

Proceedings of the Ninth Session of the Assam Legislative Assembly assembled after the First General Election under the Sovereign Democratic Republican Constitution of India

The Assembly met in the Assembly Chamber, Shillong at 10 A. M., on Tuesday, the 20th March, 1956.

PRESENT

Shri Rajendra Nath Barua, B. L., Deputy Speaker, in the Chair, the Nine Ministers, the two Deputy Ministers, the two Parliamentary Secretaries and fifty-seven Members.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

STARRED QUESTIONS

(To which oral answers were given)

Re: The Juvenile Criminals in the Jails

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA asked :

*5. Will the Minister-in-charge of Jails be pleased to state—

(a) Whether the juvenile criminals are still lodged in the jails in the State along with the elderly criminals ?

(b) Whether the Government propose to start a reformatory for the juvenile convicts ?

Rev. J. J. M. NICHOLS-ROY (Minister) replied :

5. (a)—Juvenile prisoners are lodged in the same jails as adults but they are as far as practicable kept in separate barracks where no adult and hardened criminals are lodged.

(b)—In the Second Five Year Plan the proposal for constructing a Juvenile Jail (Borstal Institute) for the juvenile-prisoners has been included.

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA: Pending completion of construction of the reformatory, may I know whether juvenile prisoners will be kept completely separated from elderly persons?

Rev J. J. M. NICHOLS-ROY (Minister): Yes, a new Central Jail is proposed to be made where we have made provision for juvenile prisoners to be kept separately. But pending completion of construction of that jail, we are making provision to keep the juvenile prisoners in separate barracks but inside the compound where elderly prisoners are also kept.

Number of Pensioners in Assam

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA asked:

*6. Will the Finance Minister be pleased to state—

- (a) The total number of pensioners in Assam?
- (b) The number of pensioners who belong to the low income group?
- (c) Whether the Government propose to give the pensioners of low income group any further relief?
- (d) If not, why not?

Shri MOTIRAM BORA (Minister) replied:

6. (a)—The total number of Assam Government pensioners is 4,306.

(b), (c) & (d)—It is not clear what the hon. Member means by low income group. This may please be clarified, so that the required information may be collected and furnished.

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA: Will the Minister-in-charge be pleased to inform whether any provision has been made for granting dearness allowance to pensioners who draw pensions less than Rs.100 per month?

Shri MOTIRAM BORA (Minister): No.

Plying of State Transport Buses as City Bus

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA asked :

*7. Will the Minister-in-charge of Transport be pleased to state—

- (a) If two State Transport Buses plied as City Buses in Shillong during the months of September and October, 1955 ?
- (b) If so, why ?
- (c) Whether the two buses were withdrawn after plying for two months ?
- (d) If so, why ?
- (e) Whether it is fact that the placing of the two vehicles led to the other City Buses being plied regularly and according to the schedule timings during the above period ?
- (f) Whether Government contemplate to nationalise the City Bus Transport of Shillong ?

*8. Will the Transport Minister be pleased to state—

- (a) Whether the present site where the State Transport Station at Shillong is situated lies on congested locality ?
- (b) Whether Government propose to shift it from there ?

Shri SIDDHINATH SARMA (Minister) replied :

7. (a) & (c)—One State Transport Bus plied as City Bus in Shillong from 23rd October, 1955 to 30th November 1955. This was withdrawn with effect from 1st December 1955.

(b)—To meet the increased demand of passenger traffic arising out of Durga Puja, Kali Puja and All-India Speakers' Conference.

(d)—The bus was withdrawn as the necessity for which the temporary permit was granted no longer existed.

(e)—Government have no information.

(f)—There is no proposal, at present, to nationalise the City Bus Service in Shillong.

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA : Will the Minister-in-charge be pleased to state whether during the period the Transport Bus plied as City Bus, tickets were issued to passengers?

Shri SIDDHINATH SARMA (Ministers) : Yes.

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA : May I know whether private City Buses issue tickets in the same manner ?

Shri SIDDHINATH SARMA (Minister) : I cannot say off hand what procedure is followed by private Buses. But so far my information goes, they generally issue tickets to passengers.

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA : May I know whether Government will instruct private City Buses to issue tickets to passengers in the same manner as the Government Buses use to do ?

Shri SIDDHINATH SARMA (Minister) : I am sorry, Sir, I cannot give a definite assurance at the moment in the manner asked for by the hon. Member. As a matter of fact whether Government can issue such instructions under the Motor Vehicles Act and Rules will have to be examined.

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA : Sir, in case it is found that such instructions can be issued.....

Shri SIDDHINATH SARMA (Minister) : Yes, I shall examine the matter and do whatever is needful.

8. (a)—Yes.

(b)—Yes. Partly with a view to remove congestion in the present site.

Allegation against the Deputy Director of Supply (Accounts)

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA asked :

*9. (a) Will the Supply Minister be pleased to refer to the reply given to Unstarred Question No.20(d) asked by Shri Hareswar Goswami in the Assembly on 4th November 1954 and state whether the allegation made against the Deputy Director of Supply (Accounts) has since been fully enquired into ?

(b) If so, what are the results of the enquiry ?

Shri BAIDYANATH MOOKERJEE (Minister) replied :

9. (a)—Confidential enquiry was made.

(b)—The allegations were found to be baseless.

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA : May I know, Sir, who conducted the enquiry ?

Shri BAIDYANATH MOOKERJEE (Minister) : Director of Supply conducted the enquiries

Re: Supply and Procurement Departments

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA asked :

*10. Will the Minister-in-charge of Supply be pleased to state whether Supply and Procurement Departments are considered as one Unit at the time of retrenchment, but not at the time of promotion ?

Shri BAIDYANATH MOOKERJEE (Minister) replied :

10.—Since the amalgamation of both the branches, it is considered as one Unit both at the time of retrenchment as well as at the time of promotion.

Re: Two Office Assistants in the Office of the Trade Adviser in Calcutta

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA asked :

*11. Will the Minister-in-charge of Supply be pleased to state—

(a) Whether it is a fact that two Office Assistants in the Office of the Trade Adviser in Calcutta, namely, Shri S. Bardhan and Shri S. Ganguli were transferred to the Office of the Director of Supply at Shillong during the summer season and retransferred to the Office of the Trade Adviser in Calcutta during the winter season of 1955-56 ?

(b) What was the reason of these transfers and retransfers ?

- (c) What amount of money had to be spent by Government in consequence of these transfers and retransfers in the form of travelling allowances, etc. ?

Shri BAIDYANATH MOOKERJEE (Minister) replied :

11. (a)—Shri S. K. Ganguli was transferred from Trade Adviser's Office in December 1954 but he joined in the Director of Supply's Office in February 1955 after availing himself of 2 months' leave. He was retransferred to the Trade Adviser's Office by the end of July 1955. Shri S. Bardhan was transferred to the Office of the Director of Supply in April 1955 and was retransferred to Calcutta in September 1955.

(b)—There was allegation against them and the transfers were ordered in order to facilitate enquiry. Their retransfers were ordered some months later on their representations after it was found on enquiry that the allegation was not correct.

(c)—A sum of Rs.230 (Rupees two hundred and thirty) was spent for their transfers and a similar amount was spent on their retransfers.

Re-appointment of Shri Hem Chandra Baruah as Relief and Rehabilitation Officer

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA asked :

*12. Will the Minister-in-charge of Relief and Rehabilitation be pleased to state—

- (a) Whether it is a fact that Shri Hem Chandra Baruah, who was discharged by the Government of Assam has been re-appointed as Relief and Rehabilitation Officer, Dibrugarh ?

- (b) If so, whether he has been absolved of the charges against him ?

Shri MOTIRAM BORA (Minister) replied :

12. (a)—In a letter, dated 8th December 1955, Shri Hem Chandra Baruah, Relief and Rehabilitation Officer, Dibrugarh was given notice that his services were no longer required in the

Relief and Rehabilitation Department after thirty days from the date of receipt thereof. Later, on receipt of a representation from him praying for re-consideration of the orders for his discharge, the matter was re-considered and he was re-instated.

(b)—No formal charges were framed against the Officer.

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA : What was the charge against this officer ?

Shri MOTIRAM BORA (Minister) : No formal charges were framed against the officer, Sir.

UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

(To which answers were laid on the table)

Printing of Electoral Rolls of Dhubri

RAJA AJIT NARAYAN DEB of Sidli asked :

23. Will the Chief Minister be pleased to refer to the answer given to Unstarred Question No. 29 asked by the Questioner on the 25th November 1955, on the subject of printing of Electoral Rolls of Dhubri and state—

(a) Why out of the five Printing Presses one was not given any contract work for printing ?

(b) The name of the Press and the name of its proprietor ?

Shri BISHNURAM MEDHI (Chief Minister) replied :

23. (a)—For breach of agreement executed by it in 1954 in connection with the printing of electoral rolls.

(b)—The name of the Press is "The Sukumari Press" and the registered owner is Srimati Sukumari Chakravarty.

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MENT OF EXPENDITURE CHARGED UPON
THE CONSOLIDATED FUND OF THE
STATE FOR 1955-56

Discussion on the Supplementary Statement of Expenditure charged upon the consolidated fund of the State for 1955-56

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA: Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, it is gratifying to note that this time the Supplementary Expenditure charged upon the Consolidated Fund as placed before the House today is not a big sum. It covers only two items. But, Sir, we find that these matters may not be considered as unforeseen or quite necessary. For example, it is shown that the amount of Rs. 2,276 was required to meet the expenditure on account of the cost paid to Government of India for the special flight in the Indian Air Force Dakota undertaken by the Chief Minister for visual reconnaissance of the flood affected area on the Bhutan Border. I do not understand what important purpose, extra-ordinary purpose, was served by such a visual reconnaissance of the area by the Chief Minister. If this amount would have been spent for sending some aid to the suffering people, that would have been understandable, but such a pretty big sum spent simply over a flight by Dakota, I think, was not quite warranted. It is said sometimes that “কানও হয় পৌষ নাস কানও হয় সর্বনাশ” People suffer and some big officer or the Head of the Government spends in a flight by Dakota. This, I think, is not proper and in the future Government should be more careful in incurring this sort of expenditure.

Secondly, Sir, we find that in spite of the Budget grant of not less than Rs. 2,35,800 under the head “A-8-Ministers”—in spite of this big allocation in the Budget itself, another amount of Rs. 12,000 has been spent “to meet the increased expenditure on account of travelling allowance of the Ministers and Deputy Ministers during the year due to the increase in the number of tours on official purposes”. The words “official purposes” are very vague words. Sometimes we find that the inspection of a Middle English School or even of a hostel or laying the foundation stone of a very minor matter is shown as an official tour. Often it comes to our notice that tours are actually taken for purposes other than official purposes, sometimes to attend party meetings, sometimes to attend party conferences and so on and by the way one school is visited or the foundation stone is laid of a dispensary or a hospital. Thus the money is drawn as being on official duty. This sort of things should be discontinued. Those who are party leaders may have, however, to attend party meetings or party conferences, but they should do so either by spending private money or from party fund and not by using State vehicles or

by drawing money in the form of travelling allowance showing that the visit was on some official purpose. I am not making a specific allegation against any particular Minister, but that is what often comes to our notice and therefore in this respect I would request the Government to be more careful in spending public money. These are the few observations I wanted to make on this item.

Shri MOTIRAM BORA (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I am very sorry that my Friend, Mr. Bhattacharyya, has taken exception to the Chief Minister's taking a flight by Dakota over the flood-affected areas. Sir, it is not unknown to you what extensive havoc was caused by the flood to this State of ours. The successive floods caused a very great damage to the entire area, but it was not possible to ascertain the extent of the damage because all means of communication were cut off. Assam was, so to say, rendered a vast sheet of water at that time. We could not go to see those places because there were several breaches on the railway line and most of our Public Works Department roads were breached. And therefore if the Chief Minister had taken a flight to ascertain the extent of damages caused to those areas just to make out a case for assistance from the Government of India, I think, the Chief Minister has done the right thing. The sum of Rs. 2,276 was indeed a small amount compared to what the Chief Minister had done. As I have already stated the whole area was covered with water and all means of communication were cut off except by air. Therefore it was decided by the Chief Minister to go there on an aeroplane hired from India and the sum incurred was very small compared to what has been gained by that flight. The result of the Chief Minister's reconnaissance over that area has given immense benefit to this State. Probably I have mentioned of it in my Budget speech that this time a very liberal provision has been made by India to this State by way of assistance in restoring flood damages. I have already stated in my Budget speech that 50 per cent of assistance has been given by India for restoration of the damages caused to our roads and even our High Schools, Aided Schools, Lower Primary Schools, etc., and all these institutions are getting this time liberal assistance from India. The rules of assistance have been liberalised by India and we are getting a very large amount from them. So, Sir, we have obtained several lakhs of rupees from India by way of assistance to our educational institutions, to our local bodies, to our Panchayats and so on and all this was made possible because the Chief Minister himself had seen the ravages caused by the

floods and we could utilise it to make out a case with India. After ascertaining these extensive damages the Chief Minister also made an appeal to the people of Assam as well as people outside Assam for help to the distressed people and he got a very good response. If he had not gone there, how all this would have been possible? My Friend would have been the first man to accuse the Chief Minister that when the people were dying there, he was sitting here. Then again it was not a pleasure trip for the Chief Minister to have an aeroplane flight; he had made such flights on many occasions. Rather he took a personal risk in this particular flight because the weather condition was very bad at that time and there was practically no landing place in case of an emergency. In view of all this, I hope my Friend, Mr. Bhattacharyya, will not grudge this small amount of Rs. 2,276. My Friend, Shri Bhattacharyya, has also taken exceptions to the Ministers drawing a large amount of money by way of travelling allowance. Sir, the only explanation is that the Ministers go out and see the development works done by our officers, you cannot expect much progress on them. When the Ministers go out to see such development works with their own eyes, it indirectly means that such development works are accelerated. When the Ministers go out for this purpose, they also give necessary advice and encouragement to the officers concerned and also the local people, so that such works can be accelerated and the people enthused. During the last few years, Sir, I have seen myself that we have been able to make substantial progress in our development works and we could spend a total sum of about 40 crores of rupees both from our source as well as from the Central source. This is really a big amount that we could spend in our State where sufficient trained personnel is so much wanting and where so many difficulties are experienced. It is to be seen how we could achieve so much progress in spending so much money. It was done because the Ministers themselves took the responsibility of visiting such areas in which development works were going on and giving advice, guidance and encouragement to the people concerned. They had to see that the money allotted for such purposes was spent and that the country was developed to the fullest extent possible. Therefore, Sir, if you grudge this expenditure in the shape of Travelling Allowance drawn by the Ministers, you cannot expect progress in the development works of our State. Is it desirable that the Ministers

should not go out and see such development works with their own eyes and give necessary advice and encouragement? With this explanation, Sir, I do not think my Friend, Mr. Bhattacharyya, can take serious exception to such a small expenditure in the shape of Travelling Allowance for Ministers.

Another point raised is why should the Ministers go out to attend political meetings and at the same time do some official work and thus draw Travelling Allowance. I am sorry to say, Sir, that this accusation is not justified. Ministers are not officials. They are public men. They are the chosen representatives of the people and so they should go to meet the people and to see things with their own eyes. They will have to go if our people desire them to go and encourage them in their various activities like laying foundation stone of some public institutions, and so on. What is the harm in doing so in a particular place? What is the harm if a Minister goes to a place where he is to help in raising a school building or any other public institution? If the people want them to go there, they must do so in order to encourage them by their presence and advice. If the Ministers go to the people and associate with the people, it means that they encourage the people in their various public activities. If the Ministers are not allowed to go and meet the people and to encourage them, then how can they be expected to know the people and their grievances and to run the administration efficiently? Here, after Independence we have altogether a different kind of regime. It is a Government of the people, by the people and for the people. It is now no longer a police State. It is a welfare State. So, if the Ministers are not allowed to associate with the people, it will be doing an injustice to the people and thus you cannot expect progress in the country. If the Ministers do some kind of such public and official works while returning from a public meeting or a party meeting, I do not see any harm. After all it is a party system of Government. It is a party or parties that run the administration. I owe some allegiance to my party and I am to explain the work of progress and policies to my party when it is a party Government. Therefore if the Ministers, while doing any public duty also attend any public meeting, I do not see any harm in it, rather in doing so the progress of the country is accelerated and better work in development is achieved. Rather by coming in contact with the people and knowing of their grievances and

needs for a first hand service, it helps the people in various ways. They also get to know what is being done by Government for them.

Shri GIRINDRA NATH GOGOI : On a point of information, Sir. May I know whether any Minister, Deputy Minister or Parliamentary Secretary has ever visited the Demou area where development work is going on ?

Shri MOTI RAM BORA (Minister) : Sir, it may not be possible for all the Ministers to see the development works that are taking place in all parts of the State. It may not be possible also for a Minister to go to a particular place to see the development works there. But that does not show that the Ministers do not go out to see development works elsewhere. However, Sir, for the information of my hon. Friend I may tell him that the Deputy Minister of Revenue once visited the Demou area along with him.

Shri GIRINDRA NATH GOGOI : May I know when ?

Shri MOTIRAM BORA (Minister) : I will ask Mr. Gogoi to refresh his memory because the Deputy Minister visited that area in Mr. Gogoi's own jeep. I have also come to know that my Colleague, Mr. Brahma, also once visited that area to see some work being done there.

Shri GIRINDRA NATH GOGOI : Mr. Brahma visited that area in order to see the ravages of the Brahmaputra only.

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA : বিএনেকক
যে এবাব চাবটেল গৈছিল—তেতিয়া ।

Shri MOTIRAM BORA (Minister) : That is also a work to be done by a Minister, because Minister is also a human being. When a Minister go to a particular place for a certain purpose, for example, to lay the foundation stone of a particular school, it does not mean that he cannot do any other work there or see a friend or a relation on the way. As a matter of fact, a Minister cannot move with only one object in view. He is to do a lot of things of other Departments also. When Minister visits a particular area, he not only contacts the representatives of the people in the local Circuit House, but he also goes to the interior to see the difficulties of the people and thus much of the difficulties of the people can be appreciated by discussion, visit and instruction. In my opinion this is a very important kind of work done by Ministers. From what I have said, Sir, I feel that my Friend, Mr. Bhattacharyya, should have no grievance.

Supplementary Demands for Grants

No.1

7.—“Land Revenue”

Shri MOTIRAM BORA (Minister): On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.2,86,010 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head “7.—Land Revenue”.

Rs.

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly	...	81,83,400
II.—Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year.		5,52,658
Additional amount now required	...	2,86,010
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for:—		

Minor and sub-heads	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
I.—A.—General Estt.— 5.—Commissioner of Wakfs, etc.							
1. Pay of Officers ..	—	..	..	..	5,250	..	5,250
2. Pay of Estt. ..	..	..	..	..	740	..	740
3. Allowances and Honorary.	..	..	..	..	3,900	..	3,900
4. Contingencies.	—	..	..	..	2,250	..	2,250
II.—B.—Tahsil and other Estt.—E.—Add Amount transferred from “40.—Agriculture—Land Reclamation Scheme—Kaki Raclamation Scheme”.	8,80,400	..	3,04,169	..	2,03,870	..	2,03,870

III.—G.—Land Records—
(b) District Charges—
Kanungo Estt.

Minor and sub-heads	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
(a) 1. Pay of Estt. ..	8,12,700	4,346	..	..	15,000	..	15,000
(b) 2. Allowances and Honoraria.	4,20,600	2,660	..	..	50,000	..	50,000
(c) 3. Contingencies ..	85,500	1,700	..	..	5,000	..	5,000
Total ..	..	..	..	..	2,86,010	..	2,86,010

IV.—*Deduct*—Recoveries from the Muttawallis on account of (—)12,140 .. (—)12,140
expenditure on Commissioner of Wakfs.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. The Muslim Wakfs Act, 1954 has been brought into force in Assam with effect from 1st February 1955. Government with a purpose of making a survey of Wakfs properties have appointed an Assistant Commissioner of Wakfs with headquarters at Gauhati with effect from 16th August 1955. The grant is necessary to meet the pay and allowances of the Officer and the staff entertained for the purpose. The entire cost is to be recovered from the Muttawallis.

II. The amount is required for meeting the depreciation charge of machineries and tools utilised in Kaki Reclamation Scheme during the current year. The amount could not be provided in the Budget as the figure was not available earlier. As per Government decision this amount is to be initially met from "40.—Agriculture".

III. (a) Excess expenditure is due to entertainment of some temporary staff in connection with Palasbari Township, Rehabilitation work at Chaygaon and Reclamation Scheme at Bhogpara in Kamrup District, extension survey work in Nowgong district and ground survey in Cachar district and also due to grant of increase rate of field allowances to Supervisor Kanungos.

III. (b) Excess is due partly to (i) the reason given against III (a) above and partly to (ii) payment of a good number of arrear Travelling Allowance bills pertaining to the previous year from the current year's budget grant particularly by the Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup after pre-audit by the Accountant General and partly to (iii) increase of tours performed by increased number of officers in connection with floods, eviction, encroachment and other enquiries besides regular tours on Land Records works.

III. (c) Excess is due to requirements of additional instruments for increased staff and also to increase in conveyance charges. The expenditure was unforeseen. A Supplementary grant is necessary to meet the expenditure.

IV. *Deduct Recovery*.—By Section 7 of the Muslim Wakfs Act, 1954, the entire cost involved in connection with survey of Wakfs Properties is to be recovered from the Muttawallis.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.2,86,010 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "7.—Land Revenue."

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.2,86,010 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "7.—Land Revenue".

(The Motion was adopted.)

No.2

"8.—State Excise Duties"

Rev. J. J. M. NICHOLS ROY (Minister): On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.86,587 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1956 for administration of the head "8.—State Excise Duties".

	Rs.
I. Grant originally voted by the Assembly	12,74,700
II. Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	55,150
Additional amount now required	86,587
III. Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for:—	

Minor and sub-heads (1)	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
	(2) Rs.	(3) Rs.	(4) Rs.	(5) Rs.	(6) Rs.	(7) Rs.	(8) Rs.
B.—District Executive Establishment—							
3. Allowances and honoraria	2,50,134	32,208	5,000	..	1,660	..	1,660
4. Contingencies ..	59,875	6,736	27,600	..	..	..	27,500
5. Prohibition Propaganda.	3,93,506	54,450	11,190	5,270	27,500	11,725	..
Add—amount transferred from "29.—Police".	..	..	..	..	9,123	..	9,123
C.—Compensation (Voted).	..	..	..	..	36,579	..	36,579
Total ..	7,03,515	93,394	43,790	5,270	86,587	..	86,587

EXPLANATORY NOTES

B.—District Executive Establishment—3 and 4.—In connection with liquor prohibition in the District of Kamrup, one pick-up van has recently been sanctioned. One post of Honorary Prohibition Organiser and one post of Assistant Organiser have also been created for carrying on propaganda work. It has also been decided to supply tea free of cost to the sweepers of the town of Gauhati in the three camps opened in the sweeper's colonies of the town. For purchase of the pick-up van, for cost of utensils, improvised camps, etc., and for Travelling Allowance, etc., of the Honorary Prohibition Organiser and Assistant Organiser, the additional amount is required.

The amount was advanced from the Contingency Fund.

5. It has become essentially necessary to open an opium addicts treatment centre at Chabua in Dibrugarh Subdivision. An amount of Rs.11,725 is sought to be provided through a Supplementary Demand as no provision for the purpose could be made in the Budget.

The amount has already been advanced from Contingency Fund.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.86,587 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1956 for administration of the head "8.—State Excise Duties".

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.86,587 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "8.—State Excise Duties."

(The Motion was adopted)

No.3

"9.—Stamps"

Rev. J.J.M. NICHOLS ROY (Minister): On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.5,600, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1956, for the administration of the head "9.—Stamps".

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly 1,13,300
 Additional grant voted by the Assembly during
 the year.

II.—Additional amount now required 5,600

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand
 will be accounted for—

	Grant originally voted by the Assembly	Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year	Additional amount now required
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Minor and sub-heads		General		Sixth Schedule Areas		General		Sixth Schedule Areas		Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)			
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.			
B.—Judicial Stamps ..	12,000	605	..	..	..	100	100			
D.—Value of Stamps supplied from Central Stores.	47,000	2,250	..	..	5,000	500	5,500			
Total ..	59,000	2,855	..	..	5,000	600	5,600			

EXPLANATORY NOTES

B.—The excess is due to increase in demand of stamps.

D.—The excess is due to increase in demand and to supply of stamps consignments by Air-post to meet some urgent and emergent demands.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.5,600 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "9.—Stamps".

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.5,600 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "9.—Stamps".

(The Motion was adopted.)

No.4

‘10 Forests’

Shri RAMNATH DAS (Minister): On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.7,19,888, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head ‘10—Forests’.

Rs.

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly	...	60,23,900
Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year	3,85,642

II.—Additional amount now required	7,19,888
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III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary demand will be accounted for—

Minor and Sub-heads	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	Sixth Schedule Areas		Sixth Schedule Areas		Sixth Schedule Areas		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.

NORMAL—

B.—(a) Conservancy and Works—

(1) I.—Timber and other produce removed from the Forest by Government Agency.	10,000	1,140	..	..	8,400	..	8,400
(2) VI.—Communication and Buildings.	6,29,800	1,40,000	83,900	..	58,000	8,000	66,000
(3) VII.—Organisation, Improvement and extension of Forest.	5,40,000	1,26,000	..	..	39,590	..	39,590
(4) VIII.—Miscellaneous	1,46,000	18,478	40,757	..	10,000	..	10,000

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General		Sixth Schedule Areas		General		Sixth Schedule Areas
	Total		Total		Total		Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Development Schemes Art. 275—							
B.1.—Conservancy and Works—							
(5) VI.—Communication and buildings.	2,00,000	2,95,000	..	..	...	2,14,000	2,14,000
(6) VII.—Organisation, improvement and extension of Forests.	..	2,15,000	..	..	..	1,74,270	1,74,270
Development Scheme (Five Year Plan)							
B.—2.—Conservancy and Works—							
(7) VI.—Communication and buildings.	3,48,600	62,100	95,050	..	1,24,898	8,600	1,33,498
C.—2.—Establishment—							
(8) 4.—Contingencies ..	8,500	..	1,16,000	..	74,130	..	74,130
Total ..	12,82,900	8,57,718	3,35,707	..	3,15,018	4,04,870	7,19,888

EXPLANATORY NOTES

(1) An amount of Rs.8,400 is required to meet the expenditure in connection with capture of 2 rhinos for Mysore and Trivandram Zoos. The decision to capture two rhinos was taken long after submission of the budget for 1955-56 and as such no provision could be made in the budget. Hence, the Supplementary Demand. The amount was advanced from the C. F. to meet immediate expenditure.

(2) (i) An amount of Rs.17,123 is required for construction of Beat Office buildings and quarters at Diphu due to handing over of the existing buildings to Deputy Commissioner. Out of the total amount of Rs.17,123 an amount of Rs.9,123 will be met from savings under the head and the balance of Rs.8,000 is now required. The decision to hand over the buildings was taken after submission of budget for 1955-56. Hence the Supplementary Demand.

(ii) An amount of Rs.58,000 which was contributed by the Government of Bhutan for the construction of Bishmuri-Saralpara Road has been credited to State Revenue. Expenditure on the road to the extent of Rs.58,000 will have to be debited to Normal Budget. The balance of

expenditure on the road is being met from grant-in-aid from Government of India under Article 275. The Supplementary Demand has no additional financial implication.

(3) An amount of Rs.39,590 is required in connection with growing of Match Wood Plantation in addition to Rs.1,00,000 provided in the budget for 1955-56. Hence the demand.

(4) An amount of Rs.10,000 is required to meet the extra expenditure on account of dearness allowance to be paid to the work charged establishment. This extra amount is involved due to the abolition of free ration and rice concession. Hence the Supplementary Demand.

(5) (i) An amount of Rs 2,95,000 had been provided in the budget for 1955-56 under communications in the autonomous districts of Assam. The Darugiri-Darrangiri Area in Garo Hills is poor in communications. This area is a Sal providing area and the tribal people living in these parts of the district are experiencing great difficulties in developing their forest produce for want of good road. It has, therefore, been decided to construct a road from Darugiri to Darrangiri. If this road is constructed, the tribal people will be highly benefited, as in addition to forest development they will also get easy access to the Jhum Control cultivation demonstration centres. Incidentally, this road will also greatly facilitate transport of drilling equipments to the Darrangiri coal-field area. Accordingly it has been decided to construct the above mentioned road at an estimate cost of rupees two lakhs, funds being met from the current year's Article 275 grants. This amount is not available in the State Budget. Hence the Supplementary Demand for provision of Rs.2,00,000.

(ii) An amount of Rs.14,000 is required for the widening and improvement of the Wahjajer-Nortiang Road. This road is important as it will serve the purpose of easy access to the pine forest of the Nartiang region and eventually be a benefit to the tribal people in that area for bringing out forest produce to the market. Hence the Supplementary Demand for Rs.14,000. An advance of Rs.2,14,000 was sanctioned from the C. F. to meet immediate expenditure for the above 2 items.

(6) There is a provision of Rs.2,00,000 in the current year's State Budget for the Pilot Project scheme for control of shifting cultivation in the Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas. This scheme is being financed from the Article 275 grants and India's current year's grant for it is rupees six lakhs. The Forest Department are not able to spend the entire grant during the remaining period of the current financial year. An amount of Rs.4 lakhs is only necessary for this year. Hence the additional sum of rupees 2 lakhs requires provision in the State budget through Supplementary Demand. Out of the amount of Rs 2 lakhs an amount of Rs.25,730 will be met from savings under "Establishment". An advance of Rs.1,74,270 was sanctioned to meet immediate expenditure.

The balance amount of Rs.2,00,000 out of the entire grant of Rs.6,00,000 is being utilised in constructing the Darugiri-Darrangiri Road in Garo Hills mentioned in item (i) noted above.

(7) An amount of Rs.1,33,498, is required to meet the additional expenditure proposed for improvement of road and bridges works in General and Sixth Schedule areas.

(8) An amount of Rs.74,130, is additionally required to meet the expenditure of one Jeep and one Cater Pillar Tractor with Crane.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.7,19,888, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "10.—Forests."

(After a pause)

Maulavi Tajuddin Ahmed who tabled two Cut Motions, is absent. So, I put the question. The question is that an additional amount of Rs.7,19,888 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "10.—Forests".

(The Motion was adopted.)

No.5

'12.—Charges on Account of Motor Vehicles Taxation Act.'

Shri SIDDHINATH SARMA (Minister) : On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.1,09,274 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "12.—Charges on account of Motor Vehicles Taxation Act."

Rs.

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly	...	19,09,700
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year	...	73,000
Additional amount now required	...	1,09,274
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—		

Minor and Sub-heads	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
D.—Other Charges	11,36,000	30,000	..	..	84,900	24,374	1,09,274

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Due to rapid progress of certain works which are likely to be completed, the provision made in the budget proved inadequate.
Hence the Supplementary Demand.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.1,09,274 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "12.—Charges on account of Motor Vehicles Taxation Act."

(After a pause)

Shri Hareswar Goswami, who tabled a Cut Motion, is absent. I therefore put the question.

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.1,09,274 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "12.—Charges on account of Motor Vehicles Taxation Act."

(The Motion was adopted.)

No.6

"13.—Other Taxes and Duties"

Shri MOTIRAM BORA (Minister): On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.58,274, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "13.—Other Taxes and Duties".

			Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly	...	...	5,69,900
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.			
Additional amount now required	...	...	58,274

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—

Minor and Sub-heads	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly in June 1955 session		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
A. Collection charges for Taxes and Duties having a common administrative Staff Entertainment, Sales and Profession Taxes—							.
A. (a) Direction—							
1. Pay of Officer ..	21,800	..	..	..	15,350	..	15,350
2. Allowances etc. ..	25,500	..	..	..	3,250	..	3,250
3. Contingencies ..	6,400	..	..	..	1,300	..	1,300
Total	53,700	..	..	..	19,900	..	19,900
(b) Superintendence—							
1. Pay of Establishment	2,06,500	10,000	..	..	10,300	..	10,300
Allowances etc. ..	1,26,400	7,100	..	..	14,150	..	14,150
3. Contingencies ..	47,200	5,650	..	..	8,600	..	8,600
Add—amount transferred from General.	..	47,090	..	..	..	5,000	5,000
Total (b) ..	3,80,100	69,750	..	..	33,050	5,000	38,050
(c) Entertainment ..	8,096	2,600	..	..	324	..	324
Total	4,41,896	72,350	..	..	53,274	5,000	58,274

EXPLANATORY NOTES

A (a)-(b).—The additional expenditure is due to sanction of the third post of Assistant Commissioner of Taxes, installation of telephone connections in Unit-Offices and creation of a new Unit Office at Mangaldai in the interest of better and efficient administration of the different taxation measures.

(c).—The amount is required to meet the manufacturing cost of Entertainment tax stamps for Supply of certain denominations of entertainments tax stamps on emergent demand.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.58,274, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "13.—Other Taxes and Duties".

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.58,274 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "13.—Other Taxes and Duties".

No.7

"18.-B and 68.-B.—Navigation, Embankment and Drainage".

Shri SIDDHINATH SARMA (Minister): On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional sum of Rs.19,50 500 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "18.-B and 68.-B.—Navigation, Embankment and Drainage".

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...	5,08,36,400
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year. ...	...
Additional amount now required	19,50,500

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary grant will be accounted for—

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
68-B.—N.E.D. Works—Financed from Capital Revenues—							
(1) Maintenance and Repairs of Food Bonus and Grow More Food Scheme.	5,00,000	..	..	..	3,49,600	5,000	3,54,000
(2) Maintenance and Repairs of Scheme for improvement of scarcity Areas.	50,000	..	..	..	35,200	..	35,200
(3) Maintenance and Repairs of Unpro- ductive works.	3,00,000	..	..	..	2,67,500	..	2,67,500
(4) Maintenance of Additional Minor Irrigation Schemes.	..	..	..	..	83,900	..	83,900
(5) Maintenance and Repairs—Restora- tion of Flood da- mages.	..	..	..	..	11,72,500	36,800	12,09,300
Total	.. 8,50,000	..	..	..	19,08,700	41,800	19,50,500

EXPLANATORY NOTES

The additional requirement is mainly due to F. D. R. Works taken up to restore the heavy damages done to the bunds and embankment by the heavy floods during the year. Also many S. R. Works, e. g., retirement of the bunds had to be taken up. Besides more Schemes have since been completed and for which proper maintenance is necessary. Hence the Supplementary Demand.

The amount has already been advanced from the Contingency Fund.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Motion moved is that an additional sum of Rs.19,50,500 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "18—B and 68—B.—Navigation, Embankment and Drainage".

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional sum of Rs.19,50,500 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1956, for the administration of the head "18-B and 68-B.—Navigation, Embankment and Drainage".

(The Motion was adopted.)

No.8

"25.—General Administration"

Shri BISHNURAM MEDHI (Chief Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg to move that an additional amount of Rs.7,05,862 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March 1956, for the administration of the head "25.—General Administration".

The details are given below and the necessity for this demand is explained in the explanatory notes. I hope the hon. Members of this House will accept my Motion.

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly	...	Rs. 87,49,500
II.—Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year.		7,18,953
Additional amount now required	...	7,05,862

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—

Minor and Sub-heads	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
A.7.—Chief Minister and Secretariat Staff of Chief Minister—							
(1) Allowances and Honoraria.	21,200	..	..	..	4,000	..	4,000
1(2) Contingencies	31,800	..	5,000	..	3,000	..	3,000
B.—State Legislature—							
B.—Legislative Assembly—							
(1) Allowances and Honoraria.	1,00,000	..	..	..	12,000	..	12,000
(2) Contingencies	3,000	..	..	..	3,500	..	3,500
B2.—(1) Pay of Establishment.	46,900	..	..	..	1,500	..	1,500
(2) Contingencies	58,900	..	37,000	..	1,200	..	1,200
D.—Secretariat and Headquarter Establishment—							
D.1(a)—Civil Secretariat—							
(1) Pay of officers	5,14,300	..	..	..	4,000	..	4,000

Minor and sub-heads	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
	(1) Rs.	(3) Rs.	(4) Rs.	(5) Rs.	(6) Rs.	(7) Rs.	(8) Rs.
D.1(a)—C.S.— <i>conold.</i>							
(2) Pay of establishment	8,68,000	..	..	..	1,52,000	..	1,52,000
(3) Allowances and Honorary.	4,49,000	..	..	..	1,40,000	..	1,40,000
(4) Contingencies	2,40,000	..	..	..	1,23,000	..	1,23,000
(5) Central Training Institute, Shillong	..	..	..	..	38,950	..	38,950
(6) Training Scheme in Banking.	..	..	..	..	1,300	..	1,300
(b) Publicity—							
(i) Publicity	1,91,784	..	1,46,564	..	17,136	..	17,436
(ii) Rural Broadcasting System.	56,000	..	..	..	19,200	..	19,200
D.I.(c)—Directorate of Statistics.	1,81,900	..	12,000	..	19,800	..	19,800
D.4.—Local fund							
Audit Establishment—							
Pay of establishment.	79,800	..	..	..	3,200	..	3,200
E.—Commissioner—							
(1) Pay of officers	79,400	..	..	..	9,128	..	9,128
(2) Pay of establishment.	28,960	..	..	..	87	..	87
F.—District Administration—							
F-1.—General Establishment—							
4. Contingencies	2,89,750	1,11,350	..	53,500	75,900	17,500	93,400
G.—Works—(a) Original works.	...	5,000	..	24,211	..	20,000	20,000
H.—Miscellaneous—							
H.2.—Miscellaneous Allowances to I. A. S. Probationers.	..	..	6,265	..	3,161	..	3,161
Total	..	31,14,334	1,16,350	2,06,829	77,711	6,68,362	37,500
							7,05,863

EXPLANATORY NOTES

A-7.—(1) The amount of Rs.4,000 is required to meet the increased expenditure on account of travelling allowances of the officers and staff due to increase in the number of tours.

(2) The amount of Rs.3,000 is required to meet the increased expenditure on account of purchase of office furniture due to increase in the number of staff and office records.

B-1.—(1) The additional amount of Rs.12,000 is required for payment of down journey T. A. to the members while coming to attend the Budget Session of the Assembly. Grant originally voted by the Assembly has fallen short of the requirement due to payment of T.A. and halting allowance to some members at the enhanced rate of Rs.20 per diem.

(2) The additional amount is required for payment of some bills connected with the repair and other miscellaneous charges of the State Car allotted to the Speaker and payment of charges for use of the Service Car by the Speaker consequent on the break-down of the State Car.

B-2.—(1) The additional amount is required for payment on account of newly sanctioned staff for the Financial Committee Branch of the Assembly Secretariat.

(2) The additional amount is required for payment of rent for the newly sanctioned telephone connection in the Members' Hostels (Nava Bhawan) and for making the temporary 'phone permanent in the "Lake House" and payment of some trunk call telephone bills.

D-1. (a)—(1) The amount is required to meet the increased expenditure due to increase in the number of officers during the year.

(2) The amount is required to meet the increased expenditure due to the entertainment of additional staff which has been sanctioned for Secretariat during the year to cope with increased volume of work.

(3) The amount is required to meet the increased expenditure on account of the grant of dearness allowance, winter allowance, cost of living allowance and cash allowance in lieu of free ration and rice concession to the newly appointed staff and also on account of travelling allowance to the officers and staff of the Secretariat many of whom were required to visit Delhi, etc., in number of times in connection with the Second Five Year Plan and to attend high level Government meetings. The expenditure on account of travelling allowance to Members of the various Advisory Boards in the State who attend official meetings is now to be met from the Secretariat budget.

(4) The amount is required to meet the rapid and greatly expanded strength of the staff and the departments of the Secretariat. Also due to the increase in the number of VIPs visiting the State.

Out of the total requirement of Rs. 1,23,000 an amount of Rs.35,000 which was advanced from the Contingency Fund for entertainment charges is now to be regularized by Supplementary Demand.

5. The amount is required to implement the scheme for newly established Central Training Institute at Shillong under the control of the Finance Department for imparting training to the Accounts Probationers, Assistants, Divisional Accountants, Accounts Officers and Financial Advisers as per details below:—

	Rs.
(i) Pay and Allowances of Officers (fees to Lecturers) ...	6,290
(ii) Pay and Allowances of Chowkidar cum Peon ...	360
(iii) Thirty stipends for Graduates at Rs.75 p. m. ...	13,500
(iv) Thirty stipends to intermediates at Rs. 60 p.m. ...	10,800
(v) Rent for hired building at Rs.500 p. m.	3,000
(vi) Contingencies	5,000

The amount of Rs.38,950 required under this head was advanced from the Contingency Fund.

6. The amount is required to implement the scheme for imparting advanced theoretical and practical training in Co-operative Banking and Industrial Finance with special reference to management of Apex Institutions like the State Co-operative Bank and State Financial Corporation. For this purpose the following amounts are required:—

	Rs.
(i) Stipends for two candidates at Rs. 150 p.m. ...	900
(ii) T.A. for the two candidates	200
(iii) Cost of books, etc.	200
Total ...	1,300

The amount of Rs.1,300 required under this head was advanced from the Contingency Fund.

(b) (i) The amount is required for the following purposes—

A programme for eradication of untouchability in the State was initiated last year with the approval of the Government of India on the principle that the State Government bear 50 per cent of the expenditure. This year a programme was drawn up and submitted to the Government of India for approval. But as the Government of India's approval to the scheme was received late, no provision could be made in the current year's budget. Under publicity, Government of India have approved the schemes

relating to:—(1) Visual publicity, (2) Printed publicity, (3) Observance of removal of untouchability days, (4) Holding of social melas, (5) Intercaste dining, (6) Grant for construction to community prayer hall and libraries, etc., and (7) Pay of staff to give wide publicity regarding the evil of untouchability and the benefit derived from its removal.

In order to implement the schemes at the earliest possible, an amount of Rs. 1,46,564 was provided by Supplementary Demand during the last session of the Assembly and an amount of Rs. 11,436 was provided by advance from Contingency Fund. It is now necessary to regularise the advance by Supplementary Demand.

In order to meet the expenditure for the purchase of four films for propaganda works in connection with prohibition of liquor in Assam an amount of Rs. 6,000 was advanced from Contingency Fund as there is no provision in the current year's budget for this purpose. It is now necessary to regularise the said advance by Supplementary Demand.

(iii) The amount is required to meet the expenditure for the purchase of one hundred Sets of Radios with Seventy Extension Speakers including insurance charges and freight, under the Subsidy Scheme of 50: 50 basis of expenditure between the State and Central Government.

D.1—(c) The scheme for setting up Small Statistical Sections in different departments was sanctioned by Government and the expenditure could not be included in the Budget estimates for the current year (1955-56). For this purpose an amount of Rs. 16,800 was advanced from "Contingency Fund" in order to meet the expenditure. Secondly it was first decided to have the Quarterly Bulletin of Statistics printed in the Government Press. As the Government Press was preoccupied with other urgent works, the Director of Statistics was asked to arrange the printing of the Bulletin in a private Press. The existing provision in his Departmental budget is inadequate to meet the expenses incurred. An additional grant of Rs. 3,000 is therefore necessary. In order to regularise the matter and to meet the expenditure for printing of Bulletin respectively, a sum of Rs. 19,800 is required.

D-4.—The increased expenditure of Rs. 3,200 is due to the entertainment of additional staff which has been sanctioned during the year to cope with the increased volume of work.

E.—The requirement of the additional sum of Rs. 9,215 is for meeting the leave salary of Shri I. Majid, i.c.s., Commissioner of Divisions (on leave) and staff of the office of the Commissioner of Division.

F.—General—The additional amount is required to meet the increased contingent charges in various District Offices. It is mainly due to amalgamation of District Offices of the Rural Development Department with the Deputy Commissioner's Office, purchase of new furniture, drawal of Travelling Allowance for the new staff entertained in connection with Rehabilitation, Housing, etc., and petrol consumption after the purchase of new Jeeps for the Assistant Political Officers of Sadiya and Margherita.

(Sixth Schedule)—The amount is required to meet the expenditure for purchasing one Jeep for Subdivisional Officer, North Cachar Hills. Last year an amount of Rs.14,000 was sanctioned for the purpose but as the Subdivisional Officer subsequently wanted Trailer also, the amount sanctioned had to be revised which comes now to Rs.17,500. This arrangement could not be done at the end of the last financial year. Hence no provision could be made in the current year's budget.

G.—The amount is required to construct two temporary quarters for two Assistants to Deputy Commissioner and twelve Units of quarters for office Assistants of Deputy Commissioner at Diphu. The present old temporary buildings will have to be demolished to clear the sites where permanent buildings are to be built. An amount of Rs.20,000 was advanced from the Contingency Fund for the purpose. In order to regularise the matter an amount of Rs.20,000 is now required.

H.—The amount is required to meet the training expenditure on account of Sarbasree Krishna Saigal and Trilochan Singh Gill during the month of June 1955 and of Sri J. C. Nampui during the months of June-September in 1955 in the Indian Administrative Service Training School at New Delhi. The amount includes pay and other allowances of the officers during the course of their training.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.6,05,862 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "25.—General Administration."

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYA: Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I beg to move that the provision of Rs.1,23,000, under Supplementary Demand No. 8, Major head "25.—General Administration", Minor head—D.—Secretariat and Headquarter Establishment, Sub-head-D-1(a)- Civil Secretariat (4) Contingencies, at page 12 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re.1, i.e., the amount of the whole Supplementary Demand of Rs.7,05,862 do stand reduced by Re. 1.

The object of my moving this Cut Motion is to criticise the expenditure.

In the explanatory notes, the reasons given are "the amount is required to meet the rapid and greatly expanded strength of the staff and the departments of the Secretariat. Also due to the increase in the number of VIPs. visiting the State".

Now, with regard to the first part, I think before Government appoints any new hand in the Secretariat, it has become absolutely necessary to take the statistical norm of work-load of the staff in the Secretariat because it is a general complaint that there has been a great deal of deficiency of work in the Secretariat for which the entire administration suffers. It has, therefore, become absolutely necessary to take the statistical norm and enforce it.

So, we find that if this norm would have been taken earlier, perhaps, all these additional hands would not have been necessary.

Secondly, Sir, we should remember that in comparison with district establishments or Heads of Departments or High Court, the staff of the Secretariat are better paid and, therefore, they should also be working better and before any additional employment in the Secretariat is made this should be first ascertained.

Thirdly, regarding VIPs, *i.e.*, Very Important Persons' visit to this State, a more detailed information ought to have been given to this House as to what type of expenditure was to be made in connection with these visits and what are the items of expenditure. Without knowing these things, it is too difficult on our part to know whether these expenditures were justified or not.

With these few observations, I commend my Motion to the acceptance of the House.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Cut Motion moved is that the provision of Rs. 1,23,000, under Supplementary Demand No. 8, Major head—"25—General Administration" Minor head—D.—Secretariat and Headquarter Establishment, Sub-head—D. 1(a)—Civil Secretariat—(4) Contingencies, at page 12 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re. 1, *i.e.*, the amount of the whole Supplementary Demand of Rs. 7,05,862 do stand reduced by Re. 1.

***Shri HARESWAR GOSWAMI:** Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, Cut Motion No. 2 is in my name. I do not want to move it, but I want to speak on the Cut Motion moved by my Friend, Mr. Bhattacharyya.

Sir, I want to speak on the amount of Rs. 1,23,000 under (4) Contingencies. In details, we find that the amount is required to meet the rapid and greatly expanded strength of the staff and departments of the Secretariat. Also due to the increase in the number of VIPs visiting the State.

I want to concentrate on the second part of the expenditure, *i.e.*, 'also due to the increase in the number of VIPs visiting the State.' It is not stated in the details how much will be spent for 'rapid and greatly expanded strength of the staff and the departments of the Secretariat' and 'due to the increase in the number of VIPs visiting the State', separately. It would have been better if the amount on each of these two items were given separately as Secretariat establishment is one thing and visits of VIPs are another thing.

VIPs, when they come to this State, get their own travelling and halting allowances, but so far as taking them round we have to spend something. We know that during the last year some VIPs visited the State and also in future VIPs will be visiting our State very often and therefore it is necessary for us to know the nature of the visits of these VIPs and the amount of money which will be required for them; that should have been given separately because if people come here just for the sake of a look or pleasure trip, we are not required to spend for them. We should know the nature of the visits and the actual utility derived by us from such visits. This is an important thing which should have been mentioned clearly in the details, as I have already stated these persons get their halting and travelling allowance when they come here. They get this travelling allowance as well as halting allowance from the Centre or from their respective State. So far as moving in the State we have some responsibility but the nature and kind of work we get from such movement in the State should be clearly stated so that we can assess how far the expenditure is justified.

With these words, I support the Motion moved by my Friend, Shri Gaurisankar Bhattacharyya.

Shri RANENDRA MOHAN DAS: Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, while supporting the Motion moved by my Friend, Shri Gaurisankar Bhattacharyya, I want to make a few observations.

It is stated in B-I-(2) at page 13 of the explanatory notes, as follows.—“The additional amount is required for payment of some bills connected with the repair and other miscellaneous charges of the State Car allotted to the Speaker and payment of charges for use of the Service Car by the Speaker consequent on the break-down of the State Car.”

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: You should confine your remarks to the Cut Motion moved.

Shri RANENDRA MOHAN DAS: I will speak on the Cut Motion but I will speak on this item, which is within the scope of the Cut Motion. Even I can speak on the general motion also.

Shri MOTIRAM BORA (Minister): The Cut Motion deals with increasing the strength of Secretariat staff and visit of VIPs, but Mr. Das is referring to the Speaker's Car, which has got nothing to do with the Cut Motion.

Shri HARESWAR GOSWAMI: He can speak on the general Motion also. This is the practice of this Assembly that without moving Cut Motion, a Member Can speak generally on the original Motion.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: He can speak but confining his remarks to the items specified in that supplementary demand.

Shri RANENDRA MOHAN DAS: Sir, we have made an allotment of Rs. 3,000, originally, which amount was voted by this House for repair, etc. of the Speaker's car but in the supplementary budget the amount asked for is Rs. 3,500 for the same purpose. I know that Ministers and Deputy Ministers have got to visit different places and for long journeys their cars get damaged very often but in the case of the Speaker whose work is of stationary nature, why this amount is required for repair of his car? Moreover, it is reported that the Speaker—I do not know whether it is correct—also tours like Ministers. For the purpose of a Speaker, I do not think such tours are admissible under law and I understand, the Accountant General has also raised objection to this kind of tours undertaken by the Speaker. I want to be enlightened on this point. The Speaker is allotted a car for the dignity of his office but expenditures for tours like Ministers, cannot be justified. In these tours the Speaker, it is reported, has drawn a big sum of money as travelling allowance objected to by the Accountant General. I want to know if he has refunded the money. We cannot tolerate such reckless spending of public funds even by persons with exalted position.

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA: Before the reply is given, Sir, I want to move the Cut Motion No. 3, standing in my name.

Shri BAIDYANATH MOOKERJEE (Minister): সবগুলি একসঙ্গে Move করলেই সুবিধা হবে।

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA: Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I beg to move that the provision of Rs. 17,436, under Supplementary Demand No. 8, Major head—"25.—General Administration"; Minor head—D.—Secretariat and Headquarter Establishment, Sub-head—D. 1. (b) (i)—Publicity, at page 12 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re. 1, i. e., the amount of the whole

Supplementary Demand of Rs. 7,05,862 do stand reduced by Re. 1.

My object is to criticise the expenditure.

Sir, in connection with this item we find in the List of Supplementary Demands an explanation at page 14, which says—"*** Under Publicity, Government of India have approved the schemes relating to:—(1) Visual publicity, (2) Printed publicity, (3) Observance of removal of untouchability days, (4) Holding of social meals, (5) Inter-caste dining, (6) Grant for construction of community prayer hall and libraries, etc. and (7) Pay of staff to give wide publicity regarding the evil of untouchability and the benefit derived from its removal." So far as this cancer of untouchability is concerned, it is more widespread in the rural areas—in the villages than in the towns or urban areas and in semi-urban areas. This evil is deep-rooted mostly in the economic and social backwardness of the so-called untouchable people. So, for the removal of this evil of untouchability, it is very necessary to raise the economic standard of these people and to develop their educational facilities. Therefore, these sorts of things like visual publicity, printed publicity, etc., will not do much good as the improvement of their economic standard can do. Moreover, we find that these things are also mostly done in towns—big and small—but not in the rural areas. There might be community dining at Shillong or Gauhati, or Hajo or Nalbari or other towns where practically there is not much evil of untouchability. Not to speak of inter-dining, even inter-marriage now-a-days has become not so very rare.....

Shri BISHNURAM MEDHI (Chief Minister): It is meant for sweepers.

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA: If it is meant for the sweepers then I shall show that this demand is completely misleading. We find here that an amount of Rs. 17,436 is required—I am referring to a Government letter Memo. No. AAP.135587, dated 22nd February 1956 from the Department of Publicity to the Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup. We find from this paper that the total allotment is a little over Rs. 17,000 out of which an amount of Rs. 8,000 was given to the Deputy Commissioner of Kamrup—and for what purpose? Let me read it:—

Rs.

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| (1) Construction of Namghar at Dihina Satra
in Kamrup District, P. O. Khudradima
(that is in Hajo). | ... 4,000 |
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	Rs.
(2) Damodhar Yubak Sangha, P. O. Khudradima (that is also in Hajo). ...	1,000
(3) For improvement and reconstruction of Namghar at Namasudrapara Pakhamala Gosaighar, Hajo. ...	1,500
(4) Damodardev Library, Kaibartapara, Hajo. ...	1,500
Total ...	8,000

So, Sir, I do not think it is right and proper to say that the expenditure in this connection was mainly meant for the sweepers. We should also remember the date—the date was the 22nd of February 1956, just before the Parliamentary Bye-election. So, these things give a lot of smell. We want, Sir, that the money should be spent for the purpose for which it is meant. In this regard we want an explanation from the Government as to whether this money was properly spent for the removal of untouchability or was it spent for facilitating certain elections or for some other purposes apart from what was meant? Whatever that may be, I hope the Government will give us an explanation and if the Government cannot do so, I hope the House will.....

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Mr. Bhattacharyya, I see that this amount is for construction of community prayer hall and libraries.

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA: It may be, Sir, for construction of community prayer hall and libraries, but why it should all be concentrated at Hajo, why this untouchability should be removed only from Hajo and from nowhere else in Assam? Out of Rs. 17,000 and odd, a sum of Rs. 8,000 goes to Hajo. I am quoting this from records—I mean this letter which I have mentioned previously.

We know that the concentration of scheduled caste people is more in Barpeta, in the whole of Kamrup district and the Member who was returned as a scheduled caste candidate is also from Barpeta. If this amount is meant for removal of the evil of untouchability, why should it be concen-

trated only in some favoured place or locality, why not distribute it evenly to all areas in the State where concentration of these so-called untouchable people is greater or where the cancer of untouchability is stronger?

With these words, Sir, I commend my Motion to the acceptance of the House.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Cut Motion moved is that the provision of Rs.17,436, under Supplementary Demand No.8, Major head—"25.—General Administration", Minor Head D—Secretariat and Headquarter Establishment, Sub-head D.1(b)(i)—Publicity, at page 12 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re. 1, i. e., the amount of the whole Supplementary Demand of Rs.7,05,862 do stand reduced by Re.1.

Shri BISHNURAM MEDHI (Chief Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, before going into the general Cut Motion I would like to say a few words in connection with some comments made by my Friend, Shri Ranendra Mohan Das, regarding the Speaker's car. It may be known, Sir, that under the Act the Speaker is to be provided with a car but whether he takes long journeys or not, it is a different matter. When the Speaker was provided with a car it naturally needs some repairs. Besides, the car that was given to the Speaker is not a new car but an old one which was used previously by our Minister, Shri Mohendra Mohan Choudhury—the Speaker exchanged this old car for the car originally allotted to him. So this being a second hand car, as I have said, it naturally needs repairs. The necessary repairs were made and the bill was paid by the Assembly Secretariat. But as regards the details of his journey, whether he goes out or not, it is for him to decide.

Now, Sir, as regards the Cut Motion itself, the first objection that has been taken by my Friend, Shri Gaurisankar Bhattacharyya, is that before making additional appointments, no statistical figures about the work load is taken. That statement is not correct, Sir. As a matter of fact as soon as new proposal comes from any Department for additional appointment of Assistants or staff, that proposal is scrutinised by the Finance Department who in turn depute its own officer to assess the work load of that particular Department and to ascertain whether the additional staff asked for is necessary.

The reasons for the increased expenditure are :—

1. Due to the greatly expanded strength of the Secretariat Staff including Officers. It may be pointed out here that about 130 Lower Division Assistants, 20 Typists, 35 Chaprasis and some officers also have been appointed during the year in the Secretariat. For the newly appointed personnel, tables, chairs and other articles of office furniture, etc., had to be supplied. To meet the constant demand for more accommodation, Government had to hire the Ferndale Hotel and Crowborough Bungalow to accommodate certain Departments of the Secretariat. The charges for rent and other taxes of these private buildings come to more than Rs.17,000. For the newly appointed officers, new telephone connections had to be installed in their offices and residences.

2. During the year, the number of very important Government officials from the Centre and other high dignitaries visited the State who were treated as State Guests and expenditure greatly increased on that account. Hence a further sum of Rs.35,000 was required to meet the unforeseen expenditure.

Sir, as a matter of fact, we do not incur expenditure for travelling allowance in connection with the visit to our State by important members of the Railway Board to discuss matters here with the State Government. We had to show due courtesy to them and they were treated as State Guests and provided with conveyance. When such important members come to our State as State Guests, they do not draw travelling allowance during their stay in our State. Then these gentlemen had to be provided with 'State pool' cars for their journey to different localities. When the Speakers' Conference was held here at Shillong, we had to treat many of them as State Guests—specially the Speaker of the Lok Sabha and few others from Kashmir, Bihar, etc. In falling in line with other States of the Indian Union, we had to show due courtesy to them. Sir, these are some of the reasons why there was an increased expenditure.

Shri GIRINDRA NATH GOGOI: Sir, may I know when our Ministers and other VIPs go to other States whether those persons are treated as State Guests?

Shri BISHNURAM MEDHI (Chief Minister): Yes, they are always treated as States Guests by other States also. When I went to Madras and Travancore-Cochin, they treated me as State Guest and provided me with State car.

Similary, Sir, when Union Home Minister came to Assam, we treated him as State Guest and provided him with State car for the purpose of his journey from place to place. Also when the Union Labour Minister came to Assam for our benefit, he was treated as State Guest. He came to tour Assam for our benefit as he wanted to bring about a good relation between the *ex-tea* garden labourers and the people and how the best interest could be looked after by the State Government. During his visit a dinner was given at Shillong in his honour with a view to give an oppourtunity to the Members of this Legislature who were invited to the dinner to exchange their views in matters relating to this State.

Shri HARESWAR GOSWAMI: Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on a point of clarification, what we are actually saying in connection with the item under the Secretariat and Headquarter Establishment is that while showing reciprocal courtesy to our VIPs it is also to be remembered that when Ministers and other important persons visit our State for the purpose of particular organisation, in that case the organisation should bear the cost. So far as touring by Ministers and other important persons for a particular organisation is concerned, the cost on that account should be borne by the State Government.

Shri BISHNURAM MEDHI (Chief Minister) : When the Union Labour Minister came to Assam, he inaugurated the Political Conference and the I. N. T. U. C. Conference and for these purposes, he went by train and we did not pay anything for his train journeys.

Then, Sir, there was a tremendous increase in the activities of Government during the year in all spheres and especially in connection with the preparation of the Second Five-Year Plan. Thus, there was a great increase in the consumption of Service Stamps and other miscellaneous charges. Many Officers, Assistants and Chaprasis had to visit Delhi on many occasion in connection with the Second Five-Year Plan and National Development Council. For these purposes, meetings are held in Delhi in official level and in Ministerial level and then in the higher level in meetings like National Development Council. The tour charges which are met from Contingencies also added to the increased expenditure. So for these reasons also the supplementary grant is justified.

Then, Sir, there is other expenditure in connection with purchase of books which comes up to Rs.5,000, purchase of typewriters for Rs.10,000, other non-contract contingencies for

Rs.20,000, telephone charges for Rs.20,000, etc. In view of these expenditures, I have moved this Supplementary Demand and I think the hon. Member, Shri Bhattacharyya, will at any rate try to see the justification of the demand and see his way to withdraw the Cut Motion.

The scheme for removal of untouchability for 1954-55 was approved by the Government of India with the condition that the Government of India and the State Government would bear the cost on 50:50 basis. The money was distributed District and Subdivisionwise on population basis. Out of that money some money was left undisbursed and with a view to help the non-official organisations; the Deputy Commissioners and the Subdivisional Officers were asked to send their proposals. The proposals should cover institutions such as library, common prayer halls, etc. Also we distributed some money with reference to some applications which were pending. No money can be granted without any application. We wanted to help the non-official organisations. Rs.8,000 was granted for construction of Namghar at Dihina Satra, Kamrup. The population of the entire village belong to scheduled caste. It was a very old Satra and the prayer house was in a dilapidated condition and the Goswamis who were unfortunately entangled in a murder case were too poor to undertake the construction work. I also found that a large number of women were interested and all the villagers consisting of about 500 families wanted this work to be done. The Dihina Satra is an old Satra which was established by Damodar Deb, and the people who are Namasudras wanted this construction of the Namghar. They were very keen to have this done.

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA : At Hajo Rs.8,000 was given—what about the rest of the State ?

Shri BISHNURAM MEDHI (Chief Minister) : There was no application at that time. The rest of the money was spent through the Deputy Commissioners and Subdivisional Officers on the basis of population. In the constituency of my Friend, Shri Bhattacharyya, in Ujan Bazar some money was given.

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA : It was Rs.50 only.

Shri BISHNURAM MEDHI (Chief Minister) : No, I think it is more. It is about Rs.1,000. Now as I have said before the scheme was approved by the Government of India

and it was continued this year. The estimated expenditure of the scheme is Rs.4 lakhs. This money was distributed on the basis of population. It covers expenditure on various departments like Publicity, improvement of water supply in areas predominantly inhabited by the Scheduled Castes, Education, Public Health, Medical and Cottage Industries. With respect to Publicity, the scheme is divided into five categories, namely, visual and printed publicity which includes the exhibition of cinema slides, magic lantern shows, film shows, posters, and distribution of pamphlets and booklets inculcating on the people the evils of untouchability and stressing on the need for its removal. Then holding of social Melas and inter-caste dining which includes organising of Namkirtans, sports, cultural shows, staging of Bhownas, etc., where people irrespective of caste or creed combine together so as to encourage and promote the feeling of oneness among people of all castes that the one should not look down on the other. It also covers construction of community prayer halls and grants to libraries, etc., where people irrespective of caste or creed may have their prayers jointly and may also take recourse to reading without any fear that one should look down upon the other. These are some of the purposes for which the money was distributed.

Shri MAL CHANDRA PEGU : May I know how much money was spent for Majuli out of this Grant ?

Shri BISHNURAM MEDHI (Chief Minister) : That I do not know, Sir. General grant was given Subdivision-wise.

I give below the amount allotted to each of the organisations—

			Rs.
1. Assam Hindu Mission, Shillong	..	...	700
2. Sreemanta Cultural Centre, Shillong	...	...	800
3. Assam Pradeshik Mahila Samity, Gauhati	...	...	1,000
4. Lok Sevak Sangha, Borbari (Kamrup)	..	...	500
5. Sankari Kala Pracher, Shillong	...	...	500
6. Ramkrishna Mission, Shillong	...	...	1,000
7. Sreemanta Sankar Mission, Nowgong...	...	...	4,000
8. Sankardev Mission Berrengajuli (Darrang)	...	...	750
9. Indian Conference of Social Works, Bombay...			2,000

	Rs.
10. Thakubelia Namghar, near Gauhati	1,800
11. Construction of a Namghar at Dihina Satra, P. O. Khudradima (Kamrup).	8,000
12. Damdar Yubuk Sangha, Dihina, Khudra- dima, Kamup (for library).	1,500
13. Repairs of prayer hall of Sreemanta Cultural Centre, Shillong.	1,000
14. Reconstruction of Namghar at Namasudra- para, Hajo (Kamrup).	2,500
15. Damodardev Library	1,500
16. Kaljirapara Satra, Barpeta	4,000
17. Basudev Library (Barpeta)	500
18. Construction of Common Prayer Hall at Gopalthan, Rangpur Village, Kamrup.	2,500
19. Construction of Common Prayer Hall at Thapana in Galdighala Village, Kamrup.	200
20. Deputy Commissioner, Kamrup	1,000

(To meet the expenses in connection with the inter-caste dining in Sweepers' colony, Gauhati.)

Shri MOHENDRA NATH HAZARIKA : উপাধ্যক্ষ মহোদয়, অসংখ্য নামঘর থকা স্বত্বেও অস্পৃশ্যতা দূৰ হোৱা নাই। এতিয়া সেই ঠাইত নতুনকৈ কবিলৈ টকা-পইছা দিলেই অস্পৃশ্যতা দূৰীকৰণ হ'ব বুলি মনে নধৰে।

Shri BISHNURAM MEDHI (Chief Minister) : Out of the total allotment of Rs.4,00,000 allotted for this purpose, certain amounts were sanctioned for holding social Melas and certain amounts were sanctioned for holding inter-caste dining proposals for which were called from the Deputy Commissioners and Subdivisional Officers who submitted the same to Government in consultation with the local organisations and Members of the Legislature.

Shri NILMANI PHOOKAN : What is the amount allotted for Jorhat ?

Shri MOHENDRA NATH HAZARIKA : অনুসূচিত সম্প্রদায়ৰ সদস্যক পৰামৰ্শ কৰি সেই টকা খৰছ কৰে নেন মন্ত্ৰী মহোদয়ে নিজেই খৰছ কৰে। মই জনাত নগাঁৱত এই বিষয়ৰ বি কমিটি আছে তাৰ পৰামৰ্শ লোৱা হোৱা নাই।

Shri BISHNURAM MEDHI (Chief Minister) : Sir, as I have already stated, this scheme was started in 1954-55, and on receipt of approval from the Government of India, we asked the Deputy Commissioners and the Subdivisional Officers to submit schemes and proposals for utilisation of the money, and the Deputy Commissioners and the Subdivisional Officers in consultation with the local organisation and Members of Legislature submitted their proposals and accordingly the money was allotted. It is known to the hon. Members that in every district and Subdivision, there is organiser and organisations for removal of untouchability who look after this aspect of removal of untouchability in their respective areas. If the Deputy Commissioner at Nowgong did not consult the Members of Legislative Assembly or organisations in regard to this matter, I may take up the matter with him.

Mr. DEPUY SPEAKER : What was your question, Mr. Phookan ?

Shri NILMANI PHOOKAN : Whoever might have been responsible for spending the money or in whatever manner it might have been spent, I would like to know, Sir, the amount of money allotted for Jorhat out of this sum of Rs.4 lakhs.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER : Well, this is not the manner to elicit information on the point referred to by the hon. Member. He should bring in a separate question in proper procedure.

Yes, Mr. Medhi, have you got anything more to say ?

Shri BISHNURAM MEDHI (Chief Minister) : I have nothing more to say except that if any of the hon. Members think that he was not consulted by any of the Deputy Commissioners or Subdivisional Officers and if this matter is brought to my notice, I shall take up the same with the Deputy Commissioner or Subdivisional Officer concerned.

Shri GIRINDRA NATH GOGOI : So far as Sibsagar Subdivision is concerned, we do not know whether there is any committee.

Shri BISHNURAM MEDHI (Chief Minister): If there is no Committee, I shall refer the matter to the Deputy Commissioner.

Shri GIRINDRA NATH GOGOI: The crux of the matter is that we do not know anything.....

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Are you withdrawing ?

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA: Sir, so far my first Cut Motion is concerned, I beg leave of the House to withdraw, but I do not propose to withdraw my third Motion.

(The first Cut Motion, *i.e.*, the provision of Rs.1,23,000, under Supplementary Demand No.8, Major head—"25.—General Administration" Minor head—D.—Secretariat and Headquarter Establishment, Sub-head—D.—1 (a)—Civil Secretariat—(4) Contingencies, at page 12 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re.1, *i.e.*, the amount of the whole Supplementary Demand of Rs.7,05,862 do stand reduced by Re.1, was withdrawn by leave of the House)

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The question is that the provision of Rs.17,436, under Supplementary Demand No.8, Major head—"25.—General Administration", Minor head—D.—Secretariat and Headquarter Establishment, Sub-head—D.—1(b)(i)—Publicity, at page 12 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re.1, *i.e.*, the amount of the whole Supplementary Demand of Rs.7,05,862 do stand reduced by Re.1.

(The Motion was negatived.)

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.7,05,862 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "25.—General Administration".

(The Motion was adopted.)

No. 9

"27.—Administration of Justice"

Shri BAIDYANATH MOOKERJEE (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg to move that an additional amount of

Rs.2,13,733 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "27.—Administration of Justice".

Rs.

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ... 11,81,000

Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year 1,05,855

II.—Additional amount now required ... 2,13,733

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for.—

Minor and Sub-heads	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
B.—Law Officers—							
(b) Legal Remembrancer—							
(1) Allowances and Honoraria	..	..	31,100	..	15,000	..	15,000
(c) Muffassil Estt.—							
(1) Allowances and Honoraria	42,100	2,600	2,830	..	7,000	1,000	8,000
(2) Contingencies.	29,000	1,300	..	..	5,000	3,000	8,000
D(a)—District and Sessions Judges—							
(4) Contingencies	94,300	..	14,307	..	800	..	800
D(b)—D.C.'s Civil Court Estt.	66,000	..	..	..	55,000	..	55,000
E.—Criminal Courts.—							
(4) Contingencies	3,18,600	..	..	..	1,00,000	5,200	1,05,200
H.—Charges in England.—							
Leave salaries and deputation pay	..	..	..	..	21,733	..	21,733
Total	5,50,000	3,900	48,237	..	2,04,533	9,200	2,13,733

EXPLANATORY NOTES

B (b) (1).—The additional amount of Rs.15,000 is required to meet the increased expenditure on fees to Government Advocates and the Advocate General for conducting cases before the High Court. Moreover the Zamindari cases now pending before the Supreme Court will come up for hearing during this year which means payment of a considerable amount to the Attorney General who has been engaged to represent this Government and also to our Advocate at the Supreme Court. Hence the necessity for this additional grant.

B (c) (1--2).—The extra grant of Rs.12,000 in General Areas and Rs.4,000 in Sixth Schedule Areas are required to meet the increased expenditure on fees to Government pleaders and other pleaders due to increase in the volume of litigations.

D (a) 4.—The additional amount is required to meet the increased expenditure under "Diet and Road Money to witnesses", which is of uncertain nature.

D (b).—The additional amount is required to meet the increased expenditure under pay and allowances due to entertainment of temporary staff.

E 4.—The additional amount is required to meet the increased expenditure mainly under "Diet and Road Money to witnesses" due to increase in the number of cases.

H.—The amount is required to meet the leave salaries and some study allowances of Shri J.C. Medhi, M.A., B.L., Registrar, Assam High Court, who had been granted study leave for a special course of study abroad for the Doctorate degree in Constitutional Law.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.2,13,733 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "27.—Administration of Justice".

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA: Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I beg to move that the provision of Rs.1,05,200, under Supplementary Demand No.9, Major head "27.—Administration of Justice", Minor head—E.—Criminal Courts—Sub-head (4)—Contingencies, at page 16 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re.1, i.e., the amount of the whole Supplementary Demand of Rs.2,13,733 do stand reduced by Re.1.

The object of my Motion is to criticise this expenditure.

Sir, in this particular head, the original grant was Rs.3,18,600 and now we find that an additional amount of Rs.1,05,200 is required. In the Explanatory Note it has been

stated that the additional amount is required to meet the increased expenditure under "Diet and Road Money to witnesses" due to increase in the number of cases.

I beg to state that this is not the full truth. In my opinion this amount has become necessary not only due to the increase of the number of cases but due to the increase in the number of adjournments of cases due to the fact that Magistrates were put to some other works than purely magisterial work. We have seen already that the visits of the V.I.Ps. have considerably increased, tours of the Ministers have increased, and these magistrates have been put in charge of looking after these affairs.

Shri MOTIRAM BORA (Minister): These Magistrates ?

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA: Yes, Sir, these Magistrates. Whenever any V.I.P. comes to the headquarter stations, the senior magistrates have to give attendance invariably in the Circuit Houses, the Sadar Sub-divisional Officer is required to go and attend the Circuit House to show him round as the Chief Minister has himself stated that the officers have to show them round. Sometimes a magistrate finds himself in a great dilemma whether he should attend to the magisterial work or give attendance to V.I.Ps. If a magistrate does not attend to his magisterial work, he is likely to be criticised, and if he does not attend to the V.I.P., he is again likely to incur the displeasure of the V.I.P. So he is in a dilemma. If he goes to attend to the V.I.P. or the Minister, his work is likely to be disturbed. So, being in a dilemma they go on standing there to see if the Minister be pleased to call them. This really happens. In addition to this, Sir, there are various miscellaneous works to be done by them apart from attending on the V.I.Ps. I do not know about other places, but as far as Gauhati is concerned, I know that the number of cases has not increased much. On the contrary the lawyers complain that their business is now dwindling because the number of cases has decreased. I do not know whether the number has decreased, but, at any rate, it has not increased much. There the evidence of the witnesses is not taken. They simply come and go away and that is how things are going on there and this will continue to go on unless and until the Judiciary is separated from the Executive. Of course this is a basic question which I am not going to discuss now. But so far as an explanation is concerned, I think this explanation at best is inadequate and does not hold good.

Therefore, Sir, I request the Minister to place the whole truth. I also suggest to the Government that so far as the Judiciary is concerned, it should be separated from the Executive so that this kind of unnecessary expenditure may not take place in future.

With these words, Sir, I commend my Motion to the acceptance of the House.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Cut Motion moved is that the provision of Rs.1,05,200, under Supplementary Demand No.9, Major head "27.—Administration of Justice", Minor head—E.—Criminal Courts—Sub-head (4) Contingencies, at page 16 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re.1, *i.e.*, the amount of the whole Supplementary Demand of Rs.2,13,733 do stand reduced by Re.1.

Shri HARESWAR GOSWAMI: Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I rise to support the Motion moved by my Friend, Shri Bhattacharyya. In this connection, I would only like to say on laws delay. Once the Chief Minister, perhaps without meaning it put the blame that lawyers were also responsible for this laws delay. The Chief Minister is a lawyer and he knows best whether the lawyers are actually responsible for this sort of adjournments. There are some busy lawyers for whom it may not be possible to attend all the cases on a particular day and so sometimes adjournments are actually taken. This is a fault in our country. It is also a sad thing in our country that some people become very busy and others become idle. That is a general malady and for this the lawyers are to take adjournments and due to this also laws delay actually happens. But it is also due to the fact that in criminal cases mostly the prosecution is rarely ready on the day it is fixed and I say this from my personal experience. This is also the experience of many of my lawyer Friends here. On the other hand it also happens that sometimes the whole batch of witnesses have to be sent back without taking their evidence. As Mr. Bhattacharyya has said, it is true that our magistrates have got to do multifarious works now-a-days and as such they cannot give whole attention to the disposal of cases. Secondly, also, Sir, not only in the original side but in the appellate side more often the records are not sent from the offices and in the absence of records it is impossible to carry on with the cases. In the High Court we also find that more often the Government records also do not go. From a distance of 63 miles from Shillong, Government records do not

reach the High Court within the stipulated period. Therefore, Sir, this laws delay is not alone due to the lawyers but also due to the whole machinery itself, and unless this can be stopped this laws delay is bound to happen and as a result unnecessary expenditures have to be incurred. Sir, I find it difficult to make myself believe that the number of case has really increased. As a matter of fact due to the economic hardship of our people many cases which would have ordinarily gone up to the Court are now-a-days settled amicably. This happens both in criminal and civil cases. Thus the number of cases has really decreased. Therefore it is not true to say that due to increased number of cases we have to incur more expenditures. So, Sir, on this point we would like to have a more elaborate explanation from the Minister-in-charge. We would like to know whether the laws delay is mainly responsible for this expenditure while adjournments are not taken by the lawyers for their own fault, but due to the magisterial machinery which is so overworked and cannot give whole attention to the disposal of cases.

Shri BAIDYANATH MOOKERJEE (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I heard both the hon. Members who took part on this Motion and to some extent it appears their statements are contradictory with each other. In one statement a charge has been levelled against the Government while in the other a blame has been put on the prosecution side saying that prosecution is not ready on the date fixed for a case. Now, Sir, the other day as it has been mentioned by Shri Goswami that our Chief Minister said that for this, some of the lawyers were responsible and Shri Goswami wanted to refute the charge. But we, with greater force, try to convince my friend, Shri Goswami, that he cannot conscientiously refute this charge because adjournments are taken for various reasons. It might be that in some cases lawyers are not ready, it might be that in some cases prosecution side is not ready, it might be that in some cases witnesses are not present because after all they are human beings and so due to ill health, bad communication and some other reasons it is not possible for them to be present. So, adjournment is not a new thing. In the Judiciary the adjournment system is necessary. So, it is not correct to say that adjournment is not at all necessary. It is there in existence from time immemorial but so far as the present case is concerned, we have received demands from different districts, of course not from all districts, that additional amounts are required due to increase in the number of cases. It may be,

Sir, that there are some particular cases in which adjournment cannot be justified. I am not refuting that charge ; it is quite possible, but to say that the reports of district authorities that the additional amount is required due to the increase in the number of cases are not correct is rather unfair. Such a sweeping remark from a legal practitioner is unfortunate to say the least.

Now, another point raised by my Friend, Shri Bhattacharyya, is that the officers are busy otherwise, than devoting their times only in office works. This is also a known fact and nobody denies it. He has, of course said they are busy in "dancing attendance" which is his very favourite term. But my Friend very conveniently omitted to mention that they are devoting their time for development work as well. So many development works have been taken up in districts and subdivisions that their attention is necessary to those works also. Of course, it may be asked what Government have done to remove these difficulties. Sir, the number of magistrates has been increased and is being gradually increased ; still it is sometimes found that the situation cannot be adequately coped with. I am at one with those hon. Members who think that justice should be given at the earliest opportunity, but in spite of our best efforts, sometimes it becomes rather impossible to cope with the situation. However, Sir, as I have already said, we are increasing the number of magistrates. There is one difficulty about recruiting a very large number of magistrates in one year. If we do that, we may not get good officers.

I hope, Sir, after hearing all these from me and after having given vent to their set feelings, which they always do, my Friend, Shri Bhattacharyya, will see his way to withdraw his Cut Motion.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Are you withdrawing ?

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA: Yes, Sir.

(The Motion was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.)

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: I now put the main demand.

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.2,13,733 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1956, for the administration of the head "27.—Administration of justice".

(The Motion was adopted.)

No.10

"28.—Jails and Convict Settlements"

Rev. J. J. M. NICHOLS ROY (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, to move that an additional amount of Rs.27,487 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head, "28.—Jails and Convict Settlements".

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...	22,76,300
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year	89,086
Additional amount now required ...	27,487
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary demand will be accounted for—	

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
A.—District Jails.—							
I.—Allowance and Honoraria ..	1,48,261	31,340	4,032	...	...	4,000	4,000
II.—Contingencies	12,57,200	96,740	37,000	..	..	5,700	5,700
B.—Charges for Police Custody ...	1,09,340	34,850	..	..	7,700	5,845	13,545
E.—Works—							
(a) Original works—							
In-charge of Civil officers.—							
Charges for Police Custody ...	..	..	..	..	..	4,242	4,242
Total ..	15,14,801	1,62,930	41,032	..	7,700	19,787	27,487

EXPLANATORY NOTES

A (I).—This amount is required to meet the expenditure on Travelling Allowance of Establishment as the staff have been transferred to certain jails for increase of Jail population and also to meet the expenditure in connection with hill allowances sanctioned by Government. The expenditure was unforeseen, hence the demand.

(II).—The amount of Rs.5,700 is required to meet the unforeseen expenditure in connection with ration, hospital charges, clothing and bedding of prisoners for increase of Jail population. Hence the demand. A sum Rs.700 has been advanced from the Contingency Fund.

B (General).—The additional amount is required to meet the increased expenditure under "Diet and Conveyance of undertrial prisoners" consequent on the increase in the number of cases mainly in the Lakhimpur District.

(Sixth Schedule).—The additional amount is required to meet the increased expenditure on "Diet and conveyance of under-trial prisoners" consequent on the increase in the number of under-trial prisoners mainly in the Naga Hills District.

E.—There is a congestion of under-trial prisoners at Mokokchung subdivision. To relieve the difficulties of prisoners immediately, extension of the lockup is urgently needed. The estimated amount comes to Rs.4,242 only and there is no provision for the purpose. Hence the demand. The amount has already been advanced from the Contingency Fund.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.27,487 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "28.—Jails and Convict Settlements".

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.27,487 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "28.—Jails and Convict Settlements".

(The Motion was adopted.)

No.11

"29.—Police"

Shri BISHNURAM MEDHI (Chief Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of

Assam, I beg, to move that an additional amount of Rs.2,22,383 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "29.—Police".

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...	1,71,39,800
II.—Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year	13,73,61
Additional amount now required	2,22,383
III.—Sub-heads under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—	

Minor and Sub-heads	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.

29.—Police—B.D.E.F. (A)

District Police—	42,69,385	9,24,087	2,925	85,096	446	..	446
(1) Pay of Estt.	42,69,385	9,24,087	2,925	85,096	446	..	446
(2) Allowances and Honoraria ...	21,77,375	8,35,264	2,590	..	80,516	..	80,516
(3) Contingencies	12,42,640	3,99,136	6,25,800	..	39,170	..	39,170
(4) G.—C. I. D. (f) Border Security Force ..	26,73,850	..	..	..	1,00,761	..	1,00,761
(5) Deduct—Amount transferred to "8.—Excise" ..	..	..	..	..	—9,123	..	—9,123
(6) K.—Charges in England—Other Charges—Misc. Expenditure	10,613	..	10,613

Total ..	1,05,63,250	21,58,487	6,31,315	85,896	2,22,383	..	2,22,383
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EXPLANATORY NOTES

(1) In connection with liquor prohibition and for detection of illicit distillation cases in Kamrup District one Armed Section of Police consisting of 1 Havildar and 12 constables have been recently created. Rupees 446 represents the pay of above mentioned Police personnel. The amount will be initially met from Police Budget which will be subsequently adjusted against Excise Department.

(2) Rupees 80,000. In December 1954 orders were issued abolishing the free ration and rice concession to Government servants and granting a cash allowance in its place (Rs.13-8-0 p.m. each). Owing to this decision having been made towards the end of the year, it was not possible for the Inspector General of Police to make provision for the entire amount necessary in the budget for the year 1955-56 which had been finalised then. Hence this amount has been asked for.

As (1) above Rs.516 represents the allowances of 1 Havildar and 12 constables.

3. (i) A sum of Rs.4,009 is for the purchase of a trailer for a Jeep car and payment of sales tax thereon. This was needed urgently and so had to be sanctioned in November 1955.

(ii) The Zonal tournaments of the All-India Police Athletics and Sports Meet for the Eastern Zone was held in Assam on 10th October, 1955. This is in accordance with the programme set by the Central Sports Committee under the Ministry of Home Affairs and all participating States hold this in their area once every 5 years.

A sum of Rs.10,000 was required for this purpose.

(iii) Another sum of Rs.2,000 was spent for two teams of Police personnel who participated in the All-India Police Duty Meet for competing in Rifle and Revolver shooting and Wireless transmission and receiving, etc.

(iv) An amount of Rs.15,000 is required to meet the additional expenditure incurred on service postage stamps occasioned due to the general increase of work and riot as well as the visits of the S.R.C.

Thus in all under (B) a sum of Rs.31,009 is required.

(v) As (1) above. The amount of Rs.8,161 represents cost of uniform, purchase of arms and ammunition, etc.

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(4) A sum of Rs.1,00,761 is required to meet the expenditure on account of the grant of daily allowance to the police personnel posted in the Naga Hills and Indo-Pakistan borders as well as portage charges. Movement of such force is necessary to meet emergencies of the situation which cannot always be foreseen.

(5) In connection with liquor prohibition and for detection of illicit distillation cases in the district of Kamrup one armed section of Police consisting of one Havildar and twelve constables has recently been created. The amount of Rs.9,123 will be adjusted against the Excise Department.

(6) The amount is required to meet expenditure in England. An Officer of the Indian Police Service was sent for training in a course for about 5 months which is generally meant for senior Police Officers of his status. This training is arranged on an All-India basis by the Government of India.

The Deputy Superintendent of Police in the Assam Police Radio Organisation has been sent on study leave for 9 months.

The salary and allowances of these two officers had to be drawn in England. Hence the needs for this provision for Rs.10,613 which could not be anticipated.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.2,22,383 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "29.—Police".

(After a pause.)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.2,22,383 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "29.—Police".

(The Motion was adopted.)

No.12

"36.—Scientific Departments."

Shri OMEO KUMAR DAS (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, to move that an additional amount of Rs.350 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "36.—Scientific Departments".

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...	20,500
Additional grant voted by the Assembly in June (55) Session.	1,888
II.—Additional amount now required ...	350

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for:—

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
"B.—Museums—Grant-in-aid, etc.—3.—Allowances and Honoraria."	19,458	..	1,888	..	350	..	350

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The grant of Rs.1,000 originally voted by the Assembly under the detailed head "Travelling Allowances of Officers and Establishment" for the current financial year has been exhausted due to the unforeseen tour of the Curator, Assam Museum to Delhi. The additional grant is therefore required to meet the travelling expenses of the Curator and his establishment for undertaking tours during this winter as otherwise these shall have to be deferred to next winter to the detriment of the Department. It may be pointed out in this connection that archeological tours are feasible and practicable only in the winter and they are generally closed by the middle of March. In summer tours are not possible as they are mostly connected with hills and out of the way places in the interior.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.350, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "36.—Scientific Departments".

There is no Cut Motion.

Shri HARESWAR GOSWAMI: On a point of information, Sir, I would like to know from the Minister-in-charge whether these tours have already been undertaken or are intended to be undertaken.

Shri OMEO KUMAR DAS (Minister): They were already undertaken because this travelling can be done only in winter months. There was no provision in the Budget and so I am moving this demand.

Shri HARESWAR GOSWAMI: But is this money necessary for tours already undertaken? If it is meant for next year, provision should have been made in the next year's Budget. Can I take it that this is necessary for tours already undertaken and not intended to be undertaken?

Shri OMEO KUMAR DAS (Minister): Yes, for tours already undertaken.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The question is that an additional amount of Rs.350, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "36.—Scientific Departments".

(The Motion was adopted.)

No. 13

"37.—Education"

Shri OMEO KUMAR DAS (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, to move that an additional amount of Rs.56,35,557, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "37.—Education".

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...	3,59,95,000
II.—Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	12,78,137
Additional amount now required ...	56,35,557

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary demand will be accounted for :—

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
NORMAL—							
Secondary—							
1. F.—Government Secondary School—							
(a) Secondary School for boys.	16,61,350	9,21,844	..	..	..	76,900	76,900
2. G.—Direct grant to Non-Government Secondary Schools—							
(b) Non-Recurring	3,50,000	69,000	60,000	..	9,40,000	..	9,40,000
Primary—							
3. I.—Government Primary Schools.							
	1,14,550	8,81,600	..	..	..	80,700	80,700
4. L.—Grant to the Assam Primary Education Board.							
	97,75,598	..	71,500	..	18,03,444	..	18,03,444
Special—							
M.—Government Special Schools—							
5. (a) Normal or Training Schools.							
	1,69,390	15,250	..	..	..	10,700	10,700
6. (c) Technical Education—							
(ii) Civil Engineering Schools, Gauhati.	1,58,290	..	74,642	..	50,000	..	50,000

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
GENERAL CHARGES—							
7. Q.—Inspection—Allowances and Honoraria.	2,82,072	60,800	..	..	..	9,500	9,500
8. U.—Charges in England.							
Other charges—Miscellaneous expenditure.	2,119	..	..	..	4,227	..	4,227
Total—Normal ..	1,25,13,369	19,48,494	2,06,142	..	27,97,671	1,77,800	29,75,471
DEVELOPMENT SCHEME (ARTICLE 275)--							
9. C-I.—Grant to Non-Government Arts Colleges.	40,000	..	45,000	..	65,000	75,000	1,40,000
10. G-J.—Direct grant to Non-Government Secondary Schools.	3,50,000	1,30,000	1,20,904	35,000	2,24,096	2,00,050	4,24,146
11. I-I.—Grant to Government Primary Schools.	..	80,000	..	1,20,000	..	9,090	9,090
12. J-I.—Direct grant to Non-Government Primary Schools.	..	1,03,000	..	3,000	..	16,350	16,350
13. M-I.—Government special Schools.	2,76,700	3,22,150	..	..	21,300	..	21,300
14. R-I.—Scholarship.	40,000	1,20,000	40,000	55,000	25,000	15,000	40,000
15. S.—Miscellaneous.	11,000	..	29,000	1,45,000	..	1,00,000	1,00,000
Total—Development Schemes (Article 275.)	7,17,700	7,55,150	2,34,904	3,58,000	3,35,396	4,15,490	7,50,886

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
DEVELOPMENT SCHEME (FIVE YEAR PLAN)—							
16. A-2—Grants to Gauhati University.	15,05,000	..	..	..	19,00,000	..	19,00,000
17. M-2—Government Special Schools.							
(a) Basic Schools.	6,25,216	2,12,100	..	..	..	9,200	9,200
Total—Development Scheme Five Year Plan.	21,30,216	2,12,100	..	..	19,00,000	9,200	19,09,200
Grand Total	..1,53,61,285	29,15,744	4,41,046	3,58,000	50,33,067	6,02,490	56,35,557

EXPLANATORY NOTES

1,3,5,7 and 17. The Government have recently sanctioned a Hill allowance to all Government employees posted to and for serving in the Hills Districts except the United Khasi and Jaintia Hills irrespective of their nativity, i. e., whether they belong to the native district or come from outside in consideration of the higher cost of living and remoteness of locality. The additional expenditure involved in the proposal is beyond the limit of the existing budget provision. Hence the Demand.

2 and 4. (a) A sum of Rs. 9,40,000 under "Direct Grant to Non-Government Secondary Schools" and Rs. 15,00,100 under "Grant to Assam Primary Education Board" are required for giving grants-in-aid to High, Middle and Lower Primary Schools damaged by the recent floods. As the matter is urgent the amount was advanced from Contingency Fund. Hence the Demand.

(b) A sum of Rs. 3,03,344 under "Grants to Assam Primary Education Board" is required due to annual increments in pay of teachers, staff of school Boards offices and teaching staff of training centre, etc. The original provision made on the basis of the past actuals was found inadequate. Hence the Demand. The amount has already been advanced from the Contingency Fund.

6. To meet the increased demands of Civil Overseers in the State it was decided to raise the number of enrolment in Assam Civil Engineering Institute, Gauhati from 120 to 180. As a result of which it was necessary to provide additional training facilities in the Institute. A sum of Rs.50,000 had to be spent for purchase of tools and equipments for the purpose. As the decision was made after the budget for the current year was framed, the required amount could not be provided in the budget. As the matter was urgent, the amount was advanced from Contingency Fund. Hence the Demand.

8. The amount is required to meet the expenditure in England.

9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14. The Government of India have recently sanctioned an additional grant of Rs.50 lakhs under Article 275 (1) of the Constitution for the Development Schemes relating to the Autonomous Districts as well as the Plains Tribal Areas. Out of this grant Rs.5,65,000 and Rs.3,64,096 respectively have been allotted for the Development of Education. The schemes are more ambitious beyond the limit of our provision in the budget and the whole amount will be recovered from Government of India. The shortfall of Rs.6,50,886, was advanced from the Contingency Fund for immediate implementation of the schemes so as to avoid lapse of any grant on this account. Hence the Demand.

15. (a) A sum of Rs.75,000 was originally sanctioned by the Government of India as grants-in-aid for encouragement of cultural activities in the Autonomous Districts during the current year against which there was no provision in the budget. The entire amount was provided by taking advance from Contingency Fund which was regularised during the last November Session of the Assembly. But again Government of India sanctioned an additional amount of Rs.25,000 during the last part of November 1955 on this account. This additional amount had to be provided by taking advance from Contingency Fund. Hence the Demand.

(b) Rupees 75,000 is required for the same reasons as explained under items 9 to 14 above. This amount was advanced from Contingency Fund.

16. The additional amount of Rs.19 lakhs (Rupees nineteen lakhs) is required for expenditure on construction of Gauhati University Buildings in the current year. The Grant made under the 1st Five Year Plan for construction of Gauhati University Buildings has already been exhausted and this additional amount of Rs.19 lakhs is urgently required for expenditure on some pending works. An amount of Rs.10 lakhs has been advanced from the Contingency Fund.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.56,35,557, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "37.—Education".

(After a pause.)

There is a Cut Motion in the name of Mr. Hareswar Goswami.

Shri HARESWAR GOSWAMI : Sir, I am not moving my Cut Motion, but I will say only a few words about this provision of Rs.9,40,000 under minor head—2G-Direct Grant to non-Government Secondary Schools. If a list of the schools could be laid on the table of this House, the House would have been in a better position to know which schools are given this aid. Sir, I know of some schools where the aid given is really very small in view of the damage caused by the flood and they are really in need of more help and unless this is given, the purpose for which this money is distributed will not be served. So, my submission is that a list of schools with the amount of money received should be laid on the table so that we may know the actual position.

Shri RANENDRA MOHAN DAS : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I like to speak a few words on the principle under which these grants are being distributed to Government Aided High Schools. So far as I know that in previous years it was the practice that the Director of Public Instruction would make a list of schools according to requirement and status for the grants to be disbursed during the year and particularly at the end of the year. But now-a-days, the system has changed. The Director of Public Instruction is being treated as nothing but the despatching clerk of the Department and he cannot make the distribution as it is generally done by the Minister-in-charge or by the Members of the Legislative Assembly and also under the pressure of other Ministers for their party interest only.

Many times, I requested even the Minister-in-charge to help some institutions which were damaged by storm and flood, but from my past experience, I have found that although these institutions deserved grant, they did not get it; whereas institutions started only recently got such grant under the pressure of the party in power.

I can give instances. In the last storm, the Srigouri Aided High School building was collapsed. It was in the last rainy season when there was a severe storm in Bhangra area, besides this school, the Bhangra Aided High School and the Gaur Govinda School were badly damaged. I requested the Minister-in-charge and also other Ministers to give some money to these schools particularly Srigouri School, which is a very old institution started 30 years back, but, unfortunately, Government have not as yet given any help. The people of the locality and the school authority tried its best but could not raise the building for want of sufficient fund.

If a table of schools to which grants have been given and the principle on which grants have been given is placed on the Library table, in that case we may know whether the grants are justified or not, otherwise our charge will be proved that the men in power or party in power are showing favouritism and depriving the institutions which really deserved such grants.

Shri OMEO KUMAR DAS (Minister) : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I am glad that my Friend, Shri Hareswar Goswami, has not moved his Cut Motion by which he wanted to discuss favouritism in the distribution of the grant. He has now only raised a general discussion.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER : He has not moved his Motion.

Shri OMEO KUMAR DAS (Minister) : What he meant by favouritism by Government may be said to be cases of disfavouritism by nature. Some of the institutions which were undergoing some natural calamities, like flood during this year, Government helped some of these institutions with grant on the basis of self-help. It was decided that a percentage of the cost of reconstruction of these buildings should be borne by the Managing Committee either by labour or by kind. The inspecting staff was directed to submit a list of such flood-damaged institutions after making an assessment of the damage. The inspecting staff consulted the Managing Committees concerned and then they submitted the lists.

I do not know why Shri Ranendra Mohan Das said that the Director of Public Instruction is not consulted in this respect. As a matter of fact, the lists are submitted to the Director of Public Instruction by the Inspectors of the respective areas. I must mention that at Gauhati there was a meeting in which the Deputy Inspectors of every subdivision were invited, sometime in October last, in order to prepare a preliminary estimate for reconstruction after assessment of the damage caused by flood in their respective subdivisions. A list was prepared in that meeting and this was discussed with the Finance Department and some time was taken to finalise it. My Friend, Shri Ranendra Mohan Das, has mentioned about the Srigouri School, Bhanga Bazar School and Nilmani High School. Sir, I must mention that it was an act of disfavour, that these schools were not damaged by flood.

Shri RANENDRA MOHAN DAS : I did not mention about Nilmani High School, I said about Gaur Govinda High School. This school, Bhanga Bazar School and Srigouri School were damaged by nature in the shape of storm.

Shri OMEO KUMAR DAS (Minister) : This grant is meant for flood damage and not for any other purpose.

As a matter of fact this Srigouri Aided High School is getting a non-recurring grant of Rs.1,000.

This entire grant is related to flood damage to institutions only and the principle on which it is given is that a certain percentage of this will be borne by the institution concerned by labour or kind.

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA : Is Mohara in Golaghat a flood-affected area ?

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER : Yes, it is. It is on the bank of a river.

Shri RANENDRA MOHAN DAS : Is not storm a natural calamity?

Shri OMEO KUMAR DAS (Minister) : It may be, but this grant was limited to flood damage. I do not understand why my Friend, Shri Ranendra Mohan Das, gets excited about it. There is no need of excitement because Srigouri School has already been given a grant and his school, the Nilmani School, is also granted Rs.17,000 in order to upgrade it.

Shri RANENDRA MOHAN DAS : I have not mentioned about Nilmani High School.

Shri OMEO KUMAR DAS (Minister) : Sir, the whole scheme is on the basis of self-help and it was limited to institutions which were damaged by flood and the respective Inspectors and Deputy Inspectors were asked to assess the damage and prepare a list as to the extent of damage in consultation with the Managing Committee. This list was duly discussed with Finance Department and allotment to different schools was made accordingly. In this, I cannot understand wherefrom favouritism can come in.

Shri BISHNURAM MEDHI (Chief Minister) : Sir, my Friend, Shri Ranendra Mohan Das, has confused the whole issue in his excitement. It is a scheme which is financed both by the Central Government and the State Government. At our suggestion this scheme was accepted by the Government of India. Whatever contribution came from the Government of India and whatever contribution this Government makes, allotment is made on self-help basis for repair of institutions damaged by flood. If any building is blown down

by storm or destroyed by fire, we will have to find out money from our State Budget. There was a widespread flood. Government represented to the Government of India for assistance. The Government of India agreed to make certain contribution if the State Government also contributes some amount towards that end. Some procedure was laid down for distribution of this money after making proper enquiries in different places. So my Friend need not be nervous because no allotment was made for help in case of damage to institutions caused by fire or storm, *i.e.*, other than flood out of this scheme to render help to institution.

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA : For Kohora School no provision was made but it was flood-affected.

Shri BISHNURAM MEDHI (Chief Minister) : I have no information about that.

Shri OMEO KUMAR DAS (Minister) : Sir, the distribution was made on the basis of the report from the inspecting staff.

With regard to the request made by Shri Hareswar Goswami to send him a list of institutions which received grants for flood relief, this will be laid on the table in reply to another grant.

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I beg to move that the provision of Rs.19,00,000 under Supplementary Demand No.13, Major head "37.—Education", Minor head—Development Scheme (Five Year Plan), Sub-head 16.—A—2—Grants to Gauhati University, at page 24 of the List of Supplementary Demands, be reduced by Re.1, *i.e.*, the amount of the whole Supplementary Demand of Rs.56,35,557 do stand reduced by Re.1.

My object is to criticise the expenditure.

Sir, in the Explanatory Note at page 26 it has been said that the additional amount of Rs.19 lakhs is required for expenditure on construction of Gauhati University Buildings in the current year. It is said that the grant made under the First Five-Year Plan for construction of Gauhati University Buildings has already been exhausted and this additional amount of Rs.19 lakhs is urgently required for expenditure on some pending works. An amount of Rs.10 lakhs has been advanced from the Contingency Fund. Now, Sir, this Gauhati University is not a new thing and the University site at Jhalukbari is also not a new selection and that buildings would be required there was known before. So, from no consideration whatsoever this can be said to be an unforeseen expenditure because the

Education Minister himself is the *ex-officio* Chairman of the Gauhati University Development Committee. Before undertaking construction work in that area, the Committee must have fully gone into the question as to what amount would be required for the different buildings. Sir, it is a general financial rule that whenever any amount is sanctioned, proper estimate is made, measurements are made, and after having all these details, the necessary amount is sanctioned. How is it that during the last few years when these construction works have been going on, this expenditure could not be visualised? How is it that this huge amount has become necessary now to be brought in into the Supplementary Budget? This is a very intriguing question, Sir. We have read in the papers that the Chemistry building of the Gauhati University, the foundation stone of which was laid by the Prime Minister himself, was found unfit for the purpose. Similarly, we have heard that the site where the Library building was to be built, has also been found unsuitable for the purpose.

Shri OMEO KUMAR DAS (Minister) : The site you mean?

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA : Yes, the site. Then, Sir, we know that some other construction works are going on side by side, for example, construction of the Engineering College and quarters at Jhalukbari—the rate at which the construction of the Engineering College and quarters is going on is lower than the rate at which the Gauhati University building construction is going on. In other words, more money is being paid to the contractors who have undertaken construction of the Gauhati University buildings. In spite of the fact that lakhs of rupees—it is not a question of thousands, but of lakhs and lakhs of rupees as can be seen from the nature of the Supplementary Demand—of public money and Government subvention is being spent, there is no proper supervision. This House will be astonished to hear that one Modhuram—a Chaprassi—has become a work charged overseer of the Gauhati University construction work, and an old retired gentleman was appointed Executive Engineer. With what result? This old retired gentleman simply asks Modhuram
 “এ নমু, ঠিক আছেতো?” “হয় দেউতা, ছব ঠিক আছে।” and the bill is passed. The result is that there are already cracks in practically all the buildings. In other words, the work was not properly done if you look at it from all sides. Let me give one instance. It is the procedure with the Government that in the matter of electric installation the loop system is always insisted upon but in the Gauhati University buildings, though the quotation was

as per loop system, the contractors have done it in a joint system thereby incurring less expenditure but charging more. The result is that work of an inferior type was done but higher rate was taken.

As I have said, Sir, in the matter of construction of quarters also something is happening. There are different quarters and buildings there, for example, quarters for the Vice-Chancellor, for the Registrar, the Deputy Registrar, the Treasurer, Professors, Lecturers, office assistants, IV grade and III grade staff quarters. So far as quarters for IV grade and III grade staff are concerned, they look like so many holes and not like rooms. But so far as the quarters of the Vice-Chancellor, the Registrar or Professors are concerned, they are so big and spacious that you will be convinced by seeing them, that a socialistic pattern of society is being heralded there at Jhalukbari, where classes are being abolished!! (Laughter).

As regards the plinth area, we shall be able to see if we go there. The variation is 20 to 1, and the rate of charges estimated are also neither according to the pay scale nor according to the basic pay nor according to the expenditure incurred on these buildings. In this way a horrible mess is going on in the Gauhati University. Unfortunately, Sir, this state of affairs is going on in the University when our Education Minister is the *ex-officio* Chairman of the Development Committee of the Gauhati University. Therefore, Sir, it would not be proper on the part of this House to agree with this Demand. I can with confidence say that a big sum of money has been spent, which will be a sheer waste of public money. Therefore, the House should be very careful in agreeing to such a Demand. Before agreeing to grant this Demand, the House should appoint a Committee to see whether a lot of public money has been wasted or not. Then and then only, Sir, this House should consider whether this Demand should be granted.

With these few words, Sir, I commend my Motion to the acceptance of the House.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Motion moved is that the provision of Rs.19,00,000 under Supplementary Demand No.13, Major head "37.—Education", Minor head—Development Scheme (Five-Year Plan), Sub-head 16—A—2.—Grants to Gauhati University, at page 24 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re.1, *i.e.*, the amount of the whole Supplementary Demand of Rs.56,35,557 do stand reduced by Re.1.

Shri OMEO KUMAR DAS (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I have listened to the speech delivered by my honourable Friend, Shri Bhattacharyya, and I propose to reply to the points raised by him in his speech one by one.

Sir, he has mentioned that the Chemistry building has been unfit for holding classes in Chemistry in the Gauhati University. As a matter of fact, it is absolutely without any foundation. The Chemistry classes are being held on in this building. There has been no report from the Gauhati University authorities to this effect. I must however accept that there had appeared certain cracks in the Chemistry building as a result of earthquake tremors during September or October last. The room which was constructed underground for storage has not yet been found fit. Except this fact, the classes are being held in the same building, and there has been no report from the Gauhati University that this building has gone out of use.

Shri GAURISANKAR BHATTACHARYYA: Sir, is it a fact that this room is going to be used for the Botany classes?

Shri OMEO KUMAR DAS (Minister): The University may be making temporary arrangement for holding the Botany classes. It is only a temporary arrangement by the University. This arrangement is not done by the Development Committee of the Gauhati University but by the University itself.

Then, Sir, the architect, who is in charge of the buildings has got his supervising staff there under him in the University. We had also pointed out the cracks which appeared in the Chemistry building. The underground room which was meant for storage as godown has not yet been ready. The attention of the architect had been drawn. No final bill has yet been paid.

Then, Sir, regarding the Library building he has mentioned that the Library building is also not to the standard and unfit for use. Sir, I must mention that this building had not yet been constructed. Recently, the University Grants Commission sent one of the officers to visit the University buildings. He disfavoured the location of the Library building on a hillock. He was of the opinion that in Assam where land erosion is very frequent, the hillock where the Library building was proposed to be constructed may erode, and that is why the University Grants Commission was not willing to spend a huge amount of Rs.12 lakhs for this purpose. But our Engineers are certain that the hillock will not be eroded. However, after having discussion with this officer and the Engineers of our

Department we had agreed to the change of the site of the Library building as pointed out by this officer of the Grants Commission. The site already prepared would be used for other purpose.

Then, Sir, he has mentioned about the rate of construction. The buildings of the Engineering College had been constructed according to Assam pattern, and as such, the rate is also very low. There is another factor that when we had agreed with the architect that Assam being in the earthquake area, we had to construct the buildings of a heavier type as proof against earthquake. That is why the rates had been higher for the construction of the University buildings.

Then he has also mentioned about one work-charged overseer whose name is Madhuram Das. I do not know his antecedents. But, Sir, the work-charged overseer is a Mohurir only. Then, Sir, he has alleged about the Executive Engineer that he relies much on this work-charged overseer. As I have already stated that we have got our architect and he has got his own staff. He has got three Engineers for three different Departments. They have got their own supervising staff. According to the agreement the architect will have to maintain these staffs. The three Engineers which are maintained by the architect are for Electricity, for Sanitary Engineering and for General Buildings.

However, Sir, I will look into the matter relating to the antecedent of the work-charged overseer.

Then he mentioned that the work has been of inferior type. As a matter of fact, I do not know whether the work has been of inferior type. But, Sir, I have to depend upon the Chief Engineer of the Assam Government. He is also a member of the University Development Committee, and as such, whenever there is any work to be done, his advice is always taken. I will also look into this matter personally.

Then, Sir, Mr. Bhattacharyya mentioned about the 4th grade staff and criticised the socialistic pattern of society. For his information, Sir, I would like to say that the State Government has the Housing Department which has drawn up some plans for housing schemes. These plans were drawn up according to the basis of the earning and what should be the plinth area according to the earning. Because persons who will use the houses will have to pay certain rent. These 4th grade staff will not be able to pay higher rent with a lower salary, which ranges from Rs.60 to Rs.80 at the utmost. I have also compared the housing scheme of the Plantation area. Every housing scheme has been drawn up according to the earning, and the capacity for paying the rent for such houses.

Then Sir, he has mentioned that there has been a lot of wastage of public money on account of these facts. During the last few years the Development Committee of the Gauhati University has been sitting almost every month. Chief Engineer and the Electrical Adviser are also members of this committee. Certainly, Sir, they have not guided the Development Committee in a wrong direction. The University Development Committee could not foresee this expenditure. As a matter of fact this expenditure was envisaged when the University submitted plans for one crore five for construction of essential buildings. But the Planning Commission was not agreeable to increase the amount for 45 lakhs which was taken as a loan by Assam Government.

Having listened to what I have said now, I hope my Friend, Shri Bhattacharyya, would not press for his cut motion and he will withdraw it. I will enquire about Shri Madhuram Das. As regards the payment for the Electricity work, I must mention that Chief Engineer for Electricity examined the work and must have certified. I therefore request Shri Bhattacharyya to withdraw his cut motion.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The question is that the provision of Rs.19,00,000 under Supplementary Demand No.13, Major Head "37 Education, Minor Head—Development Scheme (Five Year Plan), Sub-head 16. A—2 Grants to Gauhati University, at page 24 of the list of Supplementary Demands, be reduced by Re.1, *i. e.*, the amount of the whole Supplementary Demand of Rs.56,35,557 do stand reduced by Re.1.

(The motion was negatived)

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.56,35,557 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1955-56 for the administration of the head "37—Education".

(The motion was adopted)

No. 14

“38.—MEDICAL”

Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.13,38,464 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head “38.—Medical”.

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...	70,48,600
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	7,63,612
Additional amount now required ...	13,38,464
III.—Sub head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—	

Major and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
(1)	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
NORMAL—							
(1) B.—Hospitals and Dispensaries—(a) Ordinary—dispensaries—							
Pay of officers	17,600	..	..	..	6,500	6,500
Contingencies—							
(Non-contract)	..	2,26,350	..	..	..	50,000	50,000
Contingencies—							
(Contract)	1,36,900	..	98,769	..	20,000	20,000
(2) H.—Charges in England—							
Other charges
Miscellaneous expenditure.	3,293	..	3,293
Total—Normal	..	3,80,250	..	98,769	3,293	76,500	79,793

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
DEVELOPMENT SCHEME'S ARTICLE 275—							
(3) B.—I.—Hospitals and Dispensaries—(a) Ordinary dispensaries. Contingencies Non-contract Medical stores and instruments and appliances.	..	1,14,500	..	..	25,000	63,444	88,444
(4) (c).—Grants for Leprosy works.	70,000	23,000	87,000	..	1,00,000	80,000	1,80,000
(5) (d) Grants to hospitals and dispensaries.	1,30,000	..	..	..	2,35,000	..	2,35,000
(6) C.—I.—Grants for Medical purposes—Grants to I. B. patients for treatment.	..	..	..	..	10,000	10,000	20,000
Total—Development Schemes (Article 275).	2,00,000	1,37,500	87,000	..	3,70,000	1,53,444	5,23,444

DEVELOPMENT SCHEME, FIVE YEAR PLAN—							
(7) B.—2.—Hospitals and Dispensaries—(a) Provincialisation of five District Hospitals—							
Contingencies—							
Other Non-contract Contingencies.	50,000	..	93,000	..	91,250	..	91,250
Total	50,000	..	93,000	..	91,250	..	91,250

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
(8) B.—2.—Hospitals and Dispensaries—(b) R. P. Chest Hospital, Shillong Medical Stores, Instrument and appliances.	12,000	..	..	..	1,50,000	..	1,50,000
Total ..	12,000	..	..	..	1,50,000	..	1,50,000
(9) D.—2.—Medical Colleges and School—(a) Assam Medical College, Dibrugarh—Contingencies—Equipments.	..	..	50,000	..	1,00,000	..	1,00,000
Total ..	..	..	50,000	..	1,00,000	..	1,00,000
(10) B.—2.—Hospitals and Dispensaries—(c) Mobile Dispensaries—Contingencies—Other Non-contract Contingencies.	..	..	..	..	62,056	..	62,056
Total ..	..	..	..	..	62,056	..	62,056
(11) B.—2.—Hospitals and Dispensaries—(f) Improvement and Expansion of District Headquarters Hospitals (other than five provincialised Hospitals)—Contingencies—Other Non-contract Contingencies.	..	..	..	..	3,31,921	..	3,31,921
Total ..	..	..	..	..	3,31,921	..	3,31,921
Total—Development Scheme—Five Year Plan.	62,000	..	1,43,000	..	7,35,227	..	7,35,227
Grand total ..	..	..	..	..	11,08,520	2,29,944	13,38,464

EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. The Government of India have agreed to contribute to bear half the cost of maintenance of the Civil Hospital, Kohima subject to a maximum of Rs. 75,000 per annum for a period of 3 years from the year 1955-56 to 1957-58 on condition that no charge should be made to the Central Government for the treatment of the personnel belonging to the Assam Rifles at the hospital. This was agreed to by the State Government and the Block in the Hospital run by the Assam Rifles was accordingly taken over by the State from 1955-56. In taking over the Assam Rifles Block of the Hospital it was necessary to take over the existing staff also until further arrangements were arrived at with the Inspector General of Assam Rifles. Captain R. P. Biswas, Medical Officer of the Assam Rifles, in-charge of this Block was accordingly allowed to continue to serve in the Hospital under the Civil Surgeon, Naga Hills but drawing his existing pay and emoluments according to his own cadre subject to subsequent adjustments to be made by Inspector General, Assam Rifles.

(a) Due to appointment of Captain Biswas of 3rd Assam Rifles Block in the State Cadre there exists no budget provision for the purpose in the current financial year.

(b) The amount of Rs.50,000 is necessary mainly to meet the expenditure under diet of patients and medical stores as the number of patients in the hospital has increased and also for meeting the expenditure of the 3rd Assam Rifles Block at Kohima taken over by the State Government.

(c) This amount is required to meet the pay of the casual employees of 3rd Assam Rifles Block attached to Kohima Civil Hospital and also to meet the expenditure under Hill Allowance sanctioned to non-Gazetted Government servants.

2. The amount is required to meet the expenditure in England.

3. Against the Government of India's sanctioned grant of Rs.3,00,000 for construction of 5 new dispensaries in the Plains Tribal Area, a sum of Rs.25,000 is proposed to be utilised for purchase of equipments during the current year. As there is no provision in the budget under the appropriate head, an amount of Rs.25,000 has been advanced from the Contingency Fund. Hence the Supplementary Demand.

(a) Government of India sanctioned a grant of Rs.30,000 for provision of treatment for T. B. patients for Hills during the current financial year. Out of this Rs.2,000 is proposed to provide in the budget by Supplementary Demand, for purchase of equipments and furniture for Aijal T. B. ward

(b) Out of total savings of Rs.1,31,444 from the Public Works Department as stated in 4 (b) above Rs.70,000 has been allotted to non-official organisation for doing anti-Leprosy work in the Hills and the balance of Rs.61,444 is proposed for purchase of Medical stores and equipment for some newly constructed Dispensaries and Hospitals. Hence the Supplementary Demand. The amount of Rs.61,444 has been advanced from the Contingency Fund.

4. Government of India sanctioned Rs.2,57,000 as grants for leprosy works in the Plains Tribal Areas during the current year under Art. 275 of the Constitution. Out of this a sum of Rs 1,57,000 has been sanctioned to Assam Seva Samity for which provision in the budget exists. No provision for balance of the grant of Rs.1 lakh has been made in the budget. Provision of this amount is therefore necessary to give grant-in-aid for leprosy works. The amount has already been advanced from the Contingency Fund.

(a) Government of India sanctioned a sum of Rs.40,000 as grant-in-aid for leprosy works in Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas during the current financial year. Against this there was a provision of Rs.23,000 in original budget. The shortfall of Rs.17,000 in this head has been provided by re-appropriation. Now an additional grant of Rs.10,000 has been received from Government of India totalling the grant under this head to Rs.50,000. There is no provision in the State budget for the additional grant of Rs.10,000. Hence this demand. The amount of Rs.10,000 was advanced from the Contingency Fund.

(b) Against the Government of India's sanction of Rs.8,40,836 under Medical for Autonomous Hills Districts out of grant under Art.275 during the current year, an amount of Rs.2,63,442 was allotted to Medical and Rs.5,86,394 to Public Works Department. Public Works Department now report that their actual requirement for current year comes to Rs.4,54,900 leaving an overall saving of Rs.1,31,444. As there is ample scope for intensifying, our measures for treatment of Tribal leper patients, it is proposed to allot an additional amount of Rs.70,000 for giving grant-in-aid to non-official organisation working in this line, in the Hills. There is no provision in the State budget; it is proposed to provide this amount by Supplementary Demand. An amount of Rs.70,000 has been advanced from the Contingency Fund.

5. Government of India sanctioned Rs.3 lakh for construction of 5 new dispensaries and for giving grant-in-aid to Hospitals and Dispensaries including subsidised dispensaries in the plains tribal area. A sum of Rs.2,65,000 has been earmarked for giving grant to Hospitals and Dispensaries against which there is provision of Rs 1,35,000 only in the State budget. The excess expenditure amounting to Rs.1,35,000 is now to be provided by Supplementary Demand for grant to Hospitals and Dispensaries. Again another sum of Rs.1 lakh out of separate grant of Rs.1,35,000 from Government of India for treatment to T. B. patients is proposed to be provided in the State budget by Supplementary Demand under the head in order to give grant to the Lokopriya Bordoloi Memorial T. B. Hospital. The amount has already been advanced from the Contingency Fund.

6. Against the sanction of Rs.1,35,000 and Rs.30,000 from Government of India for provision of treatment for Plains and Hills Tribal T. B. patients respectively a sum of Rs.20,000 (ten thousand for each group) from the above grants is proposed to be given as grant-in-aid to T. B. patients for treatment of both Plains and Tribal Areas during the current years as there is no specific provision under the appropriate head against the grant in the State budget. Hence the provision is made by Supplementary Demand. The amount has been advanced from the Contingency Fund.

7. An Ambulance Van for each of the five provincialised hospitals at Dhubri, Silchar, Nowgong, Tezpur and Jorhat is considered essential in the interest of the patients generally and of the serious cases in particular to facilitate quick transport to the hospitals with ease and comfort. It is therefore proposed to purchase five Ambulance Vans immediately at a cost of Rs.91,250.

8. The Reid Chest Hospital, Shillong at present experiencing considerable handicap in extending proper treatment facilities to the T. B. patients for want of essential medical appliances. In order to equip the Hospital with latest instruments and various other appliances, it is proposed that a sum of Rs.1,50,000 be immediately provided. The amount has been advanced from Contingency Fund.

9. The Assam Medical College at Dibrugarh is in urgent need of additional equipments for extending teaching and treatment facilities. It is therefore proposed to provide a sum of Rs.1,00,000 for the purpose.

10. Since a large number of patients in the rural areas cannot easily avail of the medical facilities in the existing hospitals, it is considered essential that at least two Mobile Dispensary Vans be made available for the time being for the benefit of the suffering rural public at a cost of Rs.62,056.

11. (a) An Ambulance Van for each of the Government Hospitals at Dibrugarh, Gauhati and Shillong is urgently required to facilitate transport of patients to the hospitals for necessary treatment. It is proposed to purchase 3 Ambulance Vans for these Hospitals also at a cost of Rs.54,750.

(b) Additional land for the expansion of the Gauhati Civil Hospital is urgently required. It is therefore proposed that a sum of Rs.2,77,171 be provided to meet the acquisition cost of the required land.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.13,38,464 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "38.—Medical".

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.13,38,464 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "38.—Medical".

(The Motion was adopted)

Shri HARESWAR GOSWAMI : Sir, I want to know one thing. A Page 31, we find that for additional land for the expansion of the Gauhati Civil Hospital is urgently required and a sum of Rs.2,77,171 is necessary for that purpose. But if we remember, perhaps a year back it was decided to acquire a portion of the land in Mission Compound. Is that intended for the Civil Hospital ?

Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA (Minister): Yes, Sir, it is so.

No.15

"39.—Public Health"

Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, to move that an additional amount of Rs.8,01,609 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of head "39.—Public Health."

		Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...	..	59,51,200
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year ...	..	7,44,170
Additional amount now required ...	...	8,01,609
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—		

Minor and Sub-head (1)	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
	(2) Rs.	(3) Rs.	(4) Rs.	(5) Rs.	(6) Rs.	(7) Rs.	(8) Rs.
DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES UNDER ART. 275							
(1) A-I.—Public Health Establishment—							
(a) Superintendence and other Establishment	40,234	24,978	..	..	41,855	..	41,855
(i) Public Health Propaganda.	35,500	17,211	..	..	8,966	..	8,966
2. (ii) Maternity and Child Welfare Centres with Malaria squads.	..	1,80,000	2,00,000	..	2,00,000	28,300	2,28,300
3. B-I—Grants for Public Health purposes.	..	11,200	..	..	97,658	..	97,658
4. C-I—Epidemic Diseases (b) other epidemics.	..	2,00,000	..	..	..	10,000	10,000
5. G-I. (a)—Original Works (1) by Public Works Department.	..	..	..	..	14,830	..	14,830
6. (2) In-charge Civil Officers.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Total—Development Scheme, Article. 275	..	..	..	3,63,309	38,300	..	4,01,609

(1)	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	Sixth General Schedule Areas		Sixth General Schedule Areas		General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
	(2) Rs.	(3) Rs.	(4) Rs.	(5) Rs.	(6) Rs.	(7) Rs.	(8) Rs.
(7) Development Scheme under Five Year Plan.							
A-2.—Public Health Estab- lishment—							
(2) Entertainment of Health Engineer.	20,500	..	..	4,00,000	..	..	4,00,000
Total	..	..	..	7,63,309	38,300	8,01,609	

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Development Schemes under Art. 275.—During the current financial year, out of the grant-in-aid received from the Government of India under Public Health, Public Works Department was allotted Rs.3,77,800. It is now from that there will be a saving of Rs.2,73,800 out of the amount allotted to the Public Works Department. To utilise the savings in the best was possible if the same has been diverted for other schemes as shown below—

1. This amount is required for setting up Mobile Dispensary with propaganda Unit and Van and also for establishment and other charges required in the K. A. Ward Areas at Dudhnai.

2. This is required for opening of eight Health Centres with one Malaria squad attached to each.

3. *General.*—The amount is required for giving grant-in-aid for supply of drinking water in the rural areas of the Plains Tribal Areas.

Sixth Schedule Areas.—The amount is required for supply of drinking water to the people of the interior villages of rural areas of Autonomous Hills Districts.

4. This is necessary for establishment and charges of the 20 bedded K. A. Ward at Dudhnai.

5. The amount is required for improvement of water supply by Public Works Department in Autonomous Districts.

6. This amount is required for improvement/reconstruction of the existing Public Health Dispensaries in Plains Tribal Areas.

The whole amount of Rs.4,01,609 has been advanced from the Contin-
gency Fund.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 8,01,609 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "39.—Public Health."

Shri HARESWAR GOSWAMI: Sir, at page 33 it is stated under item 2 that eight Health Centres would be opened. May I now the places where they would be opened?

Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA (Minister): Sir, I will let the hon. Member know afterwards. They will be in the Plains Tribal Areas.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The question is that an additional amount of Rs. 8,01,609 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "39.—Public Health".

(The Motion was adopted)

No. 16

"40.—Agriculture"

Shri RAMNATH DAS (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg to move that an additional amount of Rs. 36,75,605, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for administration of the head "40.—Agriculture".

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly	72,54,300
II.—Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	15,21,961
Additional amount now required	36,75,605

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
	(1)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
I. NORMAL—							
F.—Agricultural Experiment and Research—							
(i)(l) Mechanised Cultivation Scheme.	1,55,400	..	..	..	1,23,500	..	1,23,500
(w) Fertiliser Distribution Scheme.	..	..	..	..	15,75,000	..	15,75,000
(ii) Land Reclamation Schemes—							
(a) Kaki Reclamation Scheme.	80,400	..	4,64,790	..	2,03,870	..	2,03,870
(b) Scheme for installation of deep tube wells.	..	..	..	..	26,000	..	26,000
J.—Works—							
(a) (i) Original Works.	1,04,000	33,500	..	13,678	4,000	..	4,000
K.—Charges in England—							
Leave salaries and Deputation pay.	..	..	..	..	1,840	..	1,840
(II) DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES Art. (27.)—							
B. 1.—Superintendence—							
Contingencies ..	..	1,10,000	..	..	..	48,837	48,837
F. 1.—Agriculture—							
Experiment and Research—							
(a) Subsidy to growers for cultivation of pepper and cashewnuts.	..	7,500	..	17,500	..	25,000	25,000

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
(b) Irrigation projects in Bhoi Areas.	..	30,000	..	20,000	..	50,000	50,000
(d) Subsidy to Cultivators in border Areas.	25,000	..	25,000	25,000

III.—DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES (FIVE YEAR PLAN)—

E. 2.—Agricultural—

Demonstration and propaganda including Public Exhibitions and Fair—

(a) Agricultural Publicity and Propaganda.	30,000	..	30,000
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F. 2.—Agricultural—

Experiment and Research—(i) Intensive Cultivation Grow-More Food Schemes—

(c) Power Pump Irrigation Scheme.	1,10,000	9,00,000	..	9,00,000
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(k) Reclamation Schemes.	3,60,000	..	3,60,000
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(ii)(b) Seed Multiplication Farm Schemes.	98,100	73,500	..	73,500
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(e) Scheme for preservation of Umtru Catchment Area—

1. Pay of officers	2,040	..	2,098	2,098
2. Pay of establishment,	..	..	..	3,558	..	3,211	3,211

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
3. Allowances and Honoraria.	4,415	..	3,567	3,567
4. Contingencies	2,317	..	5,182	5,182
Total—(e)	12,330	..	14,058	14,058

J. 2—Works—

(a) (ii) Intensive Cultivation (Grow More Food) Schemes.	5,14,000	1,70,900	2,25,000	67,000	2,15,000	..	2,15,000
Grand Total	11,33,600	3,51,900	6,89,790	1,55,508	35,12,710	1,62,895	36,75,605

Recoveries—F.— Agricultural Experiment and Research—

(ii) Land Reclamation Scheme— (a) Kaki Reclamation Scheme—

Deduct—Amount transferred to "7.—Land Revenue".	—80,600	..	—3,04,169	..	—2,03,870	..	—2,03,870
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(b) Schemes for Installation of Deep tube wells—

Deduct—Amount transferred to "63—B.—Community Development Projects—".	—17,334	..	—17,334
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EXPLANATORY NOTES

F.(i)(l)—It has recently been decided to properly equip the Agricultural workshop with upto-date tools and machinery to enable it to undertake proper and effective repairs of the increased number of tractors and pumping sets working under the different development schemes.

(w) The amount is required to meet the cost of 5,000 tons of Sulphate of Ammonium supplied by M/S Sindri Fertilisers Chemical Ltd., to the Agricultural Department Assam, during 1955-56 under a new Agreement. No provision of funds for the purpose could be made in the current year's budget as the position was not clear. Hence the Supplementary Demand.

F. (ii) (a)—The amount is required for meeting the depreciation charge of machineries and tools utilised in Kaki Reclamation Scheme during the current year. The amount could not be provided in the Budget as the figure was not available earlier. As per Government decision this amount will be transferred to "7.—Land Revenue".

J. (ii) (b) & J. (a) (i)—The details may be seen at Appendix A pages 93—95. (Not printed)

K.—The amount is required to meet the expenditure in England This amount relates to the leave salary of Shri L. K. Handique, Director of Agriculture, Assam drawn in the United Kingdom.

B.1.—The Government of India have sanctioned an additional grant of Rs.1,48,837 in November last under Art. 275 for development of Agriculture in the Autonomous Districts. Out of this grant Rs.48,837 has been earmarked for the Scheme "Administration and Extension" The existing provision in the current year's budget is not adequate to meet this grants. Hence the demand. The amount has been obtained as advance from the Contingency Fund

F.1(a)—A sum of Rs. 25,000 has been given for this Scheme out of the abovementioned grants of Rs.1,48,837. The existing provision in the current year's budget is not adequate to meet this expenditure equivalent of which has been received from India. Hence the demand. The amount was advanced from the Contingency Fund.

(b) Out of the grant of Rs.1,48,837 mentioned against B 1 above a sum of Rs.50,000 is allotted for this Scheme. The current year's budget provision is not sufficient to meet this extra grant. Hence the demand. The amount was advanced from the Contingency Fund.

(d) Out of India's additional grant of Rs.1,48,837 mentioned above a sum of Rs 25,000 is meant for this Scheme. This is a new Scheme. There exists no provision in the current year's budget. Hence the demand. The amount has been obtained as advance from the Contingency Fund.

F.2(a).—The amount is required for contribution to be made to the Indian Council of Agricultural Research for participating in film production unit under the Agricultural Publicity and Propaganda Scheme during the current year. The amount was advanced from the Contingency Fund. Hence the demand.

F.(2)(i)(c).—The demand for pumping sets for irrigation purpose is very keen in the State. The existing number of pumping sets being insufficient to meet the growing demand of the people of all districts, it is proposed to purchase additional number of pumping sets. The proposal was not finalised when the Budget was framed and hence the demand.

(K) Government have approved purchase of three caterpillar D. 7 dozers as these will be necessary for undertaking heavy reclamation work during Second Five Year Plan. Hence the demand.

(ii)(b) Government have decided very recently that the number of seed farms should be increased to meet the growing demand of cultivators for supply of improved seeds and as such three new seed farms have been established at (1) Tinsukia (Lakhimpur District), (2) Bagmari (Darrang District) and (3) Ashudubi (Goalpara District). Hence the demand.

(c) The Agricultural Survey staff under the Scheme for the preservation of Umtru Catchment area has been extended upto 29th February 1956 with effect from 1st October 1955 to carry out their works under the scheme. No provision exists for the purpose in the current year's budget. A sum of Rs.14,058 has already been advanced from the Contingency Fund. Hence the demand.

7.2(a)(ii)—The additional amount is required to meet the cost of Minor Irrigation Projects and also for expenditure in connection with the construction of Central Godown at Gauhati and another Godown to accommodate machineries and implements under Plant Protection Scheme. These proposals were not finalised when the Budget was framed and hence the demand.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 36,75,605, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for administration of the head '40.—Agriculture'.

The Motion was then put as a question before the House and was adopted.)

Adjournment

(The Assembly was then adjourned for lunch till 2 P. M.)
After lunch.

Further Discussion on Supplementary Demand No.15 under "39—Public Health"

Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, before we proceed with the next item I want to give the names of the eight Health Centres which my Friend, Shri Hareswar Goswami, wanted to know in connection with Supplementary Demand No. 15 under grant "Public Health." They are—

- (1) Borobazar (Badlipara)
- (2) Rangjuli
- (3) Mosalpur
- (4) Dum Duma in Darrang district
- (5) Jengraimukh in Sibsagar
- (6) Khowang in Dibrugarh subdivision
- (7) Digaru Fulerthal in Cachar, and
- (8) Neli in Nowgong.

No.17

41.—Veterinary

Maulavi ABDUL MATLIB MAJUMDAR (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg to move that an additional amount of Rs. 2,33,563 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head “41,—Veterinary”

Rs,

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...	26,24,300
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	13,50,934
Additional amount now required ...	2,33,563
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—	

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	
(1)	(2) Rs.	(3) Rs.	(4) Rs.	(5) Rs.	(6) Rs.	(7) Rs.	(8) Rs.
Normal—							
1. A.—Superintendence.—							
Contingencies ..	21,800		3,000		50,000		50,000
2. G.—Charges in England.—							
Other charges—Miscellaneous expenditure.					3,920		3,920
Development Schemes (Art. 275) —							
3. C. I.—Subordinate Establishment—							
Contingencies ..						3,000	3,000

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Amount now required		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule areas	General	Sixth Schedule areas	General	Sixth Schedule areas	
	(1)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs
4. D. I. (a)—Hospitals and Dispensaries—							
Contingencies ..	19,000	30,400	..	..	30,000	10,320	40,320
5. E. I. (c)—Establish- ment of Key Village Centres —							
Contingencies ..	..	17,840	..	..	...	4,113	4,113
6. E. I. (d)— Establish- ment of Sheep breeding research Station—							
Contingencies ..	..	..	..	..	..	5,000	5,000
7. H. I.—Works—							
(b) Repairs ..	..	..	..	..	10,000	..	10,000
8. DEVELOPMENT SCHEMES (Five-Year-Plan)							
B—2—Veterinary Edu- cation and Resear- ch (a) Veterinary College Gauhati,—							
Contingencies ..	80,300	..	..	..	42,210	..	42,210
9. F. 2—Other Charges (a) Scheme for In- creased Milk Sup- ply in Khanapara, Barpetta and Dib- rugarh Cattle Farm							
Contingencies ..	1,50,000	..	4,12,700	..	75,000	..	75,000
Total ..	2,71,100	48,240	4,15,700	..	2,11,130	22,433	2,33,563

EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. The amount of Rs. 50,000 is required for printing of forms for conducting the ensuing Livestock Census in the State during 1956-57. It is now required to meet the expenditure required this year by a Supplementary Grant.

2. The amount is required to meet the expenditure in England. It has been necessitated to meet the expenditure on account of study allowance, etc., of Shri Rabindra Nath Hazarika, Professor of Assam Veterinary College (now on deputation to United Kingdom) for prosecuting his studies in Poultry diseases and D. T. V. M. course in the Royal (Dick) School of Veterinary Studies, University of Edinburgh.

3. No provision has been made during the current year under this head. The expenditure is required to meet the contingent expenditures of the District Subordinate staff recently sanctioned. The Government of India's grant for the entire scheme is Rs. 58,000. The amount of Rs. 3,000 has been advanced from the Contingency Fund.

4. The existing provision in the current year's budget is not adequate to meet the required expenditure under contingencies. The amount has been advanced from Contingency Fund. Hence the Supplementary Demand. Additional grant has been received from the Government of India for these schemes.

5. The current year's provision is not adequate to meet the demand under Contingencies. The Government of India's grant for the Scheme is Rs. 45,887. The amount of Rs. 4,113 has been advanced from the Contingency Fund.

6. There exists no provision in the current year's budget. The amount is required to buy some instruments and medicines. The amount has been advanced from the Contingency Fund. Hence the demand.

7. There is no provision for repairs in the current year's budget. The amount is necessary for certain unavoidable repairs and it has been advanced from the Contingency Fund. Hence the demand.

8. The amount of Rs. 42,210 is required for acquisition of land for the Assam Veterinary College at Khanapara. The expenditure was advanced from the Contingency Fund. Now it is required to be regularised by Supplementary Grant.

9. The amount of Rs. 75,000 is required to meet the expenditure for the purchase and feed of animals under the Increased Milk Supply Scheme. The amount was advanced from the Contingency Fund. Now it is to be regularised by Supplementary Demand.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 2,33,563 be granted to the Minister-in-charge, to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "41.—Veterinary".

(The Motion was then put by the Chair as a question before the House and was adopted.)

No. 18

"42-Co-operation—1.—Co-operative Societies"

Shri SIDDHINATH SARMA (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam I beg to move that an additional amount of Rs. 1,68,257 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "42.—Co-operation—I—Co-operative Societies."

				Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly	..	..	..	14,53,600
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	...	...	...	2,75,159
Additional amount now required	..	..	..	1,68,257
III. Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—				

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule areas	General	Sixth Schedule areas	General	Sixth Schedule areas	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.

DEVELOPMENT SCHEME— (Five-Year-Plan)

A.-1.—Direction— Provincial Organisation—

(1) Contingencies	..	2,000	..	1,500	..	2,257	..	2,257
(2) Milk distribution Scheme.	..	..	..	..	1,19,300	..	..	1,19,300
(3) C-II—Grant-in-aid..	..	1,49,000	..	..	43,000	..	..	43,000

D.—Other Charges— Training Organisation.—

(4) 4—Contingencies	..	1,000	..	..	3,700	..	..	3,700
Total	..	3,000	1,49,000	1,500	..	1,68,257	..	1,68,257

EXPLANATORY NOTES

(1) An additional sum of Rs.2,257 is required for purchase of two "O" Remington Type Writers. The purchase of the type writers was undertaken after the submission of the Budget for 1955-56. Hence the Supplementary Demand.

(2) It has been decided that during the remaining period of the 1st Five Year Plan two Co-operative Milk Supply Schemes are to be started.

With this end in view Co-operative Department has drawn up Milk Distribution Scheme to be operated at Gauhati and Jorhat at a total cost of Rs.1,84,300. Out of this, an amount of Rs.1,74,300 (Rs.1,05,300 for non-recurring expenditure, Rs.55,000 for loan and Rs.14,000 for subsidy) is required for the 1st year. The balance of Rs.10,000 is meant for the 2nd and 3rd year. The amount of Rs.1,19,300 is required for expenditure this year under this head and was sanctioned from Contingency Fund for immediate expenditure.

(3) The Government of India directed that a few Pilot Projects embodying the whole integrated scheme of the Second Five Year Plan should be started in two or three selected districts during this year (1955-56) and the work completed by the year 1956-57. It was also directed by the Government of India that the Pilot Projects scheme may be financed from the Savings of the First Five Year Plan. Accordingly a scheme for starting of Co-operative Pilot Projects in the selected districts was prepared with a view to implement the scheme during the current year in the Community Project areas of Darrang and Cachar Districts from the overall savings of the First Five Year Plan. An additional amount of Rs.43,000 is required now to implement the scheme within the current financial year.

The above amount of Rs.43,000 will be given as follows:—

	Rs.
1. Grants-in-aid to two Co-operative Primary Marketing Societies at Rs.20,000 each. ..	40,000
2. Grants in-aid to two large size Co-operative Primary Credit Societies at Rs.500 each. ...	1,000
3 Grants-in-aid to Central Land Mortgage Bank ...	2,000

The Supplementary Demand is required for this purpose so that the Scheme may be implemented fully within this year. The amount was advanced from Contingency Fund.

(4) A sum of Rs.3,700 is necessary for the purchase of furniture, books, maps and office Contingency for the training Institute. Hence the Supplementary Demand.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 1,68,257 be granted to the Minister in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "42—Co-operation—1—Co-operative Societies."

(The Motion was then put by the Chair as a question before the House and was adopted.)

No. 19

"42.-Co-operation—II—Rural Development"

Shri SIDDHINATH SARMA (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg to move that an additional amount of Rs. 12,26,580 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "42-Co-operation-II.—Rural Development.

Sir details for this demand have been given in the Explanatory Notes given under the Grant. There is a little mistake however, here. Under column (4) a sum of Rs. 8,30,000 has been shown against Self-help enterprise grants. This amount should come under column (4) against Grants to Rural Panchayat.

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ..	44,42,400
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	11,10,348
Additional amount now required	12,26,580
III. Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—	

Minor and sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule areas	General	Sixth Schedule areas	General	Sixth Schedule areas	Total
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
(1) Development Schemes (Five-Year-Plan)—							
1. A. Direction--provincial Organisation—							
Pay of Establishment.	24,700	—	4,830	..	1,830	.	1,830
Allowance and Honoraria.	10,900	..	4,573	..	1,750	..	1,750
2. C.—Grants-in-aid—							
Self-help enterprise grants	3,00,000	1,26,000	..	10,131	4,87,000	..	4,87,000
(2) Grants to Rural Panchayat.	4,36,000	..	8,30,000	..	2,86,000	..	2,86,000
Development Schemes (Arts 275).—							
3. C. I.—Grant-in-aid—Self-help enterprise grant.	1,50,000	2,00,000	52,400	1,50,000	3,00,000	1,50,000	4,50,000
Total ..	9,21,600	3,26,000	8,91,803	1,60,131	10,76,580	1,50,000	12,26,580

EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. An additional amount of Rs.3,580 is required to meet the expenditure in connection with the entertainment of one Chowkidar and one Upper Division Assistant. These posts were entertained after the provision of funds in the Budget for 1955-56. Hence the Supplementary Demand.

2. (i) An additional amount of Rs.4,87,000 is required to meet certain expenditure to be incurred in connection with the self-help grant. The amount is urgently required for consideration of all applications lying since last year.

(ii) An extra amount of Rs.3,19,000 is required to meet certain expenditure in connection with grants to Panchayats. Out of this an amount of Rs.33,000 will be met from Savings under the head concerned. Hence the Supplementary Demand for the balance amount of Rs.2,86,000

An advance of Rs.7,73,000 was sanctioned from Contingency Fund to meet immediate expenditure on the above two items.

There is a provision of Rs.1,50,000 (General) and Rs.2,00,000 (Sixth Schedule) in the State Budget against Government of India's sanction of Rs.2,02,400 and Rs.3,50,000 respectively. The balance of Rs.52,400 (General) and Rs.1,50,000 (Sixth Schedule) was duly provided in the budget through Supplementary Demand in the last session. Government of India sanctioned an additional amount of Rs.2,00,000 (General) and Rs.50,000 (Sixth Schedule) in the last part of November 1955. In order to facilitate timely distribution and proper utilization the amount of Rs.2,00,000 (General) and Rs.50,000 (Sixth Schedule) has been provided by taking an advance from Contingency Fund.

It has also been decided to provide a further sum of Rs.1,00,000 (General) and Rs.1,00,000 (Sixth Schedule) from overall savings under Article 275 grant for the same purpose. The amount was advanced from Contingency Fund for immediate requirement. Hence the Supplementary Demand to regularise the advance.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 12,26,580 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "42-Co-operation—II—Rural Development."

***Shri HARESWAR GOSWAMI:** Mr. Deputy Speaker Sir, I beg to move that the provision of Rs. 4,87,000 under Supplementary Demand No. 19, Major head—42-Co-operation-11.—Rural Development, Minor head-2.-C—Grants-in-aid, Sub-head—Self-help enterprise grants, at page 43 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re. 1, i.e., the amount of the whole Supplementary Demand of Rs. 12,26,580 do stand reduced by Re.1.

My purpose in bringing this Cut Motion is to draw the attention of the House to the inadequacy of this grant. Although this is a Supplementary grant, when this grant has been introduced here I feel we should state the difficulties we are facing in meeting with the demands of the people. Everywhere to-day the maximum attention has been given to the work done by people in villages. It can also be stated that the bulk of the work done by the people in the form of self-help enterprises during the First Five

Year Plan is really something that we can boast of. We have also seen that the real value of this work will be more than its monetary value. Only two or three months back at Gauhati Subdivision we were asked to distribute about Rs. 18,000 or something like that for self-help enterprises and when it had to be distributed on the population *cum* area basis to the people living in as many as nine thanas, to some thanas the amount of their share stood at no more than Rs. 1,500, and in one thana we have as many as four Mauzas each consisting of more than 100 villages. So for four Mauzas we had been able to give only Rs. 1,500. We found it extremely difficult to distribute the money and there we had to give not more than Rs. 400 or 500 per each Mauza. It may be asked as to why we did not distribute the money for one or two projects. Yes, we could have done like that. But in this connection we should also look to the psychology of the people. People generally do not like to be deprived of their legitimate share of something they are entitled to. They also do not like that only a certain place or a certain particular institution should thrive and prosper and their own institution, their own place should suffer by default. So my whole purpose in moving this Cut Motion is to show that the money provided for this purpose is not adequate. The Minister himself said that this amount is required for consideration of all applications lying since last year and I am convinced if all the applications are taken into consideration, this money will be too inadequate. We know that under certain heads money lapses and under other heads more money is wanted than what has been allotted. So at the end of the year when the supplementary budget is framed we should see the heads under which money lapses and all that money should be redirected to those heads where more money is wanted. If that is done a greater amount of work could be done under this Self-help enterprise. Therefore my request to the Minister is that the amount should be increased. The present allotment is really too inadequate and if we are to divide it in this manner we cannot satisfy the demand of the people and therefore it should be increased.

Secondly, my request to the Minister is that there should be some change in the manner of distribution. Very often

these grants are distributed on population and area basis, but this is not the true criterion of satisfying the requirements of the people. In certain areas because they are thinly populated a large amount may not be required, but in those areas where the density of population is high there may be necessity for a larger amount. But if the money is to be distributed on population and area basis then proper justice will not be done. So in giving the money weightage should be given to the area where the density of population is higher and where the requirement is greater. With these words I only request the Minister, though it is a Cut Motion, it is a Motion to appreciate the demands of the people and try to satisfy these demands by more funds.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER : Motion moved is that the provision of Rs. 4,87,000, under Supplementary Demand No. 19, Major head-42.—Co-operation-II.—Rural Development, Minor head-2.-C.—Grants-in-aid, Sub-head—Self-help enterprise grants, at page 43 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re. 1, *i.e.*, the whole amount of the Supplementary Demand of Rs.12,26,580 do stand reduced by Re.1.

Shri SIDDHINATH SARMA (Minister) : Sir, if my Friend, Mr. Goswami looks into the figures he will find that this year the self-help enterprise grant is the highest. The original grant sanctioned was Rs. 3 lakhs for General areas and Rs. 1,26,000 for Sixth Schedule areas. Then he will find that the additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year under Sixth Schedule was Rs.10,131. Now under the present Demand there is Rs. 4,87,000. That means the entire grant under this head comes to Rs. 9,23,131. For the information of my Friend and this House I may give the figures for the last five years :

				Rs.
1951-52	...	...	...	3,00,000
1952-53	...	...	...	4,00,000
1953-54	..	...	...	3,94,697
1954-55	...	..	...	4,88,000
1955-56	...	...	...	9,23,131

So this year the total grant under this head comes to

Rs. 9,23,131 ; that means it is just double the amount of the last year.

The suggestion made by my Friend regarding the increase of the grant will be taken into consideration, but he suggested that the distribution should not be on the basis of population *cum* area alone but that weightage should be given to areas where population is greater. But Sir, where the density of population is less, for example the tribal areas, there is greater demand for roads, as the area is sparsely populated (Shri Hareswar Goswami—I said where the requirement is bigger). There are large number of applications from such areas. I think this is the best basis for distribution. If the distribution is to be made on the basis suggested by my Friend, *i.e.* giving weightage according to requirements then somebody will criticise that favouritism is shown to some particular areas. If however the House really wants that it should be done as my Friend has suggested, then we may consider that.

Shri NILMANI PHOOKAN: What is the present formulæ of distribution ?

Shri SIDDHINATH SARMA (Minister): It is distributed on the basis of population and this sum of Rs.4,87,000 has been distributed on the basis of population.

Shri NILMANI PHOOKAN: Both population and areas should be considered. If a road is made in a thinly populated place that will be populated.

Shri SIDDHINATH SARMA (Minister): This suggestion that population *cum* area will be taken into consideration.

Shri HARESWAR GOSWAMI: That is the present basis also ?

Shri SIDDHINATH SARMA (Minister): No, it is done only on population basis. If the hon. Members want to know, I may state below how the amount has been already distributed :—

CACHAR.				Rs.
Silchar	20,500
Karimganj	20,500
Hailakandi	10,250

GOALPARA.

Rs.

Dhubri	41,000.
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Goalpara	15,375.
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KAMRUP.

Gauhati	51,250.	(out of that Nalbari 17,000).
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Barpeta	25,625.
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DARRANG

Tezpur	20,500.
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Mangaldai	15,000.
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NOWGONG....	46,125.
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SIBSAGAR.

Golaghat	10,250.
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Jorhat	15,375.
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Sibsagar	20,500.
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LAKHIMPUR

Dibrugarh	25,625.
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North Lakhimpur	10,250.
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KHASI AND JAINTIA HILLS.

Jowai	5,125.
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Shillong	15,375.
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NAGA HILLS

Kohima	5,125.
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Mokokchung	5,125.
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LUSHAI HILLS.

Aijal	5,125.
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Lungleh	5,125.
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MIKIR HILLS.

Rs.

Haflong	5,125.
Diphu	5,125.

GARO HILLS

Tura	10,250.
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Shri NARNARAYAN GOSWAMI: Sir, in my opinion the principle of population basis alone is not to be followed. If that is done, the backward areas specially will suffer much. So population *cum* area should be the basis.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: No discussion is necessary. It is only a suggestion.

Shri NARNARAYAN GOSWAMI: My suggestion is that population *cum* area should be the basis of distribution.

Shri SIDDHINATH SARMA (Minister): The suggestions of my Friends will be given due consideration. I now request my Friend to withdraw his Cut Motion.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Will the hon. Member withdraw his Motion.

Shri HARESWAR GOSWAMI: Yes, I beg leave of the House to withdraw my Motion.

(The Motion was, by leave of the House, withdrawn.)

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: I now put the main Motion.

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.12,26,580 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "42.—Co-operation—II.—Rural Development".

(The Motion was adopted.)

No.20

"43.—Industries and Supplies—I.—Sericulture and Weaving."

Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA: On the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move that an additional amount of Rs.4,30,804 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "43 Industries and Supplies—I—Sericulture and Weaving".

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly	...	22,10,800
Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	...	76,020

II.—Additional amount now required	...	4,30,804
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III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for :—

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
NORMAL—							
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
(1) A—Provincial Organisation—							
(a) Direction—							
Contingencies	9,100	..	..	..	16,500	..	16,500
(c) Central Silk Board Schemes	..	..	..	..	50	..	50
(2) D—Rural Organisation—							
Pay of Establishment	85,300	8,200	8,000	6,400	..	1,320	1,320
Allowances and Honoraria	75,250	11,800	7,500	6,000	..	3,000	3,000
Contingencies	15,200	6,100	6,000	4,400	..	7,680	7,680
(3) E.—Training Organisation—							
IV.—(a) Training Classes—							
Allowance and Honoraria.	3,500	12,600	..	..	..	2,750	2,750
Contingencies	1,700	4,400	..	..	..	6,550	6,550

Minor Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required.		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
(4) F.—(a) Grants-in-aid.	11,100	3,600	..	..	..	6,100	6,100
(5) G—Works—							
(a) Original Works	14,000	33,000	..	..	18,212	7,000	25,212
DEVELOPMENT SCHEME (ARTICLE (275)—							
(6) A-1—Provincial Organisation.	6,000	17,600	..	..	3,870	..	3,870
(7) A-1—(b)—Marketing Organisation.	..	..	..	..	25,000	..	25,000
(8) C-1.—Subdivisional Organisation.	..	..	..	..	..	44,716	44,716
(9) D-I—Rural Organisation.	..	52,596	..	..	25,000	..	25,000
(10) E-1—Training Organisation.	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
I—Farm Organisation.	55,000	90,800	..	..	48,156	..	48,156
II—Weaving Institute.	..	..	..	..	3,000	..	3,000
III—Sericultural Institute.	..	1,800	..	..	5,000	..	5,000
(11) F-I—Grants-in-aid.	3,000	4,200	..	..	32,000	29,000	61,000

Grant originally
voted by the
Assembly

Additional grant
voted by the Assem-
bly during the year

Additional amount now
required

Minor and Sub-head	General		Sixth Schedule Areas		General		Sixth Schedule Areas		General		Sixth Schedule Areas		Total
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)	(10)	(11)	(12)	(13)
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
DEVELOPMENT SCHEME													
(12) A-2—Provincial organisation—													
Headquarters staff		6,000	..	..	..	15,000	..	15,000					15,000
(13) E-2—Training Organisation—													
I.—Farm Organisation—													
(i) Sericultural Research Station.		40,000	..	..	..	57,000	..	57,000					57,000
(2) Extension of Five Sericultural Farms.		17,000	6,000	..	..	23,700	..	23,700					23,700
II.—Weaving Institute—													
(b) Textile Institute		20,000	..	20,000					20,000
III.—Sericultural Institute		18,000	..	18,000					18,000
(14) F-2—Grants-in-aid—													
Subsidies to Mule berry Growers		5,000	9,000	..	9,000					9,000
Stipends	3,200	..	3,200					3,200
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Total ..		3,47,150	2,52,696	21,500	16,800	3,22,688	1,08,116	4,30,804					

EXPLANATORY NOTES

(1) Government held a Sericultural Exhibition along with the meetings of the Technical Development Committee and General Body of Central Silk Board in Shillong on 24th September 1955 to 26th September 1955 to depict the Development in Silk Industry in different States in India. An advance of Rs. 3,000 was sanctioned from Contingency Fund for this.

Government have decided to purchase specimen dresses of Hills and Plains people of Assam for display in the National Museum of India. An advance of Rs. 13,500 was sanctioned from Contingency Fund for this.

1. (c)—Rs. 4,350 was advanced from Contingency Fund for implementation of the Scheme of Statistical Unit. The expenditure however is possible to be met from savings by re-appropriation. Hence a token demand of Rs.50 is necessary to regularise the advance.

(2)—(4) A section of the people in Garo and Mikir Hills faces great difficulties for want of adequate cloth. As a long term programme, 4 Weaving Demonstration Units have been established in remotest corners of Garo Hills. These Units will move from one place to another and render technical assistance for introduction of handloom weaving among local people.

With a view to grant more training facilities to Mikir and Garo Students, some stipends have been awarded at Weaving Training Classes at Tura and Sarihajan. On completion of training looms and accessories will be supplied to some deserving trainees free of cost, so that they may start their own factories at ease. A sum of Rs. 27,400 was advanced from Contingency Fund for this.

(5) The completion of certain buildings at Titabar Sericultural Institute is necessary. A sum of Rs. 18,262 was advanced from Contingency Fund for this.

A hostel, attached to Weaving Training Class, Tura will be constructed departmentally to accommodate more trainees in connection with the Scheme at items (2)—(4). An advance of Rs. 7,000 was sanctioned from Contingency Fund for the purpose.

(6)—(11) State Budget was finalised before Government of India's sanction under Article 275 for 1955-56 was received. So provision for all the Schemes could not be made in the State Budget. To effect full implementation of the Schemes the amount as shown under different heads indicated above was provided by taking advance from Contingency Fund. Hence Supplementary Demand to regularise the advance.

(12) It has been decided by the Government that every Development Department should have a Planning Cell. The amount is necessary for the maintenance of the staff of the Planning Cell. An advance of Rs. 15,000 is sanctioned from Contingency Fund for this.

(13) I. (1)—The amount is necessary for completion of Sericultural buildings and immediate purchase of some new equipments for conducting experiments in Sericultural Research Station at Titabar. An advance of Rs. 57,000 is sanctioned from Contingency Fund for the purpose.

(13) I. (2) The amount is required for construction of Farm Managers quarters at Senchoa and some buildings at Mangaldai Farm, for increasing the production of Silk work Seeds to meet the growing demands. A sum of Rs. 23,700 was advance from Contingency Fund for the purpose.

(13) II. (b)—It is necessary to purchase some equipments and furniture for the Textile Institute at Gauhati as a pilot plan. To meet the immediate expenditure an amount of Rs. 20,000 was sanctioned from Contingency Fund.

(13) III.—The amount is required for purchase of some equipments and furnitures for Sericultural Institute at Titabar as a pilot plan to meet the requirement of trained personnel. Rs. 18,000 was sanctioned from Contingency Fund for the purpose.

(14)—The amount is required for grant of subsidies to Mulberry Growers and for award of stipends for training of boys in Sericulture and Weaving. The meet the immediate expenditure a sum of Rs. 12,200 was advanced from the Contingency Fund.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 4,30,804 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1956, for the administration of the head "43.—Industries and Supplies—I—Sericulture and Weaving."

After a pause

The question is that an additional amount of Rs. 4,30,804 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "43.—Industries and Supplies—I—Sericulture and Weaving."

(The Motion was adopted).

No.21

43.—Industries and Supplies—II—Cottage Industries

Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg, to move that an additional amount of Rs. 36,375, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1956 for the administration of the head "43.—Industries and Supplies—II.—Cottage Industries".

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly	18,11,300
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	2,58,580
Additional amount now required	36,375

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—

Minor and sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional Grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
NORMAL—							
A—Provincial Organisation—							
1. Contingencies—	5,800	..	1,500	..	5,000	..	5,000
2. All India Handicraft Board Scheme—							
Contingencies ..	..	..	..	..	6,000	..	6,000
3.D.—Grants-in-aid (Grant to Khadi & Village Indus- tries Board of Development of Gur Khandisari Industry.	74,400	..	30,500	..	25,375	..	25,375
Total ...	80,200	..	32,000	..	36,375	..	36,375

EXPLANATORY NOTES

1.—The Jorhat Government Emporium which has been started with the All-India Handloom Board's money allowed Cottage Industries products to be stored and sold through the Emporium with a definite condition that no money from Handloom Fund is spent for Cottage Industries products. Therefore, a sum of Rs. 5,000 is necessary as working capital of the Jorhat Government Emporium to enable them to store and sell Cottage Industries products. The amount was advanced from Contingency Fund.

2. Government of India sanctioned a grant of Rs. 6,000 for the celebration of the All India Handicrafts Week. As Government of India's sanction was received late, no provision could be made in the Budget. The amount was advanced from Contingency Fund.

3. Government of India have recently sanctioned Rs.25,375 in the implementation of the scheme for development of Gur and Khadisari Industry to be implemented through the Khadi and Village Industries Board. Hence the demand. The amount was advanced from Contingency Fund.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 36,375 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "43.—Industries and Supplies—II—Cottage Industries."

(The Motion was put and adopted.)

No. 22

"47.—Miscellaneous Departments"

Shri OMEO KUMAR DAS (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam I beg Sir, to move that an additional sum of Rs. 46,407, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1956 for the administration of the head "47.—Miscellaneous Departments".

							R.s
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly							6,90,500
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.							3,04,187
Additional amount now required							46,407
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—							
Minor and sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
B.—(a)—Labour	4,22,425	..	69,120	..	38,940	..	38,940
E.—Preservation and Translation of ancient manuscripts. (Contingency—Publication Fund.	38,600	..	1,920	..	7,467	..	7,467
Total—	4,61,025	..	71,040	..	46,407	..	46,407

EXPLANATORY NOTES

B.—The two most important organisations *viz.*, Kasturba Gandhi Memorial Trust and Assam Seva Samity who are undertaking the labour welfare measures in the State have not been able to function smoothly for want of adequate funds.

(a) A sum of Rs. 11,560 under sub-head "B.—(a)—Labour" is therefore required to meet the additional expenditure approved by the Labour Welfare Board to Kasturba Gandhi Memorial Trust in connection with the implementation of the State Labour Welfare Schemes relating to 4 Female Welfare Centres and 1 Training Centre. Another Female Centre will also be opened.

(b) Rupees twenty-seven thousand three hundred and eighty under sub-head—"B.—(a)—Labour" is also required to meet the expenditure for the implementation of the State Labour Scheme *Ex-tea* garden labourers by the Assam Seva Samity. Hence the total demand for Rs.38,940 to be sanctioned to these bodies as grant-in-aid. An advance from Contingency fund has been sanctioned for incurring immediate expenditure.

E.—The additional amount of Rs. 7,467 is required to meet the cost of printing of two new publications by the Department of Historical and Antiquarian Studies, Assam from the 'Publication Fund'. These publications are (i) 2nd Edition of 'Jayantia Buranji' and (ii) 'The History of Civilisation of the people of Assam to the twelfth century' and the cost for their printing amounts to Rs. 8,466 including the costs for purchase of manuscripts, honorarium and Miscellaneous and unforeseen charges etc. Of this amount, a sum of Rs. 1000 was met from the provision in the last financial year.

A sum of Rs. 7,467 was also provided by Supplementary Demand last year (October, 1954-November 1954—Session) but the expenditure could not be incurred as the sanction for the credit of the amount to the Publication Fund was not accorded in due time, last year. Hence the Supplementary Demand.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional sum of Rs. 46,407, be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "47—Miscellaneous Departments".

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs. 46,407 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "47.—Miscellaneous Departments".

(The Motion was adopted.)

No. 23

"50 Civil Works—Excluding tools and plant and Establishment"

Shri SIDDHINATH SARMA (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam I beg, to move that an additional amount of Rs. 10,24,360 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "50.—Civil Works—excluding Tools and Plant and Establishment."

Rs.

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly	...	6,49,95,500
II.—Additional grant voted by Assembly during the year.		21,83,618
Additional amount now required	...	10,24,360
III.—Sub-heads under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—		

Minor and sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	

(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.

I—NORMAL

A.—Original Works

(a) Buildings—									
1. Police	..	..	10,80,727	7,78,596	33,332	..	10,000	..	10,000
2. Medical	..	..	2,93,178	77,065	..	..	56,860	..	56,860

(b) Communications—

1. Ordinary Roads ..	35,79,248	6,88,418	1 91,000	57,600	25,000	..	25,000
2. Ordinary Roads	7,92,400	..	7,92,400
Restoration of Flood dama-							
ges.							

(c) Miscellaneous Works	19,550	..	19,550
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Total—A..	49,53,153	15,44,079	2,24,332	57,600	9,03,810	..	9,03,810
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“D.—I-Grants-in-aid for communication Grants to Municipal and Local Boards for Communication.—

1.-2-Grant to Local Boards—

Non-recurring ..	2,50,777	38,050	..	38,050
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Minor and sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General Schedule Areas	Sixth Schedule Areas	General Schedule Areas	Sixth Schedule Areas	General Schedule Areas	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
2.—3-Grants to other Fund—							
Non-recurring	..	5,000	..	..	..	29,500	29,500
II.—Development Schemes under Article 275—							
A-1.—Original works							
(a) Buildings—							
Sericulture and	..	..	..	..	..	23,000	23,000
Weaving							
V.—NORMAL STATE SCHEMES MEANT EXCLU- SIVELY FOR PLAINS TRIB AREAS.							
D.—(4) Grants-in aid for Com- munications—							
Grants to Local Boards	..	..	..	..	30,000	..	30,000
Grant Total ..	52,03,930	15,44,079	2,24,332	57,600	9,71,860	52,500	10,24,360

Deduct—Recoveries

A.—(a)—Buildings—

Miscellaneous—

*Deduct—Amount
recoverable from
Government of
India for works
in connection with
the Rehabilitation
of displaced persons.*

(b) Communications

(1) *Deduct—Amount* (—)19,26,000 (—)1,08,35,000 (—)1,86,255 .. (—)1,86,255
transferred to
A. G. C. R. for
debit to the
Central Road
fund.

(2) *Deduct—Amount* (—)11,36,000 (—)30,000 (—)84,900 (—)24,374 (—)1,09,274
transferred to
12—Charges on
account of M. V.
T. Act.

EXPLANATORY NOTES

I.—Please see Appendix 'A' (Not printed).

II.—The amount is required for construction of some new works in connection with the scheme for construction of buildings for Weaving Training Classes at Aijal, Lungleh and Mokokchung which is a continuing scheme. Government of India's sanction of grants were received after the State Budget was finalised. A sum of Rs. 52,000 was provided by taking advance from Contingency Fund. The Supplementary Demand is limited to the extent required on expenditure this year.

V.—Please see Appendix 'A' (Not printed).

Deduct—Recoveries—

A(a) Buildings—After the preparation of the Budget, Government have decided to finance the following works under a distinct detailed head for facility of adjustment of expenditure between the Centre and the State.

1. Construction of School buildings (including cost of land) for Assam Civil Engineering Institute at Gauhati for training of displaced students.
2. Construction of School buildings under Relief and Rehabilitation Scheme at Nowgong.
3. Construction of buildings (including cost of land) for the Tezpur Technical School under Relief and Rehabilitation Scheme.

Fifty per cent of cost of the above buildings are recoverable from the Government of India for works in connection with Rehabilitation of displaced persons. The expenditure is initially debited to "50.—Civil Works—State" and 50 per cent of it is finally transferred to "57.—Miscellaneous—Expenditure on displaced persons".

Hence the provision.

(b) Communication—

1. In the current year's budget there is a provision of Rs. 19,26,000 for execution of road schemes under Article 275 of the Constitution in the Plains Tribal Areas against which the Government of India have sanctioned a sum of Rs. 21,12,255. The balance of Rs. 1,86,255 is being provided under the service head by re-appropriation.

Hence the additional provision under "Recoveries". As these are mere matters of book transfer there is no financial implication

2. Due to rapid progress of certain works under "Motor Tax Projects—State Roads" which are likely to be completed, the provision made in the budget prove inadequate. Necessary provision under the service head is being made by re-appropriation

The expenditure on the account is initially debited to "50.—Civil Works—State" and finally transferred to "12.—Charges on account of Motor Vehicles Taxation Act."

Hence the provision under "Recovery."

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 10,24,360 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "50.—Civil Works—excluding Tools and Plant and Establishment."

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.10,24,360 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "50.—Civil Works—excluding Tools and Plant and Establishment."

(The Motion was adopted.)

No. 24

54.—Famine Relief

Shri MOTIRAM BORA (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg to move that an additional amount of Rs. 35,250 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "54.—Famine Relief".

								Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly								26,91,700
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.								19,80,000
Additional amount now required								35,250
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—								
Minor and sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required			Total
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
I.—"54—A—Famine Relief—								
(b) Gratuitous Relief—	3,00,000	1,34,850	12,00,000	55,000	..	35,250	35,250	
Total	3,00,000	1,34,850	12,00,000	55,000	..	35,250	35,250	

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Due to failure of crops in certain areas of Mizo district and the non-availability of rice locally steps had to be taken to airdrop rice at Lungleh when overland communications are extremely difficult and slow. As the landed price at Lungleh is high on account of the high airfreight charges and as the purchasing power of the local people had gone down it was decided to subsidise the transport cost of airdropping of 1,500 maunds of rice at Lungleh. To implement the schemes without delay an amount of Rs.35,250 to cover the subsidy was provided by an advance from Contingency Fund. Hence the demand.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved that an additional amount of Rs.35,250 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "54.—Famine Relief".

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.35,250 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "54.—Famine Relief."

(The Motion was adopted.)

No. 25

"56.—Stationery and Printing"

Shri RAMNATH DAS (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg to move that an additional amount of Rs.15,597 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "56.—Stationery and Printing".

Rs.

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly	...	11,11,100
II.—Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year.		7,31,973
Additional amount now required	... ..	15,597
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary grant will be accounted for:—		

Minor and sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
C.—Stationery Offices and Stores, Shillong and Gauhati Offices--							
(2).—Pay of Establishment.	9,300	..	2,100	..	296	..	296
(3).—Allowances and Honoraria.	6,500	..	2,120	..	301	..	301
(4).—Contingencies	23,000	..	21,000	..	15,000	..	15,000
Total	.. 38,829	..	25,135	..	15,597	..	15,597

EXPLANATORY NOTES

(2) and (3) The amount is required to meet the expenditure on additional staff recently sanctioned by Government.

(4) The amount is necessary to pay the freight charges to be incurred on paper and stationery articles against outstanding orders.

(The motion was put and adopted)

No. 26

"57.—Miscellaneous—I.—Expenditure on account of State Prisoners and Detenus, etc."

Shri BISHNURAM MEDHI (Chief Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg to move that an additional amount of Rs.6,12,417 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "57.—Miscellaneous—I.—Expenditure on account of State Prisoners and Detenus, etc."

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly	4,18,800
II.—Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	1,75,000
Additional amount now required	6,12,417
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for:—	

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	
	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	
(1)	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
(1) C.—Contribution for development Schemes under Article 275 (1) of the Constitution.	75,000	1,00,000	75,000	50,000	1,80,430	3,31,987	5,12,417
(2) D.—Miscellaneous and Unforeseen charges.	15,000	..	..	..	..	1,00,000	1,00,000
Total	..	..	..	..	1,80,430	4,31,987	6,12,417

EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. A sum of Rs. 3,00,000 was originally sanctioned by the Government of India under Article 275 of the Constitution for contribution to Non-Government Institution doing welfare works for the Tribal people in the Plains Tribal Areas and in the Autonomous Districts during the current year. There is a provision of Rs. 1,75,000 in the State Budget. The balance was provided by taking an advance from Contingency Fund which has been regularised through Supplementary Demand in the last November Session of the Assembly. But Government of India again sanctioned an additional amount of Rs. 1,50,000 in the last part of November, 1955 and Rs. 2,00,000 in the middle of December last. So this additional amount has to be provided by taking an advance from Contingency Fund.

It has also been decided to provide a further sum of Rs. 1,62,417 from the overall savings under Article 275 grant by taking an advance from Contingency Fund for the same purpose. Hence the demand of Rs. 5,12,417 to regularise both the advances.

It was brought to the notice of Government in the last Budget Session of the Assembly that the Tribal People in the Autonomous Districts particularly of some parts of Garo and Mikir Hills are scantily dressed due to poor economic condition and are in need of Government assistance to provide them clothing. Government decided to distribute cloths free of cost to the extent of Rs. 50,000 for the District of Garo Hills and for Mikir Hills subdivision respectively according to economic condition of the people effected. Necessary provision was made by taking advance from Contingency Fund. The Supplementary Demand is to regularise the advance.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 6,12,417 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "57.—Miscellaneous—I.—Expenditure on account of State Prisoners and Detenus, etc."

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs. 6,12,417 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "57.—Miscellaneous—I.—Expenditure on account of State Prisoners and Detenus, etc."

(The Motion was adopted.)

No. 27

"57.—Miscellaneous—II.—Donations for Charitable purposes, etc."

Shri MOTIRAM BORA (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg to move that an additional amount of Rs. 1,94,416

be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending the 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "57.—Miscellaneous—II.—Donations for Charitable purposes, etc.".

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ..	17,70,500
Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	2,91,393
II.—Additional amount now required ..	1,94,416
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—	

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
D.—Petty Establishments—							
(a) Circuit and Sessions House.	84,900	7,686	52,368	..	32,063	..	32,063
H.—Contributions—							
(b) Miscellaneous (Voted).	53,000	..	..	54,200	..	1,46,353	1,46,353
J.—Miscellaneous and unforeseen charges—							
Miscellaneous charge	10,01,700	2,550	..	4,500	..	7,000	7,000
K.—Works—							
Original Works	1,200	29,500	..	22,500	9,000	..	9,000
Total ..	11,40,800	39,736	52,368	81,200	41,063	1,53,353	1,94,416

EXPLANATORY NOTES

D.(a).—The provision is required to accommodate expenditure for furnishing the Assam House, New Delhi for which there was fund under "50.—Civil Works" but according to subsequent decision this expenditure is to be classified under the head "57.—Miscellaneous—II.—Donations for Charitable purposes, etc.". Hence the Supplementary Demand,

H.(b).—Out of Rs. 1,46,353, Rs. 30,000 and Rs. 6,000 were required for giving grants-in-aid to the Mizo District Council and the Pawi-Lakher Regional Council respectively to enable them to tide-over their financial difficulties for the maintenance of their administrative machineries essential for the efficient discharge of the functions vested in them. These being unforeseen expenditures, the amounts has been advanced from the Contingency Fund. Hence the Supplementary Demand to regularise the advances.

Out of the balance of Rs. 1,10,353 a sum of Rs. 3,826 being the value of the Public Works Department, Serai building and land situated at Gualapatty near Barabazar, Shillong is required to make a grant as a free gift to the "Siem Jaintia," a non-political organisation to enable it to develop various cultural and social activities among the tribal people.

The management of forests not being reserved forests in the Autonomous Districts is within the purview of the District Councils under the provisions in the Sixth Schedule to the Constitution of India but the subject of "protection of wild animals" which includes elephants is not within the purview of the District Councils. Accordingly the District Councils are not entitled to the revenue derived from the elephant hunting operations in the Autonomous Districts, a subject under the jurisdiction of the State Government.

Nevertheless, as the elephant mahals cover generally the forests under the control of the State Forest Department and the District Councils or the District Council Forests alone, and specially with a view to help the District Councils financially out of the revenues derived from the elephant hunting operations carried out by the State Forest Department in the forests in Autonomous Districts, it has been decided that the respective District Councils be given *ex-gratia* grants out of the revenues accruing from such operations to the extent that they would have got if the subject matter had been one under their jurisdiction. This can be suitably effected after deducting 25 per cent of the gross revenue so accruing for meeting the administrative costs and the balance distributed between the State Government and the District Councils in proportion to the areas falling under the jurisdiction of each authority.

In accordance with the above principle, the District Councils of North Cachar Hills, Garo Hills, Mikir Hills and United Khasi-Jaintia Hills have requested Government to sanction the amounts payable to them. The amount thus payable at present is Rs. 1,06,527. There is no provision for this purpose in the current year's budget. Hence this Supplementary Demand.

J.—Government have agreed to give an *ex-gratia* grant of Rs. 5,000 as relief to the helpless family of late T. Sakhare, the Naga liberal leader, who has been murdered during the period of disturbances in the District. Another amount of Rs. 2,000 has been sanctioned as *ex-gratia* grant at Rs. 1,000 each to the two families of Late Chubaon Chuba, a loyal Gaonbura and his brother Kham Chuba Ao, who have also been murdered by the Naga rebels during the recent disturbances. The whole amount of Rs. 7,000 has already been advanced from the Contingency Fund.

K-O. W.—An amount of Rs. 14,261 was provided by Supplementary Demand in the July Session of the Assembly, 1955 for meeting the expenditure for construction of the wooden bridge in the Ward's Lake, Shillong under the head "25.—General Administration—G.—Works—Original Works" which is not the proper head for this purpose and therefore this amount is being surrendered separately. An amount of Rs. 9,000 is required for the purpose as stated in the schedule in the Appendix and for the balance direct provision is being made in the next year's budget.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 1,94,416 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come

in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "57.—Miscellaneous—II.—Donations for Charitable purposes, etc."

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs. 1,94,416 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "57.—Miscellaneous—II.—Donations for Charitable purposes, etc."

(The Motion was adopted.)

No. 28.

"57.—Miscellaneous—III.—Contribution"

Maulavi ABDUL MATLIB MAJUMDAR (Minister):

Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg to move that an additional amount of Rs. 30,67,500 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "57.—Miscellaneous—III.—Contribution".

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ..	2,49,900
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	4,28,153
Additional amount now required	30,67,500
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—	

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
	(2) Rs.	(3) Rs.	(4) Rs.	(5) Rs.	(6) Rs.	(7) Rs.	(8) Rs.
A.—Contribution—							
Grants to Local Bodies for General purposes.	2,49,900	..	4,28,153	...	30,67,500	..	30,67,500

EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. (Rs. 30,62,500).—The amount has been advanced from the Contingency Fund in connection with the allocation of the grants of the Government of India and the State Government to various Local Bodies and Panchayats as detailed below for restoration of their properties damaged by the floods of 1955. Government of India's share will be recouped later on.

	Rs.
(i) Local Boards	18,00,000
(ii) Municipalities and Town Committees ..	6,00,000
(iii) Panchayats	6,62,500
Total ..	30,62,500

2. (Rs.5,000).—In view of the intention of Government to establish more Town Committees at important places in the State and in consideration of the demand of the public of Kokrajhar, Government have decided to constitute one such Town Committee at Kokrajhar in the district of Goalpara. To that end preliminary notification has been issued and the final notification and other formalities necessary for the constitution of the Town Committee are expected to be finalised within the current financial year. Like all other new Town Committees this new Town Committee at Kokrajhar also cannot start functioning without financial help from Government in the shape of a non-recurring grant to enable it to meet the initial (capital) expenditure. It is therefore proposed to sanction in the current year a non-recurring grant of Rs. 5,000 to this new Town Committee to give it a start. The amount is the minimum based on the estimates drawn up by the local officers. Hence this Supplementary Demand for a grant to the Town Committee as was similarly given to all other new Town Committees at the start.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 30,67,500 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "57.—Miscellaneous—III.—Contribution".

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.30,67,500 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "57.—Miscellaneous—III.—Contribution".

(The Motion was adopted.)

No. 29

"57.—Miscellaneous—IV.—Expenditure on issue of Free Ration and Rice Concession".

Shri BAIDYANATH MOOKERJEE (Minister) :
Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg to move that an additional amount of Rs.1,04,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1956, for the administration of the head "57.—Miscellaneous—IV.—Expenditure on issue of Free Ration and Rice Concession."

								Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...								4,73,100
Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year								1,46,700
II.—Additional amount now required ...								1,04,000
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for :—								
Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly in the last Session		Additional amount now required			Total
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas		
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.		Rs.
A.—Expenditure on issue of F/R to Government servants.	50,000	2,000	1,44,200	2,500	32,000	..		32,000
B.—Losses on supply of food-stuff to Government Servants and others at Concession price.	21,100	4,00,000	..	..	..	72,000		72,000
Total	..	71,100	4,02,000	1,44,200	2,500	32,000	72,000	1,04,000

EXPLANATORY NOTES

The additional demand represents the Expenditure in connection with clearing the pending bills of the contractors/dealers for supply of rations to Police personnels and other Government servants. Besides this, an additional expenditure for amount of Rs.72,000 has to be incurred due to introduction of a new scheme by Government to supply foodstuffs to Government servants stationed at Mokokchung and other interior parts of Naga Hills at subsidised rates.

Hence the Demand.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.1,04,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "57.—Miscellaneous—IV.—Expenditure on issue of Free Ration and Rice Concession".

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.1,04,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1956, for the administration of the head "57.—Miscellaneous—IV.—Expenditure on issue of Free Ration and Rice Concession."

(The Motion was adopted).

No. 30

"57.—Miscellaneous—(VI.—Expenditure on displaced Persons)."

Shri MOTIRAM BORA (Minister) : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg to move that an additional amount of Rs.3,67,794 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "57.—Miscellaneous—(VI.—Expenditure on displaced persons)."

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly	25,25,100
Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	—
II.—Additional amount now required	3,67,794

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand
will be accounted for—

Minor and Sub-heads	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
A.—Expenditure on displaced persons—							
(b) Rehabilitation —							
(1) Other Establish- ment charges.	7,20,600	..	..	..	1,00,000	..	1,00,000
(2) Grants-in-aid ..	3,60,000	..	..	..	90,000	..	90,000
(3) Add—Amount transferred from "50.—Civil Works —State".	..	..	..	..	1,77,794	..	1,77,794
Total	.. 10,80,600	..	..	..	3,67,794	..	3,67,794

EXPLANATORY NOTES

(1) The additional amount of Rs.1,00,000 is required to meet the expenditure for pay and allowances of temporary additional staff sanctioned during the year by the Government of India for speedy implementation of the schemes. Entire expenditure of additional technical staff and of Cachar staff and 80 per cent of additional staff other than technical staff and Cachar staff are to be borne by the Government of India.

(2) The Government of India on the recommendation of this State Government, have liberalised the facilities of granting financial assistance to displaced students during the current financial year. An additional amount of Rs 90,000 is required for this purpose. The entire expenditure on "Grants-in-aid" is debitable to the Government of India.

(3) After the preparation of the budget Government have decided to finance the following works under a district detailed head for facility of adjustment of expenditure.

Construction of School buildings (including cost of land) for Assam Civil Engineering Institute at Gauhati for training of displaced students.

Construction of School buildings under Relief and Rehabilitation Schemes at Nowgong.

Construction of buildings (including cost of land) for the Tezpur Technical School under Relief and Rehabilitation Scheme.

Fifty per cent of cost of the above buildings are recoverable from the Government of India for works in connection with rehabilitation of displaced persons. The expenditure is initially debited to "50.—Civil Works—State" and 50 per cent of it is finally transferred to "57.—Miscellaneous—VI—Expenditure on displaced persons".

Hence the Supplementary Demand.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.3,67,794 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "57.—Miscellaneous—(VI—Expenditure on displaced persons)."

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.3,67,794 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "57.—Miscellaneous—(VI—Expenditure on displaced persons)."

(The Motion was adopted.)

No.31

"57.—Miscellaneous—VII—Advanced Technical Training and Scholarships."

Shri OMEO KUMAR DAS (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg to move that an additional amount of Rs.6,867 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "57.—Miscellaneous—VII—Advanced Technical Training and Scholarships".

		Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly	...	27,000
Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	...	...
II.—Additional amount now required	... ..	6,867

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
B.—Charges in England—Scholarships.	16,000	..	..	..	6,867	..	6,867

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The amount is required to meet the increased expenditure in England due to the sanction of State-Scholarships at the latter part of the year. The estimated expenditure involved thereof could not be included in the Budget estimates of 1955-56 for insufficient time.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.6,867 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head “57.—Miscellaneous—VII—Advance Technical Training and Scholarships.”

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.6,867 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head “57.—Miscellaneous—VII—Advanced Technical Training and Scholarships”.

(The Motion was adopted.)

No.32

“63-B.—Community Development Projects”

Shri BISHNURAM MEDHI (Chief Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg to move that an additional amount of Rs.3,41,897 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1956, for the administration of the head “63-B.—Community Development Projects”.

Rs.

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ... 1,12,67,500

II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year. 3,71,300

Additional amount now required ... 3,41,897

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required			
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total	
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
II—Community Projects—								
A.—Project Head- quarters.	18,56,760	8,45,640	..	1,42,800	..	47,000	47,000	
B.—Agriculture and Animal Husband- ry Extension.	7,18,041	2,36,924	..	45,000	..	6,000	6,000	
C.—Irrigation	..	..	..	..	..	17,334	..	17,334
<i>Add—Amount trans- ferred from 40.—Agriculture— F(ii)(b)—Scheme for installation of deep tubewell.</i>								
E.—Health and Rural Sanitation.	11,90,865	2,93,670	..	36,000	1,76,742	90,321	2,67,063	
I.—Rural Arts, Crafts Industries.	5,46,197	1,39,280	8,000	15,000	..	4,500	4,500	
Grand Total ..	43,11,863	15,15,514	8,000	2,38,800	1,94,076	1,47,821	3,41,897	

EXPLANATORY NOTES

At the instance of the Government of India, the State Government have taken up a scheme for establishment of three Health Centres, in Kohima, Karimganj and Kathiatoli N. E. S. Blocks. Central assistance is assured to the extent of entire initial Non-recurring expenditure on equipment, furniture, bedding, clothing and Jeep Van and Recurring expenditure on a sliding scale. As India's decision was received after submission of the budget estimates for 1955-56 no provision could be made in current year's budget for the purpose and an amount of Rs.2,65,563 was advanced from the 'Contingency Fund'. Details may be seen at Appendix A (Not printed).

2. The amount of Rs.17,334 represents the share of cost on installation of deep tube wells in Darrang Community Project and Golaghat Community Development Block Areas.

3. The balance amount of Rs.59 000 represents the provision for Hills allowance granted to the employees posted in autonomous districts.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.3,41,897 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1956, for the administration of the head "63-B.—Community Development Projects."

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.3,41,897 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "63.-B—Community Development Projects".

(The Motion was adopted.)

No. 33

"64-C.—Pre-partition Payments"

Shri MOTIRAM BORA (Minister) : Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg to move that an additional amount of Rs.1,048 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "64-C.—Pre-partition Payments".

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly	20,000
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	1,05,188
Additional amount now required	1,048

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary grant will be accounted for—

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	
(1)	(2) Rs.	(3) Rs.	(4) Rs.	(5) Rs.	(6) Rs.	(7) Rs.	(8) Rs.
Civil Works ..	30,000	..	..	..	1,048	..	1,048

EXPLANATORY NOTE

The Government of India in the Defence Department are very much pressing for an early adjustment of the outstanding amount of Rs.1,233 being the hire charges claimed by the Military on account of the Road Roller No.E/M5075, lent to the Public Works Department during the last World War. As this is a prepartition liability of the State Government, we are to pay only 85 per cent of the claim of Rs.1,233. Hence the Demand.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.1,048 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of head "64-C.—Pre-partition Payment."

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.1,048 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "64-C.—Pre-partition payment".

(The Motion was adopted.)

No.34

"65-A-2.—Capital Outlay on Forests".

Shri RAMNATH DAS (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg to move that an additional amount of Rs.38,409 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "65-A-2.—Capital Outlay on Forests".

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly	...	Rs. 7,30,200
Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	...	
II.—Additional amount now required	...	38,409
III.—Sub-heads under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—		

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
A—General Direction—							
(1) 2. Pay of Tempora- ry Establishment.	16,300	..	..	..	10,000	..	10,000
Wild Life Sanctuary—							
(2) VI—Communica- tion and buildings.	82,000	..	..	..	28,409	..	28,409
Total	98,300	..	..	..	38,409	..	38,409

EXPLANATORY NOTES

(1) An extra amount of Rs.10,000 will be required to meet the pay, etc., of the temporary staff for Direction Division and Divisional offices. Hence the Supplementary Demand.

(2) This amount of Rs.28,409 is required to meet the additional expenditure for further improvement of the Kaziranga, Sonai-Rupai and Laokhowa game sanctuaries. Hence the Supplementary Demand.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.38,409 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "65-A-2—Capital Outlay on Forests".

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.38,409 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "65-A-2.—Capital Outlay on Forests".

(The Motion was adopted.)

No.35

"71.—Capital Outlay on Schemes of Agricultural Improvement and Research"

Shri RAMNATH DAS (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg to move that an additional amount of Rs.1,25,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1956, for the administration of the head "71.—Capital Outlay on Schemes of Agricultural Improvement and Research."

	Rs
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly	15,61,800
II.—Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year	...
Additional amount now required	1,25,000
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—	

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Supplementary grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
C.—2—Development of Fisheries.							
(a) Commercial cum Demonstration Fish Farms—							
5. Works	38,000	..	..	..	1,25,000	..	1,25,000

EXPLANATORY NOTES

C-2 (a)—5.—A sum of Rs. 1 lakh is required for construction of tanks in Gauhati University Area as decided upon by the State Development Committee on 24th January 1956. These tanks will be converted into Fisheries and will be maintained by the Fishery Department.

Government have recently approved further reclamation of the Borsola Beel (2nd Phase) at an estimated cost of Rs.47,400. A sum of Rs.25,000 is required for expenditure during the current financial year. No Budget provision for the purpose could be made as further reclamation and improvement cropped up after the last flood. An amount of Rs.25,000 has been advanced from the Contingency Fund.

Hence Supplementary Demand.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.1,25,000 only be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "71.—Capital Outlay on Schemes of Agricultural Improvement and Research",

Shri HARESWAR GOSWAMI: Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, I beg to move that the provision of Rs.1,25,000, under Supplementary Demand No.35, Major head—71.—Capital Outlay on Schemes of Agricultural Improvement and Research, Minor head—5.—Works, at page 67 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re.1, i.e., the amount of the whole Supplementary Demand of Rs.1,25,000 do stand reduced by Re.1.

Sir, in the explanatory notes under clause 2 (a) at page 68, we find "A sum of Rs.1 lakh is required for construction of tanks in Gauhati University Area as decided upon by the State Development Committee on 24th January 1956. These tanks will be converted into Fisheries and will be maintained by the Fishery Department."

Sir, I have no objection to the digging of a tank in the Gauhati University Area. It will add to the beauty of the Gauhati University and may also supply water in times of scarcity. What I am objecting to is the time chosen for the digging of the tank. Most of the Members possibly know that the area concerned is a low-lying area and during the rainy season it remains as a tank without any effort on our part. Only a few days ago, I was going by that area and saw the place, where land was being scrapped, was full of water and unless water is pumped out it will be very difficult to dig it into a tank. To pump out water, allow the land to become dry and then dig a tank will take a lot of time. Then by the 15th of April monsoon will set in and we will not be able to spend the whole amount which we propose to spend for this purpose and the work will almost be useless. Therefore, my submission is that such works should not be undertaken at this period of the year. It should have been undertaken in the month of November and finished by this time or it should not have been undertaken at all at this time of the year. It was also wrong for the Gauhati University to decide about this matter as late as on the 24th of January knowing fully well that by the month of April rains will set in and it will be very difficult to dig a tank. We should, therefore, ask the Gauhati University—or for the matter of that, anybody not to come up with such proposals at the fag end of the year in the month of *Falgun* or *Chaitra*. They could have thought about it earlier and could have come with a proposal long before. They started the work in January even when there is some amount of rain and there will be more rain before the end of March and this will undo the work already done.

Besides, this area is full of water and it will be difficult to pump the water out. So, there is no need of this money for this purpose at the present time of the year.

With these words, I commend my Motion for the acceptance of the House.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: Cut Motion moved is that the provision of Rs.1,25,000, under Supplementary Demand No.35, Major head—71.—Capital Outlay on Schemes of Agricultural Improvement and Research, Minor head—5.—Works, at page 67 of the List of Supplementary Demands be reduced by Re.1, i.e., the amount of the whole Supplementary Demand of Rs.1,25,000 do stand reduced by Re.1.

Shri RAMNATH DAS (Minister): Mr. Deputy Speaker, Sir, from the arguments of my Friend, Mr. Goswami, what I have seen is that in his opinion neither the University was right in coming up with a proposal for this grant from Government for the establishment of a fishery in their area, nor Government is right in taking up this venture in the University area so late. He also says that because the Government has taken up the work late the University will not be able to spend the money within this financial year.

Sir, the University made a proposal at a meeting of the Development Committee held on January 24 through the Education Minister and the Government in that meeting agreed to grant Rs.1,25,000 to the University for excavation of a tank which will be used as a fishery and this will be executed by the Development Committee of the University. If the University Development Committee cannot spend all the money within this financial year the remaining amount for the purpose can be spent in the next financial year. The whole amount has been given to the University to give effect to the scheme.

Therefore, the apprehension of Mr. Goswami that the work cannot be finished this year and the amount will lapse is not a correct one as the University can complete the work even in the next financial year if they cannot complete it within this year as the amount for the purpose will remain with them.

In the circumstances, I would request Mr. Goswami to withdraw his Motion.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The question is that the provision of Rs. 1,25,000, under Supplementary Demand No.35, Major head—71.—Capital outlay on schemes of Agricultural Improvement and Research, Minor head—5—Works, at page 67 of the List of Supplementary Demand be reduced by Re.1, *i. e.*, the amount of the whole Supplementary Demand of Rs. 1,25,000 do stand reduced by Re. 1.

(The Motion was negatived)

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The question is that an additional amount of Rs. 1,25,000 only be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1956, for the administration of the head “71—Capital Outlay on Schemes of Agricultural Improvement and Research”.

(The Motion was adopted)

No.36

72.—Capital Outlay on the Industrial Development

Shri MOTIRAM BORA (Minister): Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg to move that an additional amount of Rs. 4,55,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1956, for the administration of the head “72—Capital outlay on the Industrial Development”.

Rs.

I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly	...	...	5,25,000
Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year			3,07,113
II.—Additional amount now required	...	...	4,55,000

III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		amount
	Sixth Schedule Areas		Sixth Schedule Areas		Sixth Schedule Areas		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Development Scheme (Five Year Plan)—							
C. Development of Co-operative—							
(1) Purchase of shares by Government of the Assam Co-operative Central Land Mortgage Bank Limited.	1,00,000	..	3,00,000	..	3,00,000
(2) Purchase of shares of Central Co-operative Bank.	1,00,000	..	1,00,000
(3) Purchase of shares of Larger Primary Societies.	15,000	..	15,000
(4) Purchase of shares of Marketing Societies	40,000	..	40,090
Total	1,00,000	..	4,55,000	..	4,55,000

EXPLANATORY NOTES

The Government of India directed that a few Pilot Projects embodying the whole integrated Schemes of the Second Five Year Plan should be started in two or three selected districts during this year (1955-56) and the work completed by the year 1956-57. It was also directed by the Government of India that the Pilot Projects Scheme may be financed from the savings of the First Five Year Plan. Accordingly a scheme for starting of Co-operative Pilot Projects in the selected districts was prepared with a view to implement the scheme during the current year in the Community project Areas of Darrang and Cachar Districts from the overall savings of the First Five Year Plan. Government already sanctioned Rs. 1,00,000 for purchasing shares of the Assam Co-operative Central Land Mortgage Bank under this scheme. Now an additional amount of Rs. 4,55,000 is required

to implement the scheme within the current year. The above amount of Rs. 4,55,000 will be given for the following type of Societies :—

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| (1) Share Capital Contribution by Government to the Central Land Mortgage Bank. | Rs. 3,00,000 (excluding Rs. 1 lakh already sanctioned.) |
| (2) Share Capital Contribution by Government to two Central Co-operative Banking Unions of Cachar and Tezpur at Rs. 50,000 each. | Rs. 1,00,000 |
| (3) Share Capital Contribution by Government to two Co-operative Primary Marketing Societies at Rs. 20,000 each. | Rs. 40,000 |
| (4) Share Capital Contribution by Government to two Larger Sized Co-operative Primary Credit Societies at Rs. 7,500 each. | Rs. 15,000 |

The Supplementary Demand is required for this purpose, so that the scheme may be implemented fully within this year. A sum of Rs. 2,27,500 was advanced from Contingency Fund for immediate expenditure.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 4,55,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1956, for the administration of the head "72—Capital Outlay on the Industrial Development".

(After a pause)

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The question is that an additional amount of Rs. 4,55,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the "72—Capital outlay on the Industrial Development."

(The Motion was adopted)

No. 37

81.—Capital Accounts of Civil Works outside the Revenue Account".

Shri SIDDHINATH SARMA (Minister): Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg to move that an additional amount of Rs. 3,09,832 be granted to the Minister in charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1956, for the administration of the head "81.—Capital Account of Civil Works outside the Revenue Account",

				Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly	...	...	...	1,69,47,200
Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year				10,000
II.—Additional amount now required	...	...	...	3,09,832
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—				

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
	(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
Development Schemes (Five-Year Plan)—A.—							
I.—Original Works—							
(a) Building—							
1. Medical ..	14,37,159		..	..	1,20,000	..	1,20,000
2. Co-operation ..	1,21,000		..	..	1,36,874	47,958	1,84,832
—Co-operative Societies.							
3. Rural Development.	5,000	..	5,000
Grand total ..	15,58,159		2,61,874	47,958	3,09,832

EXPLANATORY NOTES

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3. There was a proposal for construction of buildings at Joysagar Rural Polytechnic which was approved by the Planning and Development Department, Planning Commission and also by Finance Department in 1954. The estimates for the building was for Rs. 99,600. Administrative approval of Public Works Department has now been received by us on 7th February 1956. In the current year Public Works Department will be able to spend only Rs. 5,000 out of this estimated amount of Rs. 99,600. Accordingly Supplementary Demand is submitted. The amount has been advanced from the Contingency Fund.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs. 3,09,832 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1956, for the administration of the head "81.—Capital Accounts of Civil Works outside the Revenue Account".

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.3,09,832 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "81.—Capital Account of Civil Works outside the Revenue Account".

(The Motion was adopted)

No.38**"85—A.—Capital Outlay on State Schemes of Government Trading"**

Shri BAIDYANATH MOOKERJEE (Minister): Sir, I beg to move that on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, an additional amount of Rs.35,69,150 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1956, for the administration of the head "85—A.—Capital Outlay on State Schemes of Government Trading".

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...	28,69,800
Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	6,78,200
II.—Additional amount now required ...	35,69,150
III.—Sub-head under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for—	

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
(i)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
A. Grain—Storage Scheme—							
Section I—							
Expenditure on Establishment and purchase of food-stuffs.	4,92,500	14,560	..	..	4,68,900	..	4,68,900
Section II—							
Expenditure on Directorate Establishment and purchase of Rice and Paddy.	19,66,100	46,600	6,78,200	..	4,00,000	..	4,00,000

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		Total
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	
	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	
(1)	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
C.—Other Miscellaneous Scheme— (b) Expenditure on Establishment and purchase of Goods.	100	..	..	..	250	..	250
F.—Umtru - Hydro Electric Project— Cost of equipment and materials received under Colombo Plan.	27,00,000	..	27,00,000
Total	35,69,150	..	35,69,150
Deduct—Recoveries—	(—)27,00,000	..	(—)27,00,000
Deduct—Amount of value of materials under Colombo Plan utilised on works.			

EXPLANATORY NOTES

A—I and II.—The increased provision of Rs.4,68,900 is necessary to make payment to Defunct Agencies and Syndicates whose accounts are expected to be finalised during the current financial year and also to meet cost in connection with the Sugar taken delivery of from C. T. C., Dhubri as well as expenditure in connection with the refund of excess credit received from Government of India and also refund of administrative charges credited by Messrs. Gangadhar Tushnial in connection with import of Mustard oil during prepartition period.

The details of the demand are as below:—

	Rs.
(i) Value of whole—Wheat payable to Government of India.	2,16,800
(ii) Payment to be made to the defunct agencies, viz., Messrs. S. V. S. A., Messrs. A. V. S's and Messrs. S. V. F. G. Syndicate.	2,00,000
(iii) Payment to be made to Messrs. C. T. C., Dhubri on account of Sugar.	42,100
(iv) Payment to be made to Messrs. Gangadhar Tushnial on account of refund of cess.	10,000
	<u>4,68,900</u>

The additional provision of Rs.4,00,000 under Section II, represents expenditure in connection with purchase of rice/paddy at Gauhati and Dhubri.

The above amount consists of the following items:—

	Rs.
(i) Travelling Allowance and allowances of Officers and Staff.	35,000
(ii) Purchase of Rice and Paddy under 4 Contingencies.	3,15,000
(iii) Expenditure in connection with storage and distribution of Government of India Sugar.	50,000

4,00,000

While framing the Budget as well as at the time of placing Supplementary Demand in last Session of the Assembly, this expenditure could not be foreseen as no accurate estimate was available from local officers in connection with the storage and disposal of paddy stocks eventual on Government of India's policy in taking over stocks. In fact, entire expenditure in connection with items (ii) and (iii) above will be fully covered by receipt.

The amount of Rs.50,000 under Section II, item (iii) was advanced from the Contingency Fund.

C.—(b) The amount is required to meet the extra expenditure required for the purpose.

F.— Provision for the amount under the head is necessary for adjustment on account of the value of Canadian equipment for the Umtru-Hydro Electric Scheme under the Colombo Plan and has no actual financial effect under this head. The charge will be relieved by adjustment under the head "81—A.—Capital Outlay on Electricity Schemes—I.—Hydro Electric Scheme—Umtru-Hydro Electric Scheme—I.—Electricity Section—E.—Charges in England or United States of America".

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.35,69,150 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956, for the administration of the head "85—A.—Capital Outlay on State Schemes of Government Trading."

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.35,69,150 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March 1956, for the administration of the head "85—A.—Capital Outlay on State Schemes of Government Trading".

(The Motion was adopted)

No.39

"Loans and Advances"

Shri MOTIRAM BORA (Minister): Sir, on the recommendation of the Governor of Assam, I beg to move that an additional amount of Rs.5,41,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "Loans and Advances".

	Rs.
I.—Grant originally voted by the Assembly ...	11,87,00,200
Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year.	15,53,000
II.—Additional amount now required	5,41,000
III.—Sub-heads under which the Supplementary Demand will be accounted for:—	

Minor and Sub-head	Grant originally voted by the Assembly		Additional grant voted by the Assembly during the year		Additional amount now required		
	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	General	Sixth Schedule Areas	Total
	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
II.—Loans and Advances by the State Government—							
B.—Loans to Municipalities, Port Funds, etc.—							
1. Loans to Autonomous District and Regional Councils.	..	..	..	10,000	..	86,000	86,000
2. Loans to Co-operative Societies.	..	..	..	..	..	1,00,000	1,00,000
3. Miscellaneous Loans and Advances.	1,22,20,000	..	9,53,000	..	3,55,000	..	3,55,000
Total ..	1,22,20,000	..	9,53,000	10,000	3,55,000	1,86,000	5,41,000

EXPLANATORY NOTES

B.—1. Out of Rs.86,000 a sum of Rs.50,000 was required for granting a loan to the Mikir Hills District Council to enable it to make up the gap between its inadequate resources and the expenditure necessary to be incurred by it on the maintenance of its administrative machinery essential for the

efficient discharge of the functions vested in it. The loan is free of interest and is recoverable in five equal annual instalments commencing from the financial year 1956-57. Out of the balance of Rs.36,000, a sum of Rs.30,000 was required to grant a loan to the Mizo District Council to enable it to meet the necessary expenses for the management of its affairs. The loan is free of interest and recoverable in four equal annual instalments commencing from the financial year 1956-57. And the balance of Rs.6,000 was required for granting a loan to the Pawi-Lakher Regional Council to enable it to meet the necessary expenses for the management of its affairs. The loan is free of interest and adjustable against those amounts which will be due to the Regional Council till 31st March 1956 from the Government in respect of land revenue, house-tax, forest revenue, etc., which are being collected by Government on its behalf. The expenditures being unforeseen, the entire amount of Rs.86,000 had been advanced from the Contingency Fund. Hence the Supplementary Demand.

2. It was decided to organise a number of Co-operative Societies amongst the backward classes in Mikir Hills and Garo Hills Districts by advancing loans to members for improvement of Agriculture and Cottage Industries in those areas. A provision of Rs.1,00,000 was made in the last year's budget by a Supplementary Demand in the July 1954 Session of the Assembly.

The implementation of the scheme was taken up last year and no provision was made in the current year's budget, as it was not apparent at the time of submission of the Budget Estimates that further loan would be necessary for issue this year. But by March, 1955 the scheme made a good progress and loans to various societies formed were issued to the extent of Rs.96,300. A good number of applications for loans have also been received this year and it is necessary in the interest of the implementation of the scheme to sanction loans immediately. The amount has been advanced from the Contingency Fund. It is expected to utilise the entire amount during this financial year. So the Supplementary Demand is required for this purpose.

3. Out of Rs.3,55,000, a sum of Rs.3,00,000 is required for issuing necessary rehabilitation loans to the people affected by floods and erosion in connection with their rehabilitation on alternative sites.

The balance of Rs.55,000 is required for issuing loans to Co-operative Societies for implementation of the Milk Distribution Scheme in the State. The amount was advanced from Contingency Fund to enable the Societies to purchase Cattle, Cattle feed, etc. Hence the Supplementary Demand.

Mr. DEPUTY SPEAKER : The Motion moved is that an additional amount of Rs.5,41,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "Loans and Advances".

(After a pause)

The question is that an additional amount of Rs.5,41,000 be granted to the Minister-in-charge to defray certain

charges which will come in the course of payment during the year ending 31st March, 1956 for the administration of the head "Loans and Advances".

(The Motion was adopted)

Adjournment

The Assembly was then adjourned till 10 A. M. on Thursday, the 22nd March, 1956.

Shillong
The 4th January, 1957

R. N. BARUA,
Secretary,
Legislative Assembly, Assam.

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