

October 1st, 2024

ASSAM CABINET

KEY DECISIONS

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■ A Ride to College: ₹345cr for 48,673 new Two-Wheelers for meritorious students

- ▶ The Banikanta Kakati Merit Award under Pragyan Bharati Scheme entails scooters to meritorious students of Class XII who have scored 60% and above (girl students) and 75% and above (boy students)
- ▶ Cabinet has accorded **approval to providing scooters under this scheme to 48,673 students** for the year 2024 at a cost of **₹345,74,02,038**
- ▶ The scooters will encourage upcoming students of Class XII to perform well in their HS exams and reward excellence by assuring ease of mobility to meritorious students

■ Nation wants to Know: Unveiling the facts behind the 2013 & 2014 Public Recruitment Scam

- ▶ 2 One Man Inquiry Commissions headed by Justice (Retd) B.K Sarma were set up to inquire into the allegations and malpractices in conduct of Combined Competitive Examinations (CCE) 2013 and CCE 2014 by Assam Public Service Commission
- ▶ The Committees submitted its reports and pointed out glaring anomalies and malpractices resorted to by the beneficiaries and the perpetrators in conduct of CCE-2013 by APSC which was beyond imagination
- ▶ In the larger public interest, **Cabinet has approved making the findings of the report public** and to be placed in the Assam Legislative Assembly to **inform the people of Assam on the extent of corruption and malpractices that were prevalent in APSC during the previous dispensation**



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■ Chips for Bharat: Enabling resources for the Tata Semiconductor Facility at Jagiroad

To ensure round-the-clock water supply in the Tata Semiconductor Assembly and Testing (TSAT) plant in Jagiroad, **Cabinet has accorded Administrative Approval to set up a Water Supply Scheme for the facility**

- ▶ The project will be carried out by Public Health Engineering Department (PHED) and will cater to both the industrial and residential requirements of the plant
- ▶ The cumulative **cost of the project will be ₹121.36 cr** (including Operation and Maintenance for 10 years)
- ▶ Water will be sourced from the Kapili River with a **capacity of 12.5 million litres per day** and the project is expected to be complete by July 2025

■ Powering Assam

- ▶ To meet the growing energy demands of Assam, Cabinet has accorded approval to the proposal of **procurement of 200MW Power from the Kalai II Hydro Electric Project** of Tehri Hydro Development Corporation Limited (THDCIL) by APDCL
- ▶ The levelized tariff for procurement of power from the project will be ₹5.46/unit, significantly lower the average rate of power purchase during FY 2022-23
- ▶ The decision will help in meeting energy requirements as well as aid in fulfilling renewable power purchase obligation

■ Governance at your Doorsteps

- ▶ On October 4, 2024, Assam will see the launch of a new administrative structure in the district level with the launch of Sub-districts to be led by Additional District Commissioner
- ▶ Considering the enhanced responsibilities and power bestowed upon them, **Cabinet has accorded approval to renaming the Sub-districts as Co-Districts, to be headed by a Co-District Commissioner**