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The Assembly met in the Assembly Chamber, Shillong, at 10 A. M., on Tuesday, the 18th March, 1952.

P R E S E N T

The Hon'ble Shri Kuladhar Chaliha, B. L., Speaker, in the Chair, the ten Hon'ble Ministers, two Deputy Ministers and eighty Members.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

UNSTARRED QUESTIONS

(To which Answers were laid on the Table)

Assam Non-Agricultural Urban Areas Tenancy Bill, 1950

Maulavi NAMWAR ALI BARBHUIYA asked :

2. (a) Will Government be pleased to state the fate of the Assam Non-Agricultural Urban Areas Tenancy Bill, 1950 passed by the Assam Legislative Assembly unanimously in its October, 1950 Session ?

(b) Is it a fact that the Attorney-General to the Government of India has raised some objections under section 19(f) of the Constitution ?

(c) If so, will Government be pleased to state what those objections are and what steps they have taken to meet those objections ?

(d) Was the Advocate General of Assam asked to give his views on the objections raised by the Attorney-General to the Government of India ?

(e) Will Government be pleased to state whether the Advocate-General of Assam was asked to give his opinion on the Bill before or at the time of its introduction in the House ?

(f) Are Government aware that this Bill was introduced on a persistent popular demand for it ?

(g) If so, will Government be pleased to state what steps they are contemplating to take in meeting this demand in view of these later developments ?

(h) Will Government be pleased to state the number of ejectment suits filed in the different Civil Courts of the districts of Assam for ejecting tenants from urban areas (both in Munsiff's and Sub-Judges' Courts) for 3 years previous to the passing of the Assam Non-Agricultural Urban Areas Tenancy Bill in 1950 and the number of same class of ejectment suits filed in different Civil Courts of the State, after October, 1950, Subdivision by Subdivision ?

(i) Do Government propose to take steps for securing assent of the President of the Indian Republic to the Bill at a very early date ?

Shri HARESWAR DAS (Deputy Minister) replied :

2. (a)—The Bill in question was submitted to the Government of India for obtaining the assent of the President, but he has withheld his assent to it.

(b)—Yes.

(c)—The Attorney-General held that the provisions of clauses 4 and 9 and in part of clause 5 of the Bill offend against the fundamental right conferred on the land-lord by Article 19(1)(f) of the Constitution. The Bill has since been redrafted on the lines of Attorney-General's suggestions.

(d)—Yes. The Advocate General agreed with the views of the Attorney-General.

(e)—No. He was not consulted before introduction.

(f)—There were some representations requesting such legislation.

(g)—As stated above, the Bill has since been redrafted on the lines of the Attorney-General's suggestions and is being examined and if advised, will be placed before the House in due course.

(h)—The information is not available at the moment. It will however be collected and supplied to the hon. Member if he presses for it.

(i)—This will be done after the Assembly has passed the new Bill.

Result of election to the Provincial Advisory Board for Primary Education

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER : I shall now announce the result of election held on the 15th March, 1952 to the Provincial Advisory Board for Primary Education.

The following hon. Members having secured the largest number of votes are hereby declared duly elected :—

1. Shri Radhika Ram Das,
2. Shri Thanuram Gogoi,
3. Shri Kistobin Rymbai.

Result of election to the Tezpur-Balipara Railway Local Advisory Committee

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER : I hereby announce that Shri Gahan Chandra Goswami being the only candidate seeking election to the Tezpur-Balipara Railway Local Advisory Committee, is declared duly elected.

Result of Election to the Assam Railway Advisory Committee

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER : I shall now announce the name of the Member elected to the Assam Railway Advisory Committee. He is—Shri Pratap Chandra Sarma.

Government Resolution re: approval of an expenditure of Rs.1,26,000 under the Head '18-B and 68-B—Navigation, Embankment and Drainage Works'

The Hon'ble Shri SIDDHINATH SARMA: Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to move:

"That this Assembly do approve of an expenditure of Rs.1,26,000 under the head '18-B and 68-B—Navigation, Embankment and Drainage Works' for the items below. The amount involved will be met from the sanctioned grant".

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

	Rs.
1. Grant originally voted by the Assembly	12,81,300
2. Sub-heads under which the Appropriation will be accounted for—	-----
18-B—Navigation, Embankment and Drainage Works financed from Ordinary Revenues—	
(i) A—Works	11,000
(ii) Ditto Development Schemes included in the Five-Year Plan.	87,000
Total	----- 98,000
68-B—Navigation, Embankment and Drainage Works financed from Capital Revenues—	
Grow-More-Food Schemes—	
Major Irrigation Schemes	28,000
Total	----- 28,000
Grand Total	----- 1,26,000

The details have been shown in *Explanatory Notes.

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER: Motion moved:
"That this Assembly do approve of an expenditure of Rs.1,26,000 under the head '18-B and 68-B—Navigation, Embankment and Drainage Works' for the items below. The amount involved will be met from the sanctioned grant".

(The Motion was then put and adopted).

Government Resolution re: approval of an expenditure of Rs.30,35,182 under the Head "50—Civil Works (excluding Tools and Plant and Establishment)"

The Hon'ble Shri SIDDHINATH SARMA: Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to move:

"That this Assembly do approve of an expenditure of Rs.30,35,182 under the head '50.—Civil Works (excluding Tools and Plant and Establishment)' for the items below. The amounts involved will be met from the sanctioned grant".

"50—Civil Works (excluding Tools and Plant and Establishment)."

	Rs.		
I. Grant originally voted by the Assembly	...	...	1,94,53,100
II. Sub-heads under which the appropriations will be accounted for:—			
	General	Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas	Total
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
(a) Buildings—			
Land Revenue	2,000	...	2,000
General Administration	...	10,500	10,500
Ditto Earthquake damage	10,000	...	10,000
Administration of Justice	3,000	...	3,000
Jails and Convict Settlements	81,828	...	81,828
Police other than Assam Rifles	7,38,700	...	7,38,700
<i>Deduct</i> —Amount transferred to "85-A—Capital Outlay, etc."	—2,20,000	...	—2,20,000
Police other than Assam Rifles—Earthquake damage.	2,000	...	2,000
Education	14,836	...	14,836
Public Health	3,000	...	3,000
Cottage Industries	...	15,000	15,000
Civil Works	3,000	...	3,000
Ditto Earthquake damage	8,560	...	8,560
Total (a) Buildings	6,46,924	25,500	6,72,424

	General	Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas	Total
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
<i>(b) Communications—</i>			
Ordinary Roads	10,79,174	...	10,79,174
Ditto Earthquake damage	49,000	...	49,000
Ditto Development Schemes included in the 5-Year Plan.	3,76,430	...	3,76,430
Cess Procurement Projects	53,000	...	53,000
<i>Deduct—Amount transferred to 85-A—Capital Outlay, etc.</i>	—53,000	...	—53,000
Petrol Tax Reserve	8,54,482	...	8,54,482
Projects financed out of the special Reserve in the Central Road Fund.	...	3,672	3,672
<i>Motor Tax Projects—</i>			
Provincial Roads	50,000	...	50,000
<i>Deduct—Amount transferred to “12—Charges on account of Motor Vehicles Taxation Act.”</i>	—50,000	...	—50,000
Total <i>(b)</i> Communications	23,59,086	3,672	23,62,758
<i>D—Grants-in-aid for Communications—</i>			
Grants to Local Boards—Non-recurring	7,18,000	...	7,18,000
<i>Deduct—Amount transferred to “85-A—Capital Outlay, etc.”</i>	—7,18,000	...	—7,18,000
Total D Grants-in-aid ... ..	...	...	...
Grand Total	30,06,010	29,172	30,35,182

The details have been shown in the *Explanatory Notes.

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER : “Motion moved :
“That this Assembly do approve of an expenditure of Rs.30,35,182 under the head ‘50—Civil Works (Excluding Tools and Plant and Establishment)’ for the items below. The amount involved will be met from the sanctioned grant”.

(The Motion was then put and adopted).

Government Resolution for giving a non-recurring grant of Rs.12,000 to the newly established Ram Krishna Mission Hospital at Laitumkhrah, Shillong

The Hon'ble Shri RUPNATH BRAHMA: Mr. Speaker, Sir, on the recommendation of His Excellency the Governor of Assam, I beg to move the following Resolution:—

“Whereas it becomes absolutely necessary for giving a non-recurring grant of Rs.12,000 (Rupees twelve thousand only) to the newly established Ram Krishna Mission Hospital at Laitumkhrah, Shillong during the last part of the financial year 1951-52 for the purchase of medicines and equipment and for its maintenance and whereas no provision was made in the Budget Estimates for 1951-52 for this purpose as the demand for the grant is unforeseen, it has been decided to give the grant of Rs.12,000 to the Ram Krishna Mission Hospital, Shillong from the balance amount of the grant of Rs.3,50,000 earmarked for giving grant-in-aid to Local Boards Dispensaries and Hospitals for high prices of medicine provided under the head ‘38—Medical—B—Hospitals and Dispensaries—(f)—Grants to Hospitals and Dispensaries—Grant for high prices of medicines’ in the Budget for 1951-52”.

Copies of this Resolution have already been forwarded to all hon. Members. As the approval of this House is necessary on the diversion of the amount—I therefore move that the diversion of the grant be approved by this House.

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER: Resolution moved:

“Whereas it becomes absolutely necessary for giving a non-recurring grant of Rs.12,000 (Rupees twelve thousand only) to the newly established Ram Krishna Mission Hospital at Laitumkhrah, Shillong during the last part of the financial year 1951-52 for the purchase of medicines and equipment and for its maintenance and whereas no provision was made in the Budget Estimates for 1951-52 for this purpose as the demand for the grant is unforeseen, it has been decided to give the grant of Rs.12,000 to the Ram Krishna Mission Hospital, Shillong from the balance amount of the grant of Rs.3,50,000 earmarked for giving grant-in-aid to the Local Boards Dispensaries and Hospitals for high prices of medicines provided under the head ‘38—Medical—B—Hospitals and Dispensaries—(f)—Grants to Hospitals and Dispensaries—Grant for high prices of medicines’ in the Budget for 1951-52”.

(The Resolution was put and adopted).

Resolution re: formation of a Committee to make rules under Article 208(1) of the Constitution of India for regulating the procedure and conduct of business of the Assam Legislative Assembly

The Hon'ble Shri BISHNURAM MEDHI: Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to move: “That a Committee be formed consisting of the following hon. Members with the Hon'ble the Speaker as Chairman, to make rules under Article 208(1) of the Constitution of India for regulating the procedure and conduct of business of the Assam Legislative Assembly:—

- (1) Shri Purandar Sarma,
- (2) Shri Sarbeswar Barua,
- (3) Jonab Faiznur Ali,
- (4) Shri Hareswar Das,
- (5) Shri Hareswar Goswami,
- (6) Shri Hem Chandra Chakravarty, and
- (7) Shri Bimala Kanta Borah.

Three Members will form a quorum and the Committee to submit its report before the 30th September 1952.

“The Secretary to the Assembly will be the Secretary of the Committee”.

Hon. Members will remember that with the inauguration of the new Constitution, the Rules then in force were adapted under Article 208(2) as an interim measure by the Hon'ble the Speaker as laid down in the Constitution. The Committee is formed to make rules under Article 208(1) which lays down—“A House of the Legislature of a State may make rules for regulating, subject to the provisions of this Constitution, its procedure and the conduct of its business”. It is for the newly elected House to frame the rules under the new Constitution and this Committee is proposed for going into the matter and submit report to the House for consideration.

The Hon'ble Speaker however made some amendments and adaptations to bring in line under Article 208, sub-clause (2), which reads thus :

“Until rules are made under clause (1), the rules of procedure and standing orders in force immediately before the commencement of this Constitution with respect to the Legislature of the corresponding Province shall have effect in relation to the Legislature of the State subject to such modifications and adaptations as may be made therein by the Speaker of the Legislative Assembly, or the Chairman of the Legislative Council, as the case may be.”

The Hon'ble Speaker made certain amendments under Article 208, sub-clause (2), and I now move for the formation of this Committee so that the House may take all these factors into consideration and make the modifications that are necessary under the Constitution. I therefore hope that the hon. Members will accept my Motion. After this Committee has submitted the report, it will be placed before the House for its consideration in detail.

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER : Have you anything to suggest ? If not, I shall put the question.

(After a pause)

The question is :

“That a Committee be formed consisting of the following hon. Members with the Hon'ble the Speaker as Chairman, to make rules under Article 208(1) of the Constitution of India for regulating the procedure and conduct of business of the Assam Legislative Assembly :—

- (1) Shri Purandar Sarma
- (2) Shri Sarbeswar Barua,
- (3) Jonab Faiznur Ali,
- (4) Shri Hareswar Das,
- (5) Shri Hareswar Goswami,
- (6) Shri Hem Chandra Chakravarty, and
- (7) Shri Bimala Kanta Borah.

Three Members will form a quorum and the Committee to submit its report before the 30th September, 1952.

The Secretary to the Assembly will be the Secretary of the Committee.”
(The Motion was adopted).

Government Resolution re: approval of an expenditure of Rs.52,700 for implementing the "Key Village Farm Scheme"

The Hon'ble Shri MAHENDRA MOHAN CHOUDHURY: On the recommendation of His Excellency the Governor of Assam, I beg, Sir, to move the following Resolution:—

"That the Assembly do hereby approve the expenditure of Rs.52,700 for implementing the 'Key Village Farm Scheme' during the year ending 31st March 1952 as per Scheme below—

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The Scheme is intended to be operated both in the General and Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas but during the current year the operation will be confined to General areas only. It aims at improving the cattle of Assam by artificial insemination on the lines suggested by the Indian Council of Agricultural Research—66 $\frac{2}{3}$ per cent. of the expenditure will be borne by the Central Government. The current year's expenditure of Rs.52,700 will be met from the savings under the service head '40.—Agriculture—D(II)—Intensive Cultivation (G.M.F.) Scheme—Prize Distribution Scheme'. The approval of the Assembly is, however, necessary as it is of the nature of a new service not contemplated in the Budget passed by the Assembly.

Details of expenditure

	Rs.
1. Pay of Establishment	6,875
2. Allowances and Honoraria	3,200
3. Contingencies	28,625
4. Works	14,000
Grand total	52,700'

(The Resolution was then put and adopted)

Presentation of the Rules framed under the Assam Primary Education Act, 1947

The Hon'ble Shri OMEO KUMAR DAS: Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to present the Rules framed under the Assam Primary Education Act, 1947.

The Assam Finance Bill, 1952

The Hon'ble Shri MOTIRAM BORA: Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to introduce the Assam Finance Bill, 1952, and to move that the Bill be taken into consideration.

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER: Motion moved is that the Assam Finance Bill, 1952 be taken into consideration.

Have you any comments to make?

I put the question. The question is that the Assam Finance Bill, 1952 be taken into consideration.

(The Motion was adopted).

The Assam Opium Prohibition (Amendment) Bill, 1952

The Hon'ble Rev. J. J. M. NICHOLS-ROY: I beg to introduce the Assam Opium Prohibition (Amendment) Bill, 1952 ; and to move that the Bill be taken into consideration.

I do not think it is necessary to give any speech now. The Statement of Objects and Reasons shows the reason why we have brought forward this Bill before the House.

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER: Motion moved is that the Assam Opium Prohibition (Amendment) Bill, 1952 be taken into consideration.

I should like to request the Hon'ble Minister to give some idea about what it is, otherwise the Members seem to be in a fix as some of them are not well acquainted with the problem. If the Hon'ble Minister will give a little summary of the problem then it will help the hon. Members, otherwise some of them, probably being new to this House, will not be in a position to offer comments.

The Hon'ble Rev. J. J. M. NICHOLS-ROY: Sir, I shall be glad to give some information regarding this matter. It is stated in the Statement of Objects and Reasons that it has been found that the wordings in section 11(7) give scope for controversy as to whether this section is applicable to the proceedings under Section 16 of the Act and this point was recently argued in a case before the Hon'ble High Court, Assam. It is necessary that the provision should be made explicit to set at rest this controversy. The Bill seeks to do so.

I think it is necessary that I should give a little more information to the hon. Members of this House, and that is this. Section 11 of this Act deals with the security from habitual offenders to desist from committing offences. The Magistrate under this section has been allowed to issue an order to require a habitual offender who commits offences under section 5 or section 6 to show cause why he should not be ordered to execute a bond, with securities ; and certain procedure has been provided how to deal with such a person and how the enquiry should be made. After this, proceeding has been carried out by the Magistrate and enquiry has been made, order might be passed to execute a bond by the offender.

In sub-section (7) it is stated—

“For the purposes of this section, the fact that a person is a habitual offender within the meaning of sub-section (1) may be proved by evidence of general repute or otherwise.”

This sub-section (7) of section 11 puts a limit to the application of this sub-section to an offender under Section 11. But Section 16 deals with the externment of habitual smugglers ; and it is contended by a leading Advocate in the High Court that there is a clear distinction between the subject matter dealt within Chapter V and that dealt within Chapter VI. Whereas Chapter V deals with a person's liability to execute a bond, Chapter VI deals with his liability to be externed. The liability to be externed is more serious than the liability to execute a bond. If it was the intention that the provision of sub-section (7) of section 11 of the Assam Opium Prohibition Act to be applied to the proceedings under section 16 in Chapter VI, it was wholly unnecessary to begin sub-section (7) of section 11 with the words—“for the purposes of this section” (*i.e.*, section 11). If these words, “for the purposes of this section 11” had been omitted it might have been possible to contend that by reason of the words contained in section 17, Chapter VI, namely, “in so far as they are applicable” that this provision contained in sub-section (7) of section 11 as to hearsay evidence was also applicable to proceedings under

section 16 ; but so long as the limiting words, "for the purpose of this section" appear in sub-section (7) of section 11, there is no justification for extending it to proceedings under section 16. It is therefore desirable to set at rest the controversy. And in order to do so it is considered necessary to make the provision of sub-section (7) of section 11 applicable to proceedings under section 16 also by inserting the words "and section 16" after the words "for the purpose of this section." This Bill does that.

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER: The question is that the Assam Opium Prohibition (Amendment) Bill, 1952 be taken into consideration.
(The question was adopted.)

The Assam Maternity Benefit (Amendment) Bill, 1952

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER: The Hon'ble Shri Omeo Kumar Das to introduce Assam Maternity Benefit (Amendment) Bill, 1952.

In doing so, I would like to request the Hon'ble Minister to give some idea about this Bill, otherwise it may be difficult for hon. Members who are new to the House to appreciate the purpose of the amending Bill.

The Hon'ble Shri OMEO KUMAR DAS: Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to introduce the Assam Maternity Benefit (Amendment) Bill, 1952 ; and to move that the Bill be taken into consideration.

The House may remember that last year it adopted the amending Bill. But subsequently it was found that sub-sections (2) and (3) of section 4 of the amending Bill gave scope to various interpretations and therefore we are now seeking the permission of the House to bring this amending Bill. In sub-section (2) of section 4 the period of 12 weeks have been distributed to 4 weeks preceding delivery and 8 weeks after delivery and the word 'maximum' has been deleted because the word 'maximum' gave scope for different interpretation.

With these words, I beg to move that the Bill be taken into consideration.

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that the Assam Maternity Benefit (Amendment) Bill, 1952, be taken into consideration.

(After a pause)

The question is:
"That the Assam Maternity Benefit (Amendment) Bill, 1952, be taken into consideration."
(The question was adopted.)

Discussion re introduction and consideration of certain Bills

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER: I should like to suggest that instead of the present practice of introducing a Bill and moving for consideration of the Bill on the same day, the Bill should be moved one day and on another date consideration of the Bill should be taken up, if this procedure suits the Government.

The Hon'ble Shri BAIDYANATH MOOKERJEE: Sir, both these Motions are moved on the same day because a separate date is allotted for consideration of the Bill clause by clause and on that date the hon. Members get sufficient time and opportunity to speak. Of course, when the Motion is moved for consideration, the hon. Members are at liberty to take part, but if they do not desire to speak anything at this stage they may do so on a future date when the Bill will be taken up for consideration clause by clause.

The Hon'ble Rev. J. J. M. NICHOLS-ROY: Dates for consideration of the Assam Opium Prohibition (Amendment) Bill and other Bills clause by clause have been fixed—29th and 31st March are the dates allotted for taking the Bill into consideration clause by clause. Now, I have moved the Bill to be taken into consideration.

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER: I quite appreciate and understand it.

Maulavi FAIZNUR ALI: Sir, it is the general practice that a Bill is first introduced by a Motion and then by another separate Motion the Bill is taken into consideration.

In the Motion for consideration, the hon. Members are required to discuss the general principles on which the Bill has been framed. So I submit that Motions for introduction and consideration should not be on the same date and combined into one Motion. The Bill should be introduced on a day and on another day it should be taken up for consideration when the hon. Members will be asked to take part in discussing the principles of the Bill.

The Hon'ble Shri BISHNURAM MEDHI: The convention is that at the stage for introductions and consideration of the Bill in case it is published in the Gazette and sent to the hon. Members, who had enough time to study the principles of the Bill, both the Motions for introduction and for consideration are taken in the same day. The principles can be discussed at the time when the Motion for consideration is moved. The introduction of the Bill at the same time is meant only to expedite matters and in that case of course the Bill will have to be published and distributed beforehand. But if the Bill is not published sufficiently earlier then only the argument advanced by Jonab Faiznur Ali is correct. After publication and distribution of the Bill sufficient time is available for hon. Member to offer suggestions at the stage of introduction. As a matter of fact, in cases of this nature the Bill is never opposed. The hon. Members have got copies of these Bills already and I think there cannot be any objection for consideration of the Bills. This is the convention and practice followed in this House. A new Committee is being formed for framing definite rules. The Committee will consider if any change of the existing practice and rule is needed.

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER: I entirely agree with Jonab Faiznur Ali and also with the Leader of the House. This question of procedure can be taken into consideration by the newly formed Committee for framing rules. The hon. Members can go through the Amendment and then place their suggestion; but we do not desire that there should be complete silence at the stage of consideration of the Bill. I shall also request the hon. Members of the Treasury Bench to give a detailed description of the Bill itself and its Amendments so that other hon. Members may follow it, as some of the Bills are of highly technical nature and therefore it is difficult to follow them in a short time. I trust this will be borne in mind. If you desire, the rules will be so amended

Shri JOGAKANTA BARUA: Sir, if we do not get the original Act how can we move amendment to it ?

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER: The original Act is not supplied again along with the Amending Bill. If you want the original Act you are to go to the Assembly Library. After studying the original Act and then the Amending Bill you can come here prepared to offer your suggestion or amendment.

Maulavi FAIZNUR ALI: May I also draw your attention to Rule 59(a) ? After the Bill is introduced, the next motion will be that it be taken into consideration by the Assembly either at once or at some future day to be then mentioned.

The Hon'ble Shri BAIDYANATH MOOKERJEE: When a date is not mentioned at the time of moving a Motion it means that it should be taken up on that day.

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER: Not necessarily. But it is better that some future date be fixed for consideration and then to be taken up clause by clause. I entirely agree with Jonab Faiznur Ali.

The Hon'ble Shri BAIDYANATH MOOKERJEE: To clear up of my position may I add a word, Sir ? My point is this that if a Mover does not mention any future date and simply says that the Bill be taken into consideration, does it not mean that the Bill be taken into consideration on that very day ? Otherwise the Mover would have suggested a future date.

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER: That is the thing which is causing a little handicap to the hon. Members. The present procedure will go on till an amendment of this is made.

The Hon'ble Shri BISHNURAM MEDHI: Sir, may I draw your attention to the second Proviso of Rule 59 which runs as follows: "Provided further that no such motion shall be made until after copies of the Bill have been made available for the use of members, and that any member may object to any such motion being made unless copies of the Bill have been so available for seven days before the motion is made and such objection shall prevail unless the Speaker, in his discretion, allows the motion to be made". Now, copies of the Bill have been made available to the hon. Members and sent to them.

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER: The idea is that some hon. Members could have taken part in the consideration of the amendment, but now they are handicapped for one reason or another. The Government bench now seems to transgress this opportunity owing to the present rules. I may suggest for the benefit of the House that a little amendment in the present procedure be made, as suggested by hon. Maulavi Faiznur Ali Saheb.

The Hon'ble Rev. J. J. M. NICHOLS-ROY: May I suggest that hon. Members might not have taken part because the Bills are so simple ?

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER: That is a good idea. But I consider it in a different way. (Laughter.)

M. MOINUL HAQUE CHAUDHURY: The Bill may not be always so simple, Sir.

The Assam Tea Plantations Compulsory Savings Fund Scheme Bill, 1952

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER: Now the Hon'ble Shri Omeo Kumar Das is to introduce the Assam Tea Plantations Compulsory Savings Fund Scheme Bill, 1952, and to move that the Bill be taken into consideration. I hope the Hon'ble Shri Omeo Kumar Das will give a little detail about this, if it is possible.

The Hon'ble Shri OMEO KUMAR DAS: Mr. Speaker, Sir, I beg to introduce the Assam Tea Plantations Compulsory Savings Fund Scheme Bill, 1952. The Bill has already been published in the Gazette and it was laid on the

table on the 8th of March last. From the Statement of Objects and Reasons, it will be clear to the House why we propose to introduce the Bill. Having considered the advice tendered by the Minimum Wages Committee, which was set up by Government, Government have now fixed the minimum wage which will come into force from the 30th March next. We now propose to take measures so that the labourers with their increased earnings may not waste their cash earnings. The House is aware of the condition of the plantation labourers; how backward they are, how illiterate and how ignorant they are and how low their standard of living is. The plantation labour is generally imported from distant places in the up countries. The House is aware of their food habits. Last year, when the Government introduced the All-India ration scale, there was much resentment against this introduction and there was a tendency on the part of the labourer to go to the neighbouring markets and purchase more rice, at exorbitant prices. The House may be aware that the plantation labour is accustomed to the in-take of cereal rations to the extent of twenty-five oz. per day. The objective for which the All-India ration scale was sought to be introduced would be frustrated if the plantation labour is given the opportunity to go to the neighbouring markets to satisfy his increased needs of cereals. Moreover this Bill is introduced with the object to train plantation labour in thrift habits and thus to improve his economic condition. There has been much criticism elsewhere outside this House regarding this Savings Scheme, but having read all these criticisms, I have come to the conclusion that the critics have approached the question from an academic standpoint and not from a realistic point. The labourer will have to be saved from wasting his increased earnings in purchasing liquor and other intoxicant. Besides the savings scheme will also stabilise the economic condition of the country.

With these words, Sir, I introduce this Bill and move that the Bill be taken into consideration.

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER: I find some difficulty—in introducing and considering the Bill at the same time. I find that what I have suggested, the Hon'ble Members in the Treasury Benches found it difficult to follow; they are not in a position to change the convention.

Maulavi FAIZNUR ALI: Introduction is one Motion and taking into consideration is another Motion. The usual practice may be that the Bill has been introduced and then may pass on to the next Motion.

The Hon'ble Shri BAIDYANATH MOOKERJEE: You can correct us, Sir.

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER: I do not want to put the Treasury Benches into difficulty.

The Motion moved is that the Assam Tea Plantations Compulsory Savings Fund Scheme Bill, 1952 be introduced.

(The Motion was put as a question and adopted.)

The Hon'ble Shri OMEO KUMAR DAS: We can take the second Motion now, Sir.

I beg to move that the Assam Tea Plantations Compulsory Savings Fund Scheme Bill, 1952 be taken into consideration.

The Hon'ble the SPEAKER: The Motion moved is that the Assam Tea Plantations Compulsory Savings Fund Scheme Bill, 1952 be taken into consideration.

(The Motion was then put and adopted.)

Adjournment

The Assembly was then adjourned till 10 A.M. on Thursday, the 20th March, 1952.

SHILLONG :
 The 12th June, 1952.

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

EXPLANATORY NOTES

APPENDIX 5

Schedule of New Schemes under 5-Year Development Programme to be included in the Budget (Supplementary) for the year 1951-52

Major, Minor and Sub-head under which provision should be made	Nature of Schemes	Estimate of ultimate cost			Estimate of expenditure in 1951-52			Remarks
		Non-recurring	Recurring	Total	Non-recurring	Recurring	Total	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
18-B—N.E.D. Works— A.—Works—Development Schemes included in the 5-Year Plan—General—Voted”.	1. Control of drainage in Ghagua Mouza, Nowgong.	40,000	..	40,000	200	..	200	Items 1 and 2— The works are considered very urgent and hence the necessity for provision of funds. The works were cropped up after the preparation of the budget.
Ditto	2. Flood control and drainage in Majuli area.	5,50,000	..	5,50,000	86,800	..	86,800	
	Total Development Schemes included in the 5-Year Plan.	..	..	..	87,000	..	87,000	

NOTE—Item 1.—The scheme is under survey.

Item 2.—The work is in progress in full swing. 4 miles of the bund has already been constructed and 15 miles will be completed before the rains.

List of New Schemes proposed to be included in the Budget for 1951-52

Major, Minor and Sub-head under which provision should be made	(1)	Name of Scheme	Estimate of ultimate cost			Estimate of expenditure for 1951-52			Remarks (Explanatory Notes)
			Non-recurring	Recurring	Total	Non-recurring	Recurring	Total	
		(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
18-B-N. E. D. Works— A.—Works—General— Voted”.		Protection of river bank at Goalgaon in Sibsagar E.&D. Subdivision.	Rs. 12,000	Rs. ..	Rs. 12,000	Rs. 11,000	Rs. ..	Rs. 11,000	Due to erosion of villager's bund along Dikhu River at Goalgaon a large rice growing area was threatened to be enundated during 1951 floods. This bund scheme was taken up as an emergent measure for protecting these rich rice growing areas from flood havoc and work was completed before the rains.
68-B—N. E. D.—Works— G. M. F.—Schemes— Major Irrigation Schemes”.			11,000	..	11,000	
		Total—18-B—N. E. D. ..	..	..	..	11,000	..	11,000	
		1. Construction of temporary E.&D. buildings at Sihar.	18,000	..	18,000	18,000	..	18,000	The buildings are of urgent necessity in connection with the opening of L. & D. Sub-division at Sihar, Gohpur and North Lakhimpur in connection with execution of Major Irrigation Projects.
		2. Construction of temporary E.&D. buildings at Gohpur and North Lakhimpur	40,000	..	40,000	10,000	..	10,000	
		Total ..	..	..	..	28,000	..	28,000	

EXPLANATORY NOTES
APPENDIX 6
Schedule of new scheme proposed to be included in the budget for 1951-52

Major, Minor and Sub-head under which provision should be made	Name of Scheme	Estimate of ultimate cost				Estimate of expenditure 1951-52		Remarks
		Non-recurring	Recurring	Total	Non-recurring	Recurring	Total	
(1)	(2)	(3)	(4)	(5)	(6)	(7)	(8)	(9)
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
§50.—C.W. Provincial—A.O.W.—(a)—Buildings—Land Revenue—Voted”.	(1) Installation of Electric lights and fans in the Barracks for the Mandals and S.Ks. at Silchar.	7,557	..	7,557	2,000	..	2,000	The project is considered essential as it will not be possible for the office staff to work in office during ensuing summer if the requisite fans and lights are not provided immediately.
	Total—Land Revenue	..	..	..	2,000	..	2,000	
§50.—Civil Works—Provincial A.—Original Works—(a)—Buildings—General Administration Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas—Voted.”.	(1) Construction of a cookshed for the Treasury Guards at Diphu.	5,500	..	5,500	4,500	..	4,500	The work is to be taken up during the current financial year as it is considered to be urgent.
	(2) Extension of Jowai Kutchari (Court Buildings).	18,094	..	18,094	6,000	..	6,000	The Court Building is in deplorable condition and needs immediate repairs and some extension is also necessary to accommodate increased Staff.
	Total—General Administration Sixth Schedule Area.	..	..	..	10,500	..	10,500	
§50.—Civil Works—Provincial A.—Original Works—(a)—Buildings—General Administration—Earthquake Damages—Voted”.	(1) Reconstruction of Circuit House at Dibrugarh (threatened by the river Brahmaputra due to after-effects of earthquake)—on a new site.	1,55,223	..	1,55,223	10,000	..	10,000	The work has been taken up as an earthquake re-construction project, as the original Circuit House had to be abandoned being threatened by the erosion of the river Brahmaputra at Dibrugarh.
	Total—General Administration—Earthquake Damage.	..	..	..	10,000	..	10,000	

50.—C. W.—Provincial—
A.—O. W.—(a)—Build-
ings—Administration of
Justice—General—
Voted.

(1) Construction of a garage for
the Cars of the Hon'ble
the Chief Justice and the
Judges of Assam High
Court.

5,500	..	5,500	3,000	..	3,000
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The construction of a garage is essentially necessary for the Judges of Assam High Court.

Total—Administration of Justice

..	3,000	..	3,000
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50.—Civil Works—Original
Works—(a)—Build-
ings—Jails and Convict
Settlement—Voted.

(1) Construction of pucca wall
round the Karimganj Jail.

42,752	..	42,752	22,743	..	22,743
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Items 1 to 6—These works are required urgently to relieve the overcrowding in Jails of Assam for the security of the Jails—consequent to the increase in numbers of Convicts.

(2) Construction of a four-roomed
cells in the Dibrugarh Jail.

18,426	..	18,426	3,000	..	3,000
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(3) Barbed wire-fencing on
the special Jail, Nowgong.

15,800	..	15,800	9,800	..	9,800
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(4) Quarters for Superintendent
in special Jail, Nowgong.

13,000	..	13,000	6,000	..	6,000
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(5) Construction of temporary
barrack for 40 prisoners in
District Jail at Mangaldai.

11,400	..	11,400	500	..	500
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(6) Construction of barracks
for 50 or 60 prisoners in special
Jail, Nowgong.

44,800	..	44,800	39,785	..	39,785
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Total—Jails, etc.

..	81,828	..	81,828
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50.—C. W.—Provincial—
A.—O. W.—(a)—Build-
ings—Police other than
Assam Rifles—General—
Voted.

(1) Construction of 2nd Assis-
tant Sub-Inspector's quarters
at Samaguri, District Now-
gong.

5,725	..	5,725	5,725	..	5,725
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It is necessary to construct a 2nd Assistant Sub-Inspector's quarters at Samaguri in the District of Nowgong as there is no accommodation available.

(2) Construction of 2nd Assis-
tant Sub-Inspector's quarters
at Dhing.

5,975	..	5,975	2,975	..	2,975
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The work is an urgent one and has been taken up at the initiative of Home Department. This sum is required in addition to Rs. 3,000 already provided in the current year's budget to complete the work.

Major, Minor and Sub-head under which provision should be made	Nature of Scheme	Estimate of ultimate cost		Estimate of expenditure in 1951-52			Remarks	
		Non-recurring	Recurring Total	Non-recurring	Recurring	Total		
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
50.—C.W.—Provincial—O.W.—(a)—Buildings—Police other than Assam Rifles—General—Voted.	(3) Construction of buildings for Border Security Force (1st Phase)—Head quarter at Dergaon.	3,17,566	..	3,17,566	1,00,000	..	1,00,000	
	(4) Construction of buildings for Border Security Force (2nd Phase) Headquarter at Dergaon—Temporary Emergent Construction.	3,23,692	..	3,23,692	1,20,000	..	1,20,000	
	(5) Construction of buildings for Assam Police Battalion at Dergaon—Temporary Emergent Construction.	2,73,298	..	2,73,298	1,10,000	..	1,10,000	
	(6) Construction of buildings for the Police Training College at Dergaon.	4,38,232	..	4,38,232	4,00,000	..	4,00,000	
	Total—Police, etc.	..	..	..	7,38,700	..	7,38,700	
	Deduct—Amount transferred to '85-A.—Capital Outlay, etc.	..	..	..	—2,20,000	..	—2,20,000	(Items 3 and 4 above).

(3)—(5)—All these works are urgently required to provide accommodation for the increased force and staff for the Border Security Force and Assam Police Battalion and had to be started immediately as emergent measure.

(6) The work was initially constructed out of the provision under "29.—Police" Budget. It has now been decided to finance the work in the Public Works Department Budget under the head "50.—Civil Works". As there is no provision for the work in the Public Works Department Budget a Supplementary Grant is necessary.

Police other than Assam Rifles—	9,256	..	9,256	..	2,000	It is essentially necessary to reconstruct the barracks in the interest of Public Service.
Earthquake damages—						
Voted.						
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Total—Police—Earthquake damage	2,000	
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Education other than European—General—	9,735	..	9,735	..	6,485	This year there are provision of (i) Rs.3,250 and (ii) Rs.2,532 in the Public Works Department Budget, but the amounts are not adequate. Hence the provision.
Voted.	5,883	..	5,883	..	3,351	
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(2) Extension of the eastern block for Geographical Class attached to Government High English School at Dhubri.						
(3) Construction of the National Cadet Corps buildings at New Field, Gauhati.	31,908	..	31,908	..	5,000	The construction surgent and imperative.
Total—Education	14,836	
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Public Health—General—	8,917	..	8,917	..	3,000	The project is considered essential as Government have decided to retain the buildings.
Voted.						
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Total—Public Health	3,000	

Major, Min and Sub-head under which provision should be made	Nature of Scheme s	Estimate of ultimate cost					Remarks
		Non-recur- ring	Recurring	Total	Non-recur- ring	Recurring		Total
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
“ 50.—Civil Works—A—Original Works—(a) Buildings—Cottage Industries—Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas—Voted”.	Construction of the factory building for Shelac manu- facture in Assam.	1,06,900	..	1,06,900	15,000	..	15,000
“ 50.—Civil Works—Pro- vincial—A.—Original Works—(a) Buildings— Civil Works—General— Voted”.	Total—Cottage Industries ..	..	..	..	15,000	..	15,000
“ 50.—Civil Works—Pro- vincial—A.—Original Works—(a) Buildings— Civil Works—General— Voted”.	(1) Construction of Public Works Department, Subdivi- sional Officer's (Shillong Sub- division) residence at Shillong	15,000	..	15,000	3,000	..	3,000
“ 50.—Civil Works—Pro- vincial—A.—Original Works—(a) Buildings— Civil Works—Earth- quake damages— Voted”.	Total Civil Works ..	..	..	..	3,000	..	3,000
“ 50.—Civil Works—Pro- vincial—A.—Original Works—(a) Buildings— Civil Works—Earth- quake damages— Voted”.	(1) Reconstructing Public Works Department Buildings at North Lakhimpur damaged by earthquake.	35,209	..	35,209	6,000	..	6,000
“ 50.—Civil Works—Pro- vincial—A.—Original Works—(a) Buildings— Civil Works—Earth- quake damages— Voted”.	(2) Reconstruction of the Cookshed of Public Works Department, Subdivisional Officer's residence at Tezpur damaged by earthquake of 15th August 1950.	2,560	..	2,560	2,560	..	2,560
	Total—Civil Works—Earthquake damage ..	..	..	..	8,560	..	8,560

Construction of the residence of Subdivisional Officers, Public Works Department, at Shillong is a long-felt one and has since been decided to take up the work immediately.

No. 1 and 2—These Buildings are urgently required to be re-constructed being damaged by earthquake of 15th August 1950.

Government consider that the Scheme is essential and it should be taken up early.

50.—C. W.—Provl.—A.— O. W.—(b)—Cmmu- nications—Ordina- ry Roads—Gene- ral—Voted.	(1) Improving Patherkandi- Bhubrighat-Patharia road (Patbarkandi-Bhubrighat- Barlekha pass road).	51,167	..	51,167	15,000	..	15,000	The importance of the road is felt due to the possible dis- covery of an oil field in the Patharkandi area.
	(2) Improving Patherkandi- Bhubrignat-Patharia road (from Bhubrighat to Lakhipur base camp).	49,107	..	49,107	17,500	..	17,500	
	(3) Improving Namrup-Ting- khong road (10.4 miles) in Dibrugarh Subdivision.	1,00,000	..	1,00,000	45,000	..	45,000	This road has been included in the list of projects to be impro- ved under State Revenue being considered very useful for the General public as well as for transport of gravel by road from Dilli quarry to feed the various road in the area from Bhaman Darei Tingkhong- Naharkatia where certain length of roads have been taken up for improvement. This is necessary from the administrative point of view.
	(4) Improving Nalbari-Palla road in Nalbari Subdivi- sion (2nd phase).	1,64,160	..	1,64,160	60,000	..	60,000	It is considered necessary that this road should be an all- weather motorable road for the speedy movement of traffic, for the convenience of general public, touring officers and for also administrative convenience.
	(5) Graveling 1st five miles of Barpeta-Tarabari road in Barpeta Subdivision.	27,846	..	27,846	10,000	..	10,000	Ditto.
	(6) Improving and bringing up to standard the village road Taxi Ali including Boliaghat road from De- sangmukh road to river bank at Boliaghatgaon in Sibsagar Subdivision.	50,000	..	50,000	50,000	..	50,000	This is one of the scheme, which were administratively appro- ved in January 1951 to be financed out of the Savings of State Revenue.

Major, Minor and Sub-head under which the provision should be made

1	2	Estimate of ultimate cost		Estimate of expenditure for 1951-52		8	9	Remarks
		Non-recurring	Recurring Total	Non-recurring	Recurring Total			
		3	4	5	6	7		
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
	(7) Improving Kardoiguri Ali in Golaghat Subdivision.	1,00,000	..	1,00,000	15,000	..	15,000	The road is considered important both from administrative point of view and also from the point of view of keeping lines of communication open in the areas to be served by the Road.
	(8) Improving Hasara Ali from Assam Trunk Road viz Tamuli-Chingagaon in Jorhat Subdivision.	1,00,000	..	1,00,000	25,000	..	25,000	The project is considered essential for improvement of communication in the State.
	(9) Construction of a timber bridge over the Morabhorali river in the 2nd mile of Tezpur-Jamaguri Road in Central Assam Division.	61,605	..	61,605	14,500	..	14,500	These are necessary not only to keep communications open in these areas which are otherwise backward in respect of communications but are also essential from the administrative point of view.
	(10) Improvement of Balipara-Charduar L. B. Road in Central Assam Division (2½ miles).	67,100	..	67,100	30,000	..	30,000	
	(11) Surfacing the first and a portion of 2nd mile of Tezpur-Jamaguri Road in Central Assam Division.	31,728	..	31,728	20,000	..	20,000	

The scheme is considered essential for improvement of road communications.

(12) Improving Teok-Baloma-Nakachari Road in Jorhat (length 11 miles).	1,55,900	..	1,55,900	30,900	..	30,900
(13) Improving the approach Road to Ration godown at Silchar.	23,700	..	23,700	23,700	..	23,700
(14) Black topping the Road from Surma Trunk Road to Public Works Department godown at Silchar via Circuit house.	4,220	..	4,220	4,220	..	4,220
(15) Improving approach Road to Public Works Department godown at Silchar.	12,822	..	12,822	12,822	..	12,822
(16) Widening the Surma Trunk Road East within Karimganj Town.	1,38,823	..	1,38,823	70,000	..	70,000
(17) Improving Telain Rajgarh-Katigora Road (2½ miles from Katigora end).	59,884	..	59,884	48,300	..	48,300
(18) Improving certain Municipal Road at Silchar (4.28 miles).	73,237	..	73,237	65,800	..	65,800
(19) Improving certain Municipal Road at Silchar (3.06 miles).	44,925	..	44,925	40,800	..	40,800

Last year certain roads were sanctioned to be financed from State Revenue and a sum of Rs.3 lakhs was earmarked for improvement of certain Roads in Cachar Division, which were to be selected afterwards.

These are the roads which are finally selected for improvement and they are essential both from administrative point of view and for keeping communications open in these areas.

Major, Minor and sub-head under which the provision should be made	Name of Scheme	Estimate of ultimate cost				Estimate of expenditure, 1951-52			Remarks
		Non-recurring		Recurring		Non-recurring		Total	
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
1		3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
(20)	(a) Construction of Majuli Road.	14,00,000	..	14,00,000	2,30,000	..	2,30,000	This is considered essential for opening up communication in Majuli Area.	
	(b) Detailed survey of Majuli Road.	17,000	..	17,000	17,000	..	17,000		
(21)	Improving Ramani Ali between Simoluguri Railway Station and Bihbar quarry (7.2 miles) in Sibsagar Subdivision.	80,000	..	80,000	35,000	..	35,000	This is essential for improvement of road-communications.	
(22)	Improving Dhodar Ali from Dessoi to Jhanzi in Jorhat Subdivision (Part II) length 16 miles.	1,00,000	..	1,00,000	30,000	..	30,000	Ditto ditto.	
(23)	Simultola-Nagarbera Road	2,00,000	..	2,00,000	15,000	..	15,000	Ditto ditto.	

50.—Civil Works—A.—Original Works—(b)—Communications—Ordinary roads—General Voted.	(24) Extension of Gahi-Kurabahi road from Nanoi to Gahi and Jajoi to Mikirbheta in Nowgong Division.	3,50,000	..	3,50,000	50,000	..	50,000	The extension of the road is considered essential for improvement of communications.
	(25) Improving Barpatra Ali in Golaghat Subdivision.	1,00,000	..	1,00,000	40,632	..	40,632	The improvement is considered essential from the administrative point of view.
	(26) Improving Patacharkuchi-Katharali Road (first 5 miles) in Lower Assam.	1,00,000	..	1,00,000	14,000	..	14,000	This road is essential from the administrative point of view and also for improvement of communications.
	(27) Improvement to the approach road to the Lillabari airfield in North Lakhimpur Subdivision.	99,863	..	99,863	40,000	..	40,000	This is essential for administrative reasons.
	(28) Surfacing the approach road to circuit House from the Reid Bridge and Assam Trunk Road at Nowgong.	11,600	..	11,600	9,000	..	9,000	The road now maintained by the Municipal Board is in a miserable condition. Visitors staying at the circuit House have been pressing for its taking over by the Public Works Department and improvement. The road is taken up by the Public Works Department because of its importance as access road to the circuit House.
	Total—Ordinary Roads ..	..	..	..	10,79,174	..	10,79,174	
50.—Civil Works—Provincial—A.—Original Works—(b)—Communication—Ordinary Roads—Earthquake damaged—General—Voted.	(1) Reconstruction of Bridge No.4/1 on Dibrugarh-Rongogora-Tinsukia Road (Damaged by the Earthquake of August, 1950).	59,000	..	59,000	49,000	..	49,000	A sum of Rs.10,000 was obtained by supplementary Demand. But this was subsequently found inadequate hence this demand.
	Total—Ordinary Roads—Earthquake damage.	..	..	..	49,000	..	49,000	

Major, Minor and Sub-head under which the provision should be made

Name of Scheme	Estimate of ultimate cost		Estimate of expenditure 1951-52		Remarks	
	Non-recurring	Recurring Total	Non-recurring	Recurring Total		
	3	4	5	6	7	8
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
(1) Depota-Ghogra-Charduar-Telamara Road (13.25 miles).	3,24,000	..	3,24,000	50,000	..	50,000
(2) Mangaldai-Patharighat Road 1st 5 mile Bridging and culvert.	1,16,000	..	1,16,000	20,000	..	20,000
(3) Metalling and asphaltting North Trunk Road near Kharupatia bazar (2 miles).	69,277	..	69,277	20,000	..	20,000
(4) Barana-Dhamdhoma-Tamulpur Road 2nd Section from 8th to 12th miles (4.5 Miles).	1,10,524	..	1,10,524	25,000	..	25,000
(5) Charali-Rangoan-Nagri-juli Road 2nd Section.	4,49,000	..	4,49,000	50,000	..	50,000
(6) Tihu-Lashima Road (10 miles).	2,00,000	..	2,00,000	8,000	..	8,000
(7) No-Ali-Jorhat to Titabar (12 miles).	1,75,709	..	1,75,709	12,000	..	12,000
(8) Hahsara Ali, Assam Trunk Road to Baisahabi.	75,152	..	75,152	10,000	..	10,000
(9) Surfacing Neamati Ali including Charigaon Ali link 14.3 miles.	3,70,000	..	3,70,000	15,000	..	15,000
(10) Sarusarai Ali ..	2,55,000	..	2,55,000	10,000	..	10,000

Items 1-24.—These are some of the Schemes included under "Development Schemes included in the Five Year Plan".

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50.—Civil Works—Provincial—A—Original Works.

(b) Communications—Ordinary Roads—Development Scheme included in the 5 year plan—General—Voted.

Major, Minor and Sub-head under which the provision should be made	Name of Scheme	Estimate of ultimate cost		Estimate of expenditure, 1951-52		Remarks		
		Non-recurring	Recurring	Non-recurring	Recurring			
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
	(1) Surveying the Dalu-Bagh-mara Road.	6,000	..	6,000	2,672	..	2,672	
	(2) Surveying the Jowai-Jarain-Muktapur Road.	30,500	..	30,500	1,000	..	1,000	
	Total (ii)—Project financed out of the Special Reserve, etc.	..	..	..	3,672	..	3,672	
	(1) Improvement of the portion of Local Board Road in between Bhimdanga Charali Road and Monabari-Barangabari Road in Central Assam Division.	11,252	..	11,252	10,000	..	10,000	

In pursuance of the provisions under item (b) of the second proviso to Article 275(1) of the Constitution of India, these Schemes have been selected for execution in the areas in Part A of the table appended in paragraph 20 of the Sixth Schedule. At the time of preparation of the budget for the current financial year, selection of Schemes could not be made and a lump provision of Rs.20,000 was made for the purpose of survey out of which the expenditure will be met.

Items 1 and 2—
These are necessary not only to keep communications open in these areas which are otherwise backward in respect in communications but also essential from Administrative point of view.

§50.—Civil Works—A.—O. W. (b)—Communications—(II)—Projects financed out of the Special Reserve in the Central Road Fund—Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas.”

§50.—Civil Works—Provl. A.—O. W. (b)—Communications—Motor Tax Projects—Provincial Roads—General—Voted.”

Major, Minor and Sub-head under which the provision should be made

Name of Scheme	Estimate of ultimate cost		Estimate of expenditure, 1951-52		Remarks	
	Non-recurring	Recurring	Total	Non-recurring		Recurring
	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
	30	4	5	6	7	8
(20) Improving Commissioner Ali between Gohaingaon and Patiagaon—4 miles.	1,00,000	..	1,00,000	10,000	..	10,000
(21) Carrying out Survey and trial borings for constructing a bridge over Dikrong river and its consequent diversion.	2,700	..	2,700	2,700	..	2,700
(22) Constructing bridge over Borak at Silchar (Surveying the site and taking boring).	5,000	..	5,000	5,000	..	5,000
(23) Improving Haflong-Lower Haflong Road (Detailed Survey).	536	..	536	536	..	536
(24) Detailed survey of the Gaurang Bridge over Futkibari-Garubhasa Road.	2,540	..	2,540	1,764	..	1,764
Total—Ordinary Roads—Development Scheme included in five-year plan.	..	..	..	3,76,430	..	3,76,430

§50.—Civil Works—Provincial—A.—O. W. (b)—Communication Cess Procurement projects—General—Voted.:	(1) Improving Malw [Ali Road.	40,000	..	40,000	5,000	..	5,000
	(2) Gravelling Jamuna-mukh-Doboka Road—Second Section.	50,000	..	50,000	20,000	..	20,000
	(3) Improving Nowgong-Bar-pujia Lccal Board Road.	75,000	..	75,000	16,000	..	16,000
	(4) Improving Jagra-Bongaon Road.	50,000	..	50,000	12,000	..	12,000

These works have been taken up for better procurement of rice and paddy.

Total—Cess Projects,	53,000	53,000
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Deduct—Amount transferred to "85-A.—Capital Outlay, etc.:"

§50.—Civil Works—A.—O. W. (b)—Communications—Petrol Tax Project—Reserve.:

(1) Construction of the Jowai-Badarpur Road.	85,67,000	..	85,67,000	8,50,000	..	..	8,50,000
(2) Surveying the Jowai-Badarpur Road.	89,500	..	89,500	4,482	..	..	4,482
Total—Petrol Tax Project Reserve.	..	..	..	8,54,482	..	..	8,54,482

Government of India have agreed to bear the full expenditure on the construction of this road and pay 10 per cent. agency charges to the State of Assam for execution of the work. This was done at the fag end of 1950-51 and could not be provided for at the time of preparation of the Budget for 1951-52.

Major, Minor and Sub-head under which the provision should be made	Name of Scheme	Estimate of ultimate cost			Estimate of expenditure, 1951-52			Remarks
		Non-recurring	Recurring	Total	Non-recurring	Recurring	Total	
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
		Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.
#50.—Civil Works—A.—O. W. (b)—Projects financed out of the Special Reserve in the Central Road Fund—Sixth Schedule (Part A) Areas."	(1) Surveying the Dalu-Baghmar Road.	6,000	..	6,000	2,672	..	2,672	In pursuance of the provisions under item (b) of the second proviso to Article 275(1) of the Constitution of India, these Schemes have been selected for execution in the areas in Part A of the table appended in paragraph 20 of the Sixth Schedule. At the time of preparation of the budget for the current financial year, selection of Schemes could not be made and a lump provision of Rs.20,000 was made for the purpose of survey out of which the expenditure will be met.
	(2) Surveying the Jowai-Jarain-Muktapur Road.	30,500	..	30,500	1,000	..	1,000	
	Total (ii)—Project financed out of the Special Reserve, etc.	..	..	..	3,672	..	3,672	
#50.—Civil Works—Provl. A.—O. W. (b)—Communications—Motor Tax Roads—Provincial Roads—General—Voted".	(1) Improvement of the portion of Local Board Road in between Bhimdanga Charali Road and Monabari-Barangabari Road in Central Assam Division.	11,252	..	11,252	10,000	..	10,000	Items 1 and 2—These are necessary not only to keep communications open in these areas which are otherwise backward in respect in communications but also essential from Administrative point of view.

(2) Reconstruction of the Behali bridge on the Monabari-Barongabari Road in Central Assam Division.	56,749	..	56,749	30,000	..	30,000
(3) Improvement of Dolomukh Road (starting from the junction with the Assam Trunk Road in 224th mile near the Dikhu bridge to Tank side road near Sibsagar Court building) in Sibsagar Subdivision.	19,285	..	19,285	10,000	..	10,000
Total—Motor-Tax Project Provincial—Roads.						
	..	..	50,000	..	..	50,000

The work is considered essential for improvement of communications.

Deduct—Amount Transferred to "12.—Charges on account of Motor Vehicles Taxation Act."

50 Civil Works—Prvl.—D—Grant-in-Aid—Grants to Local Board—

Non-recurring ..	(1) Udalguri-Rowta Road ..	1,60,000	..	1,00,000	1,00,000	..	1,00,000
	(2) Tamulpur-Nagrjuli Road	1,50,000	..	1,50,000	1,50,000	..	1,50,000
	(3) Nilbagan Morarajap ..	50,500	..	50,500	50,500	..	50,500

Major, Minor and Sub-head under which provision should be made	1	2	Nature of Scheme	Estimate of ultimate cost			Estimate of expenditure, 1951-52			Remarks
				3	4	5	6	7	8	
				Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	Rs.	
(4) Borhola-Bosa Road				8,000	..	8,000	8,000	..	8,000	These projects are being executed by the Local Board concerned for better procurement of rice and paddy.
(5) Sassoni Ali				25,000	..	25,000	25,000	..	25,000	
(6) Kharghoria-doba				35,000	..	35,000	35,000	..	35,000	
(7) Kusal Kowar Road Sarupathar area.			in	20,000	..	20,000	5,000	..	5,000	
(8) Morajap-Habraghat			..	55,000	..	55,000	25,000	..	25,000	
(9) Morajap-Samar Ali Road			..	55,000	..	55,000	25,000	..	25,000	
(10) Kaithalkuchi-Barama Road			..	15,000	..	15,000	15,000	..	15,000	
(11) Barama-Subbankhata Road			..	50,000	..	50,000	50,000	..	50,000	
(12) Mukalmua-Dulasa			..	25,000	..	25,000	25,000	..	25,000	
(13) Ramdia-Halogaon			..	8,000	..	8,000	8,000	..	8,000	
(14) Rangiya-Dihina-Dandoma Road			..	5,000	..	5,000	5,000	..	5,000	
(15) Dampur-Singimari-Ramdia Road			..	4,000	..	4,000	4,000	..	4,000	
(16) Road from Barambari touching Bakta Salbala, etc., joining Hajo Public Works Department Road.			..	4,000	..	4,000	4,000	..	4,000	
(17) Peamacca approach Road			..	3,000	..	3,000	3,000	..	3,000	
(18) Talia to Barambai			..	2,000	..	2,000	2,000	..	2,000	

(19) Lachima-Bahari Road (Via Byahkuchi).	65,000	..	65,000	65,000	..	65,000
(20) Sarupeta-Salbari Road ..	50,000	..	50,000	50,000	..	50,000
(21) Gravelling Agamani-Satrasal Road (Dhubri L. B.)	12,500	..	12,500	12,500	..	12,500
(22) Podahapur-Hatigaon-Nibari Road	40,000	..	40,000	40,000	..	40,000
(23) Baijiana-Damel-Barjhora Road	10,000	..	10,000	10,000	..	10,000
(24) Improvement of Village Road connecting Monahkuchi and Bahna.	1,000	..	1,000	1,000	..	1,000
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Total—D. Grants-in-aid for Communications—Grants to Local Boards.	7,18,000	..	7,18,000
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Deduct—Amount transferred to '85 A.—Capital Outlay, etc.	—7,18,000