

# **Annual Administrative Report of the Assam State Agricultural Marketing Board for the year 2008-2009**

## **Introduction:**

The Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act.1972 has been implemented in Assam with effect from 15-6-1977 with the objective of regulation of buying and selling of agricultural produces and also to establish an efficient marketing system where the growers may obtain reasonable and competitive price of their produce. The purpose is also to establish modern market yards where scientific godowns, platforms for auction of commodities, storage facilities, traders shop, bank and post office, parking places, provision of drinking water etc. are provided in the market yards through the Market Committees established at different places of the State under provisions of the Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act.1972. The schemes have been implemented through the Market Committees under supervision, control and guidance of the Assam State Agricultural Marketing Board.

The Assam State Agricultural Marketing Board with its head quarter at Guwahati is a statutory and apex body established for exercising superintendence and control over the Market Committee, the agencies responsible for successful implementation of the scheme in the field.

The Market Board was constituted vide Govt. notification No.AGA/616/75/90 dated 24/09/1976 and the first meeting was held on 26-02-77.

The last Board was constituted under provisions of section 3 (I) (a) of the Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act.1972 (as amended in 2006) by the Government of Assam with the following members, head by Sri Debeswar Borah, Ex-MLA as Chairman of the Board, vide Govt. notification No.AGA 337/2001/Pt/12, dt.15-12-2005 and functioned till 21-01-2009.

## **Official of the Govt.of Assam.**

1. Director of Agriculture, Assam.
2. Director of Veterinary & Animal Husbandry, Assam.
3. Director of Panchayat & Rural Development, Assam.
4. Director of Municipal Administration, Assam.
5. Registrar of Cooperative Societies, Assam.
6. Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Agriculture Department.
7. Deputy Agricultural Marketing Adviser, Govt. of India.

## **Non-Official Members**

8. Progressive grower.
9. Progressive grower.
10. Trader.
11. Licencee.
12. Chairman, RMC.
13. Chairman, RMC.
14. Chairman, RMC.

**Ex-Officio Member- Secretary**

15. Chief Executive Officer, ASAMB.

The Government has not re-constituted the Board till date instead appointed a Director for functioning of the Board since 22-01-2009.

In order to safeguard the interest of growers and traders the Govt. of Assam has constituted 24 nos. of Regulated Market Committee all over the State with 20 nos. of Principal Market Yards and 206 nos. of Sub-Market Yards in different Districts/ Sub-Divisions of the State.

Initially the Government of Assam as well as the Government of India provided financial assistance to the Market Board against implementation of scheme and meet the maintenance cost of staff etc. At present the Assam State Agricultural Marketing Board has taken up various infrastructure development works and other beneficiary schemes from its own source of income. However, the Assam State Agricultural Marketing Board has received assistance/subsidy from Govt. of India and NEC against certain schemes such as Technology Mission (MM-III), Rural Godown, MRIN, construction of Cold Storage and allied marketing facilities etc. The Govt. of India approved Rs. 2,87,50,000.00 for development of 25 rural markets and 2 wholesale markets in the year 2002 in 50:50 ratio against Mini Mission-III. The State Agricultural Marketing Board received Rs. 2,03,75,000.00 (first instalment of Rs. 1,43,75,000.00 and second instalment of Rs. 60,00,000.00) and made expenditures of Rs. 2,00,87,000.00 till November, 2008.

The Assam State Agricultural Marketing Board submitted 19 Schemes for development of rural market to the Govt. of India for sanction. The Govt. of India has sanctioned 6 schemes for development of rural markets in the year 2006-07 and released Rs. 22,50,000.00 as first instalment and made expenditure of Rs. 22,50,000.00 till November, 2008.

The Board received financial assistances from N.E.C. for construction of Cold Storage at Singimari and Gossaigaon. The Govt. of India sanction the project "Improvement of Jute Market Yard at Kharupetia" under the scheme of Mini Mission-III of Jute Technology Mission at project cost of Rs.1,00,00,000.00 at ratio 60:40 (60% Central share and 40% Market Board's share).

The Govt. of Assam sanctioned the following schemes under the Rastriya Krishi Vikash Yojana 2008-09 at the cost of Rs.10,00,00,000.00 and handed over the scheme to the Assam State Agricultural Marketing Board for execution.

1. Establishment of Organic Agriculture Produces Market Complex at Six mile Guwahati for Rs.7,00,00,000.00.
2. Development of Principal Market Yard, Golaghat Regulated Market Committee at Furkating for Rs. 1,50,00,000.00 .

3. Development of Mahtoli (Sontoli) Market under G.S.M.C. for Rs.1,50,00,000.00

The Regulated Market Committees and the Board levy cess on the agricultural produce bought or sold in the market area at the rate of one rupee for every one hundred rupees of the aggregate amount for which a notified agricultural produce is bought or sold as the source of income for implementation of the provision of Act and benefiting the agriculturist and trader of the state. Year-wise collection of cess of different regulated market committees from inception is shown below.

1977-1978	Nil
1978-1979	Rs. 1,94,966.75
1979-1980	Rs. 3,95,540.51
1980-1981	Rs. 3,99,488.41
1981-1982	Rs. 7,03,615.71
1982-1983	Rs. 3,27,312.14
1983-1984	Rs. 14,83,981.47
1984-1985	Rs. 63,51,923.06
1985-1986	Rs. 50,31,799.32
1986-1987	Rs. 44,33,637.87
1987-1988	Rs. 58,79,291.81
1988-1989	Rs. 71,51,791.32
1989-1990	Rs. 77,85,760.77
1990-1991	Rs. 90,16,062.32
1991-1992	Rs. 1,19,62,099.28
1992-1993	Rs. 1,53,20,658.90
1993-1994	Rs. 2,05,94,238.23
1994-1995	Rs. 3,78,94,262.49
1995-1996	Rs. 4,37,34,323.67
1996-1997	Rs. ,28,92,209.61
1997-1998	Rs.10,69,52,990.00
1998-1999	Rs.19,29,19,979.00
1999-2000	Rs.20,85,26,921.00
2000-2001	Rs.14,01,85,846.18
2001-2002	Rs.11,50,60,935.59
2002-2003	Rs.17,74,19,028.89
2003-2004	Rs.17,50,51,548.00
2004-2005	Rs.17,29,93,848.50

2005-2006	Rs.19,57,50,668.60
2006-2007	Rs.22,33,48,061.50
2007-2008	Rs.25,55,85,878.00
<b>Total=</b>	<b>Rs.219,02,23,897.00</b>

**Administrative setup:**

As per Section 3 (1) of the Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act, 1972 as amended up to 2006 and under Rule 6 (1) of Assam Agricultural Produce Market (General) Rules, 1975 as amended up to 2003, the Chairman is the head of the Board and he is responsible for administration of the Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act and he is to exercise general control over the employees of the Board and Market Committees. The Chairman is also to exercise over-all supervision on the Market Committees under provisions of the Act and Rules.

As per provision under the Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act, 1972 as amended up to 2006, the Chief Executive Officer of the Board is appointed by the State Govt. He is the head of the office of the Board having the general control over the employees of the Board and Market Committees and he is to act as the Ex-Officio Member-secretary 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 stated below. The activities so far performed during the year 2008-09 are also narrated in brief against each of the branches.

**Development branch:**

This branch is headed by the Deputy Chief Executive Officer. The branch is responsible for developmental activities of the regulated markets in the state. The details of activities performed under this branch during the year 2008-09 are furnished as below.

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

Total Cess Collected during the year 2008-09 is Rs. 29,88,22,289.00.

The details of cess collection (Committee-wise) for the year 2008-09 is given below:

Sl.No.	Name of Regulated Market Committee	Cess Collection
1	Darrang District Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 12,48,801.00
2	Jorhat District Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 39,23,077.00
3	Lanka Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 10,00,000.00
4	North Lakhimpur Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 7,72,937.00
5	Howly Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 1,05,96,454.00
6	Guwahati Sub-Divisional Market Committee	Rs. 4,00,00,000.00
7	Bongaigaon District Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 20,96,398.00

8	Goalpara District Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 9,02,406.00
9	Morigaon District Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 16,47,820.00
10	Dhubri District Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 44,85,469.00
11	Boharihat Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 4,89,127.00
12	Dhing Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 18,18,069.00
13	Hailakandi District Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 4,19,920.00
14	Tinsukia District Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 15,00,000.00
15	Cachar District Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 46,06,409.00
16	Golaghat Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 8,57,565.00
17	Nalbari District Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 37,63,376.00
18	Dhemaji District Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 3,01,119.00
19	Sonitpur District Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 27,54,194.00
20	Kokrajhar District Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 3,35,847.00
21	Sivsagar District Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 7,71,528.00
22	Rangia Sub-Divisional Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 3,14,356.00
23	Dibrugarh District Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 8,35,536.00
24	Karimganj District Regulated Market Committee	Rs. 22,80,988.00
	By ASAMB	Rs. 18,57,54,373.00

**Issue of Licence:-** As per section 13(2) Total 6708 nos. of licences are issued during 2008-09.

**Formation and Registration of Growers Societies:**

As envisaged in the Five Year Plan of the Board the following Growers' Societies are formed and registered by the Board. The Committee-wise details are given below:

Sl.No	Name of Regulated Market committee	No. of Growers Society (Apr,08-Mar09)
1	Darrang	2
2	Jorhat	10
3	Lanka	1
4	North Lakhimpur	36
5	Howly	7
6	Guwahati Sub-Div.	17
7	Bongaigaon	Nil
8	Goalpara	1
9	Morigaon	6
10	Dhubri	28
11	Boharihat	5
12	Dhing	43
13	Hailakandi	3
14	Tinsukia	Nil
15	Cachar	Nil
16	Golaghat	10
17	Nalbari	8

18	Dhemaji	6
19	Sonitpur	30
20	Kokrajhar	1
21	Sivsagar	5
22	Rangia Sub-Div.	9
23	Dibrugarh	Nil
24	Karimganj	17

**Total = 605 Nos.**

### **Revolving fund:**

There is a new scheme launched since 2007-08 to provide Rs.5000.00 to each Growers Society registered under ASAMB as revolving fund and the amount released during 2008-09 is as follows:

Sl.No.	Name of RMC's	Nos. of growers' societies	Amount released	Amount sanctioned
1	GSMC	54	Rs. 2,70,000.00	-
2	Howly	27	Rs. 1,35,000.00	-
3	Golaghat	21	Rs. 1,05,000.00	-
4	Jorhat	20	Rs. 1,00,000.00	-
5	Nalbari	13	Rs. 65,000.00	-
6	Karimganj	27		Rs. 1,35,000.00
7	Dhemaji	12		Rs. 60,000.00
	<b>Total=</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>Rs. 6,75,000.00</b>	<b>Rs. 1,95,000.00</b>

### **Transport Subsidy 30%:**

There is a scheme to provide 30% transport subsidy to the growers societies to transport the agricultural produce to the market yard under Regulated Market Scheme. The amount released during 2008-09 is as follows:

Sl. No.	Name of RMC's	Amount released to Growers Societies
1	Tinsukia	Rs. 66,800.00
2	Jorhat	Rs. 8,017.00
3	Golaghat	Rs. 630.00
	<b>Total =</b>	<b>Rs. 75,447.00</b>

### **Training on Marketing for Growers Societies:**

Name of Training/ Study tour	Conducted by	Sponsored by	Growers' Societies under RMCs	Nos. of participant	Venue/ Date
Inter-State Farmers Horticulture Tour	Centre for Agriculture & Rural Development (CARD)	ASAMB	Golaghat, Dhing, Jorhat, Tinsukia	20	Punjab 08-12-08 to 18-12-08
			Lanka, Howly, GSMC, Kokrajhar	20	Karnataka 28-01-09 to 06-02-09

Training on Agricultural Marketing	National Instituted of Agriculture Marketing (NIAM)		Dhing, Morigaon, GSMC, Howly Goalpara, Darrang, Nalbari	31	ASAMB (H.Q.) 17-03-09
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**Agricultural Market Reforms:-** The Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act, 1972 has already been amended as a part of agricultural market reforms in the light of Model Act circulated by Government of India. The amendment of the Assam Agricultural Produce Market (General) Rules as per Model Act circulated by Government of India is also ready for submission to the Government of Assam. The amended Act has allowed Contract Farming, establishment of Private Market, Consumer/Farmer Market and Direct purchase from the agriculturists.

**Engineering branch:**

The Engineering branch of the Assam State Agricultural Marketing Board is consisting of 4 (four) divisions and are controlled by 2 (two) Executive Engineers, 1 (one) Project Engineer, 1 (one) Assistant Executive Engineer and 4 (four) Assistant Engineers in the Board's Office and the works at sites are supervised by Junior Engineers and Sectional Assistants posted in the market committees.

During the financial year 2007-08, almost all on going works from the last financial year have been completed. Besides this several development works under ADF/M.C.'s fund have been taken up in the PMY's as well as in the existing markets under the jurisdiction of respective market committees.

**SCHEME OF RASTRIYA KRISHI VIKAS YOJANA, 2008-09:**

Component	Project Cost (in lakh)	Amount Received (in lakh)	Physical Achievement up to 31-03-2009	Remarks
1. Establishment of Organic Agriculture Produces Market Complex at Sixmile, <u>Khanapara, Dist.: Kamrup (Metro).</u> a) Earth filling & leveling work. b) Construction of the market complex building. c) Construction of compound wall & fencing. d) Construction of approach road with truck parking & culvert. e) Internal sanitary and water supply works. f) Internal electrification	Rs.700.00	Rs.350.00	a) Site development work by earth filling completed. b) Providing 1678 nos. of granular piles of the market complex building completed. c) Casting of 4 nos. of column footing of the market complex building completed. d) For compound wall & fencing, the stone masonry works up to finished ground level completed. e) Building materials such as reinforcement bars, bricks, granular metals,	20% (approx) completed

<p>works.</p> <p>g) Installation of deep tube well.</p> <p>h) Installation of plant &amp; machineries for cold room &amp; banana ripening unit and providing weighing scales, pay loader, wrapper machine, packing machine etc.</p> <p>i) External electrification works such as installation of transformer, sub-station, panel, campus lighting etc.</p> <p>j) Preliminary &amp; pre-operative works (Site survey, Sub-soil exploration work and project consultancy work).</p>	-do-	-do-	<p>cement, coarse &amp; fine aggregate, etc are sufficiently stacked at site.</p>	-do-
<p>2. Development of Mahtoli (Sontoli) Market under Guwahati Sub-Divisional Market Committee, <u>Dist.: Kamrup.</u></p> <p>a) Site development works by earth filling,</p> <p>b) Construction of fencing, compound drains etc.</p> <p>c) Construction of approach road and parking.</p> <p>d) Providing brick flooring on the market yard.</p> <p>e) Construction of auction platform.</p> <p>f) Construction of go-down.</p> <p>g) Construction of pump house &amp; penal room.</p> <p>h) Construction of toilet block.</p> <p>i) Installation of deep tube well.</p> <p>j) Water supply and sanitary installation works.</p> <p>k) Electrification works.</p> <p>l) Preliminary &amp; pre-</p>	Rs.150.00	Rs.75.00	<p>a) Approximately 80% of the site development work by earth filling completed.</p> <p>b) For the auction platform, casting of footing &amp; tie beam, raising of plinth walls, plinth filling work and casting of columns up to lintel level completed.</p> <p>c) For the go-down, casting of footing &amp; tie beam, raising of plinth walls, plinth filling work, casting of columns up to lintel level and raising of super-structure walls up to lintel level completed.</p> <p>d) For pump-house and panel room, casting of footing &amp; tie beam, raising of plinth walls, plinth filling work, casting of column up to lintel level and raising of superstructure walls up to window sill level completed.</p> <p>e) For toilet block, casting of footing &amp; tie beam, raising of plinth walls,</p>	40% (approx) completed



operative works (Site survey, Sub-soil exploration work and project consultancy work).	-do-	-do-	<p>plinth filling work and casting of column up to lintel level completed.</p> <p>f) Boring works and lowering of pipes for the deep tube well completed.</p> <p>g) Works for sub-base of the approach road &amp; parking completed.</p> <p>h) Building materials such as reinforcement bars, bricks, cement, coarse &amp; fine aggregate, etc are sufficiently stacked at site.</p>	-do-
<p>3. Development of Principal Market Yard of Golaghat Regulated Market Committee at Furkating, <u>Dist.: Golaghat.</u></p> <p>a) Construction of compound wall.</p> <p>b) Construction of drain.</p> <p>c) Construction of boundary fencing.</p> <p>d) Raising of low site by earth filling.</p> <p>e) Construction of internal road.</p> <p>f) Providing brick flooring on the market yard.</p> <p>g) Construction of auction platform.</p> <p>h) Construction of go-down.</p> <p>i) Construction of toilet block.</p> <p>j) Installation of deep tube well.</p> <p>k) Water supply and sanitary installation works.</p> <p>l) Electrification works.</p> <p>m) Preliminary &amp; pre-operative works (Site survey, Sub-soil exploration work and project consultancy work).</p>	Rs.150.00	Rs.75.00	<p>a) Raising of low site by earth filling completed.</p> <p>b) For the auction platform, casting of footing &amp; tie beam, raising of plinth walls, plinth filling work and casting of columns up to roof level completed. Casting of lintels and raising of superstructure walls including plastering completed.</p> <p>c) For the go-down, casting of footing &amp; tie beam, raising of plinth walls, plinth filling work, casting of columns/ beams etc. and raising of superstructure walls including plastering completed.</p> <p>d) For boundary wall, works up to superstructure level for 140.0 m length completed.</p> <p>e) For toilet block, casting of footing &amp; tie beam, raising of plinth walls, plinth filling work and casting of columns up to lintel level completed.</p> <p>f) Works for sub-base of the approach road completed.</p> <p>g) Boring works and</p>	45% (approx) completed

			lowering of pipes for the deep tube well completed.  Building materials such as reinforcement bars, bricks, cement, coarse & fine aggregate, etc are sufficiently stacked at site.	
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**NEC's SCHEME (Cold Storage):**

Name of the Scheme	Component	Approved Cost (Rs. In lakh)	Fund Received (Rs. In lakh)	Physical Achievement upto 31-03-2009	Remarks
Establishment of 2000 MT cold storage with allied marketing facilities at Gossaigaon, Assam	<b><u>Land &amp; Site Development</u></b> i) Earth filling & leveling ii) Compound wall	348.80 (313.92 NEC share + 34.88 State Govt. share)	180.00 (NEC share)	100% works completed	Works completed
	<b><u>Building &amp; Civil Works</u></b> i) Civil works for Cold storage			99% works completed	30 <sup>th</sup> April'09
	ii) Civil works for auction yard & office building			100% works completed	Works completed
	iii) Civil works of go-down			Works completed	Works completed
	<b><u>Services</u></b> i) Normal preparation of site			Works completed	Works completed
	ii) Sanitary installation			100% works completed	Works completed
	iii) Internal water supply			85% works completed	30 <sup>th</sup> April'09
	iv) Internal road, path etc.			100% works completed	Works completed
	v) Internal electrification			95% works completed	30 <sup>th</sup> April'09
	vi) External electric			Nil	Under process
	vii) External lighting			Nil	Under process
	viii) Landscaping			Works in progress	30 <sup>th</sup> April'09
	<b><u>Others</u></b> i) Insulation works			100% works completed	Works completed
	ii) Gate & gate-house, community toilet block			100% works completed	Works completed
	iii) Architectural & engineering services			100% works completed	Works completed

	iv) Sub-soil investigation & pile load test	-do-	-do-	100% works completed	Works completed
	v) Fire fighting equipments			Nil	Under process

Note: 1) Overall progress of works of the entire project as on 31<sup>st</sup> March'09 is 98 %

**SCHEME OF JUTE TECHNOLOGY MISSION (MM-III):**

Name of the Scheme	Component	Approved Cost	Fund Received	Physical Achievement upto 31-03-2009	Remarks
Jute Market Yard at Kharupetia	i) JCI's DPC	100.00 lakh (60.00 lakh JTM share + 40.00 lakh ASAMB's share)	45.00 lakh from JTM	100% works completed	Works completed
	ii) Auction platform			100% works completed	Works completed
	iii) Assortment shed			100% works completed	Works completed
	iv) Internal road, parking etc.			100% earth & 50% rock filling embankment completed	30 <sup>th</sup> April'09
	v) Site development by earth filling etc.			100% works completed	Works completed
	vi) Water supply works			80% works completed	30 <sup>th</sup> April'09
	vii) Sanitary works			100% works completed	Works completed
	viii) Internal electrification with panel room			100% panel room works completed & 60% of internal electrification works completed	30 <sup>th</sup> April'09
	ix) Repairing of existing go-down			100% works completed	Works completed
	x) Civil works of weigh bridge with computer room			100% works completed	Works completed

Note: Overall 98 % works completed under Jute Technology Mission.

**Market developed under ADF:-** 18 nos. (15 nos. in 2006-2007)

Sl. No.	Location	Type of work	Estimated Amount
1	Langla market under Howly RMC	Auction platform and site development	Rs. 13,92,000.00
2	Gauripur Jute market and PMY of Dhubri DRMC	Auction platform and staircase	Rs. 12,38,944.00

3	Majbat market under Darrang DRMC	Auction platform	Rs. 11,40,000.00
4	Heto market under Darrang DRMC	Auction platform	Rs. 9,60,000.00
5	Sonabarighat market under Cachar DRMC	Development of approach road	Rs. 8,37,900.00
6	Kushtoli market under Morigaon DRMC	Auction platform	Rs. 13,23,244.00
7	Kalgachia market under Howly RMC	Auction platform	Rs. 5,28,000.00
8	Sutarpara market under Goalpara DRMC	Auction platform	Rs. 4,36,803.00
9	Jorhat Civil Hospital under Jorhat DRMC	Farmers' health care cabin	Rs. 21,69,000.00
10	Shithilagram market under Kokrajhar DRMC	Auction platform	Rs. 10,00,000.00
11	Tulshibil market under Kokrajhar DRMC	Auction platform	Rs. 10,00,000.00
12	Alaibazar market under Kokrajhar DRMC	Auction platform	Rs. 10,00,000.00
13	Pratapkhata under Kokrajhar DRMC	Auction platform	Rs. 10,00,000.00
14	Medaghat market under Nalbari DRMC	Auction platform	Rs. 6,98,937.00
15	Lalpool SMY under Darrang DRMC	Auction platform	Rs. 4,80,000.00
16	Udalguri market under Darrang DRMC	Auction platform and market shed	Rs. 9,60,000.00
17	Bhergaon market under Darrang DRMC	Auction platform	Rs. 9,60,000.00
18	Ghagra market under Darrang DRMC	Auction platform	Rs. 9,60,000.00

**Market developed from MC's fund:-** 13 nos. (14 nos. in 2006-2007)

Sl. No.	Location	Type of work	Estimated Amount
1	Barpathar market under Golaghat RMC	Auction platform	Rs. 19,25,352.00
2	Titabor market under Jorhat DRMC	Site development	Rs. 5,00,000.00
3	Moriyani under Jorhat DRMC	Construction of Drain, Dustbin	Rs. 5,81,354.00
4	Jorhat under Jorhat DRMC	Lighting facility at market area	Rs. 1,11,000.00
5	Uparhali PMY under Guwahati Sub-Div. MC	Drying platform, Auction platform, Earth filling,	Rs. 1,11,13,484.00

		Drainage, Retaining & Boundary wall etc.	
6	Chhaygaon market under Guwahati Sub-Div. MC	Approach road and Earth filling	Rs. 18,10,944.00
7	Sontoli market under Guwahati Sub-Div. MC	Approach road, Earth filling and brick on edge flooring	Rs. 49,54,649.00
8	Boko market under Guwahati Sub-Div. MC	Auction platform and boundary wall	Rs. 13,61,102.00
9	Hahim market under Guwahati Sub-Div. MC	Boundary wall	Rs. 2,26,780.00
10	PMY of Baharihat RMC	Approach road	Rs. 98,500.00
11	Rupahi SMY under Dhing RMC	Auction platform and Drainage	Rs. 9,85,897.00
12	PMY of Lanka RMC	Box culvert	Rs. 94,705.00
13	Hojai SMY under Lanka RMC	Iron Gate, Traders' shop and electrification	Rs. 4,00,472.00

Establishment of a Terminal Market near Amingaon with project cost Rs.186.00 Crore is in active consideration with some progress regarding allotment of land for the same. Development of single commodity market at Darrangiri (for Banana) and at Karikhana (for molasses) is also under consideration.

**Ongoing Projects/Works:-**

- (a) Market Development under TMIDH:- 6 nos. (Boko, Hahim, Barpathar, Rowraih, Moirabari and Doomdumia rural market)
- (b) 2000 MT capacity Cold Storage with allied marketing facilities at Gossaigaon under NEC's financial assistance.
- (c) Improvement of Jute market yard at Kharupetia under the scheme of Jute Technology Mission.
- (d) Developmental works of 29 nos. market in various districts.

**Information & Publicity branch:-**

This branch is headed by a Publicity Officer and he is assisted by one Assistant Publicity Officer, one Assistant Liaison Officer and few other Assistants. This branch undertakes publicity, extension, dissemination and liaison activities of the Board.

Activities of the branch during 2008-09 are given below in brief-

- Participation in Exhibitions = 1 no.
- Publication of Bipanan Varta (monthly journal):- 12 issues
- Press Release = 112 nos.
- Advertisement Release = 103 nos.
- Press meet = 3 nos.

- Dissemination of Market Information (Daily) :
  - (a) through AGMARKNET nodes = 20 nos.
  - (b) through Board's website = 18 markets.

### **Accounts branch:**

The Accounts branch of the Assam State Agricultural Marketing Board is functioning under the supervision and guidance of 2 (two) Chief Accounts Officers assisted by 2 (two) Accounts officers, 5 (five) Accountant (one for Srirampur c/g) and few other Accounts Assistants. There are also 1 (one) Sr. Audit Officer and 2 (two) Internal Auditors in this branch. As per provisions under the Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act.1972 ( as amended up to 2006), the Board and the market committees under it are following the financial rules of the Govt. of Assam and the instructions and circulars issued in this regard by the Govt. of Assam from time to time.

The Accounts maintained by the Marketing Board and Regulated market Committees are audited by the Internal Auditors of the Board and Statutory Audit and also Chartered Accountant for preparing Balance sheets of the Board and Regulated Market Committees.

### **Administrative branch:**

This branch is headed by an Administrative Officer, next to him there are one assistant Administrative Officer, Superintendents and other Assistants. This branch is responsible for execution of day to day establishment matters like maintenance of attendance Register of the employees, granting of leave, increment, promotion, appointment, transfer & posting and other service matters of employees of the Board and market committees under it.

### **Regulated Market Committees:**

In 1972 the Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act was passed by the State Legislative Assembly and from 1976 the Regulated Market Scheme was introduced in the State with the formation of State Agricultural Marketing Board and the Regulated Market Committees (known as APMCs in other States) at different places in the State with the objective of regulation of buying and selling of agricultural produces to eradicate malpractices prevailing in the trade in urban, semi-urban and rural markets and also to establish an efficient marketing system, where the growers may obtain reasonable and competitive price and the traders receive a fair deal in trading. The purpose is also to establish a modern market yard, where scientific godowns for storage, platforms for auction of agricultural commodities, display yards, traders shop, banks and post offices, are provided with. The scheme has been implemented by the Assam State Agricultural Marketing Board through Market Committees established in different areas of the State.

### **Names of Regulated Market Committees with PMY & SMY:**

Sl.No.	Name of RMC's	District	Name of PMY	Name of SMY
1	Boharihat	Barpeta	Boharihat	Mandia, Alupaticchar, Balikuri, Kachumari, Kadong, Moinbari
2	Bongaigaon	Bongaigaon	Bijni	Kabaitari, Patiladoha
3	Cachar	Cachar	—	Barjatrapur, Bhaga, Kumbhirgram,

				Lailapur, Lakhipur, Fulertal, Sonabarighat, Udarbond
4	Dhubri	Dhubri	Gauripur	Bilasipara, Chapar, Mancachar, Dharamsala, Dhubri, Fulkatary, Gauripur Jute Market, Halakura, Kaldoba, Kathalipara Milan Bazaar, Kharuabandha (Hatsingimari), Ranpagli, Salbari, Salkata Bazaar, Golokganj
5	Darrang	Darrang	Kharupetia	Banglagorh, Lalpool, Bhakatpara, Udalguri, Balugaon, Besimari, Dimakuchi, Dumunichowki, Harisinga, Kalaigaon, Khairabari, Kopati, Majbat, Mangaldai Town (Prafullanagar) Market, Namkhola, Patharighat, Tangla
6	Dibrugarh	Dibrugarh	_	Barbarua, Chabua, Dibrugarh, Dikam, Duliajan, Ghoramara, Jokai (Checha), Khowang, Moran, Namrup, Naharkatia, Rajgarh, Tengakhat, Tingkhong, Lahowal
7	Dhemaji	Dhemaji	Silapathar	Dhemaji, Gogamukh, Jonai, Simenchapori
8	Dhing	Nagaon	Dhing	Rupahi, Ambagan, Roha, Chaparmukh, Chulung, Rangalu, Dumdumia, Jakhlabandha, Magurmari, Santijan, Singari, Sonaibali
9	Guwahati SDMC	Kamrup	Uparhali	Amranga, Boko, Dhekiabari, Dhopatari, Hahim, Maloibari, Nagarbera, Singimari, Chaygaon
10	Golaghat	Golaghat	Furkating	Dergaon, Dakhinhengra, Borpathar, Sarupathar, Athkhelia, Behora, Bokakhat, Gomariguri, Kachamari, Naojan, Negheriting, Numaligarh, Rangajan, Sewaguri, Teliahat
11	Goalpara	Goalpara	Goalpara	Chataimari, Dolgoma, Darrangiri, Dhanubhanga, Dhupdhara, Dudhnoi, Jaleswar, Krishnai, Lakhipur, Rangjuli, Simlitola, Taranga
12	Howly	Barpeta	Howly	Barpeta Road, Kalgacia, Sorbhog, Kayakuchi, Langla, Sarupeta, Simla
13	Hailakandi	Hailakandi	Hailakandi	Algapur, Aynakhal, Katlicherra, Lalabazaar
14	Jorhat	Jorhat	Titabor	Allengmora, Borhola, Daflating, Garmur, Jorhat, Kamalabari, Lichibari, Madhopur, Nagabat, Teok, Thengalgaon, Na-kachari

15	Karimganj	Karimganj	-	Bhanga, Durlavcherra, Hatikhira, Ichaguri Fish Market, Karimganj, Lowerpowa, Nilambazar, Patharkandi
16	Kokrajhar	Kokrajhar	Kokrajhar	Basugaon, Gossaigaon, Fakiragaram
17	Lanka	Nagaon	Lanka	Hojai, Kaki No.1, Kampur, Kathiatoli, Kharikhana, Lumding, Maurajhar, Udali, Jamunamukh
18	Morigaon	Morigaon	Morigaon	Bhurbandha, Jagiroad, Laharighat, Mayong, Moirabari
19	Nalbari	Nalbari	Nalbari	Banekuchi, Barama, Barnadi, Bongaon, Dhamdhama, Daulasal, Kaithalkuchi, Kaplabari, Kumrikata, Mukalmua, Nadla, Rampur, Tamulpur, Tihu
20	North Lakhimpur	Lakhimpur	Bongalmara	Boginadi, Dhakuakhana, Harmoti, North Lakhimpur Sadar Market, Ghilamora
21	Rangia SDRMC	Kamrup	Goreswar	Rangia
22	Sivasagar	Sivasagar	-	Amguri, Banfera (Sonari), Borsola Cattle Market, Moranhat, Rajmai Cattle Market, Sapekhati, Simaluguri
23	Sonitpur	Sonitpur	Dhekiajuli	Borsola, Bindukuri, Biswanath Charali, Gingia, Gohpur, Lokra, Panchmile, Singri, Thelamara
24	Tinsukia	Tinsukia	Tinsukia	Bordhumsa, Chapakhowa, Dangari, Doomdooma, Jagun, Kakopathar, Makum
Total	24	-	20	206

Govt. of Assam has already issued Notification of intention for declaration of North Cachar Hills district as market area under Section 4 (1) & (2) of the AAPM Act, 1972 (as amended) vide letter No.AGA.41/2008/4 dated 12<sup>th</sup> March'09.

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