

# Assam Budget Highlights

## Relevant to All Mahindra Businesses

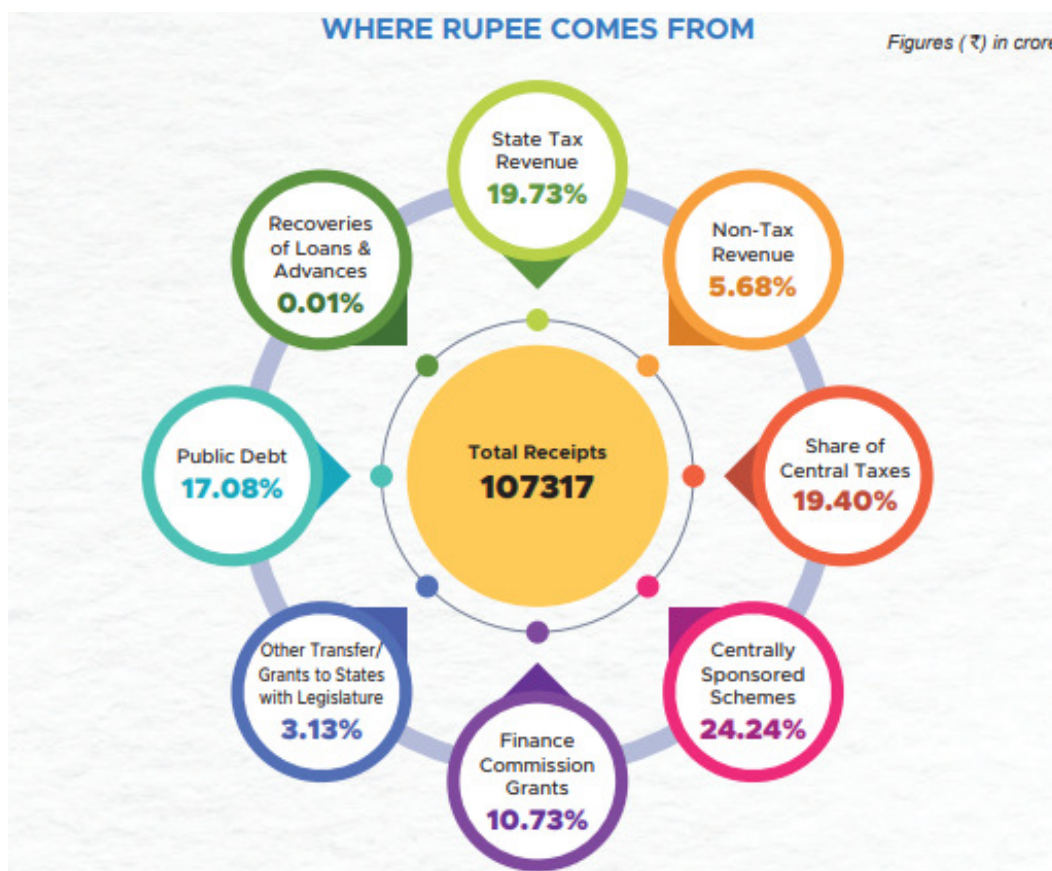
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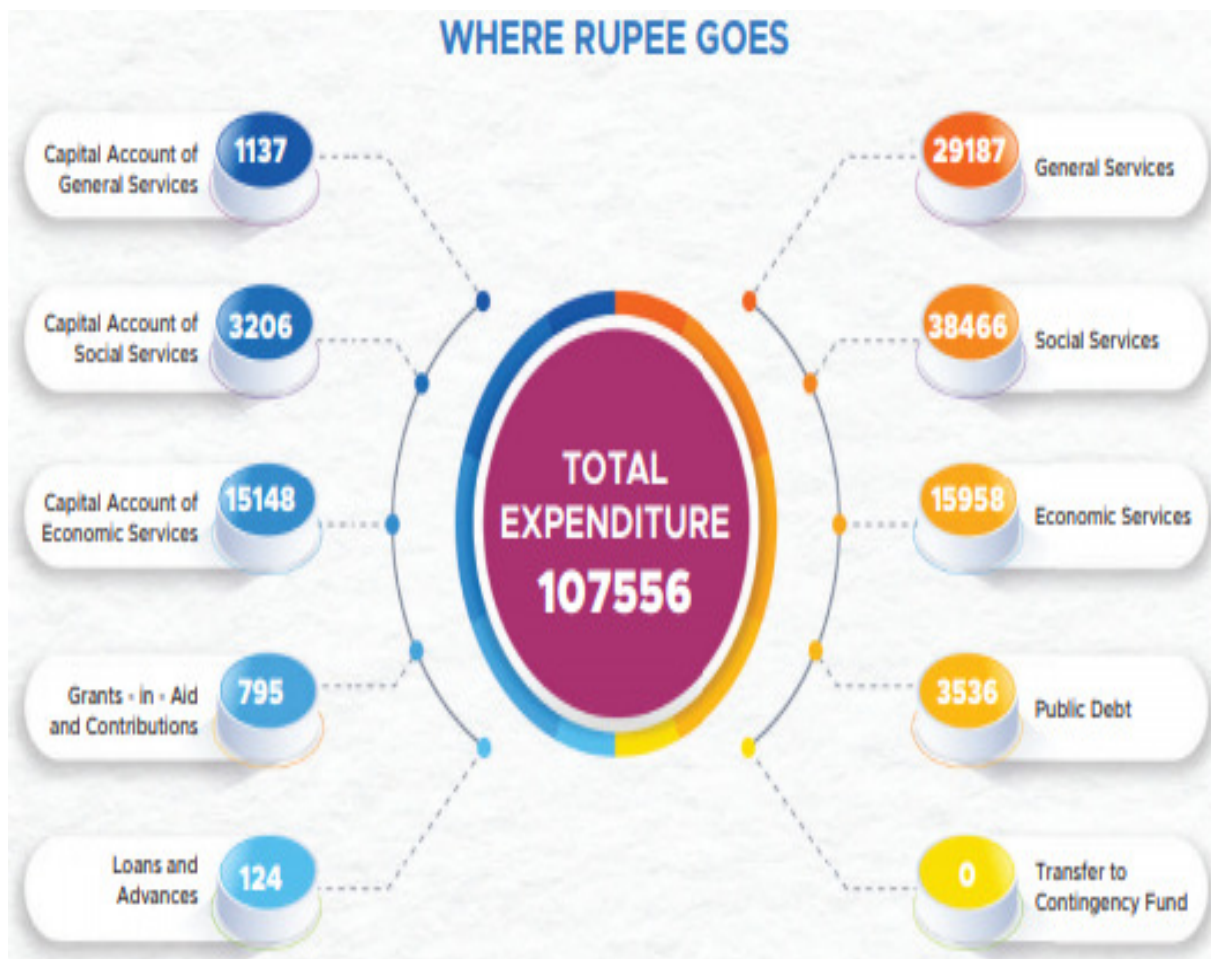
### Context

Assam's first woman Finance Minister Ajanta Neog on July 16 presented the Rs 2,89,367.10 crore tax free budget for FY 2021-22 in the state assembly.

This is the first Budget presented by the State Government in its second term in office. The Budget pledges to follow a "Sankalpa Patra" (Charter of Pledge) before last Assembly Election.

Assam is aiming at making its farmers self-sufficient. But there have been problems in the form of unavailability of quality seeds, water logging, etc.





## Sector Wise Expenditure

Sector	Expenditure in Rs. Cr
Education, Sports, Art and Culture	20049
Health and Family Welfare	7397
Water Supply, Sanitation, Housing and Urban Development	7479
Social Welfare and Nutrition	4508
Agriculture and Allied Activities	5647
Irrigation and Flood Control	2452
Energy, Industry and Minerals	5109
Transport	9755
Rural Development	5297

Others	39864
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## Departments with Highest Budget Allocation

Department	Budget in Rs. Cr
Agriculture Department	2340
Animal Husbandry & Veterinary	595
Finance Department	18038
Food, Civil Supplies & Consumer Affairs Department	915
Guwahati Development Department	1104
Health and Family Welfare Department	7004
Hill Areas Department	2209
Home Department	5660
Irrigation Department	1246
Panchayat & Rural Development Department	8024
Power (Electricity) Department	4395
Public Health Engineering Department	1204
Public Works (Buildings & NH) Department	989
Public Works (Roads) Department	8583
Revenue and Disaster Management Department	2809
Social Welfare Department	2012
Transformation & Development Department	1719
Transport Department	489
Urban Development Department	1976
Water Resources (Flood Control)	894
Welfare of Plain Tribes & Backward Classes Department	4179

## Salient Features of Agriculture Budget

- Government of Assam proposes to constitute an Agriculture Commission under a scientist of international repute to focus on issues related to agriculture, animal husbandry, dairy sector in Assam.
- The Commission will study and suggest measures for achieving self-sufficiency in the field of agriculture production, milk, egg and pork production, identify constraints and devise a road map to achieve the goal in five years.
- The state proposes to introduce the use of sex sorted semen for the benefit of dairy farmers. There will an increase in the number of high genetic female calves born in cattle & buffalo farms with use of sex sorted semen.
- Female births shall help in meeting the ever-increasing demand for milk in the state. This year, it is proposed to cover 50,000 cattle & buffaloes with the use of 1.25 lakh doses of

high genetic merit sex sorted frozen semen procured from reputed sources within the country.

- Creation of facilities for development of a central grower unit for production of 3-4 months old layer pullet to support the small-scale layer farmers for production of eggs under modern scientific method.
- Such schemes will be devised in the sharing pattern with 30 % government share, 25% beneficiary share and 45% bank loan.
- Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (PMFBY) provides benefit to approximately 30 lakhs farmers. Effort is to cover pre-sowing as well as post-harvest losses due to natural calamities. Govt is providing Rs. 400 Crore for PMFBY.
- Procurement of paddy from farmers by payment of Minimum Support Price (MSP) to them is important component of 'Doubling Farmer's Income' in Assam. To step up this procurement and prevent distress sale, Assam Food and Civil Supply Corporation Ltd. is being provided with a working capital of Rs. 200 Crore to procure 10 lakh quintal paddy.