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Protecting the rights of the Koch Rajbingshi Community

- Given the integral role of the Koch Rajbingshi community in Assam's heritage, the State Cabinet has directed the withdrawal of 28,000 cases pending against members of the community in Foreigners Tribunals

Boost to Universal Healthcare – Free Medicines

- The State Cabinet has approved the sanction of ₹190 crore under the scheme "State Government Budget for Free Drugs Services"
- This will significantly reduce out-of-pocket healthcare expenses for the public



New Policy to Combat Human Trafficking and End Witch-Hunting

- The Women and Child Development Department will be the nodal agency for this policy. Its aim is to prevent and combat related crimes and to protect and assist victims

Mitigating Climate Change

- The State Cabinet has approved the establishment of the Assam Climate Centre for Cities (SC-3) to augment climate action activities in urban areas and to suggest and implement policy interventions



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Strengthening Nari Shakti: New Working Women's Hostel in Jagiroad

- A state-of-the-art hostel to accommodate 1,000 working women shall be constructed at an approximate cost of ₹142 crore

Securing the Interests of Chai Samuday

- A Management Committee shall be constituted for the maintenance and proper functioning of the "Mahaprabhu Jagannath Community Hall cum Skill Centre," which is being constructed across 500 tea gardens at a cost of ₹750 crore. The Hon'ble MLA and other stakeholders will constitute this committee.
- These halls and skill centres play a vital role in skilling the youth and facilitating various community events.



Bihu Gift for State Government Employees

- The State Cabinet has approved the enhancement of Dearness Allowance / Dearness Relief for all State Government Employees and Pensioners from 53% to 55% of the basic pay/pension, effective from 01/01/2025

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Involving local communities in Flood Mitigation

- ▶ To bring a whole-of-government approach to flood monitoring and mitigation activities, the State Cabinet has approved the constitution of Local Embankment Monitoring and Flood Preparedness Committees.
- ▶ These committees shall be formed at the District/Co-District and Embankment levels.
- ▶ The committees will comprise officials from the Water Resources Department and 10-15 pro bono volunteers. The volunteers shall be provided with appropriate gear such as raincoats, gum boots, and torchlights.
- ▶ The committees will coordinate with local authorities and regularly inspect the health of embankments.

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A Boost for *Virasat* and *Vikas*: **Promoting Assamese and Other Languages**

- ▶ Starting from the 1st day of Bohag, the State Cabinet has approved the proposal that all Government Orders and Office Memorandums shall be issued in both Assamese and English.
- ▶ However, in Barak Valley, Bengali will also be used alongside English and Assamese; and in BTR (Bodoland Territorial Region), Bodo will be used in addition to English and Assamese.
- ▶ This decision is in consonance with the recommendations of the Justice Biplab Sarma Committee.
- ▶ Initially, departments have been advised to use the Bhashini App for assisting in translations.