



GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM



Highlights Of **BUDGET** 2019-20

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FOR THE YEAR 2019-2020
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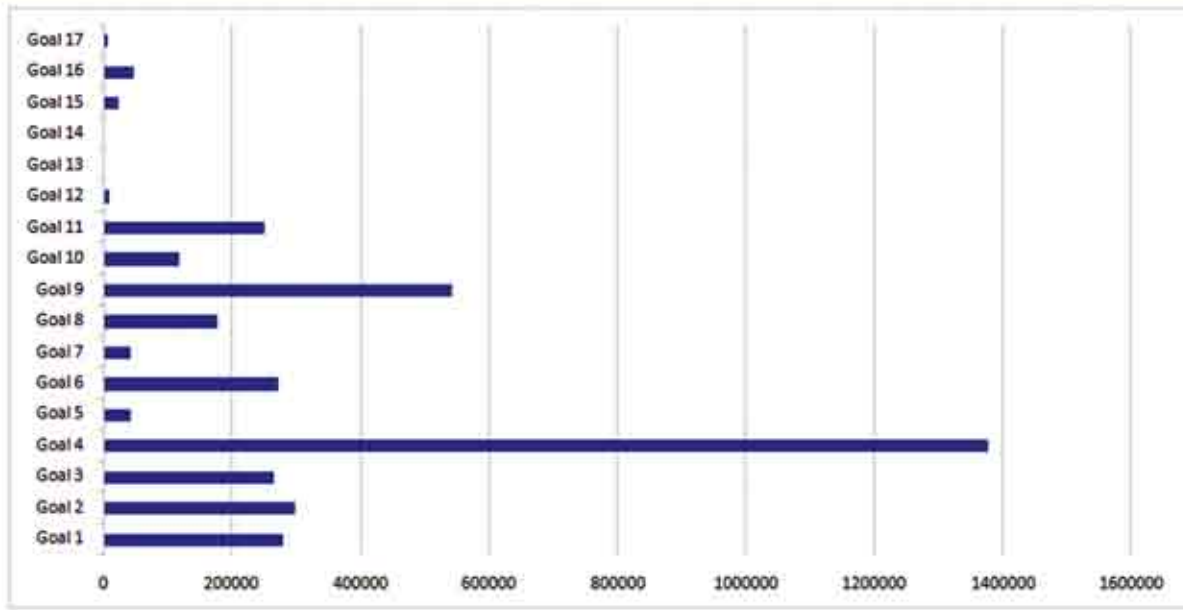
Abstract of Transactions

(Rs. in crores)

	Actuals	Budget	Revised	Budget
	2017-18	Estimates	Estimates	Estimates
	2017-18	2018-19	2018-19	2019-20
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A. RECEIPTS				
I Consolidated Fund	62582.72	90673.42	106441.94	98339.05
Revenue Account	54130.94	74118.50	89854.30	83147.99
Capital Account	8451.78	16554.92	16587.64	15191.06
II Contingency Fund	50.00	100.00	100.00	100.00
III Public Account	175496.51	290914.85	183070.98	196542.08
Total (I + II + III)	238129.23	381688.27	289612.92	294981.13
B. EXPENDITURE				
I Consolidated Fund	65436.452	90269.92	108490.35	99418.91
Revenue Account	55480.94	71329.37	82004.81	79742.26
Capital Account	9955.51	18940.55	26485.54	19676.65
II Contingency Fund		100.00	100.00	100.00
III Public Account	172290.88	290318.35	183003.39	194855.42
Total (I + II + III)	237727.33	380688.27	291593.74	294374.33
C. TRANSACTIONS DURING THE YEAR				
Surplus (+)	401.90	1000.00		606.80
Deficit (-)			-1980.82	
D. OPENING BALANCE				
Surplus (+)			180.98	
Deficit (-)	-220.92	-3149.04		-1799.84
E. CLOSING BALANCE				
Surplus (+)	180.98			
Deficit (-)		-2149.04	-1799.84	-1193.04

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS 2030

Goal wise allocation for 2019-2020 (Assam)



Amount ₹ In Lakh

GOALS

Goal 1 : Poverty Eradication

Goal 2 :Zero Hunger

Goal 3 :Good Health and Well Being

Goal 4 :Quality Education

Goal 5 :Gender Equality

Goal 6 :Clean Water and Sanitation

Goal 7 :Affordable & Clean Energy

Goal 8 :Decent Work and Economic Growth

Goal 9 :Industry Innovation and Infrastructure

Goal 10 :Reduced Inequalities

Goal 11 :Sustainable Cities and Communities

Goal 12 :Responsible Consumption and Production

Goal 13 :Climate Action

Goal 14 :Life Below Water

Goal 15 :Life On Land

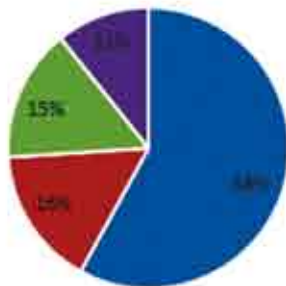
Goal 16 :Peace, Justice and Strong Institution

Goal 17 :Partnership For The Goals

SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENT GOALS 2030

Goal wise allocation for 2019-2020 (Assam)

Goal 1



- Grant 57
- Grant 64
- Grant 56
- Grant 67

Key

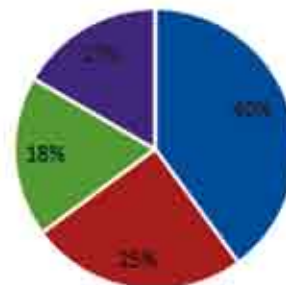
Grant 57: Rural Development

Grant 64: Roads & Bridges

Grant 56: Rural Development (Panchayat)

Grant 67: Horticulture

Goal 2



- Grant 39
- Grant 37
- Grant 49
- Grant 48

Key

Grant 39: Social Security, Welfare and Nutrition

Grant 37: Food Storage & Warehousing

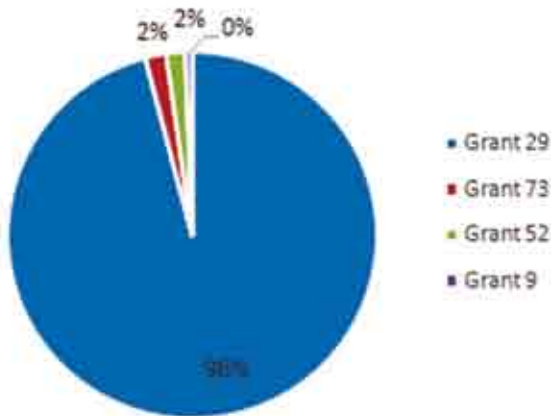
Grant 49: Irrigation

Grant 48: Agriculture

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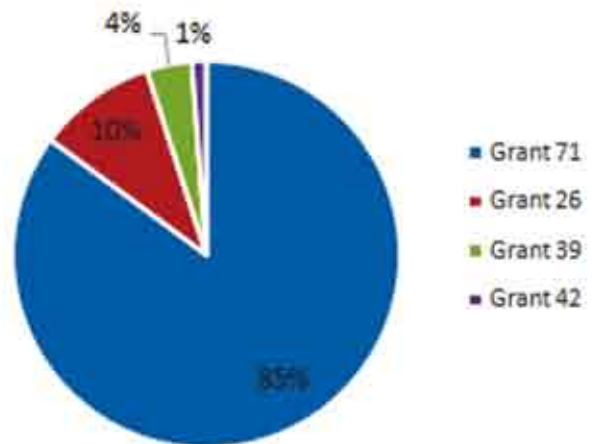
Goal 3



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Grant 29: Medical & Public Health
 Grant 73: Urban Development (GDD)
 Grant 52: Animal Husbandry
 Grant 9: Transport Services

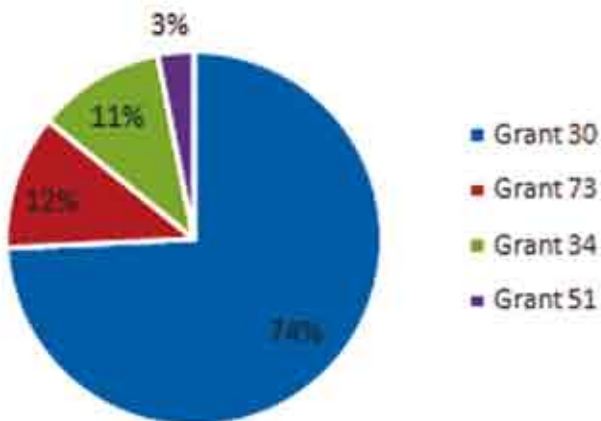
Goal 4



Key

Grant 71: Education (Elementary, Scy. Etc.)
 Grant 26: Education (Higher)
 Grant 39: Social Security, Welfare and Nutrition
 Grant 42: Other Social Services

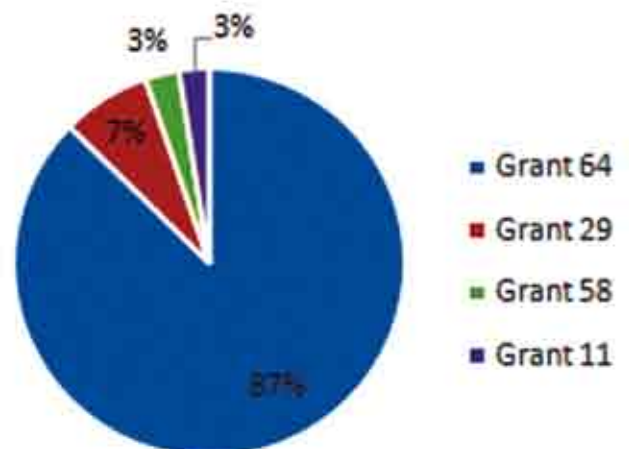
Goal 6



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Grant 30: Water Supply & Sanitation
 Grant 73: Urban Development (GDD)
 Grant 34: Urban Development -Municipal Administration
 Grant 51: Soil & Water Conservation

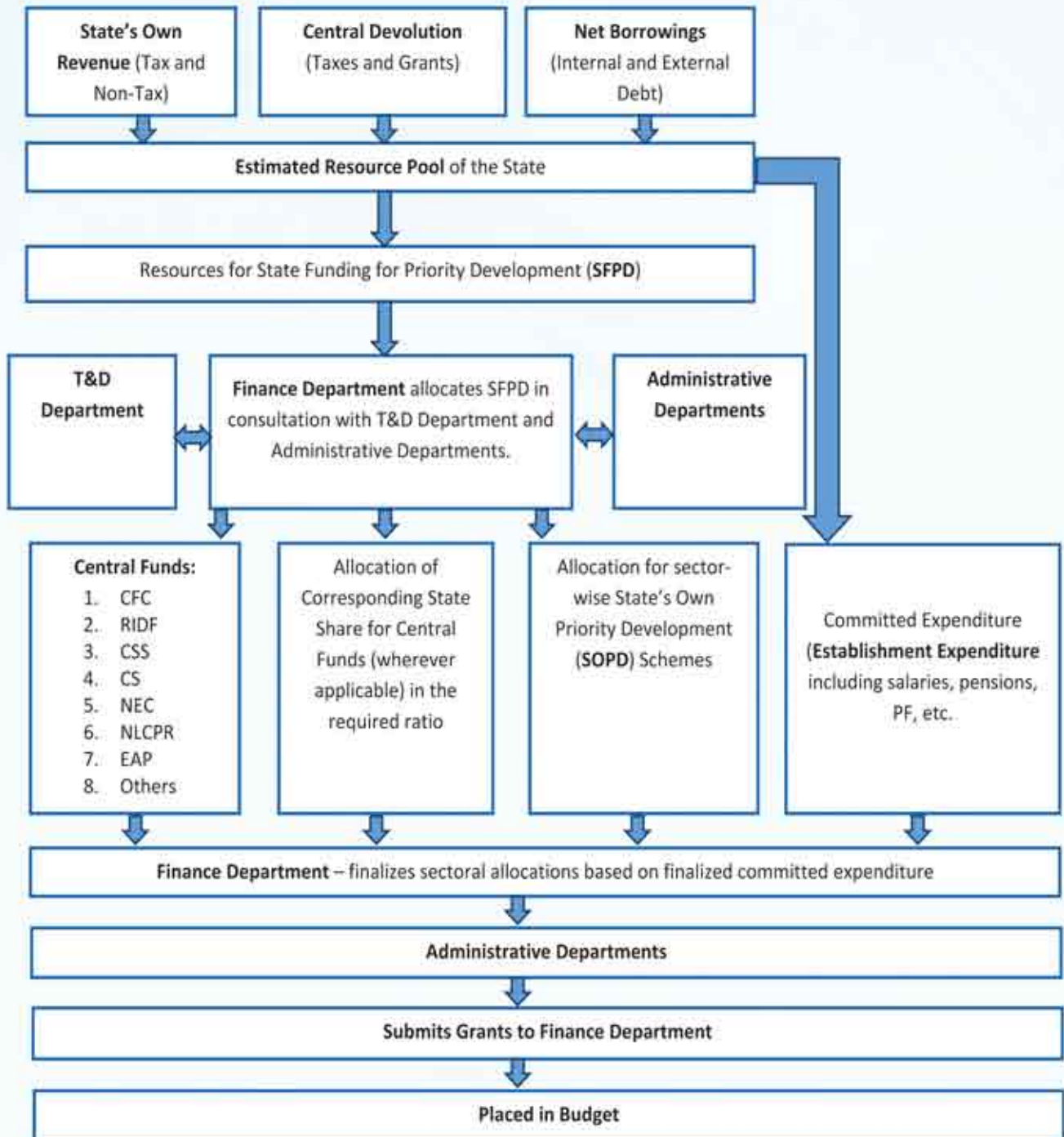
Goal 9



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Grant 64: Roads & Bridges
 Grant 29: Medical & Public Health
 Grant 58: Industries
 Grant 11: Secretariat and Attached offices

Budget Preparation Process 2019-20



Astadash Muktar Unnoyonee Maala 18 Key Initiatives

Affordable Nutrition & Nourishment Assistance (ANNA) Yojana

- Rice to be provided at 1 rupee per kg instead of the present rate of 3 rupees per kg and this move to benefit 53 Lakh households
- Scheme will be implemented by Food & Civil Supplies Department
- Pilot implementation across the state to begin from March, 2019 and full rollout from the 2019-20 financial year
- Rs.377.00 crore allocated for this scheme

Arundhati

- Government to give 'one tola gold' to brides belonging to all communities of our State where it is customary to provide gold at the time of wedding
- Facility available only to economically weaker sections with annual income below Rs. 5 lakh and only in cases where the bride and the groom have both attained the legal age of 18 years and 21 years respectively
- Benefit can be availed by the girl's family upon formal registration of marriage under the Special Marriage (Assam) Rules, 1954 and to be provided right in time for the social marriage
- Rs.300.00 crore allocated for this scheme

Gyan Deepika

- Government to provide free text books to students upto degree level (Arts, Science & Commerce) from the present level of Class XII
- Facility available for students with parental income is below Rs. 2 lakh per annum
- Government to expand the scope of existing free uniform scheme to cover the students of Class IX & X at a cost of Rs.700 per year
- Government to provide a subsidy of Rs. 700 per student per month for 10 months, irrespective of their economic status, on the mess bills
- Benefit available for students staying in the hostels of Government, or Provincialized Colleges and Universities
- Government to provide battery operated "e-bikes" to all girl students securing 1st division or above in their higher secondary exams
- Government to deposit Rs.50,000 to each of 15700 student loan accounts in the state

COMPREHENSIVE SOCIAL SECURITY SCHEMES

- SwahidKushalKonwarOld Age Pension Scheme:
- State Government to cover additional 7 lakhs beneficiaries
- State Government's contribution increased to five times from Rs 50 to Rs 250 per month
- Immediate Family Assistance to Widows:
- Immediate assistance of Rs 25,000 for women under the age of 40 years
- 40,000 families expected to benefit in FY 2019-20
- Indira Miri Universal Widow Pension:
- Monthly Pension of Rs 250 for widows under the age of 60 year, widows above age of 60 years eligible for Rs 250 monthly pension under SwahidKushalKonwar Old Age Pension Scheme
- 2.4 lakh widows to be covered under the scheme
- DeenDayalDivyangSahayjyaAsoni
- Monthly assistance of Rs.1000 provided to the Divyangyans.
- For children below 18 years, money to be transferred to the bank accounts of their parents and for those above 18 years, the money to be directly credited to the individual bank accounts
- 1.15 lakh beneficiaries already covered under the scheme
- Minority Girls Scholarship Scheme
- Scheme to support all girls belonging to minority communities, to encourage and incentivise them to continue their higher education and stay on in the formal education system
- Rs.200.00 crore allocated for this scheme

VISTARITA KANAKLATA MAHILA SABALIKARAN YOJANA

- Launched on 1stApril 2018 with a mandate to empower 1 lakh women Self Help Groups (SHGs) with an initial budget outlay of Rs.250 crore
- Subsequently, coverage enhanced to include an additional 26000 SHGs taking the total outlay to Rs.315 crores in 2018-19
- Till date, Rs.184.89 crores provided as financial assistance to 1.32 Lakh SHGs
- This year, The State Government to provide capital subsidy of Rs.50,000 per SHG on bank loans to 63,000 SHGs
- Government to provide an interest subvention of 3% to incentivize these SHGs to go for bank loans
- Another 63,000 new SHGs to be brought under the ambit of this scheme
- These newly adopted SHGs to be given an initial revolving fund of Rs.25000 per SHG
- For this purpose, Rs.300 crore to be set apart

VISTARITA ATAL AMRIT ABHIYAN (EXPANDED AAA)

- A cashless healthcare scheme for citizens whose annual family income is Rs.5 lakhs or less covering 6 critical diseases of cancer, heart diseases, neurology, neonatology, kidney disease and burns and providing coverage of upto Rs.2 lakhs per individual
- Till date, relief provided to around 22000 beneficiaries
- For this year, coverage to be expanded to include the ICU packages, Trauma and Critical care Paediatrics and Paediatric Surgery
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AAPUNAR APUN GHAR

- Over the previous two fiscal years 19261 number of beneficiaries have availed loans amounting to Rs.2288 crores under this scheme.
- In FY 19-20, State Government to extend this scheme to cover all those loans taken by Government employees
- State Government to provide Rs.2.5 Lakh subsidy for all citizens who want to avail home loans up to Rs.40 lakh
- For this purposes, Rs.75 crore to be set apart

ASOM DARSHAN

- State Government has decided to develop and publicise various places of tourist interest, including those blessed with natural beauty as well as those of religious or historical importance, in a focused manner. With this intent AsomDarshan scheme is launched, it will comprise of the following four components:
- Annuity grant to Devalayas: Enhancement of the annuity amount by Rs.2 lakh for each religious institution. Further, a one-time grant of Rs.1 Lakh will be given to all these religious places for setting up CCTV cameras for enhanced security
- Improving basic infrastructure of places of natural beauty and historical significance:Rs. 50 lakh per destination with a total budgetary outlay of Rs. 150 crore for upgrading of basic infrastructure and amenities like rest rooms, clean drinking water, garbage disposal, etc.
- Improving key infrastructure in religious places: Rs.10 lakhs to over 800 religious destinations for strengthening and improving the infrastructure in and around these sites.
- Improved connectivity for visitors:Rs. 150 crore for improving the condition of road linking visitors to tourist, historic, religious and spiritual destinations.

ASOM MALA

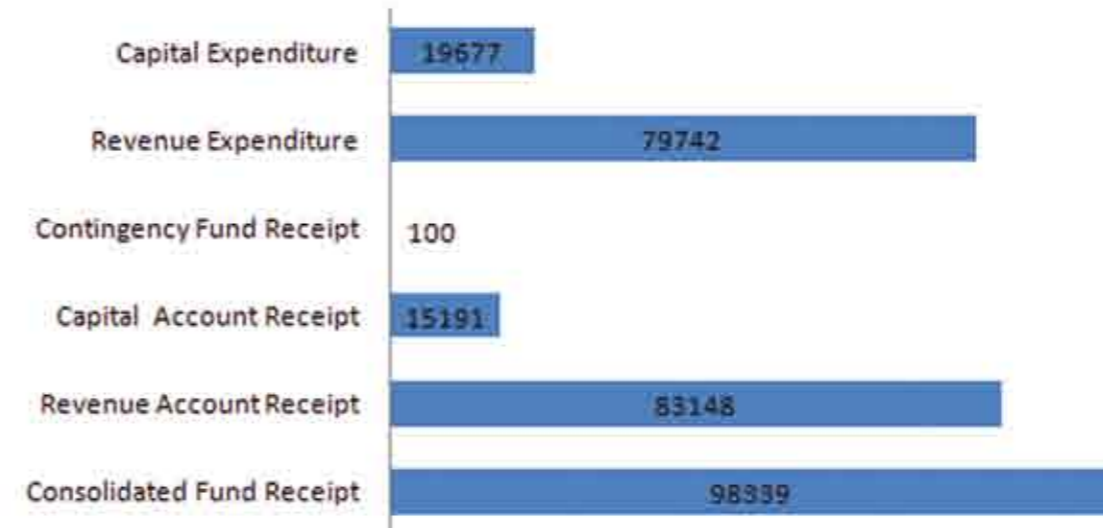
- Programmed was aimed at constructing 1000 km of long lasting, high quality roads over the next 3 years at the cost of Rs.5000 crore with Rs. 500 crore, Rs. 2000 crore and Rs. 2500 crore earmarked for spending over the next three year for this purpose
- Scientific assessments to be undertaken to finalize the roads for construction under this scheme
- Scheme to significantly boost the capital outlay of the state and create huge economic benefits

2019-20 ASSAM BUDGET SNAPSHOT

ASTADASH MUKUTAR UNNOYONEE MAALA (18 FLAGSHIP PROGRAMME)

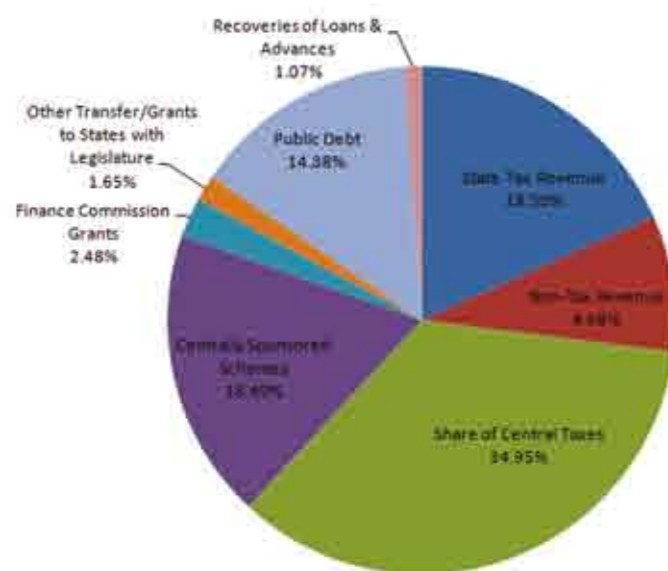
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ASOM ADARSHA GRAM YOJANA **KRISHAK KALYAN ACHONI**
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TEJASVI NAVADHITAMASTU EDU-INFRA FUNDS (TNEIF)
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Key Budget Figures

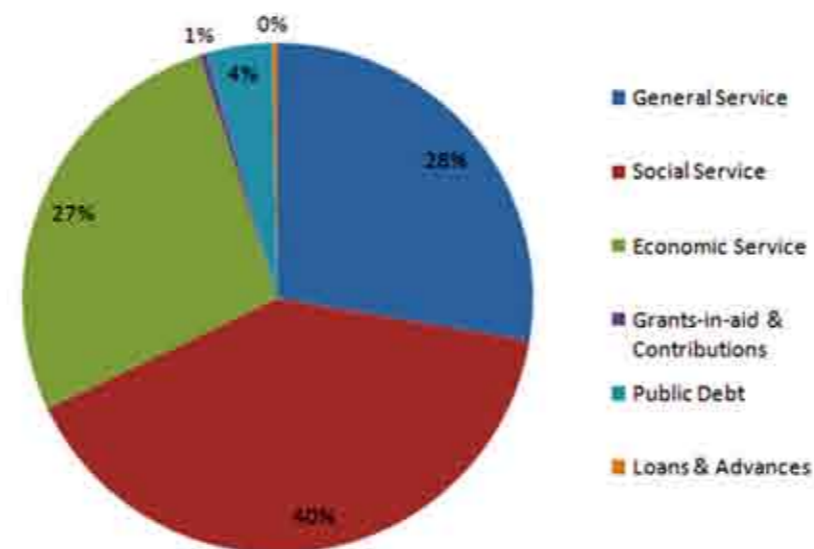


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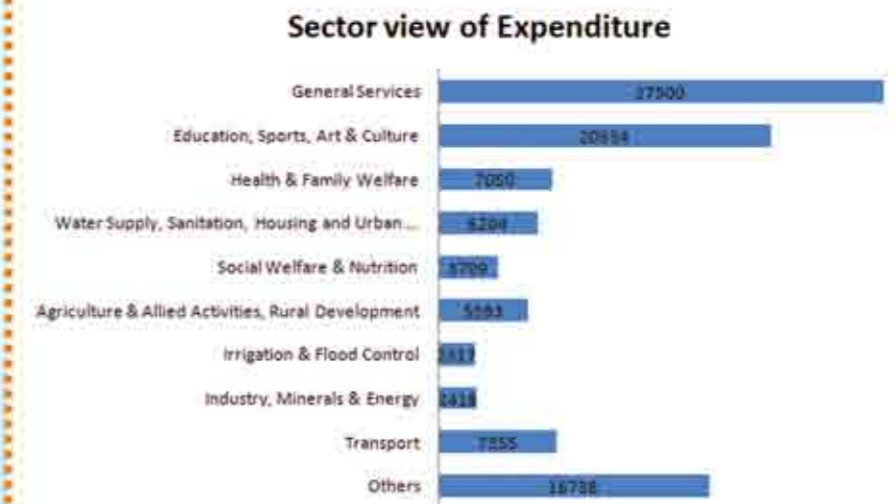
Where Rupee Comes From



Where Rupee Goes



Sector View of Expenditure



₹ In Crore

MAHABIR LACHITARU CHILARAI SETU NIRMAN ABHIJAN

- During budget 2017-18, it was decided to take up the activity of conversion of 1000 numbers of timber bridges to RCC bridges
- PWD department has issued work orders for 208 numbers of these bridges in FY 2018-19
- Scientific survey of the remaining timber bridges and identification of the 1134 number of timber bridges already carried out by the PWD Road Network
- The scheme aimed at converting above 1134 bridges, and under this scheme, a funding for 396 bridges amounting to Rs. 1365.63 crore have been sanctioned in 2018-19 (285 bridges amounting to Rs. 917.76 crores have been sanctioned under NABARD and 111 bridges amounting to Rs. 447.87 crores have been sanctioned)

ASSAM CANCER CARE FOUNDATION

- North east faces the heaviest burden of Cancer in the country and the occurrence incidence of the same is highest in the country. To combat this menace, The State Cancer Institute (SCI) in Guwahati has been transformed into a state-of-the-art hub for cancer treatment.
- The Government of Assam has signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with Tata Trusts on 31st May 2017 that will ensure a state-wide cancer control programme for cancer awareness, cancer prevention, early diagnosis and detection, improved treatment and better survival rates, and better palliative and end-of-life care at the doorstep of patients
- An amount of Rs. 450 crore is released on pro rata basis to Assam Cancer Care Foundation aiming at the upgradation of the State Cancer Institute (SCI) at Guwahati and setting up of an Apex Centre (L1) at Dibrugarh, Comprehensive Cancer Care Centres ('L2s') next to Government Medical Colleges and Diagnostic & Day Care Clinics ('L3s') adjacent to District Hospitals.

UBERISATION OF ASTC

- Presently, less than 3 bus per 1, 00,000 persons in the State as compared to the national average of 40 per 1, 00,000
- The scheme aims to provide seed money to the extent of 25% to young entrepreneurs, Small business and Self-help groups to enter this industry
- Out of the 25%, 10% of the amount will offered as grant and remaining 15% as interest free loan to be repaid over 5 years
- Scheme intended to put 1000 new buses on the roads of Assam over the next 3 years and an amount of Rs.70 crore is earmarked

TEJASVI NAVADHITAMASTU EDU-INFRA FUNDS (TNEIF) - DEVELOPMENT OF PROFESSIONAL COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

- Scheme announced in 2017-18 aimed to develop professional colleges and universities across the state
- A special grant of Rs. 667 crore for the development of 31 Professional Colleges and Universities in the next 3-4 years is earmarked under this scheme under budget 2017-18. An addition of Rs. 275 crore is extended under this scheme for development of another 4 new colleges viz. Kokrajhar Government College, Hamren Government College, Diphu Government College and K KHandique Government Sanskrit College

ASOM ADARSHA GRAM YOJANA

- Concept inspired from the SansadAdarsh Gram Yojana launched by our Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Mod where two villages from each of the 126 constituencies are to be selected for overall transformation as model villages where an allocation of Rs. 5 crore per village has been decided
- The aim is to create access to basic services, improving infrastructure, reduce economic disparity, enhance human resource development and quality of living in these model villages.

UTTARON – STATE GOVERNMENT SIGNATURE PROJECTS FOR LEGISLATIVE CONSTITUENCIES

- State Government Signature Projects for Legislative Constituencies in the last budget with an allocation of Rs 500 crores aiming signature scheme of uptoRs. 10 crore in each constituency
- Under the scheme, 103 project has already had administrative approval out of which 47 are being implemented by PWD (Roads) and 56 are being implemented by PWD (Buildings &NH)
- An additional amount of Rs. 500 crore is earmarked under this scheme in Budget 2019-20

MAJOR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Some of the key announcements of Budget 2019-20 is as follows:

I. AamiAxomiya Initiative

- Scheme to support Assamese diaspora living in various cities of the country
- Welfare Officers to be appointed in each of the Tier 1 and Tier 2 cities which has a sizeable Assamese diaspora
- To provide support during times of medical emergency, assistance to young students, and provide temporary monetary assistance of immediate nature to those who have lost their jobs
- Will also strive to construct Namghars in cities with sizeable Assamese diaspora and also celebrate our festivals in these cities.
- Earmarking an initial sum of Rs.10 crores in this budget.

II. Bhasha Gaurav Achoni

- Scheme to promote research of individual tribal languages helping them to develop grammar, publish books in their languages, and also develop dictionaries and encyclopedias in their languages.
- Support in setting up various learning centers for the young students outside the educational institutes to be also considered under this scheme.
- To spend Rs. 100 crores on this initiative and earmarked Rs.50 crores in financial year 2019-20

III. City Infrastructure Development Fund

- Scheme for developing the Urban Infrastructure which was brought into force in 2017-18.
- This scheme is aimed to carry out infrastructure projects in 6 large cities (except Guwahati).
- This year we are expanding CIDF to the 6th Scheduled areas create long felt need for amenities in the three beautiful towns namely Kokrajhar, Diphu and Haflong.
- Earmarking a sum of Rs. 100 crores for each town under this scheme.
- Total budget allocation under this scheme is 2300 crores.

IV. Incentive to the Technicians and Artists of Mobile Theatre of Assam

- Scheme of one-time grant of Rs. 50000 for theatre artists and technicians, who have spent at least 5 years with the industry as a recognition of their efforts and outstanding contribution to this art form.
- Earmarked a sum of Rs.5 crores for the same Budget 2019-20

V. One-Time Financial Assistance to 1000 leading Sports & Cultural Personalities

- Scheme for one-time cash incentive of Rs.50,000 each to 1000 Sporting and Art Personalities for their contributions.
- Earmarked Rs. 10 crores for the same in Budget 2019-20

VI. Property Tax Amnesty for property owners in Guwahati

- Scheme for one-time amnesty for owners of residential and commercial buildings in Guwahati which were constructed in violation of building byelaws of GMDA
- Will help residents sigh a heave of relief.

VII. Restoration of Batadrava Than

- Scheme for Sri SriBatadrava Thanto its deserved place in the annals of spiritual destinations in India.
- An amount of Rs.50 crores over the next 3 years will be spent for restoration activities.
- Earmarking an amount of Rs.10 crores in budget 2019-20 to initiate works for the development of this sacred place.

VIII. Mobile Phones for GaonBurahs

- Scheme to provide each of the 8000+ GaonBurahs with smart phones.
- This will aid the village elders are able to be in touch with the district administration and in effective communication in times of emergency and crisis.
- An amount of Rs. 4 crore has been allocated for this initiative in this year's budget.

IX. CharaideoMaidams

- State will allocate funds to promote CharaideoMaidams as a Major tourist attraction place in the State and also efforts towards listing the site as a UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- Rs 25 crore has been earmarked in this budget to implement this scheme.

X. Package for Integrated Development of Majuli Island (PIDMI)

- A Special package for ensuring the cultural identity of Majuli is protected and preserved.
- State will spend over 150 crores over medium term.
- In this budget, a sum of 50 crores is earmarked for integrated development of Majuli.

XI. State Level Mega Skill Development Scheme

- Scheme to provide comprehensive skill training to the youth of the state.
- Government targets to provide skill training to 50000 youth during this fiscal of 2019-20.
- This scheme will be linked with SVAYEM Yojana for ensuring employability.
- An amount of 77 crores is earmarked for the year 2019-20 towards development of talent pool in the state.

XII. Dharmajyoti Scheme

- Scheme to provide an increased subsidy to the pilgrims visiting various holy places related to Assamese culture and heritage.
- From this year, the subsidy will be increased from 50% to 75%.

XIII. Statues of Siu-Ka-Pha, Bhaskaravarman and Nara-Narayana

- Scheme for erecting Statues of great personalities in the Assam Secretariat Complex.
- This is to commemorate our great rulers and most prominent and well-known among them. King Siu-Ka-Pha, the founder of the Ahom Kingdom.

XIV. Initiatives for Preserving Cultural Heritage

- Various initiatives for preservation of our cultural Heritage
- Swargadeo Smriti Khetra at Charaideo in memory of 42 great swargadeos of Ahom Dynasty.
- Siu-ka-pha Chair in Dibrugarh University in the memory of Siu-Ka-Pha.
- A museum in the name of Motok King Sarbananda Singha
- Samannay Khetra in the name of Sati Radhika in Majuli, Sati Sadhini in Sadia and Bhimbora Deorisamannaykhetra in Bihpuria
- Viswa Mahabir Chilarai Sanskrit Kala Khetra in North Guwahati

XV. Relief package for boatmen, restaurant, etc. affected by the opening of Dhola-Sadia and Bogibeel Bridges

- Compensation package for boatmen, restaurant, etc. displaced with new Dhola-Sadia, Bogibeel Bridges and also misfortune events.
- Scheme for rehabilitation of the people who have lost their income for inauguration of Dhola-Sadia and Bogibeel Bridge and initially 5 crores has been earmarked to implement this scheme.

XVI. Incentives for organizing Assamese traditional sports

- Encouragement of traditional Assamese Sports such as Nau Khel, Kaar Khel, Kori Khel, Ghila Khel Maaljuj, Haatur etc. through various incentives.
- Government has also decided to organize a Traditional Sports Festival in Assam in 2019-20.

XVII. Training facility for UPSC/APSC exams for young students

- Scheme to uplift the socio economic condition of all the indigenous communities of Assam by providing training facilities for UPSC & APSC exams for the students of these communities
- The students' from tea tribes' community benefitted from this scheme last year.
- This year similar facility will be extended to the students from the Moran and Motok communities.

XVIII. Formation of new district

- A new district would be carved out of the existing Dima Hasao district this year.
- This is an effort to make easy accessibility of government services to the citizens considering its large geography and hilly terrain.

XIX. Beneficiaries Data Hub for the State of Assam

- The government plans to create a Beneficiaries Data Hub in the state.
- This initiative will help in faster start-up of schemes, but also ensure that those benefits reach only the deserved and at least effort.

XX. Provision of Additional Classrooms, Partition Walls, and Electricity in Elementary Schools

- With an aim to carry forward the scheme for the improvement of infrastructure of the primary and secondary schools in the state, a sum of Rs.219 crore earmarked this year.
- This scheme will include improvement of basic facilities such as additional classrooms, partition walls, and provision of electricity in hundreds of schools.

XXI. Incentives for ANM and GNM in Rural Areas:

- Schemes to appreciate the untiring efforts of the doctors, ANMs, GNMs etc. posted in rural Assam, who helped to decrease the rate of Infant Mortality (IMR) and Maternal Mortality (MMR).
- As an appreciation of their efforts an allowance of Rs. 1500 per month for every GNM and Rs. 750 per month for every ANM as rural allowance will be given.

XXII. Creation of Development Corporation for Indigenous Muslims

- Establishment of a Development Corporation for the Indigenous Muslims which will take up various programs aimed at the holistic development of this section of the society, including self-employment activities, provisioning banking linkages etc.
- As the Indigenous Muslims of Assam - Gorias, Marias, Syeds, Julhas etc.- have always played an extremely important role in the social and economic progress of the State, a socio-economic census of the Indigenous Muslims of the State will help to assess their socio-economic condition.

XXIII. Solidarity Fund to Meghalaya for National Games, 2022

- State of Meghalaya is gearing up for hosting the National Games, 2022.
- As a goodwill gesture, a solidarity fund of Rs. 10 crores to the Government of Meghalaya will be given.

XXIV. Developmental Initiatives for Positive Engagement of Youth (DIPEY)

- Schemes to create various opportunities for positive engagement of youth residing in the Tinsukia – Charaideo – Dibrugarh area, mostly inhabited by our indigenous communities such as Moran, Motok, etc.
- Schemes will be utilized for initiatives in the fields of sports, skill development, livelihoods and entrepreneurship, and importantly, emotional connect with special outreach programs such as development of monuments, construction of statues, preservation of historical sites, etc.
- A sum of Rs. 500 crores will be earmarked for this important scheme and a sum of Rs.100 crores in the current budget are earmarked.

XXV. Special Grants to VIth Schedule Areas

- A sum of Rs. 1000 crore was promised to the Bodoland Territorial Council (BTC) as special grant over a period of three years.
- Funds worth Rs. xxx crore in the Financial Year 2018-19, have been already released.
- Two other important initiatives viz. setting up of a Sports College in Kokrajhar and a Forest School in Chirang, will be taken.
- Funds of Rs. 300 crore with additional infrastructure support of Rs.50 crore will be provided to BTC.
- A special grant of Rs. 10 crore for each of the 26 constituencies of Autonomous Councils of Karbi Anglong had been promised.
- In the year 2018-19, an amount of Rs. 100 crore have been realised and the remaining sum of Rs. 160 crore will be realised in the year 2019-20.
- Besides the several announced projects for developing Dima Hasao into a model district, an additional Rs. 10 crore will be given for various development projects under each of the 26 constituencies of Autonomous Councils over a period of three years.
- An initial sum of Rs. 87 crore in the current budget are allocated for these schemes.

XXVI. Employee Welfare Measures

- Extension of ApunGhar interest subvention scheme on all the home loans taken prior to the launch of ApunGhar scheme.
- Cashless Health Assurance scheme for government employees to be rolled out from this year.
- The mandatory contribution by the Government covered under NPS Tier-I account of National Pension System (NPS), will be increased from 10% to 14%.
- GyanDeepika scheme for children of employees who have taken higher education loans from the banks will receive a one-time grant of Rs. 50,000.

XXVII. Assamese as an MIL language

- A student in Assam studying in Class IX and X, will have to take Assamese subject as Modern Indian Language (MIL) or as Elective subject
- This will be applicable in all areas except in Sixth Schedule areas and Barak Valley.

Budget: Glossary of Terms

Budget:

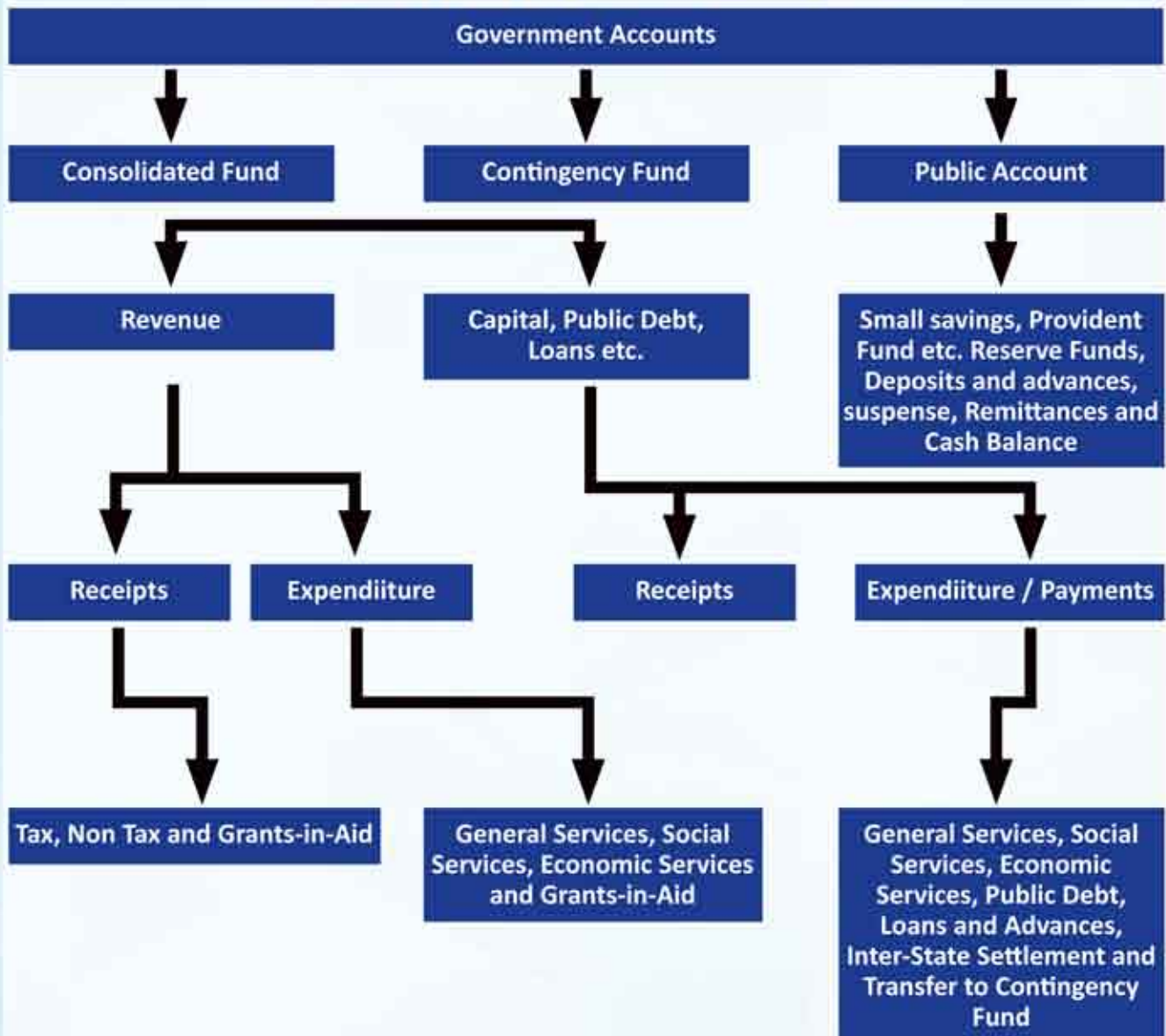
A budget is a statement of allocation of (scarce) resources to achieve government's objectives for a specific time period. It is a financial plan for how the Government will receive and utilize resources (funds) in a particular fiscal year. A Budget supports better accountability in the use of public funds; and helps in the prioritization of public functions to which scarce resources require immediate allocations.

Major Budget Components:

Revenue: Funds that are raised through various means — Taxes (GST, Excise Duty, Assam's share of Central Taxes, etc.) and Non-Tax (royalty on mining natural resources and land revenue, etc.).

Expenditure: Funds used for spending on day to day expenditure and specific programs including capital projects.

Structure of Government Accounts



Consolidated Fund

All revenues received by the Government including tax and non-tax revenues, loans raised and repayment of loans given (including the interest thereon) form the Consolidated Fund. All expenditure and disbursements of the Government, including release of loans and repayments of loans taken (and the interest thereon), are met from this fund.

Contingency Fund

A reserve fund set aside for possible unforeseen expenditure and established under Article 267(2) of the Constitution. It is an imprest placed at the disposal of the Governor.

Public Account

All public moneys received, other than those credited to the Consolidated Fund, are accounted for under the Public Account. In respect of such receipts, Government acts as a banker or trustee. The Public Account comprises of repayable like Small Savings and Provident Funds, Reserve Fund, Deposits and Advances, Suspense and Miscellaneous transaction (adjusting entries pending booking to final heads of account), Remittances between accounting entities, and Cash Balance.

Deficit

Refers to the gap between Revenue and Expenditure. The kind of deficit, how the deficit is financed, and application of funds are important indicators of prudence in Financial Management.

Revenue Deficit/ Surplus

Refers to the gap between Revenue Receipts and Revenue Expenditure. Revenue Expenditure is required to maintain the existing establishment of Government and ideally, should be fully met from Revenue Receipts.

Types of Receipts

Tax Revenue

Comprises taxes collected and retained by the State and State's share of Union taxes under Article 280(3) of the Constitution.

Non-Tax Revenue

Includes interest receipts, dividends, profits etc.

Grants-in-Aid

Essentially, a form of Central Assistance to the State Government from the Union Government. Includes 'External Grant Assistance' and 'Aid Material and Equipment' received from foreign governments and channelized through the Union Government. In turn, the State Governments also give Grants-in-aid to institutions like 6th Schedule Councils, Panchayati Raj Institutions, Autonomous Bodies etc.

Capital Receipts

These are loans raised by the Government from the public (these are termed as market loans), borrowings by the Government from the Reserve Bank of India and other parties through the sale of Treasury Bills, the loans received from foreign Governments and bodies, disinvestment receipts and recoveries of loans from State and Union Territory Governments and other parties.

Expenditure is classified as Revenue Expenditure and Capital Expenditure.

Revenue Expenditure

Revenue Expenditure is an amount to meet the day-to-day running of the Government departments and for rendering of various services, making interest payments on debt, meeting subsidies, etc.

Capital Expenditure

Capital Expenditure is an amount to create permanent assets, or to enhance the utility of such assets, or to reduce permanent liabilities. Example of capital expenditure are acquisition of assets like land, buildings, machinery, equipment, investments in shares, etc.

With the merger of the Plan and Non-plan heads, we have introduced new expenditure classifications as listed below:

Estimated Resource Pool	Consists of the Central Devolution , States Own Tax & Non-Tax Revenue and other sources of revenue including borrowing etc.
State Funding for Priority Development (SFPD)	Consists of the estimated resource pool excluding the former Non-Plan expenditure (now called as establishment expenditure etc.)
State Own Priority Development Schemes (SOPD)	Former State Plan scheme which includes schemes taken from State's Own resources , State Share for Centrally Sponsored Schemes / NEC / NLCPR / RIDF counterpart funding for EAP etc., allocations to 6th Schedule Councils, TSP and SCSP.

A list of the abbreviations used in the Budget Grant documents is listed below :

SOPD-G	State's Own Priority Development - General
SOPD-SCSP	State's Own Priority Development - SCSP
SOPD-TSP	State's Own Priority Development - TSP
SOPD-SS	State's Own Priority Development - State Share
SOPD-ODS	State's Own Priority Development - Other Development Scheme
CSS	Centrally Sponsored Scheme
RIDF-SS	Rural Infrastructure Development Fund - State Share
EAP	Externally Aided Projects
EAP-SS	Externally Aided Projects - State Share
TG-UL	Transfer Grants to Urban Local Bodies
TG-AC	Transfer Grants to Autonomous councils
TG-DC	Transfer Grants to Development councils
TG-SSA	Transfer Grants to Sixth Schedule Areas
TG-EI	Transfer Grants to Educational Institutions
TG-PRI	Transfer Grants to Panchayati Raj Institutions
TG-FFC	Transfer Grants to Finance Commission Grants
TG-SFC	Transfer Grants to State Finance Commission Grants
TG-IB	Transfer Grants to Individual Beneficiaries
SOPD-GSP	State's Own Priority Development - GOI Special Scheme
EE-CS	Establishment Expenditure - Central Share
RIDF-LS	Rural Infrastructure Development Fund - Loan Share
EE-SS	Establishment Expenditure - State Share
SOPD EE-SSA	Establishment Expenditure - Sixth Schedule Area
WIF-LS	Warehouse Infrastructure Fund-Loan Share
WIF-SS	Warehouse Infrastructure Fund-State Share



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