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Introduction:

To provide for better regulation of buying and selling of agricultural produces and the establishment of markets for agricultural produces in the State of Assam, the Assam Legislative Assembly passed a bill in the year 1972 known as “**The Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act, 1972**” and received assent of the President of India on 3rd September, 1974 and subsequently the Act was enforced in the State with effect from 15th June, 1977.

Constitution of Board :

The Assam State Agricultural Marketing Board with its head quarter at Guwahati is a statutory and apex body established under the Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act, 1972 for exercising the powers conferred on and duties assigned under the Act and as directed by the State Govt. The Market Board was constituted vide Govt. notification No.AGA/616/75/90 dated 24/09/1976 with one non-official Chairman and 11 (eleven) members. The first meeting of the Board was held on 26-02-77.

Shri Palit Kumar Borah has been nominated as the Chairman of the Board vide Govt. notification No. AGA.337/2001/Pt/178, dated 7th March, 2017.

Regulations:

1. Regulated Market Committees :

To protect the interest of the agriculturists and traders, the Govt. of Assam constituted 24 (twenty four) nos. of Regulated Market Committees all over the State, except the areas of sixth schedule, with declaration of 20 (twenty) nos. of Principal Market Yards (PMY) and 206 (two hundred six) nos. of Sub Market Yards (SMY) so far.

	Name of RMC	Head quarters	District
1	Baharihat Regulated Market Committee	Baharihat	Barpeta
2	Bongaigaon District Regulated Market Committee	Tulungia	Bongaigaon
3	Cachar District Regulated Market Committee	Silchar	Cachar

4	Darrang District Regulated Market Committee	Kharupetia	Darrang
5	Dhemaji District Regulated Market Committee	Silapathar	Dhemaji
6	Dhing Regulated Market Committee	Dhing	Nagaon
7	Dibrugarh District Regulated Market Committee	Dibrugarh	Dibrugarh
8	Dhubri District Regulated Market Committee	Gauripur	Dhubri
9	Goalpara District Regulated Market Committee	Goalpara	Goalpara
10	Golaghat Regulated Market Committee	Furkating	Golaghat
11	Guwahati Sub-div. Regulated Market Committee	Uparhali	Kamrup
12	Hailakandi District Regulated Market Committee	Hailakandi	Hailakandi
13	Howly Regulated Market Committee	Howly	Barpeta
14	Jorhat District Regulated Market Committee	Jorhat	Jorhat
15	Karimganj District Regulated Market Committee	Karimganj	Karimganj
16	Kokrajhar District Regulated Market Committee	Gosaigaon	Kokrajhar
17	Lanka Regulated Market Committee	Nilbagan	Nagaon
18	Morigaon District Regulated Market Committee	Morigaon	Morigaon
19	Nalbari District Regulated Market Committee	Banekuchi	Nalbari
20	North Lakhimpur Regulated Market Committee	Bongalmara	Lakhimpur
21	Rangia Sub-div. Regulated Market Committee	Goreswar	Kamrup
22	Sivasagar District Regulated Market Committee	Sivasagar	Sivasagar
23	Sonitpur District Regulated Market Committee	Dhekiajuli	Sonitpur
24	Tinsukia District Regulated Market Committee	Tinsukia	Tinsukia

PMY :

- (1) Baharihat, (2) Bijni, (3) Kharupetia, (4) Silapathar, (5) Dhing, (6) Gauripur, (7) Goalpara, (8) Furkating, (9) Uparhali, (10) Hailakandi, (11) Howly, (12) Titabar, (13) Gossaigaon, (14) Lanka (Nilbagan), (15) Morigaon, (16) Nalbari (Banekuchi), (17) Bongalmara, (18) Goreswar, (19) Dhekiajuli, (20) Tinsukia.

SMY:

Baharihat RMC – (1) Alupatichar, (2) Balikuri, (3) Kachumari, (4) Kadong, (5) Mandia, (6) Moinbari.

Bongaigaon DRMC- (1) Basugaon, (2) Fakiragram, (3) Gossaigaon, (4) Kabaitari, (5) Patiladoha.

Cachar DRMC – (1) Barjatrapur, (2) Bhaga, (3) Kumbhirgram, (4) Lailapur, (5) Lakhipur, (6) Phulertal, (7) Sonabarighat, (8) Udarbond.

Darrang DRMC – (1) Balugaon, (2) Banglagarh, (3) Besimari, (4) Bhakatpara, (5) Dimakuchi, (6) Dumunichowki, (7) Harisinga, (8) Kalaigaon, (9) Khairabari, (10) Kopati, (11) Lalpool, (12) Majbat, (13) Mangaldoi Town Market (Prafulla Nagar), (14) Namkhola, (15) Patharighat, (16) Tongla, (17) Udalguri.

Dhemaji DRMC – (1) Dhemaji, (2) Ghilamara, (3) Gogamukh, (4) Jonai, (5) Simenchapari.

Dhing RMC – (1) Ambagan, (2) Chaparmukh, (3) Chulung, (4) Doomdumia, (5) Jakkhalabandha, (6) Magurmari, (7) Roha, (8) Rupahi, (9) Santijan, (10) Singari, (11) Sonaibali.

Dhubri DRMC – (1) Bilasipara, (2) Chapar, (3) Dharmasala, (4) Dhubri, (5) Fulkatary, (6) Gauripur Jute/Pine Apple Market, (7) Golakganj, (8) Halakura, (9) Kaldoba, (10) Kathalipara Milan Bazar, (11) Kharuabandha (Hatsingimari), (12) Mankachar, (13) Ranpagli, (14) Salbari, (15) Salakata.

Dibrugarh DRMC – (1) Barbarua, (2) Chabua, (3) Dibrugarh, (4) Dikam, (5) Duliajan, (6) Ghoramara, (7) Jokai (Checha), (8) Khowang, (9) Lahowal, (10) Moran, (11) Naharkatia, (12) Namrup, (13) Rajgarh, (14) Tengakhat, (15) Tingkhong

Goalpara DRMC – (1) Chataimari, (2) Dalgoma, (3) Darrangiri, (4) Dhanubhanga, (5) Dhupdhara, (6) Dudhnai, (7) Jaleswar, (8) Krishnai, (9) Lakhipur, (10) Rangjuli, (11) Simlitola, (12) Taranga.

Golaghat RMC – (1) Athkhelia, (2) Behora, (3) Bokakhat, (4) Barpathar, (5) Dakhin Hengera, (6) Dergaon, (7) Gomariguri, (8) Kachamari, (9) Naojan, (10) Neghereting, (11) Numaligarh, (12) Rangajan, (13) Sarupathar, (14) Sewaguri, (15) Telihat.

Guwahati SDMC – (1) Amranga, (2) Boko, (3) Chhaygaon, (4) Dhekiabari, (5) Dhopatari, (6) Hahim, (7) Maloibari, (8) Nagarbera, (9) Singimari.

Howly RMC – (1) Barpeta Road, (2) Kalgachia, (3) Kayakuchi, (4) Langla, (5) Sarupeta, (6) Simla, (7) Sarbhog.

Hailakandi DRMC – (1) Algapur, (2) Aynakhal, (3) Katlichera, (4) Lalabazar.

Jorhat DRMC – (1) Alengmara, (2) Barhola, (3) Daflating, (4) Gormur, (5) Jorhat, (6) Kamalabari, (7) Lichibari, (8) Madhupur, (9) Nagabat, (10) Na-Kachari, (11) Teok, (12) Thengalgaon.

Karimganj DRMC – (1) Bhanga, (2) Durlavcherra, (3) Hatikhira, (4) Ichaguri Fish Market, (5) Karimganj, (6) Lowerpowa, (7) Nilambazar, (8) Patharkandi.

Lanka RMC – (1) Hojai, (2) Jamunamukh, (3) Kaki No. 1, (4) Kampur, (5) Kathiatoli, (6) Kharikhana, (7) Lumding, (8) Murajhar, (9) Udali.

Morigaon DRMC – (1) Bhurbandha, (2) Dewgalu, (3) Jagiroad, (4) Laharighat, (5) Mayang, (6) Moirabari.

Nalbari DRMC – (1) Banekuchi, (2) Barama, (3) Barnadi, (4) Bongaon, (5) Dhamdhama, (6) Doulashal, (7) Kaithalkuchi, (8) Kaplabari, (9) Kumarikata, (10) Mukalmua, (11) Nadla, (12) Rampur, (13) Tamulpur, (14) Tihu.

North Lakhimpur RMC – (1) Baginadi, (2) Dhakuakhana, (3) Harmoti, (4) North Lakhimpur Sadar Market.

Sivasagar DRMC – (1) Amguri, (2) Banfera (Sonari), (3) Borsala Cattle Market, (4) Moranhat, (5) Rajmai Cattle Market, (6) Sapekhati, (7) Simaluguri.

Sonitpur DRMC – (1) Barsala, (2) Binduguri, (3) Biswanath Chariali, (4) Gingia, (5) Gohpur, (6) Lokra, (7) Pachmile, (8) Singri, (9) Thelamara.

Tinsukia DRMC – (1) Bardumsa, (2) Chapakhowa, (3) Dangari, (4) Dumduma, (5) Jagun, (6) Kakopathar, (7) Makum.

2. Notified agricultural commodities:

As per the definition in the Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act, 1972, agricultural produce means and includes any produce whether processed or non-processed of agriculture, horticulture, animal husbandry, pisciculture, sericulture and forest as specified in the schedule. Following agricultural commodities have been specified by notification by the Government under Section 4(1) of the Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act, 1972.

Jute (baled and un-baled), Cotton (ginned and un-ginned), **Cereals**— Paddy, Rice, Muri, Chira, Khai, Wheat and wheat products, Maize, other Millets, Paddy husk, Rice brand and polished, Wheat brand and polished; **Pulses**—Matikalai or Matimah, Mug, Arahar, Peas, Gram, Masur; **Oil seed**— Sesamum or Til, Mustard, Linseed, Castor seed, Cotton seed, Coconut, Tisi; **Narcotics**— Tobacco; ~~***Fruits**—Mandarin, Lime, Lemon, Mussambi, Valencia, Grape fruits, other Citrus, Banana, Papaya, Guava, Jackfruits, Mango, Plum, Peaches, Pears, Apples, Pineapples, Bel, Blackberry, Rose apple, Sapota, Melon, Tamarind;~~ **Vegetables**— ~~Potato, Sweet potato, Onion, Tomato, Leafy and fresh vegetables, Yam;~~ **Animal husbandry products**— Eggs, Poultry, Cattle, Sheep, Horse, Goat, Buffaloes, Milk, Butter and Cream, Ghee, Wool, Hide and Skin; **Condiments and Spices**— ~~**Turmeric (whole and powdered), Ginger, Garlic, Coriander, Chillies (Dry and Green), Cardamoms and Black pepper,~~ Betel nuts, Betel leaves, Cashew nuts, Methi, Jira, Dhania, Gur; **All types of Fish** (excluding canned fish); **Forest products**— Lac, Gum, Timber, Sugarcane, Bamboo, Cane; **Sericultural products**— Eri, Muga and Pat.

**Vide Govt. Notification No.AGA.160/2012/236, dated 13th January, 2014 cancel the items under serial VI. Fruits and VII. Vegetables of the Schedule under section 2(1)(I).*

*** Vide Govt. Notification No.HFPD.11/2015/Pt-I/183, dated 29th October, 2015 cancel the items.*

3. Licence:

Under section 13(2) of the Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act, 1972 (as amended) 3104 nos. of licences (Trader-1370 nos., Commission Agent-116 nos., Processor-356 nos., Storage- 3 nos., Faria- 1259 nos.) have been issued during the year 2016-2017.

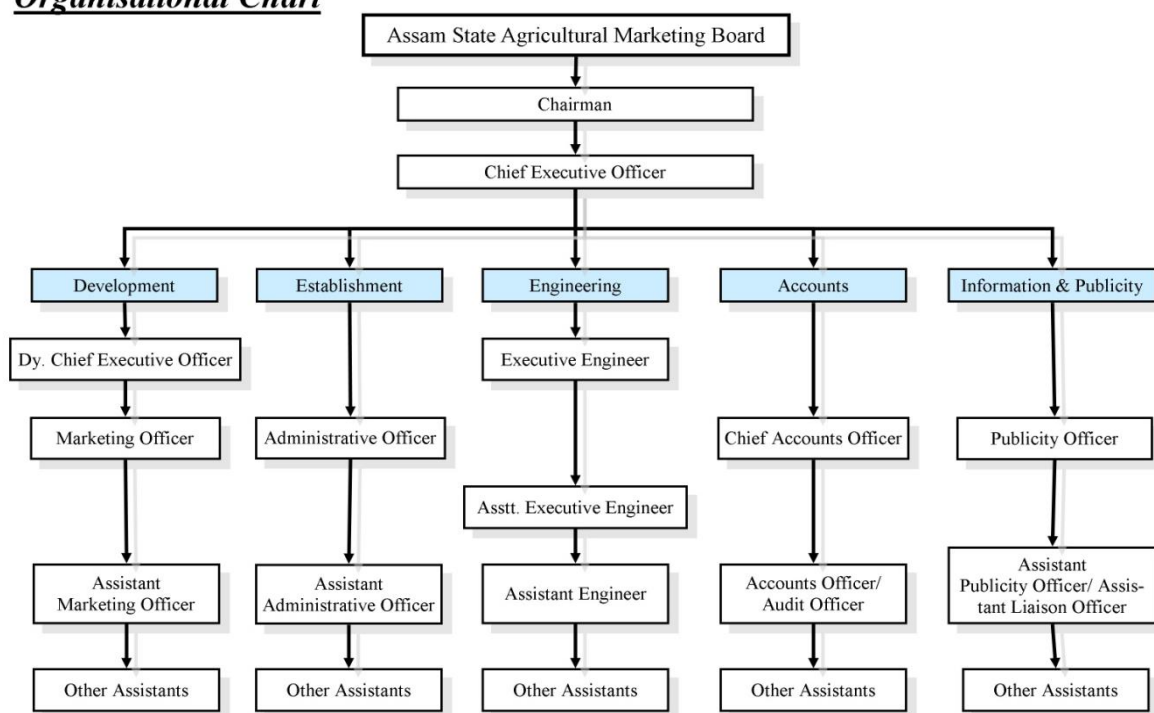
4. **Administrative setup:**

As per Section 3(1) of the Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act, 1972 and under Rule 6(1) of Assam Agricultural Produce Market (General) Rules, 1975, the Chairman is the head of the Board and is responsible for administration of the Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act, 1972. The Chairman is also to exercise overall supervision on the Market Committees under provisions of the Act and Rules. The present Chairman, Sri Palit Kumar Borah has resumed this office on 9th March, 2017.

As per provision of the Act the Chief Executive Officer of the Board is nominated by the State Govt. who is the administrative head of the organisation and to act as the Ex-Officio Member-secretary of the Board. During the year Sri Padma Nath Das, ACS, was the Chief Executive Officer of the Board.

There are five different branches to assist the Chief Executive Officer in implementation of provisions of the Act, Rules & Bye-laws framed there under as given below.

Organisational Chart



Staff Position: The staff position of the Board and RMCs as on March, 2017 is as follows:

Group – A	70 nos.
Group – B	247 nos.
Group – C	284 nos.
Group –D	326 nos.
Contingency Menial (Fixed Pay) -	164 nos.
Total =	1091 nos.

Activities :

1. **Cess Collection:-** The Market Committees are levying market cess on specified Agricultural produces bought or sold within the market area as per section 21 of Assam Agricultural Produce market Act, 1972.

Total Cess Collected during the year 2016-2017 is Rs. 76,03,50,406.00.

2. **Infrastructure development :**

In the year 2016-2017, various infrastructure development works have been taken up for execution including ongoing works by ASAMB for approximately Rs. 82,88,95,000/- as follows-

RMC	Name of works	Location	Amount (Rs.)
ASAMB	Establishment of Pack House project	Sutarkandi, Karimganj	12,26,21,348.00
	Additional work at Pack House project complex	Sutarkandi, Karimganj	73,25,000.00
	Construction of 2000 MT multi commodity Cold Storage (Phase-I)	Sonarwali, Nagaon	50,00,000.00
	Construction of Krishakar Dokan at Sixmile, Ganeshguri & Palton bazar	Guwahati	14,34,600.00
	Establishment of 5000 MT capacity Cold Storage	Chhaygaon, Kamrup	21,56,76,000.00
	Establishment of 5000 MT capacity Cold Storage	Kharupetia, Darrang	21,68,55,000.00
	Traders' shop building for Spices (First floor) at Fruits & Vegetable Wholesale market	Pamohi market	4,62,50,000.00
Golaghat RMC	Construction of 1000 MT capacity Godown at PMY	PMY, Golaghat	58,88,200.00
	Construction of Market Shed -2 units	Chapjuri market	36,04,382.00
	Development of market yard by brick on edge soiling	Chapjuri market	8,05,590.00
	Development of market yard by brick on edge soiling	Amtenga market	7,56,880.00
	Construction of Market Shed -2 units	Amtenga market	36,04,382.00
	Construction of Market Shed -2 units	Mahuramukh market	36,79,550.00
	Development of market yard by brick on edge soiling	Mahuramukh market	6,72,689.00
	Construction of Cattle Shed	Bihora market	18,54,030.00
	Development of market yard by brick on edge soiling	Bihora market	8,32,620.00
	Development of market yard by brick on edge soiling	Rongarah market	8,66,367.00

North Lakhimpur RMC	Construction of Community Toilet Block	Bebejia Mustard seed market	6,57,000.00
	Development of approach road with drain	Bebejia Mustard seed market	14,70,000.00
Sivasagar DRMC	Construction of multi-storied Shopping Complex with Administrative Office block	Jengonikatia	1,79,04,000.00
	Construction of Cattle Shed	Rajmai market	15,59,000.00
	Development of market yard by brick on edge soiling	Rajmai market	19,55,000.00
Dibrugarh DRMC	Construction of Market Shed	Belbari market	19,49,000.00
	Development of market yard by brick on edge soiling	Belbari market	19,34,000.00
	Construction of Market Shed	Tengakhat	19,49,000.00
	Development of market yard by brick on edge soiling	Itakhuli market	19,53,000.00
	Construction of Market Shed	Itakhuli market	19,49,000.00
	Development of market yard by brick on edge soiling	Naharkatia market	19,39,000.00
	Construction of Market Shed	Naharkatia market	19,49,000.00
	Construction of Market Shed	Kalakhowa market	19,49,000.00
	Construction of Market Shed	Lengri market	19,49,000.00
	Development of market yard by brick on edge soiling	Langri market	19,55,000.00
Dhubri DRMC	Construction of 1000 MT capacity Godown with office	Dhubri SMY	74,55,480.00
	Construction of Toilet block with water supply	Dhubri SMY	8,26,000.00
	Development of market yard by interlocking concrete block	Dhubri SMY	29,36,000.00
	Development of market yard by earth filling	Bilashipara SMY	14,98,000.00
	Construction of Boundary wall	Bilashipara SMY	16,30,000.00
Goalpara DRMC	Development of Market Yard	Darranggiri market	14,28,000.00
Guwahati SDMC	Renovation of PMY of GSMC	Uparhali PMY	1,43,64,132.00
	Renovation of existing Vegetable & Fish Shed	Kahikuchi	10,69,000.00
	Construction of Market Shed	Borihat market	18,30,000.00
	Construction of Market Shed	Jharobari	18,30,000.00
	Construction of Market Shed	Rampur market	18,30,000.00
	Construction of Market Shed	Loharghat	18,30,000.00
	Construction of Market Shed	Rani market	18,30,000.00
	Renovation of existing Auction Platform as Stall	Uparhali PMY	34,70,000.00
Construction of Market Complex building (GF)	Uparhali PMY	46,13,000.00	

Howly RMC	Construction of Market Complex building (GF)	Barpeta Road SMY	2,81,76,617.00
	Construction of Market Shed	Kamargaon market	17,64,000.00
	Construction of Market Shed	Puthimari market	17,03,000.00
	Construction of Market Shed	Patacharkuchi market	17,03,000.00
	Construction of Market Shed	Kharadhara market	17,03,000.00
Jorhat DRMC	Construction of Cattle Shed- 2 units	Kaliapani, Teok	81,88,400.00
	Construction of Market Shed – 3 units	Kaliapani, Teok	94,82,600.00
	Development of market yard by earth filling	Kaliapani, Teok	28,94,000.00
	Construction of Drainage system	Kaliapani, Teok	46,34,000.00
	Development of market yard by interlocking concrete block	Kaliapani, Teok	48,26,000.00
	Construction of Boundary wall	Kaliapani, Teok	31,97,000.00
	Development of market yard by earth filling	Dalim Budhboria	19,56,000.00
	Development of market yard by brick on edge flooring	Dalim Budhboria	24,40,000.00
	Development of market yard by earth filling	Sipahikhola market	24,38,000.00
	Development of market yard by brick on edge flooring	Sipahikhola market	15,23,000.00
	Development of market yard by brick on edge flooring	Dorokial (Tirual) market	30,16,000.00
	Development of market yard by brick on edge flooring	Hemli market	24,48,000.00
	Development of market yard by brick on edge flooring	Madhabpur RG complex	19,28,000.00
	Development of market yard by brick on edge flooring	Tamulisiga market	7,93,000.00
	Construction of Market Shed	Tamulisiga market	14,75,000.00
	Construction of Boundary wall	Teok SMY	12,12,000.00
	Development of market yard by brick on edge flooring	Alengmora market	19,68,000.00
	Development of market yard by brick on edge flooring	Cheleng Deobaria market	18,61,000.00
Dhing RMC	Renovation of existing Rural Godown	Roha SMY	24,35,000.00
Lanka RMC	Construction of Auction Platform	Udali	8,20,000.00
	Construction of Boundary wall	Nakhuti	27,27,400.00
	Development of Market Yard by earth filling	Nakhuti	15,76,380.00
	Construction of Auction Platform	Kathiatoli	8,20,000.00

3. Farmers' welfare schemes:

(a) Formation of Growers' Societies : The Assam State Agricultural Marketing Board has introduced a scheme for organizing the farming community to involve them in the efficient marketing system so that they can reap out the benefit of Regulated Market Scheme. Accordingly, 778 nos. of Growers' Societies have been registered till March 31, 2017.

(b) Paddy procurement : As per direction of the Government of Assam in Agriculture department, the ASAMB has been notified as a paddy procurement agency in 2012-13. Since then the Board is procuring paddy under KMS in designated paddy procurement centres. The procurement since 2012-13 is shown below.

Season	Procurement (in MT)	MSP (per qtl.)
2012-13	7,895.343	1250/-
2013-14	251.060	1310/-
2014-15	10,553.830	1360/-
2015-16	10,130.699	1410/-
2016-17	15,627.786 (till date)	1470/-

- Fund received from Govt. = Rs. 13,92,30,000/- (as Revolving Fund) (2012-13).
- Fund received from FCS&CA = Rs. 4,10,00,000/- (as Loan) (2014-15).
- Fund received from FCS&CA = Rs. 1,00,00,000/- (as Loan) (2015-16).
- Fund received from FCS&CA = Rs. 4,00,00,000/- (as Loan) (2016-17).

(c) Potato procurement : As per direction of the Government the ASAMB is procuring Potato in order to provide fair price to the Potato growers in the districts of Barpeta and Sonitpur. For the purpose the Board has received Rs. 1.00 Crore from FCS& CA department. Potato so far procured by the Board since March, 2017 in the above mentioned districts is shown below.

Name of RMC	Name of Centre	Potato purchased till date (in qtl.)	Expenditure (Rs.)
Baharihat RMC	Mandia	4,515.50	25,73,835.00
Sonitpur DRMC	Gingia	10,940.25	54,70,125.00
Howly RMC	Mandia	1,567.80	8,93,646.00

4. Price dissemination : The Assam State Agricultural Marketing Board is disseminating information on price and arrival of agricultural commodities from major agricultural markets (a) on day to day basis through Agmarknet portal of Govt. of India (www.agmarknet.nic.in) and the website of the Board (<http://asamb.in>), (b) periodical price bulletin through AIR and DDK, (c) Daily updating of price of major commodities through display boards in 13 nos. of RMC's and the Board office.

5. **Interactions with Farmers etc.:** The Board took part in 4th Assam International Agri-Horti Show, 2017 at Guwahati to interact with the farmers and other market functionaries in connection with the implementation of the provisions of the Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act, 1972.
6. **Agricultural Market Reforms:** The Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act, 1972 is under the process of amendment/repeal at Govt. level, as a part of Agricultural Market Reforms, in the light of the Model Act 2016 circulated by Govt. of India.
7. **Computerization :** Steps are being taken for computerization of activities of the Board and RMCs. One Programmer and one Asstt. Programmers have been hired from National Informatics Centre Services Inc. They are engaged in training to officials and development of necessary software etc. for the Board under the guidance of NIC, Assam unit. Essential ICT infrastructures are being created. Accounts of the Board has been computerized through Tally.ERP9 system with required training to Accounts personnel. 11 nos. of nodes viz. Srirampur CG, Chagolia CG, Guwahati BG Point centre, Jorhat, Tinsukia, Sonitpur, Kokrajhar and Bongaigaon DRMC, Lanka and Dhing RMC and Guwahati SDMC have been connected online through e-CMS with the Board's head quarter. The e-CMS software has been installed in these nodes for entering data online. To simplify the process of issuance/renewal of licences to the market functionaries an application software 'e-Licence' has been developed.
8. **RTI :** Under the Right To Information Act, 2005, the Appellate authority of the Board is the Chief Executive Officer, Shri P. N. Das, ACS, Phone: 2130184, 70860-47915, e-Mail: ceo.asamb@gmail.com ; Public Information Officer- Shri J. K. M. Baruah, Publicity Officer, Phone: 94355-56163, 70860-47910, e-Mail: assam.samb@gmail.com.
- During the year 2016-17, numbers of request received under RTI is 20 and numbers of request disposed off is 20. There is no pending request under the RTI Act, 2005 in the Board.

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