

**LAND REVENUE
ADMINISTRATION IN ASSAM
WITH SPECIAL FOCUS ON
STRATEGIES FOR GIVING LAND
RIGHTS TO LANDLESS
INDIGENOUS PEOPLE TO MAKE
THE STATE A ZERO LANDLESS
PEOPLES' STATE**

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STATE PROFILE

- Area of the State- 78,438 Sq. KM.
- District- 34 Nos.
- Revenue Circles- 154
- Population- 3,12,05,576
- Total Nos. of villages= 26,395 Nos.
- Total Nos. of N.C. village= 1,030 Nos.
- Density per Sq. Km.- 398(India as a whole=382)
- % of rural population – 85.90
- % of urban population – 14.10



LAND REVENUE ADMINISTRATION PRIOR TO BRITISH ERA

- Concept of State Ownership of Land.
- Concept of Patta- (Kheraj, Lakheraj Patta & Nisfkheraj Patta)



BRITISH PERIOD

Following Waste Land Grant Rules for Special Cultivation were made -

- Waste Land Grant Rules of 1838-45 Years.
- Old Assam Rules of 1854- 99 years.
- Fee Simple Rules of 1862- 99 years
- Revised Fee Simple Rules of 1874- 99 years
- New Lease Rules of 1876- 30 years.



SETTLEMENT RULES OF ORDINARY CULTIVATION

- Decennial Settlement Rules of 1883
- 10 Years Re Settlement of 1893
- 20 years Re Settlement of 1902
- 30 years Re Settlement of 1923
- 30 years Re Settlement of 1956

Last Re-settlement Operation made in Erstwhile Districts of :

Kamrup 1956-66, Sivasagar- 1956-64, Nagaon- 1963-73, Lakhimpur- 1964-74, Darrang- 1968-78, Goalpara- 1979-, Cachar- 1988-

CONCEPT OF RIGHTS OVER LAND

Rights of-

- Proprietor
- Land Holder
- Settlement Holder



RIGHTS OVER LAND

SETTLEMENT HOLDER

LAND HOLDER

RIGHTS OVER LAND

- Permanent
- Transferable
- Heritable





- PRESUMPTIVE TITLING-

- Map
- Chitha
- RoR

- CONCLUSIVE TITLING-

- Mirror Image of the field
 - Integrated RoR
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LAND POLICIES OF ASSAM

- First Land Policy – 1958
- Second Land Policy – 1968
- Third Land Policy – 1972
- Fourth Land Policy – 1989
- Fifth Land Policy - 2019



STRATEGIES FOR GIVING LAND RIGHTS TO LANDLESS INDIGENOUS PEOPLE

- Identification of available khas land and ceiling surplus land fit for settlement.
- Survey to ascertain number of landless indigenous people circle wise.
- Reservation for community land, wetland, playground etc.

LEGAL PROVISIONS IN LAND POLICY 2019

- Allotment & Settlement of land for ordinary cultivation in rural area (seven bighas)
- Allotment & Settlement of land for homestead purpose in rural area (one bigha)
- Allotment of land for allied agricultural purposes in rural area (two + thirty bighas for co-op)
- Allotment & Settlement of land for special cultivation. (thirty bighas)
- Preservation of VGR, PGR and community land.
- Allotment & Settlement of land for other non-agricultural purposes like Industries, Public Institutions, Hospitals etc.

LAND POLICY 2019

- Conversion of all Annual Lease into Periodic.
- Settlement & Reservation of land in Towns for open space/playground/ecological purpose.
- Encroachment and Eviction
- Special Provisions for Scheduled Castes & Schedule Tribes families.
- Joint patta in the name of spouse.
- Land Advisory Committee.




LAND POLICY 2019

- Cadastral Survey of Non-cadastral areas.
- Restriction on transfer of agricultural land.
- District wise Survey and Mapping of special zone for industrial and other institutional infrastructure development.



REQUIREMENTS

- Connectivity at Revenue offices
 - Creation of robust technical team with all resources at all levels
 - Up gradation of Dharitree and linking with Digitised Maps and Registration processes
 - Creation of Data Centre
 - Modern Digital Record Room at Circle offices and DC offices
 - Creation of knowledge hub at ASSTC
 - Up gradation of Bhu Naksha
 - Survey team in districts
 - Recruitment of adequate man power
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