



GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM
PANCHAYAT AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT
DISPUR ::: GUWAHATI-6

ORDERS BY THE GOVERNOR
NOTIFICATION

No.E-449396/17

In pursuance to the Cabinet decision held on 19-06-2024 the Governor of Assam is pleased to notify the Standard Operating Procedure to be followed for Reorganization of Development Blocks in Assam:

Standard Operating Procedure (SOP) for Reorganization of Development Block

1. **Introduction:** This SOP delineates the meticulous steps and strategies to be employed for the seamless execution of the block reorganization.
2. **Objective:** The primary objective of this SOP is to ensure a systematic and efficient process for block reorganization to be followed by the District Level Committee.
3. **Definition of District Level Committee:** A district level committee comprising of the following shall be constituted:

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| • Guardian Minister | : Chairman |
| • Hon'ble MLA of the District | : Member |
| • District Commissioner | : Member |
| • CEO, Zilla Parishad/PD, DRDA for 6 th Schedule Area | : Member Sec |

The District Level Committee shall ratify the block boundaries and recommend demarcation of the block boundaries along with block Head Quarter and submit the same to Panchayat & Rural Development Department.

4. **Block Reorganization:**

A. For General Areas:

- i. The block reorganization process to be commenced immediately after Gaon Panchayat delimitation.
- ii. A development block will belong to only one LAC *i.e. no block jurisdiction shall fall in more than one LAC.*
- iii. In case any existing block is divided among two or more districts, the Block will be considered in the district where the existing Block HQ lies.

- iv. After reorganization, number of Blocks in the district will be equal to the existing number of Block (Block HQ) in the district.
- v. No Gaon Panchayat shall belong to more than one Block.
- vi. Preferably, maximum number of Gaon Panchayats in a Block will be up to 17 Gaon Panchayats after Gaon Panchayat Delimitation.
- vii. Priority to use the existing block headquarters within the LACs as the headquarters of new reorganized block as far as practicable.
- viii. As far as possible and practicable the existing block boundaries will be retained.
- ix. The District Level Committee will validate the Block Head Quarters of the reorganized block.
- x. The District Level Committee will ratify and approve the LAC wise block boundary and Block Head Quarter and send the recommendations to Panchayat & Rural Development Department for final notification.

B. For Sixth Scheduled Areas:

a) Karbi Anglong Autonomous Council (KAAC) and Dima Hasao Autonomous Council (DHAC)

No change in the Block Boundaries and Block Head Quarter of KAAC & DHAC as no block is divided among more than one LAC after delimitation in case of these districts.

b) Bodoland Territorial Region (BTR)

- i. A Development Block will belong to only one LAC i.e. no block jurisdiction shall fall in more than one LAC.
- ii. After reorganization, number of Blocks in the district will be equal to the existing number of Block (Block HQ) in the district.
- iii. The overlapping of the Blocks between the Bodoland Territorial Council and General areas shall have to be rectified in this Block reorganization.
- iv. In case any existing block is divided among two or more districts, the Block will be considered in the district where the existing Block HQ lies.

5. Timeline for Block Reorganization :

The Block reorganization proposal including proposed Block Boundaries and Block Head Quarters is to be completed and submitted to Government in Panchayat & Rural Development Department, Assam for notification within 6th September 2024.

6. District wise no of Block is stated below:

Sl No.	DISTRICT	NO OF DEVELOPMENT BLOCK
1.	Bajali	1
2.	Barpeta	10
3.	Baksa	7
4.	Biswanath	7
5.	Bongaigaon	5
6.	Cachar	15
7.	Charaideo	4
8.	Chirrang	2
9.	Darrang	5
10.	Dhemaji	5
11.	Dhubri	10
12.	Dibrugarh	7
13.	Dima Hasao	5
14.	Goalpara	8
15.	Goaghat	8
16.	Hailakandi	5
17.	Hojai	5
18.	Jorhat	6
19.	Kamrup	14
20.	Kamrup(M)	2
21.	Karbi Anglong	7
22.	Karimganj	7
23.	Kokrajhar	7
24.	Lakhimpur	9
25.	Majuli	2
26.	Morigaon	5
27.	Nagaon	13
28.	Nalbari	7
29.	Sivsagar	5
30.	Sonitpur	7
31.	South Salmara	2
32.	Tinsukia	7
33.	Udalguri	6
34.	West Karbi Anglong	4
TOTAL		219

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Principal Secretary to the Govt. of Assam
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Copy to:

1. PPS to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Assam, Janata Bhawan, Dispur, Ghy-06.
2. The Commissioner, Panchayat & Rural Development, Panjabari, Juripar, Ghy-37 for information and necessary action.
3. The Director, State Institute of Panchayat and Rural Development Department, Khanpara, Ghy-22.
4. The Secretary, Assam State Election Commissioner, Down Town, Dispur, Guwahati.
5. All District Commissioner, Assam.
6. All Chief Executive Officers of Assam.
7. All Sub-Divisional Officer (Civil) of Assam.
8. The Staff Officer to Chief Secretary, Assam, Dispur, Ghy-6.
9. P.S. to the Special Chief Secretaries to the Govt. of Assam, Dispur.
10. P.S. to Hon'ble Minister, Panchayat & Rural Development Department, Dispur, Guwahati-6 for kind appraisal of Hon'ble Minister.
11. The Director, Assam Govt. Press. Bamunimaidam, Guwahati-21 for publication of the Notification in the next issue of the Assam Gazette and to submit 200 (Two hundred) copies of the said Notification to this Department.
12. Shri Sujit Pal, Content Manager, Panchayat & Rural Development (A) Department, Dispur.

By order etc,

Signed by Dipen Chandra
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