	796.97			
	Grand Total Rs.	69242.01			

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 Division, District and Sub-Divisional level administrative setups 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 20thJuly, 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 citizencentricity 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/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 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 and Sub-Divisional Offices.

(5) Implementation of e-Governance projects in the areas of General Administration.

(6) Creation and re-organization of New 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, 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.

1. The Budget Estimate for the year 2024-2025 to defray expenses in connection with "DistrictAdministration" wasRs.**89842.57**lakh (Revised) under REVENUE /CAPITAL Account and break-up is shown below:

	REVENUE/CAPITAL ACCOUNTS	(Including Salary & wages)
Head of Accounts	Major Head	Budget Estimates 2024-25
2053	District Administration	29904.12
2059	Public work	30000.00
2070	Other Administrative Services	0.00
2216	Housing	650.00
2250	Other Social Services	0.00
3475	Other General Economic Services	197.24
4059	Capital Outlay on Public Works	2658.53
4070	Other Administrative Services	120.00
4216	Capital Outlay on Housing	1861.34
	Karbi Anglong Autonomous Coun	cil
2053	District Administration	1179.84
2070	Other Administrative Services	40.00
2250	Other Social Services	0.00
4059	Capital Outlay on Public Works	64.50
4216	Capital Outlay on Housing	111.10
	North Cachar Hills Autonomous Co	uncil
2053	District Administration	943.28
2070	Other Administrative Services	24.00
2250	Other Social Services	0.00
4059	Capital Outlay on Public Works	32.25
4216	Capital Outlay on Housing	12.13
	Bodoland Territorial Council	·
2053	District Administration	3506.46
2070	Other Administrative Services	148.00
2250	Other Social Services	0.00
4059	Capital Outlay on Public Works	193.50
4216	Capital Outlay on Housing	66.62
4070	Other Administrative Services	130.00
	Grand Total	89842.57

The revenue part of the head of accounts includes provision for Salary as well and nonsalary in respect of the establishments of the amalgamated establishments of District Commissioners and the Directorate of Sainik Welfare. The funds provided under the various head of accounts will more or less be exhausted by 31st March, 2025.

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 Raj Bhawan, 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/reappropriation 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 2 GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT GRANT NO. 21

The Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Development (A) Departments in its meeting held on 13th March, 2025 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 **21st 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 2025-26 as follows.

	REVENUE	CAPITAL	TOTAL (Rs. In lakhs)
VOTED	5158.65	2688.45	7847.10
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00

General Areas				
REVENUE CAPITAL TOTAL (Rs. In lakhs)				
VOTED	4909.74	2531.70	7441.44	
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00	

Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council			
REVENUE CAPITAL TOTAL (Rs. In lakhs)			
VOTED	49.61	61.75	111.36
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00

North Cachar Hills Autonomous Council			
REVENUE CAPITAL TOTAL (Rs. In lakhs)			
VOTED	65.75	23.75	89.50
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00

Bodoland Territorial Council			
REVENUE CAPITAL TOTAL (Rs. In lakhs)			
VOTED	133.55	71.25	204.80
CHARGED	0.00	0.00	0.00

The detailed Budget Estimates under the Grant No.21 for the Financial year 2025-26 are as below :-

		(Rupees in Lakhs)
	Revenue/Capital Accounts	
Head of Account	Major Head	Budget
		Estimates
2070	Other Administrative Services	4909.74
4070	Other Administrative Service	2531.70
	Grand Total Rs	. 7441.44

PERFORMANCE BUDGET/ANNUAL REPORT OF THE DEPARTMENT

1. The Government of Assam through the department has taken up implementation of Aadhaar enrollment exercise on a priority basis. The Status of Aadhaar Generation till January, 2025 is given below-

State	Projected Population	Total Aadhaar	% age of Aadhaar
Name		generated	generated in Assam
Assam	3.50 cr	3.39 cr	96.97%

2. The construction of the Assam Bhawan, Bengaluru is progressing rapidly and expected to be completed and ready for inauguration in FY 2025-26. The total AA amount of the project is Rs. 5944.349 lakhs. The multi-storied building (2B+G+3 floors) is spread across a plot area of 16249 sqmtrs. 25 nosof Posts have also been created for the smooth functioning of the upcoming Bhawan.

3. A new plot of land measuring 4000 sq.mtr has been procured from Delhi Development Authority for construction of an Additional Guest House/Bhawan and Cultural Complex at Sector-17 Dwarka. Physical possession of the plot has also been taken over. Construction work has been going on under implementing agency PWD.

4. Reconstruction of Assam Bhawan at No. 1 SP Marg, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi and Reconstruction of Assam Bhawan of 8 Russel Street, Kolkata has been going on under implementation of PWD. The A.A. Amount for Assam Bhawan at No. 1 SP Marg is Rs.9991.225 Lakh and the building will have 3Basement+ Ground+6 floors. The A.A Amount for Assam Bhawan at 8 Russel Street, Kolkata is Rs.6610.27800 Lakh and the multi- storied building will have 2B+G+9 floors. Construction works have been going on under implementing agency PWD.

5. The department disbursed an amount of Rs.25.00 (L) each to the Circuit House Management Committee of Bongaigaon and Kokrajhar District with the concurrence of Finance Department.

6. For administrative Expediency, to derive maximum synergy, productivity and efficiency at grass root level and in aid of a good citizen-centric administration, the Government of Assam had operationalized 39 nos. of Co-districts (14 erstwhile civil sub-divisions and 25 newly created) w.e.f 4th October, 2024. The geographical limits of the Co-districts are co-terminus with the boundaries of Legislative Assembly Constituencies.

7.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.

8. 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.

9. Purchased 80 flats from Housefed for using as Government quarters at Pragjyotish Nagar, Maligaon.

10. 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. 11. 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.

12. To ease of 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.

13. Conferring of State's Highest Civilian Award: Since 2021, the Department have also been conferring the State's Highest Civilian Awards viz., Assam Baibhav, Assam Saurav and Assam Gaurav to prominent individuals for their contribution towards the state in different fields to recognize the exceptional service performance of the highest order in any field of human endeavour. Some noted recipients of Assam Baibhav Awards are Late Ratan Tata (for the year 2021) and Shri Ranjan Gogoi, former Chief Justice of India (for the year 2023).

14. Conferring of LOK-Sewa Puraskar(2024): Since the year 2022, the Department has also been observing the "Lok Kalyan Divas".On 5th August, 2024 to acknowledge and recognize the extra ordinary, exemplary and innovative works of the non-gazetted employees, of State Govt. Of Assam for the year 2023, "Lok Sewa Puraskar" have been awarded to 10 State level Awardees and 37 District Level Awardees.

So	<u>Some Major Schemes undertaken by PWD under GAD in the</u> previous FY's			
Sl. no	Name of Project	Estimated Value in Cr.	Physic al Progre ss in Percen tage	Remarks
1	Construction of Integrated DC Office in KAMRUP METRO district	58.86	48	Work in progress
2	Construction of Integrated DC Office in BONGAIGAON district	49.7878	52	Work in progress
3	Construction of Integrated DC Office in NALBARI district	49.4523	60	Work in progress
4	Construction of Integrated DC Office in BISWANATH district	51.9246	48	Work in progress
5	Construction of Integrated DC Office in CHARAIDEO district	50.2466	53	Work in progress
6	Construction of Integrated DC Office in GOLAGHAT district	49.4797	33.5	Work in progress
7	Construction of Integrated DC Office in BAKSA district	21.3167	24	Work in progress
8	Construction of Integrated DC Office in DHEMAJI district	49.898	34	Work in progress
9	Construction of Integrated DC Office in DIPHU district	26.0782	80	Work in progress
10	Construction of Annexe building for Integrated DC Office in KAMRUP district	52.9985	4%	Work in progress
11	Construction of Integrated DC Office in JORHAT district	49.6157	38%	Work in progress
12	Construction of Integrated DC Office in BAJALI district	48.2274	42	Work in progress
13	Construction of Integrated DC Office in CACHAR district	47.8981	3.5	Work in progress
14	Construction of Integrated DC Office in TAMULPUR district	22.0008	37	Work in progress
15	Construction of Integrated Directorate Complex at Betkuchi, Guwahati, Assam.	808.4052	30.09	Work in progress
16	Construction of New Governor's Residence at Kharghuli, Guwahati, Assam	41.3251	74	Work in progress

17	Construction of Proposed Integrated Sub- Divisional Office at Rangia in Kamrup.	17.9219	88	Work in progress
18	Reconstruction of Assam Bhawan at No. 1 SP Marg, Chanakyapuri, New Delhi	53.2382718	7	Work in progress
19	Construction of Multi-Storied Assam Bhawan Complex including Convention Centre at Bangalore, Karnataka" (Balance work)	59.44349	90	Work in progress
20	Proposed Construction of Residential Quarters for Magistrate of Kamrup at Amingaon	15.1311302	10	Work in progress
21	Construction of the R.C.C Multistoried (B+G+8) Residential Building at Senior Officer's Colony at Khanapara,Ghy-22.	41.732	2	Work in progress
22	Proposed Construction of RCC Multistoried MLA Hostel Buildings Tower-1 and Tower-2 at OLD MLA Hostel Campus, Dispur, Guwahati.	124.86	15	Work in progress
23	Constructions of Proposed New Assam Legislative Assembly Building at Dispur with Budgetary Cost Estimate and Revised Design Proposal at Dispur, Guwahati.	65.1212	94	Work in progress

Acti	on taken report against Recommendations of 21 st R its meeting held on 21.02	1 · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·
Sl. No.	Recommendations made by DRSC	Action Taken by PWD(B)/GAD
1.	The Department in formed the Committee that regarding construction of Assam House at Pani Tanki, West Bengal they had put-up file to the higher authority and asked feasibility report from the Divisional Commissioners. But in the mean time, the post of Divisional Commissioner has been abolished for which they did not get the feasibility report. Now, the Department will ask the feasibility reports again from the DC sand will take action in this regard. Hence, Committee reiterates its earlier recommendation regarding construction of Assam House at Pani Tanki, West Bengal which will facilitate lots of patients who visit Nepal for eye treatment.	The Department has requested the Joint Resident Commissioner, Assam Bhawan, Kolkata to take up the matter with concerned DC of West Bengal Government and to furnish a feasibility Report for the construction of Assam House at Pani Tanki, West Bengal.
2.	The Committee reiterates its earlier recommendation regarding construction of Assam House in Dehradun and Hyderabad.	With regard to Construction of Assam House in Hyderabad, matter is being taken up with Revenue & Disaster

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	Management Department, Govt. of
	Assam, if there is any allotment of
	proposal for Telangana Bhawan at
	Guwahati in return of land for Assam
	House in Hyderabad. However, it
	may also be mentioned that, earlier an
	O/O Resident Representative was set
	up at Hyderabad in 2021-22 with Shri
	V.S Bhaskar, IAS(Retd) as Resident
	Representative but, since there was
	no response from Telengana state
	regarding allotment of land to Govt.
	of Assam, the O/O Resident
	Representative was later closed down.
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	Regarding, Construction of a new
	Assam Bhawan at Dehradun
	Uttarakhand, matter has been initiated
	for obtaining approval of competent
	authority. After obtaining approval of
	authority, necessary process for
	identification of suitable plot of land
	in Dehradun for Construction of
	Assam House in Dehradun shall be

initiated.

3.	The Committee observes that there is no Guest House or Circuit House in the Gouripur, Dhubri. Therefore, the Committee recommends the Department to establish one Circuit House in Alamganj Part-8 & 9 where adequate amount of vacant and is there.	The PWD authority has been requested to take appropriate necessary action on the matter at their end. The CE, PW (Building) Department has intimated that, DPR for Circuit House at Gauripur was prepared and submitted to Govt. in PWD for consideration for sanction in the FY 2024-25. But, as desired by HCM proposal was returned for re submission considering the Circuit House in Dhubri town instead of Gauripur. But due to unavailability of sufficient land same could not be taken up till date.
4.	The Committee also recommends that a modern Circuit House should be set up in South Salmara, Mankachar and Dhing, Nagaon.	The PWD authority has been requested to take appropriate necessary action on the matter at their end. The CE, PW (Building) Department has intimated that, DPR for Circuit House at South Salmara has been prepared and will be submitted to Public Works (Building) Department, Dispur for consideration for sanction after due scrutiny. Circuit House at Nagaon has already been sanctioned by Govt. in PWD for an amount of Rs. 25.734 Crore in the FY 2024-25 and is under progress with a physical progress of 22%.
5.	Regarding shifting of the Dispur Treasury to Composite Building, Last Gate, the Committee Directed the Department to expedite the work.	Office of the Dispur Treasury situated at Janata Bhawan complex has been shifted to Kar Bhawan building at Ganeshguri.
6.	The Committee observes that the condition of the IB at Hailakandi is in deteriorated condition. Hence, the Department recommends that the IB should be up graded.	Building of Inspection Bungalows are not an asset of GAD. The PWD authority was requested to take appropriate necessary action on the matter at their end. The CE, PW(Building)Department has intimated that, IB at Hailakandi is under the jurisdiction of PWD (Roads). Accordingly, PW(Roads) Department has been requested to take necessary action at their end vide letter No.ECF-NO.202252/205 Dated 21-02-2025.

7.	The Committee observes that most of the IBs in the Districts are in a dilapidate condition and hence the Committee recommends that all the IBs should be demolished and come with afresh proposal before the Government to construct the IBs afresh.	The PWD authority has been requested to take appropriate necessary action on the matter at their end. The CE, PW (Building) Department has intimated that, proposal for demolition and construction of new IBs has been taken up in a phase-wise manner and as recommended by Govt.in PWD. Construction of IBs at various locations e.g. Mukalmua, Ghograpar, Silapathar, Narayanpur, Bihpuria, Jagiroad, Tangla were already taken up by the Govt. in PWD.
8.	In its earlier meeting, the Committee directed the department for establishment of a guest house in Ukium and Charaimari. The Department has informed that it has processed in this regard and land has been found for Guest House. Therefore, the Committee directed the Department to take up the matter with the Circle Officer to accelerate the Construction work of the Guest House.	The PWD authority was requested to take appropriate necessary action on the matter at their end. The CE, PW (Building) Department has intimated that, there are some issues with Land as, Land document for construction of guest house at Ukium and Charaimari are not received at their end.
9.	The Committee reiterates its earlier recommendation of Constructing a two storey Circle Office with auditorium at Chaygaon and Goroimari which are in a dilapidated condition.	Construction of Circle Office is under Jurisdiction of Rev & DM Department and P.W Department, not GAD. The PWD authority was requested to take appropriate necessary action on the matter at their end. The CE, PW (Building) Department has intimated that, Land document for construction of two- story Circle Office with auditorium at Chaygaon is not received till date. However, Plan & Estimate for Construction of proposed office of Circle Officer with auditorium at Goroimari, Kamrup amounting to Rs.15.00 Crore has been under consideration of PWD.
10.	The Committee opines that as Batadraba is the birthplace of Mahapurush Srimanta Shankardeva and it has spiritual importance where large number of devotees visit the Satra. The Committee, therefore, reiterates its earlier recommendation and directed the Department to submit a proposal to the Government for construction of a new Guest House near Batadraba Satra by providing special package.	PWD authority was requested to take appropriate necessary action on the matter at their end. The CE, PW (Building) Department has intimated that, Construction of G+2 RCC Building, Damodar Aata Yatri Nivas has already been completed and inaugurated on 24-09-2023 by the

		Hon'ble Chief Minister of Assam,
		which is situated in the Thaan
		Complex. In this regard it is to be
		mentioned here that in addition to the
		above, one additional Yatri Nivash
		(Guest House) was proposed at the
		New Project Site outside of the
		BatadravaThaan for "Development of
		Batadrava Than as Cultural and
		Tourist Destination at Batadrava" and
		has already been sanctioned
		accordingly. The work had been
		allotted to contractor and is under
		progress. The work is proposed to be
		completed by March, 2026. In this
		Yatri Nivash the components
		considered are, i) 4 nos. VVIP Suits,
		ii) 6 nos. VIP Deluxe and Premium
		Rooms, iii) 12 nos. Executive Rooms
		and iv) 10nos. Cottages of Traditional
		Esthetics.
11.	Further, the Committee also reiterates its earlier	Building of Inspection Bungalows are
	recommendation regarding construction of an IB at	not an asset of GAD. The PWD
	Howly, Barpeta.	authority was requested to take
		appropriate necessary action on the
		matter at their end. The CE,
		PW(Building) Department has
		intimated that, IB at Howly, Barpeta
		is under the jurisdiction of PWD
		(Roads). Accordingly, PW(Roads)
		Department has been requested to take
		necessary action at their end vide
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		letter No.ECF-NO.202252/205 Dated
10	In its coulier recommendation the Committee direct	21-02-2025.
12.	In its earlier recommendation, the Committee directed	The PWD authority was requested to
	the department to expand the existing Guest House located at Chandubi as there is no sufficient room	take appropriate necessary action on
	provision. As the Guest House comes under a reserve	the matter at their end. The CE, PW
	forest, the Committee recommends that the matter	(Building)Department has intimated
	should be taken up with the forest department and do	that, the existing guest house in
	all the necessary process as soon as possible for the	Chandubi is under Tourism Dept,
	extension of the Guest House.	Govt. of Assam, hence the matter has
		been discussed with the tourism
		department and 4(four) nos. estimate
		has been submitted for expansion and
		renovation of the existing Guest
1		House in consultation with the
		tourism department vide Letter No:
		TB-50/BC&PTBD/2022-23/1260 dtd
		29/09/2023.

13.	The Committee observes that budget estimate has been given for the Integrated DC Office at South Salmara Mankachar as per earlier recommendation, but it is only 35 crores which is not sufficient and much less compared to the other districts of the state. Hence, the Committee recommends that the budget estimate for the Integrated DC office should be increased.	The PWD authority was requested to take appropriate necessary action on the matter at their end. The CE, PW(Building)Department has intimated that, the Executive Engineer concerned has initiated preparation of DPR for Rs. 50.00 Cr., like other districts for construction of Integrated DC office at South SalmaraMankachar.
14.	The Committee observes that the condition of the existing guest house in South Salmara Mankachar is in dilapidated condition. Therefore, the Committee recommends that a new Guest House should be constructed in South Salmara Mankachar.	The PWD authority was requested to take appropriate necessary action on the matter at their end. The CE, PW(Building)Department has intimated that, Communication has already been made with the Addl. District Commissioner, (Rev) South Salmara Mankachar Dist. Hatsingimari vide this office letter no. TB-303/2022- 23/BLD/2385, Dt. 10-02-2025 for possession of land for preparation of DPR for Construction of a New Guest House at South Salmara Mankachar.
15.	The Committee observes that most of the DC's don't maintain protocol in respect of addressing the Hon'ble MLAs who are public representatives and the Committee feels it to be a distressing part. The Committee therefore recommends that the Department should instruct all the DC's of the state to maintain office protocol while addressing the Hon'ble MLAs.	The District Commissioners have been intimated/instructed vide letter No.ECF- No.202252/106Dated 12-03-2025, ECF- No.202252/152 Dated 09-10-2024 and ECF-No.202252/153 dated 02-01-2025.
16.	The Committee observes that the allotted numbers of staff quarters for Assembly are not sufficient and hence recommends that the number of staff quarters for Assembly should be increased proportionately. Besides, the Committee recommends to keep reserve for additional 30 nos. of quarters for the Assembly employees in addition to the existing quarters.	In view of the demolition of the Staff Quarters in Capital complex area, there is an acute scarcity of quarters under GAD at present. The department is not in a position to increase the number of quarters for the employees of ALA, at present. However, subject of availability of vacant staff quarters, the General Administration Department shall consider the matter in future.

17.	The Committee also recommends that two numbers of IB should be constructed under two development blocks of Katigorah constituency and Karimganj North LAC respectively.	Building of Inspection Bungalows are not an asset of GAD. The PWD authority was
		requested to take appropriate necessary
		action on the matter at their end. The CE,
		PW (Building)Department has intimated
		that, IBs are under the jurisdiction of PWD
		(Roads) Department. Accordingly, PW
		(Roads) Department has been requested to
		take necessary action at their end vide
		letter No ECF-NO.202252/205 Dated 21-
		02-2025.
18.	The Committee recommends to establish a Mini Circuit House at Lakhipur in Goalpara District.	The PWD authority was requested to take
		appropriate necessary action on the matter
		at their end. The CE,
		PW(Building)Department has intimated
		that, communication with District
		Administration, Goalpara has been made
		for allotment of suitable Govt. land for
		preparation of DPR for Construction of a
		Mini Circuit House, at Lakhipur, Goalpara
		vide letter no. TB-391/2024-
		25/BLD/2407, Dt. 13-02-2025.
19.	The Committee reiterates its earlier	The PWD authority was requested to take
	recommendation to construct modern Guest	appropriate necessary action on the matter
	House at Rupsi (Airport) in Kokrajhar district & also in Bijni, Doomdooma and Lumding.	at their end. The CE, PW (Building)
		Department has intimated the followings,
		i. Proposal sent to BTC by Circle Office
		Bagribari land allotment under Process for
		Guest House at Rupshi Airport in
		Kokrajhar district. ii) No reply has been
		received from the Circle Officer, Bijni
		Revenue Circle, Bijni till the date of
		10/02/2025.iii)RegardingConstruction of
		Modern Guest House at Doomdooma, The
		District Commissioner, Tinsukia District
		was requested to make necessary
		arrangement for the handing over of the
		required land for the construction of
		Modern Guest House at Doomdooma.
		Allotment of the land for the said work is
		under process. iv). Regarding the
		construction of Modern Guest House at
		Lumding, land bearing Dag no. 81 at Vill.
		Hatikhuli, Mouza-Lumding has been
		identified for the construction and the
		proposal has been sent for the approval.
		Waiting for approval from District Level

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20.	The Committee reiterates its earlier recommendation made by the Committee in its twenty-fifth Report (Sl. No. 17) regarding construction of modern PWD Guest House at Tezpur.	Building of Inspection Bungalows are not an asset of GAD. The PWD authority was requested to take appropriate necessary action on the matter at their end. The CE, PW (Building) Department has intimated that, PWD Guest House at Tezpur is under the jurisdiction of PWD (Roads) Department. Accordingly, PW(Roads) Department has been requested to take necessary action at their end vide letter No.ECF-NO.202252/205.Dated 21-02- 2025.
21	The Committee reiterates its earlier recommendation to expand the existing Guest House in Chandubi for accommodating increasing number of tourists.	The PWD authority was requested to take appropriate necessary action on the matter at their end. The CE, PW (Building) Department has intimated that, the existing guest house in Chandubi is under Tourism Dept, Govt of Assam, hence the matter has been discussed with the tourism department and 4(four) nos estimate has been submitted for expansion and renovation of the existing Guest House in consultation with the tourism department vide their Letter No: TB-50/ BC&PTBD/2022-23/1260 dtd 29/09/2023.
22.	The Committee reiterates its earlier recommendation regarding expediting the completion of Circle office with boundary wall at Dalgaon.	The PWD authority was requested to take appropriate necessary action on the matter at their end. The CE, PW(Building) Department has intimated that, Plan & Estimates were framed and submitted to CE, PWD (Bldg). vide No.EE/ DDTMBD/2022- 23/611 Dtd 19th June, 2023 amounting to (i) Rs. 3,23,45,400.00 (office building) and (ii) Rs. 87,52,800.00 (boundary wall & gate). However, the tender process is currently underway for the "Construction of Co- District Office (RCC G+4)" at Dalgaon, Darrang. It is to be noted that the circle office will be integrated within the same building premises.
23.	The Committee reiterates its earlier recommendation regarding construction of a Multi Storied Guest House at Dalgaon.	The PWD authority was requested to take appropriate necessary action on the matter at their end.The CE,PW (Building)Department has intimated that, Plan & Estimate has been framed and submitted to Public Works (Building) Department, Dispur vide Letter No.CE/TB-IV/139/2019/14,dtd. 29-12-2023 amounting to Rs.2,43,55,800.00.AA awaited from Govt. in PWD.

GRANT NOS.12 & 21 GENERAL ADMINISTRATION DEPARTMENT OBSERVATION AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR THE YEAR 2025-26

After detailed discussion with the Departmental Representatives regarding the relevant docoments furnished by the Department, Hon'ble Committee has been pleased to recommend the following:-

- 1. The Committee recommends the Department to take necssary 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.
- 2. The Committee recommends the Department to take necssary 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.
- 3. The Committee recommends the Department to take necssary steps to ensure that the MLA's quarters proposed to be constructed in Dibrugarh for accomodation 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.
- 4. The Committee recommends the Department to take necessary steps regarding construction of Circuit Houses/IB's in all Co-District's of Assam including Lumding, Pakabetbari and Orang town area at an early date.
- 5. The Committee recommends the Department to take necssary stepts for construction of a Guest House at Bijni and Balipara under Rangapara LAC.
- 6. The Committee recommends the Department to take necssary stepts for construction of IB at Gharmurah on the site of old damaged I.B. under Katlicherra LAC.
- 7. The Committee recommends the Department to take necssary stepts for construction of Guest House at Thaisofa G.P., Kaki under Lumdimg LAC.

The Committee recommends that the Budget allocation provided under Grant Nos.12 & 21 for the Financial Year 2025-2026 for the General Administration Department be approved by the August House.
