

**ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT**

No.LADRSC(W).4/2017/368

Dated Dispur, the 1<sup>st</sup> March, 2017

From : Shri H.C. Nath,  
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To ✓ The Commissioner & Special Secretary to the Govt. of Assam,  
Public Works (Roads) Department,  
Dispur, Guwahati-781006.

Sub : FORWARDING OF REPORT OF THE DRSC ON WORKS  
DEPARTMENT, ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Sir,

I am directed to forward herewith 2 copies of the Eighteenth Report of the DRSC on Works Department, Assam Legislative Assembly under Grant Nos. 17, 33,64 & 44 relating to the Public Works Department which has been presented to the House on 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2017.

The action taken or proposed to be taken by the Government on the recommendations in the report made by the Committee may kindly be furnished to this Secretariat within 3 months from the date of presentation of the Report to the House.

Receipt of the report may kindly be acknowledged.

Yours faithfully,

Joint Secretary,

Assam Legislative Assembly

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Copy with a copy of the Report of the DRSC on Works Department is forwarded for favour of information and necessary action to the Chief Engineer, PWD (Roads) Department, Chandmari, Guwahati-3.

Joint Secretary,

Assam Legislative Assembly

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**DEPARTMENTALLY RELATED STANDING COMMITTEE  
ON WORKS DEPARTMENT  
(2017-18)**

**FOURTEENTH ASSEMBLY**



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**EIGHTEENTH REPORT**

**PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT**

**DEMANDS FOR GRANTS 2017-18  
GRANT NOS. 17, 33, 64 & 44.**

**Presented to the House on 27<sup>th</sup> February, 2017.**

**Assam Legislative Assembly Secretariat,  
Dispur, Guwahati-781006.**

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COMPOSITION OF THE COMMITTEE

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10. Shri Ranjit Kumar Sarmah, Superintendent.

## INTRODUCTION

1. I, the Chairman of the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Works Department, Assam Legislative Assembly, having been authorized by the Committee to present the Report on its behalf, do hereby present the SEVENTEENTH REPORT of the Committee on Demands for Grants (Grant Nos. 17, 33, 64 & 44) relating to the Public Works Department for the year 2017-2018.

2. In pursuance of Rule 260H(1) 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 Works Department on 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2016 for a period of one year. The Notifications are appended at Annexure-I & II.

3. The Committee scrutinized the various documents and relevant papers including the status paper received from the Public Works Department and also took the personal evidence of the Departmental representatives of the Department on the said Demands for Grants in its meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> February, 2017.

4. The Committee considered the draft Report and adopted it on 18<sup>th</sup> February, 2017.

5. The Committee places on record its appreciation to the representatives of the Public Works Department for extending their co-operation to the Committee and the Officials of Assam Legislative Assembly Secretariat attached to the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Works Department for their full co-operation and unstinted assistance.

6. The Committee also places on record its thanks to the representatives of Finance Department and also the Planning & Development Department for assisting the Committee in its deliberation.

TERASH GOWALLA,  
CHAIRMAN,  
DRSC(W) DEPTT.,  
ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

## CHAPTER-I

### REPORT

1.1 The Public Works Department is one of the most important Department of the Government of Assam. The Department was initiated in the year, 1880 during the British reign. The Department has been divided into two Departments viz (1) Public Works (Roads) Department and (2) Public Works (Building & NH) Department.

1.2. The Department is carried out by different activities through the followings :-

- (i) Chief Engineer (Roads)
- (ii) Chief Engineer (NH)
- (iii) Chief Engineer (Border Roads)
- (iv) Chief Engineer (ARIASP & RIDF)
- (v) Chief Engineer (Building)

Moreover, Mechanical and Electrical are the two Wings in the Department. The Mechanical Wings headed by an Additional Chief Engineer (Mechanical) and the Electrical Wings is headed by an Additional Chief Engineer (Electrical).

1.3 The Government is implementing authority of many schemes and projects for improvement of road network in the State. Out of total length of 3,717 k. m. of National highways (NH) in Assam, 2,134.8 k. m. is under the jurisdiction of Public Works (Building & NH) Department.

1.4 The Public Works Building & NH Department has to maintain Govt. Residential and Non-Residential Buildings of different Departments including State Secretariat Building etc. To enable sustainable building construction, energy efficient Green Building concept is being introduced in all ongoing and future major building projects.

1.5 The Government has given priority to construct Weather beaten roads and RCC Bridges. Special initiative has been taken up under CM's Special Packages for improvement of the road network. Special Package for improvement of the inter-state border roads have also been taken up.

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- i) Building wing of PW (Bldg. & NH) Department is entrusted for construction & maintenance Building/Infrastructure of different Government Department & Agencies.
- ii) Budget for the departments are under the Grant No: 17, 33 & 64
- iii) In the last DRSC in the para 1,4 it was mentioned that PW (Bldg & NH) Department has to maintain Government Residential and Non-Residential Buildings of different departments including State Secretariat Building. In this regard, it may be informed that the Budget provision for maintenance Government Residential and Non-Residential Buildings is not adequate to properly maintain the Government Buildings.
- iv) Last year i.e, 2015-16 Budget allocation fund released/ utilized for maintenance of different Buildings are Annexed.
- v) During 2015-16, some fund released through FOC could not be utilized/ disbursed due to late release.
- vi) The Building constructed by PWD are to be included in Building Registrar of the division. For routine maintenance of such Building borne in PWD Building Registrar an amount of approximately Rs 190.00 crore is required annually. But due to inadequacy of required budget provisions the building could not be maintained as per requirement.
- vii) In respect of the new infrastructure/ Building Construction entrusted to this department adequate budget provision and timely release of fund would be much helpful in timely completion of the project. The present process of release of fund may be reviewed to ensure timely release of fund expeditiously.
- viii) Some of the important construction works implemented by this department in the last few years and some on going works are as given below:
  - a. Construction of proposed New ALA Building at Dispur.
  - b. National Law College at Amingaon
  - c. Dr Bhupen Hazarika Memorial at Jalukbari.
  - d. Swarga Deo Chaolung Su-Ka-Pha Samanway Kshetra at Mohbondha, Jorhat.
  - e. Assam House Shillong opened etc other Assam Houses are in progress
  - f. Judicial Courts in different places are in progress etc.

- ix) Conservation of nature and optimum use of natural resources is now becoming a global concern.
- x) This department is trying to make the construction activities more eco friendly, energy efficient. For example-
  - a) This department has already made an MOU with TERI for updating of knowledge in the field of environment friendly infrastructure construction.
  - b) Road construction by adopting Soil Stabilization/ Soil improvement may help in a great way in preserving nature.
  - c) Introduction of LED, use of solar power, natural light & air etc. Some measures taken by the department to make the infrastructure more energy efficient.
- (xi) Above all the departmental officers are facing much inconvenience in supervision due to non-availability of vehicle. It may be mentioned that jurisdiction of few Building division covers two or more nos. of districts. Therefore in the interest of better supervision & timely completion of on going projects, sufficient number of vehicles up to the level of AEE is most essential.

1.7 The PW (Bldg.& NH) Department takes up Building works and works on National Highways of its own and also execute and supervise the construction works of other various Departments like GAD, Judicial Department, AR&T Department, H & FW Department, Education Department, ALA etc. including repair and maintenance works of the Buildings bears in the Departmental registers. This Department also look after construction and repair works of National Highways in Assam.

The payment for works executed by this Department of its own are made from budget provided in different Head of Account under grant No. 17, 33, 64 annually and payment to the building works of other Department are made from budget make available to the Department concerned. The budget provision made for this Department during 2015-16 and 2016-17 are shown below including requirement during 2016-17 and expenditure liability of previous year 2015-16.



Head of Account	Fund allocated	Expenditure 2015-16	Liabilities	Requirement 2016-17	Budget Provision 2016-17	Remarks
2059-M&R-Non plan	1500.00(L)	159.847(L)	1340.16(L)	2840.16(L)	1307.25(L)	
2059-Capital Complex-Non plan	250.00(L)	NIL	207.91(L)	457.91(L)	375.00(L)	
2059-Electrical works at Capital Complex Non-plan	160.00(L)	NIL	139.54(L)	299.54(L)	240.00(L)	
4059-Sukapha SPA-Plan	2135.56(L)	757.27(L)	780.31(L)	3000.00(L)	1641.09(L)	

It is observed in the above chart that, Fund provision made during 2015-16 could not be expended during the year due to non issue of FOC from Finance Department and liabilities, created against the maintenance Head as shown and contractors were suffering acute financial constraints during the year. Accordingly requirement during 2016-17 is high as shown to pay the liabilities but inadequate provision of budget is made during 2016-17(as shown above).

Further, there are the following old liabilities to be cleared, but no fund provided in the budget 2016-17.

1. H/A-2059-ADB-Plan = Rs.83.90(L)
2. H/A-4059-ABY-Plan = Rs.171.00(L)
3. H/A-4216-ABY-Plan = Rs. 60.00(L)
4. H/A-3054-R&B-M&R NH-Non plan-9% Agency charge-Rs.5.00(C) but only Rs.1.00(C) is provided in the budget 2016-17.

Regarding the above, the liabilities will be continued to next year due to non consideration of the budget. For clearing the liabilities of NH Department against requirement of 500(L), only 100(L) is provided in 2016-17 which is quite inadequate even not enough to clear Court cases. Due to this shortage of budget provision this Department is in a very crucial state for execution and maintenance of the works under this Department.

Above of all, the officers of this Department at field level have no vehicles for movement to site of works to executive and supervise the works which creates trouble in maintaining quality of the works. To provide vehicles to the officers of building wing for obtaining best quality works requires 300.00(L) [20x7.00L+40x4.00L] but no budget provision is made in

in this regard.

As above, DRSC is requested for taking suitable steps in regards for enhance of the fund.

1.8 Budget Estimates under Grant Nos. 17,33 & 64 for the financial year 2017-2018 are as follows :-

Grant No.17 relating to Administrative & Functional Building:-

(Rupees in lakhs)

Head of Accounts	Major Head	Budget Estimates 2017-2018
2059	Public Works	41475.67
4059	Capital Outlay on Public works.	5762.00
	Grand Total :- Rs.	47237.67

Out of the total budget provision of Rs. 47237.67 lakhs. While compiling the Budget provision for 2017-2018, it appears that an amount of Rs. 22037.80 lakhs has been decreased during 2017-2018 than that of the previous year 2016-2017 under the Head of Accounts 2059 and 4059.

1.09 Grant No. 33 relating to RESIDENTIAL BUILDINGS :-

(Rupees in lakhs)

Head of Accounts	Major Head	Budget Estimates 2017-2018
2216	Housing	361.33
4216	Capital Outlay on Housing	0.01
	Grand Total :- Rs.	361.34

Out of the total budget provision of Rs.361.34 lakhs. While compiling the Budget provision for 2017-2018, it appears that an amount of Rs. 4923.23 lakhs has been decreased during 2017-2018 than that of the previous year 2016-2017 under the Head of Accounts 2216 and 4216.

1.10 Grant NO. 64 relating to Roads and Bridges:-

(Rupees in Lakhs)

Head of Accounts	Major Head	Budget Estimates 2017-2018
3054	Roads and Bridges	163947.23
5054	Capital Outlay on Housing Roads and Bridges	220999.40
	Grand Total:-Rs	384946.63

Out of the total budget provision of Rs 384946.63 lakhs. While compiling the Budget provision for 2017-2018, it appears that an amount of Rs-11124.31 lakhs has been increased during 2017-2018 than that of the previous year 2016-2017 under the Head Accounts of 3054 and 5054.

The Action Taken Report on the recommendations made in the Seventeenth Report submitted by the Department is Appended at Annexure-III

Chief Engineer, PWD (NH Works) deals with construction repair and maintenance of National Highways. Total numbers of NHs (including 14 Nos of newly declared NHs) in Assam= 39 Nos. Total length of NHs in Assam =3862.438 Km. Total length under jurisdiction of PW (Bldg. & NH) Deptt., Assam=2541.937 Km. Total length of Newly Declared NHs in the State of Assam (Yet to be entrusted)= 154.376 Km. 2 lane NH under construction by BOT under MoRT&H = 25.807 Km. Total length under NHA in Assam= 696.308 Km. Total length under BRO in Assam= 31.00 Km. Total length under NHIDCL in Assam= 399.36 Km. 2-lane NH under construction by Railway = 13.65 Km.

The following Superintending Engineers, Executive Engineers are in the office of the Chief Engineer (NH) to assist him for proper implementation of the projects.

Sl. No.	Rank	Nos.	Designation
1.	Superintending Engineer	1	Superintending Engineer (Planning)
2.	Executive Engineer	5	EE ( NH Road Branch)
			EE (NH Bridge Branch)
			EE (BRD Road Branch)
			EE (BRD Bridge Branch)
			EE (Mechanical)

More over, there are Circle offices and Divisional and Sub- Divisional office headed by Superintending Engineers, Executive Engineers and Assistant Executive Engineers respectively for implementation of the projects at field level.

**Circle offices headed by Superintending Engineers:**

1. Guwahati NH Circle, H.Q. at Guwahati
2. Nalbari NH Circle, H.Q. at Nalbari
3. Dibrugarh NH Circle, H.Q. at Dibrugarh
4. Guwahati Mechanical NH Circle, H.Q. at Guwahati.

**Divisional offices headed by Executive Engineers and Sub-Divisional offices headed by Assistant Executive Engineers:**

Sl. No	Name of Division	H.Q	Name of Sub- Division	H.Q
1	Guwahati NH Division	Guwahati	Guwahati NH Sub-Division	Guwahati
			Boko NH Sub-Division	Boko
			Goalpara NH Sub-Division	Goalpara
2	Rangia NH Division	Rangia	Rangia NH Sub-Division	Rangia
			Mangaldoi NH Sub-Division	Mangaldoi
3	Abhayapuri Const. Division	Abhayapuri	Abhayapuri NH Sub-Division	Abhayapuri
			Bilasipara NH Sub-Division	Bilisipara
			Golokganj NH Sub-Division	Golokganj
4	Nagaon NH Division	Nagaon	Nagaon NH Sub- Division	Nagaon
5	Jorhat NH Division	Jorhat	Jakhalabandha NH Sub- Division	Jakahala-bandha
			Jorhat NH Sub- Division	Jorhat
6	Golaghat NH Division	Golaghat	Bokakhat NH Sub-Division	Bokakhat
			Sibsagar NH Sub-Division	Sibsagar
			Golaghat NH Sub-Division	Golaghat
7	Dibrugarh NH Division	Dibrugarh	Barpathar NH Sub-Division	Barpathar
			Dibrugarh NH Sub-Division	Dibrugarh
8	Bakulia NH Division	Diphu	Doomdoma NH Sub-Division	Doomdoma
			Bakulia NH Sub-Division	Bakulia
9	Silchar NH Division	Silchar	Diphu NH Sub-Division	Diphu
			Silchar NH Sub-Division	Silchar
10	Karimganj NH Division	Karimganj	Hailakandi NH Sub-Division	Hailakandi
			Karimganj NH Sub Division	Karimganj
11	Plant Mechanical NH Division	Guwahati	Lowairpowa NH Sub Division	Lowairpowa
			Store Mech. NH Sub-Division	Ulubari
			Jakhalabandha Mech. NH Sub Divn	Jakhalabandha
			Dhubari BRC Mech. Sub Division	Dhuburi

### Brief Description of Schemes

Total road length of NHs in the State and agencies involve for maintenance and development are listed below -

Road category	Length in K.M.							
	Under PWD	Under NHAI	Under NHIDCL	Under BRO	BOT under MoRT&H	Length under Railway	Length to be entrusted to any agency	Total Length
National Highway	2541.937	696.308	399.36	31.00	25.807	13.65	154.376	3862.438

#### **Total Nos of Bridges in Assam:-**

- (a) Total Nos. of RCC Bridges under PWD = 631 Nos  
 Major Bridge = 74 Nos.,  
 Minor Bridge = 557 Nos.  
 Total Bridge Length = 23,735.55 m
- (b) Total Nos. of RCC Bridges under NHAI = 161 Nos  
 Major Bridge = 37 Nos.,  
 Minor Bridge = 124 Nos.  
 Total Bridge Length = 6128.21 m

#### **National Highways (NH) Works:**

National Highways are the key road network in Assam for transport communication. Maximum goods, food grains, forest products and other all essential goods are transported through these National Highways. Total numbers of NHs ( including 13 Nos of newly declared NHs) in Assam= 38 Nos. Total length of NHs in Assam =3841.263 Km.

1. N.H.-31. = 307.248 Km (Bakshihat to Jalukbari)
2. N.H.-31 (C) = 92.20 Km (Srirampur to Rakhaldubi)
3. N.H.-31 (B) = 19.66 Km (North Salmara to Jogighopa)
4. (a) N.H.-37 = 688.601 Km (Pancharatna to Dhola)
- (b) N.H.- 37 (Extn) = 36.24 Km (Saikhowaghat to Santipur)
5. N.H.-37 (A) = 23.10 Km (Kaliabar to Mission Charilali)
6. N.H.-38 = 56.35 Km (Makum to Lekhapani)
7. N.H.-36 = 156.833 Km (Barhat Tiliali to Dimapur)
8. N.H.-39 = 106.78 Km (Numalighar to Dimapur)
9. N.H.-44 = 110.771 Km (Malidhar to Churaibari)
10. N.H.-51 = 21.87 Km (Paikan to Bazendoba)
- 11.(a) N.H.-52 = 510.00 Km (Baihata Chariali to Jonai)
- (b) N.H.-52 = 31.00 Km (Dirok to Rupai)
12. N.H.-52 (A)Ex. = 9.675 Km (Holongi to Gahpur)
13. N.H.-52 (B) = 29.565 Km (Barbarua to Kulajan)
14. N.H.-152 = 38.00 Km (Pathsala to Indo-Bhutan Border)
15. N.H.-62 = 8.60 Km (Dudhnoi to Baghmara)
16. N.H.-61 = 17.51 Km (Assam Nagaland Border to Janji)
17. N.H.-151 = 14.064 Km (Karimganj to Sutarkandi)
18. N.H.-153 = 23.70 Km (Lekhapani to Jairampur)
19. N.H.-154 = 88.225 Km (Dhaleswari to Bhairabi)
- 20.(a) N.H.-54 = 40.30 Km (Silchar to Lailapur)
- (b) N.H.-54 E = 306.54 Km (Doboka to Madhuramukh)
21. N.H.-53 = 44.82 Km (Silchar to Jiriban)
- = 30.262 Km ( Silchar to Badarpur)
22. N.H.-52 B (Extn ) = 63.40 Km (Kanubai to NH-37 near Bogibeel App.)

**Declaration of NEW NATIONAL HIGHWAY :-**

Govt. of India has declared following New National Highways in the state.

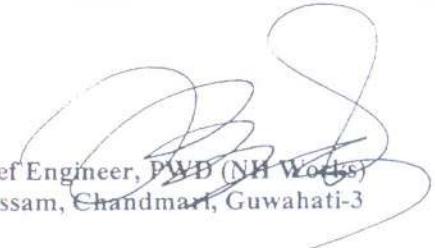
- (i) NH-127B( Length=74.00km.) connecting Srirampur, Dhubri & Phulbari on South Bank including bridge over river Brahmaputra.
- (ii) NH-315A (Length=64.22 km.) connecting Tinsukia-Naharkatia- Hukanjuri in Assam -Arunachal Border.
- (iii) NH-127C (Length=40.00km.) connecting Samthaibari at NH-31C and Galenkpo in Indo-Bhutan Border.
- (iv) NH-127D(Length=48.06 km.) connecting Rangia at NH-31 and Darangamela in Indo-Bhutan Border.
- (v) NH-627(Length=244.235km) connecting Nellie - Baithalangso - Kheroni - Doyangmukh - Umrangso - Sangbor - Khobak - Turuk - Harangjhao.
- (vi) NH-329 (Length=52.786 km) connecting Manja - Diphu - Lumding.
- (vii) NH-117A (Length=39.847 km) starting from its junction with NH-17 (old NH-31) near Bilasipara connecting Kokrajhar and terminating at its junction with NH-27 (old NH-31) near Garubhasa.
- (viii) NH-127E (Length=40.845 km) connecting Barama connecting Baska, Subankhata and terminating at Indo-Bhutan Border in the state of Assam.
- (ix) NH-427 (Length=92.20 km) connecting Howly-Barpeta-Hajo-Jalukbari.
- (x) NH-715A (Length=142.50 km) connecting Nakhola - Jagiroad - Morigaon - Kaupati - Rowta - Udalguri - Khoraiabari and terminating at Indo - Bhutan Border.
- (xi) NH-702 (length in Assam=28.40 km) connecting Namtola - Sonari - upto junction with new NH No. 215 near Sapekhati (Assam portion).
- (xii) NH-702C(length=52.00 Km) connecting Sibsagar, Simaluguri and terminating with new NH No.702 at Sonari in the state of Assam.
- (xiii) NH-702D(length=49.59 Km) connecting Dessol, Mariani and terminating Padumoni near Jorhat at NH-715(old NH-37)
- (xiv) NH-208 A Chandkhira to Tripura border (L=17.90 km)

Hon'ble Minister, Road Transport & Highways during his visit to the state on 29-01-2017 has declared improvement of 1253 km of State Roads to National Highway standard.

**Action Taken Report on the observations of the year 2016-17 on  
17<sup>th</sup> DRSC Meeting :**

New proposal: The budget provision for the year 2016-17 against the Grant No.64 -under head of O.R ,FDR(C) & FDR(N) as follows:-

SL. No.	Grant No.	Allocation	Remark
1		O.R      Rs.23.49 Cr.	These amounts will be expedited for the year ending 2016-17. It is requested to keep the provision accordingly.
2	64 under Head of	FDR(C)      Rs.15.96 Cr.	This amount will be spilled over for the year 2017-18. It is hereby requested to make the provision for the expenditure of the same for the year 2017-18.
3	A/C 3054	FDR(N)      Rs.8.30 Cr.	

  
Chief Engineer, PWD (NH Works)  
Assam, Chandmari, Guwahati-3

CHAPTER - II

RECOMMENDATIONS TAKEN BY THE COMMITTEE MEETING HELD ON  
14<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2017

RECOMMENDATIONS TAKEN ON PWD DEPARTMENT:

1. Though the work volume of P.W. Building & NH Department has increased many fold, the Technical Manpower required for proper execution of the works has not been increased. For effective supervision of the works the technical manpower of the Department need to be increased proportionately. Moreover, all the vacant posts in the Department may be filled at the earliest possible time for smooth implementation of the time bound project.
2. At present the jurisdictions of the Divisions of the Public Works Building and NH Department are very large. Only 17 Nos. of Building Divisions and 10 Nos. of NH Divisions cover all the infrastructure Development Projects in the State. Even in 33 Districts of the State, only 14 Districts have Building Divisions which have to maintain the Govt. Buildings of the District. Similarly, there are nearly 4000 Kms of National Highways in the State. Inadequate no. of Divisions often creates lots of difficulties in timely attending the requirements. It is recommended that the Department may be strengthened with adequate no of building and NH Divisions.
3. Most of the Building Projects are taken up in the remote and far flung areas of the Districts. It is not feasible to have sub divisional level officers in all the Project location, though frequent inspection of work by the divisional and the sub divisional officers is a must for proper and timely implementation of the Projects in order to improve the mobility of the officers though it was recommended earlier that all divisional and sub divisional level officers of the Department is provided with proper vehicles, the proposal could not be materialised. Therefore, it is recommended that all divisional and sub divisional level officers of the Building wing are provided with proper vehicles. This will also facilitate the officers to meet the urgent requirements.



4. The Committee has observed that there is a budget allocation of Rs. 600 Cr for 2016-17, Rs. 800 Cr for 2017-18 and a commitment for keeping Rs. 600 Cr during 2018-19 for PWRD under the Maintenance Head of Account, the total being Rs. 2000 Cr for 3 (three) consecutive years. Moreover, there is direction from the Govt to take up the road maintenance works for the entire amount of Rs. 2000 Cr in advance. The Committee recommended for completion of the approval and tendering process for the entire work as early as possible.
5. The Committee has observed that in tendering for the works under PWRD, some contractors quote very low rates at which they cannot be expected to be able to complete the work with the required quality standards. In some of such cases, the contractors are found to abandon the work at an incomplete stage. Receiving tenders at too low rates indicates that the bidder is not aware of the required quality standards and the financial risk involved. Therefore the Committee suggested PWD for finding a mechanism to reject the tenders at unworkable rates or seriously unbalanced tenders.
6. The Committee observed that some of the contractors blacklisted by the department on genuine grounds, manage to get some work orders again in PWRD by bidding under the names of some newly formed company/firm. The Committee recommended for a strong mechanism in the department to reject such contractors.
7. The Committee observed that due to the strict qualification criteria, many local new contractors fail to get work under PWRD; as there are many aspirant contractors waiting for an opportunity to start a career in the construction industry, the Committee, in the interest of growth of the local construction industry, recommended for relaxing the qualifying criteria suitably to permit such contractors to submit tenders in PWRD.

8. The committee observed that many roads constructed long back under PMGSY are in bad shape in absence of maintenance works. The Committee recommended for repairing of roads from Repairing and Maintenance fund to bring the roads in good condition..
9. The Committee observed that the department does not get enough time to utilize fund for new works received through SD, because the financial year almost ends by the time the approval and tender process is completed. To avoid delay so occurred, the Govt should allocate fund to the department in the regular budget itself, so that the department can start the work at an early date.
10. The Commissioner & Spl Secretary, PWRD mentioned about the substantial amount of works going to be funded by the Govt of India under PMGSY and the need of a dedicated chief Engineer to look after PMGSY works. The Committee recommended for creation of a post of Chief Engineer for this purpose to ensure successful implementation of the PMGSY works .
11. The Committee recommends that the Contractors who fail to complete the work in time or who left 2/3 works half done, must be blacklisted and also penalty must be charged against them. The department is responsible to look into this matter so that they can't make tender in future
12. The Committee also decided to make accountable all the Executive Engineers who fails to execute the work.
13. The Committee recommended that the PWD must take initiative for timely completion of the work and the department is responsible to review its quality.
14. The Committee strongly recommended that all the IBs of the state and the PWD Quarters must be repaired and the present condition of those IB should be improved gradually.
16. The Committee recommended the department to complete all the half done works of the SPA at an early date.
16. The Committee recommended that Kalgasia Tengagaon via Bardanha PWD road eroded by river Beki should be reconstructed immediately.

17. The Committee also directed that the PWD also be provided with sufficient funds of SDRF so that the roads and bridges which are washed away or damaged by flood can be constructed or repaired.
18. The Committee recommended three Division of PWD(B) respectively in Mangaldoi, Barpeta and Udalguri district. Moreover, the Committee also recommended new division of PWD(B) in all districts where don't have any division.
19. The Committee recommended that all the works of the National Highway No. 15 should be completed soon with special initiative by the department.
20. The Committee also suggests for Construction of RCC bridge at Rowta station near railway line over Dhansiri River under Udalguri district.

**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 presentation to the House.**

ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

N O T I F I C A T I O N

The 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2016

NO.LADRSC(W) 1/2016/957 : In pursuance of Rule 260H (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 Works Department, Assam Legislative Assembly.

1. Shri Hitendra Nath Goswami, MLA
2. Shri Binanda Kumar Saikia, MLA
3. Shri Jogen Mohan, MLA
4. Shri Topon Kr. Gogoi, MLA
5. Shri Kushal Dowari, MLA
6. Shri Debananda Hazarika, MLA
7. Shri Chakradhar Gogoi, MLA
8. Shri Ritu Parna Baruah, MLA
9. Shri Terash Gowalla, MLA
10. Shri Binod Hazarika, MLA
11. Shri Sanjay Kishan, MLA
12. Shri Suren Phukan, MLA
13. Shri Bhaskar Sharma, MLA
14. Shri Phani Bhusan Choudhury, MLA
15. Shri Naren Sonowal, MLA
16. Shri Maheswar Baro, MLA
17. Shri Charan Boro, MLA
18. Shri Bhubon Pegu, MLA
19. Shri Illias Ali, MLA
20. Shri Sukur Ali Ahmed, MLA
21. Shri Abdul Khaleque, MLA
22. Shri Abdur Rashid Mandal, MLA
23. Smti Nandita Das, MLA
24. Shri Aminul Islam, MLA
25. Shri Abul Kalam Azad, MLA

And, in pursuance of the 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 Hitendra Nath Goswami, MLA and Member of the Committee as the Chairman of the Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Works Department, Assam Legislative Assembly.

The term of the Committee shall be for a period of one year with effect from the date of its constitution.

Sd/- M.K. Deka,  
Principal Secretary,  
Assam Legislative Assembly.

Memo. No.LADRSC:(W)1/2016/958-966, Dated Dispur, the 18<sup>th</sup> July, 2016.

Copy forwarded to:-

1. Shri Hitendra Nath Goswami, MLA & Chairman, Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Works Department, Assam Legislative Assembly for favour of his kind information.
2. All Members of the DRSC on Works Department, Dispur, Ghy-06 for favour of kind information.
3. The Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Speaker, Assam Legislative Assembly for placing it before the Hon'ble Speaker, Assam Legislative Assembly for favour of his kind information.
4. The Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Deputy Speaker, Assam Legislative Assembly for placing it before the Hon'ble Deputy Speaker, Assam Legislative Assembly for favour of his kind information.
5. The Private Secretary to the Principal Secretary, Assam Legislative Assembly for his kind information.
6. The Accountant General, Assam etc. Maidamgaon, Beltola, Ghy.-28.
7. The Director, Assam Government Press, Bamunimaidan, Guwahati-21 for favour of publication of the above Notification in the next issue of the Assam Gazette in Part-I. 5 (five) spare copies of the same may please be supplied to this Secretariat for record.
8. The Accounts Branch/Nazarat Branch, Assam Legislative Assembly Secretariat for information.
9. All Officers-in-Charge of various Legislature Committees, Assam Legislative Assembly.

By order etc.

*W. S. S.*  
18/7/16

Joint Secretary,  
Assam Legislative Assembly.

NOTIFICATION

The 8<sup>th</sup> February, 2017

No.LA-DRSC(W).1/2016/240

Dated Dispur, the 8<sup>th</sup> February, 2017.

Shri Terash Gowalla, Member of the Assam Legislative Assembly has been appointed as Chairman of Departmentally Related Standing Committee on works Department of the Fourteenth Assembly on 7<sup>th</sup> February, 2017 by the Hon'ble Speaker Under Rule 260 I (3) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Assam Legislative Assembly for the remaining period of the Committee.

1. Shri Terash Gowalla, MLA & Chairman
2. Shri Binanda Kumar Saikia, MLA
3. Shri Jogen Mohan, MLA
4. Shri Topon Kr. Gogoi, MLA
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M.K. Deka,  
Principal Secretary,  
Assam Legislative Assembly.

Memo No.LA-DRSC 1/2016/241-249 Dated Dispur, the 8<sup>th</sup> Feb, 2017.

Copy forwarded for favour of information and necessary action to :

1. Shri Terash Gowalla, MLA & Chairman, Departmentally Related Standing Committee on Works Department, Assam Legislative Assembly for favour of his kind information.

2. All Members of the DRSC on Works Department, Dispur, Ghy-06 for favour of kind information.
3. The Private Secretary to the Hon'ble Speaker, Assam Legislative Assembly for placing it before the Hon'ble Speaker, Assam Legislative Assembly for favour of his kind information.
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File - 2/2/17

Joint Secretary,  
Assam Legislative Assembly

Action Taken Report on the observations of the last year's DRSC meeting :

**Para 2.1**

According to the recommendation of the DRSC, SD proposal was submitted and SD grant has been allowed for Rs. 370.00 Cr in Plan General head of account.

**Para 2.2**

Already sanctions have been issued against the Rs. 600.00 Cr. Amount considered - per LAC about @ Rs. ( 2.00 + 5.00 ) Cr and works have been started and few works have already been completed.

**Para 2.3**

Already 125 Nos of vehicles have been purchased and will be distributed very soon.

**Para 2.4**

1. The proposal for creation of an O/O Addl. Chief Engineer, PWD, Barak Valley with H.Q. at Silchar by upgrading the O/o SE, PWD, Karimganj BRC Circle has been approved by Finance Department and notification has been issued.
2. The proposal for creation of a dedicated Chief Engineer, PWD for looking after PMGSY works has been moved to AR & T Department for necessary clearance but the file was returned back with the remarks to wait till report of the 7th Assam Pay & Productivity Pay Commission.
3. The proposal for renaming/ shifting of few PWRD Offices to newly, created Districts and Civil Sub-Divisions was submitted to the Finance Department for concurrence but the same was returned with some observations and now the observations are attended and the file is resubmitted to the AR & T Department for their approval.

**Para 2.5**

Finance Department is now releasing the fund/ ceiling. Approximately 45% of budget has already been released.

**Para 2.6**

Necessary instructions have been passed to the Chief Engineers to ensure timely completion of the works. It is also instructed to monitor the work according to the work programme and to ensure safety of the works.



Para 2.7

Initiative has been taken to arrange fund for repair/reconstruction of the inspection bungalows under PWRD and fund is expected to be available during the year 2017-18.

Para 2.8

1. Construction "RCC Bridge over river Jaljali on Nagarbera Bhokradia Road - an estimate under CRF has been prepared and will be submitted to Govt of India soon.
2. Consyruction of Railway Over-bridge at Na-ali, Jorhat- The DPR/design is under preparation and it will be taken up under 50:50 share basis with Railways and State Govt.

Sd/-

Under Secretary to the Govt of Assam  
(P) Public Works Roads Department,  
Dispur