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Assam State Agricultural Marketing Board 2015-2016

Introduction:

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

Constitution of Board :

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

The Market Board was constituted vide Govt. notification No.AGA/616/75/90 dated 24/09/1976 with one non-official Chairman and 11 (eleven) members. The first meeting of the Board was held on 26-02-77.

The present Board was constituted vide Govt. Notification No.AGA.337/2001/Pt/147, dated 11th September, 2015 with the following members and Shri Membor Gogoi, MLA as the Chairman.

Official of the Govt.of Assam.

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

Non-Official Members

- 8. Sri Pranab Kalita, Agriculturist.
- 9. Md. Afzal Ali Batsor, Progressive Producer.
- 10. Gauri Kanta Deka, Progressive Producer.
- 11. Sri Amrit Nimodia, Licensee.
- 12. Sri Bikash Talukdar, Co-Op Marketing Society.
- 13. Sri Ram Prasad, Trader.
- 14. Sri Sanju Dutta, Chairman, RMC
- 15. Sri Prantik Konwar, Chairman, RMC.
- 16. Md. Misbah Uddin, Chairman, RMC.

Ex-Officio Member- Secretary

17. Chief Executive Officer, ASAMB.

There has been 2 (two) nos. of Board Meetings during the year 2015-2016.

Regulations:

1. Regulated Market Committees :

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

	Name of RMC	Head quarters	District
1	Baharihat Regulated Market Committee	Baharihat	Barpeta
2	Bongaigaon District Regulated Market Committee	Tulungia	Bongaigaon
3	Cachar District Regulated Market Committee	Silchar	Cachar
4	Darrang District Regulated Market Committee	Kharupetia	Darrang
5	Dhemaji District Regulated Market Committee	Silapathar	Dhemaji
6	Dhing Regulated Market Committee	Dhing	Nagaon
7	Dibrugarh District Regulated Market Committee	Dibrugarh	Dibrugarh
8	Dhubri District Regulated Market Committee	Gauripur	Dhubri
9	Goalpara District Regulated Market Committee	Goalpara	Goalpara
10	Golaghat Regulated Market Committee	Furkating	Golaghat
11	Guwahati Sub-div. Regulated Market Committee	Uparhali	Kamrup
12	Hailakandi District Regulated Market Committee	Hailakandi	Hailakandi

13	Howly Regulated Market Committee	Howly	Barpeta
14	Jorhat District Regulated Market Committee	Jorhat	Jorhat
15	Karimganj District Regulated Market Committee	Karimganj	Karimganj
16	Kokrajhar District Regulated Market Committee	Gosaigaon	Kokrajhar
17	Lanka Regulated Market Committee	Nilbagan	Nagaon
18	Morigaon District Regulated Market Committee	Morigaon	Morigaon
19	Nalbari District Regulated Market Committee	Banekuchi	Nalbari
20	North Lakhimpur Regulated Market Committee	Bongalmara	Lakhimpur
21	Rangia Sub-div. Regulated Market Committee	Goreswar	Kamrup
22	Sivasagar District Regulated Market Committee	Sivasagar	Sivasagar
23	Sonitpur District Regulated Market Committee	Dhekiajuli	Sonitpur
24	Tinsukia District Regulated Market Committee	Tinsukia	Tinsukia

<u>PMY :</u>

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

SMY:

- Baharihat RMC (1) Alupatichar, (2) Balikuri, (3) Kachumari, (4) Kadong, (5) Mandia, (6) Moinbari.
- Bongaigaon DRMC- (1) Basugaon, (2) Fakiragram, (3) Gossaigaon, (4) Kabaitari, (5) Patiladoha.
- Cachar DRMC (1) Barjatrapur, (2) Bhaga, (3) Kumbhirgram, (4) Lailapur, (5) Lakhipur, (6) Phulertal, (7) Sonabarighat, (8) Udarbond.
- Darrang DRMC (1) Balugaon, (2) Banglagarh, (3) Besimari, (4) Bhakatpara, (5) Dimakuchi,
 (6) Dumunichowki, (7) Harisinga, (8) Kalaigaon, (9) Khairabari, (10) Kopati,
 (11) Lalpool, (12) Majbat, (13) Mangaldoi Town Market (Prafulla Nagar),
 (14) Namkhola, (15) Patharighat, (16) Tongla, (17) Udalguri.

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

- Dhing RMC (1) Ambagan, (2) Chaparmukh, (3) Chulung, (4) Doomdumia, (5) Jakhalabandha, (6) Magurmari, (7) Roha, (8) Rupahi, (9) Santijan, (10) Singari, (11) Sonaibali.
- Dhubri DRMC (1) Bilasipara, (2) Chapar, (3) Dharmasala, (4) Dhubri, (5) Fulkatary,
 (6) Gauripur Jute/Pine Apple Market, (7) Golakganj, (8) Halakura, (9) Kaldoba,
 (10) Kathalipara Milan Bazar, (11) Kharuabandha (Hatsingimari), (12) Mankachar,
 (13) Ranpagli, (14) Salbari, (15) Salakata.

- Dibrugarh DRMC (1) Barbarua, (2) Chabua, (3) Dibrugarh, (4) Dikam, (5) Duliajan, (6) Ghoramara, (7) Jokai (Checha), (8) Khowang, (9) Lahowal, (10) Moran, (11) Naharkatia, (12) Namrup, (13) Rajgarh, (14) Tengakhat, (15) Tingkhong
- Goalpara DRMC (1) Chataimari, (2) Dalgoma, (3) Darrangiri, (4) Dhanubhanga,
 (5) Dhupdhara, (6) Dudhnai, (7) Jaleswar, (8) Krishnai, (9) Lakhipur, (10) Rangjuli,
 (11) Simlitola, (12) Taranga.
- Golaghat RMC (1) Athkhelia, (2) Behora, (3) Bokakhat, (4) Barpathar, (5) Dakhin Hengera,
 (6) Dergaon, (7) Gomariguri, (8) Kachamari, (9) Naojan, (10) Neghereting,
 (11) Numaligarh, (12) Rangajan, (13) Sarupathar, (14) Sewaguri, (15) Telihat.
- Guwahati SDMC (1) Amranga, (2) Boko, (3) Chhaygaon, (4) Dhekiabari, (5) Dhopatari, (6) Hahim, (7) Maloibari, (8) Nagarbera, (9) Singimari.
- Howly RMC (1) Barpeta Road, (2) Kalgachia, (3) Kayakuchi, (4) Langla, (5) Sarupeta, (6) Simla, (7) Sarbhog.
- Hailakandi DRMC (1) Algapur, (2) Aynakhal, (3) Katlichera, (4) Lalabazar.
- Jorhat DRMC (1) Alengmara, (2) Barhola, (3) Daflating, (4) Gormur, (5) Jorhat, (6) Kamalabari, (7) Lichibari, (8) Madhupur, (9) Nagabat, (10) Na-Kachari, (11) Teok, (12) Thengalgaon.
- Karimganj DRMC (1) Bhanga, (2) Durlavcherra, (3) Hatikhira, (4) Ichaguri Fish Market, (5) Karimganj, (6) Lowerpowa, (7) Nilambazar, (8) Patharkandi.
- Lanka RMC (1) Hojai, (2) Jamunamukh, (3) Kaki No. 1, (4) Kampur, (5) Kathiatoli, (6) Kharikhana, (7) Lumding, (8) Murajhar, (9) Udali.
- Morigaon DRMC (1) Bhurbandha, (2) Dewgalu, (3) Jagiroad, (4) Laharighat, (5) Mayang, (6) Moirabari.
- Nalbari DRMC (1) Banekuchi, (2) Barama, (3) Barnadi, (4) Bongaon, (5) Dhamdhama,
 (6) Doulashal, (7) Kaithalkuchi, (8) Kaplabari, (9) Kumarikata, (10) Mukalmua,
 (11) Nadla, (12) Rampur, (13) Tamulpur, (14) Tihu.
- North Lakhimpur RMC (1) Baginadi, (2) Dhakuakhana, (3) Harmoti, (4) North Lakhimpur Sadar Market.
- Sivasagar DRMC (1) Amguri, (2) Banfera (Sonari), (3) Borsala Cattle Market, (4) Moranhat, (5) Rajmai Cattle Market, (6) Sapekhati, (7) Simaluguri.
- Sonitpur DRMC (1) Barsala, (2) Binduguri, (3) Biswanath Chariali, (4) Gingia, (5) Gohpur, (6) Lokra, (7) Pachmile, (8) Singri, (9) Thelamara.
- Tinsukia DRMC (1) Bardumsa, (2) Chapakhowa, (3) Dangari, (4) Dumduma, (5) Jagun, (6) Kakopathar, (7) Makum.

2. Notified agricultural commodities:

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

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

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

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

3. Licence:

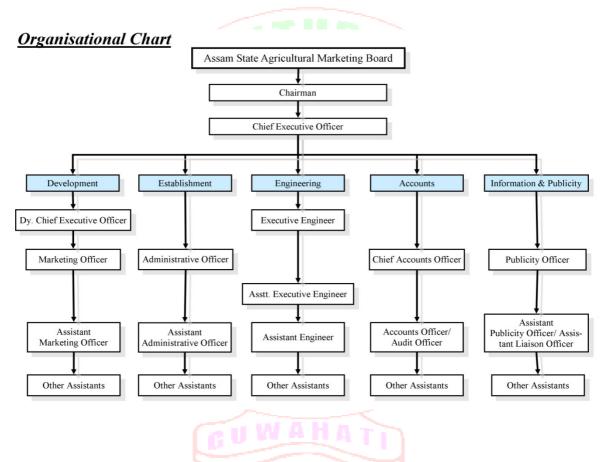
Under section 13(2) of the Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act, 1972 (as amended) 2059 nos. of licence (Trader-1457 nos., Commission Agent-244 nos., Processor-358 nos.)have been issued during the year 2015-2016.

4. Administrative setup:

As per Section 3(1) of the Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act, 1972 as amended and under Rule 6(1) of Assam Agricultural Produce Market (General) Rules, 1975 as amended, the Chairman is the head of the Board and he is responsible for administration of the Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act, 1972 and he is to exercise general control over the employees of the Board and Market Committees. The Chairman is also to exercise overall supervision on the Market Committees under provisions of the Act and Rules. The present Chairman, Sri Membor Gogoi, MLA has resumed this office on 5th December, 2015.

As per provision under the Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act, 1972, as amended, the Chief Executive Officer of the Board is appointed by the State Govt. He is the head of the office of the Board having the general control over the employees of the Board and Market Committees and he is to act as the Ex-Officio Member-secretary of the Board. The present Chief Executive Officer Sri Padma Nath Das, ACS, has resumed this office on 1st February, 2016.

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



Staff Position: The staff position of the Board and RMCs as on March, 2015is as follows:

Group – A	80 nos. 259 nos.
Group – B Group – C	328 nos.
Group –D	332 nos.
Contingency Menial (Fixed Pay) -	164 nos.
Total =	1163 nos.

Activities :

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

Total Cess Collected during the year 2015-2016isRs.44,82,25,094.00.

2. Infrastructure development :

In the year 2015-2016, various infrastructure development works have been taken up for execution in addition to ongoing works by ASAMB as follows-

RMC	Name of works	Location	Amount (Rs.)
ASAMB	Additional work at Pack House project complex	Sutarkandi, Karimganj	73,25,000.00
	Construction of 2000 MT multi commodity Cold Storage	Sonarbali, Nagaon	50,00,000.00
	Construction of Krishakar Dokan at Sixmile, Ganeshguri & Palton bazar	Guwahati	14,34,600.00
	Establishment of 5000 MT capacity Cold Storage	Chhaygaon, Kamrup	21,56,76,000.00
	Establishment of 5000 MT capacity Cold Storage	Kharupetia, Darrang	21,68,55,000.00
	Construction of kitchen cum cook man house	Srirampur	11,31,480.00
	Re-construction of septic tank, toilet block, bathroom along, boundary wall and internal water supply facilities in the check gate complex	Chagolia	5,32,705.00
	Partition wall, sanitary fittings and water supply in the ground floor of office building	ASAMB HQ	6,39,500.00
	Repairing of toilet including sanitary fittings, water supply, water tank etc at 3rd floor of office building	ASAMB HQ	2,57,200.00
	Water proofing system over roof slab, terrace etc of the office building	ASAMB HQ	6,13,365.00
Dhemaji DRMC	Development of PMY (cattle market) by earth filling	PMY, Silapathar	11,09,000.00
	Repairing of krishak bhawan & construction of boundary wall with iron gate etc.	PMY, Silapathar	9,00,000.00
Dhing RMC	Development of Barama market	Barama	93,74,734.00
	Development of Samaguri market	Samaguri	2,68,24,724.00
	Renovation of Godown and chowkider shed	SMY, Roha	22,48,068.00
Golaghat RMC	Construction of 1000 MT capacity Godown at PMY	PMY, Golaghat	58,88,200.00
Jorhat DRMC	Construction of approach road to Rural Godown	Jengrai, Majuli	12,66,959.00
	Construction of Market Shed	Deogharia	17,68,187.00
	Construction of Market Shed and Retailer Shop	SMY, Teok	24,44,658.00

Lanka RMC	Construction of boundary wall and site	Nakhuti	43,03,780.00
	development in at the site of proposed turmeric		
	processing unit		
Morigaon	Construction of boundary wall with iron gate in	Moirabari	3,35,572.00
DRMC	the site of walk-in-cooler		
North	Development by earth filling with boundary wall	Harmoti	23,49,674.00
Lakhimpur RMC			
Sonitpur DRMC	Construction of approach road with culvert and	PMY, Dhekiajuli	25,00,000.00
	parking yard		

3. Farmers' welfare schemes:

- (a) Formation of Growers' Societies : The Assam State Agricultural Marketing Board has introduced a scheme for organizing the farming community to involve them in the efficient marketing system so that they can reap out the benefit of Regulated Market Scheme. Accordingly,777nos. of Growers' Societies have been registered till March 31, 2016.
- (b) Paddy procurement : As per direction of the Government of Assam in Agriculture department, the ASAMB has been notified as a paddy procurement agency in 2012-13. Since then the Board is procuring paddy under KMS and RMS. Accordingly,during 2015-16, targeting to procure 40000 MT of paddy at MSP through 40nos. of paddy procurement centres (PPC), such as Bahari, Pathsala, Kharupetia, Sipajhar, Kalaigaon, Gogamukh, Jiadhal, Silapathar, Gauripur, Krishnai, Bokakhat, Furkating, Sarupathar, Borhola, Madhopur, Jorhat, Pacharia, Uparhali, Boko(Bongaon), Maloibari, Joima, Narayanpur, Bongalmara, North Lakhimpur, Oujari, Jagibhakat Gaon, Kushtoli, Dhing, Roha, Kathiatoli, Nilbagan, Lanka, Ghagrapar, Nalbari, Amguri, Borpatra, Dhekiajuli, Barchala, Garmara and Makum, a total of 9,090.359MT of paddy have been procured from the 1502 nos. of farmers in the state.
- 4. Price dissemination : The Assam State Agricultural Marketing Board is disseminating information on price and arrival of agricultural commodities from major agricultural markets (a) on day to day basis through Agmarknet portal of Govt. of India (www.agmarknet.nic.in) and the website of the Board (http://asamb.in), (b) periodical price bulletin through AIR and DDK, (c) Daily updating of price of major commodities through display boards in 13 nos. of RMC's and the Board office. On pilot project basis electronic display boards have been provided to Pamohi market(Garchuk), Uparhali PMY, Jorhat DRMC campus, Hojai SMY, Barpeta Road SMY and PMY, Dhubri DRMC at Gauripur to display daily wholesale, prices of important agricultural commodities.
- 5. Interactions with Farmers etc.: The Board took part in 3rdAssam International Agri-Horti Show, 2016 at Guwahati to interact with the farmers and other market functionaries in

connection with the implementation of the provisions of the Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act, 1972.

6. <u>Agricultural Market Reforms:</u> The Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act, 1972 has already been amended as a part of Agricultural Market Reforms in the light of the Model Act circulated by Govt. of India. The amendment of the Agricultural Produce Market (General) Rules as per Model Rule of Govt. of India has already been submitted to the Govt. of Assam. The amended Act has allowed contract farming, establishment of private market, consumer/farmer market and direct purchase from the agriculturists.

The process of amendments of the provisions of the Assam Agricultural Produce Market Act, 1972 along with the Agricultural Produce Market (General) Rules and Bye-laws are underway at the Govt. level.

- 7. Computerisation : Steps are being taken for computerization of activities of the Board and RMCs. One Programmer and one Asstt. Programmers have been hired from National Informatics Centre Services Inc. They are engaged in training to officials and development of necessary Software etc. for the Board under the guidance of NIC, Assam Unit.Essential ICT infrastructures are being created. Accounts of the Board are being computerized through Tally.ERP9 system with required training to Accounts personnel.11 nos. of nodes viz. Srirampur CG, Chagolia CG, Guwahati BG Point centre, Jorhat, Tinsukia, Sonitpur, Kokrajhar and BongaigaonDRMC, Lanka and Dhing RMC and Guwahati SDMC have been connected onlinethrough e-CMS with the Board's head quarter. The e-CMS software has been installed in these nodes for fill up online cess collection data and they are functioning properly.
- RTI : Under the Right To Information Act, 2005, the Appellate authority of the Board is the Chief Executive Officer, Shri P. N. Das, ACS, Phone: 2130184, 70860-47915, e-Mail: <u>ceo.asamb@gmail.com</u>; Public Information Officer- Shri J. K. M. Baruah, Publicity Officer, Phone: 94355-56163, e-Mail: <u>assam.samb@gmail.com</u>.

During the year 2015-16, nos. of request received under RTI is 33 nos. and nos. of request disposed of is 33 nos. There is no pending request under the RTI Act, 2005 in the Board.

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