Compendium on Right to Information Act, 2005 [Section 4(1)(b)]

PUBLIC AUTHORITY: DIRECTORATE OF BORDER AREAS DEVELOPMENT

Introduction:

This compendium seeks to highlight the function and activities for Directorate of Border Areas Development and to promote transparency and accountability in the working of the Department. The Objective of the Compendium is also to provide easy access to the public who wish to have any information relating to the functioning of the Directorate. The information which may be required from the Public Authority will be made available on application in accordance with the rules framed in this regard under the Right to Information Act, 2005.

The Public authority has already notified the Public Information Officer and the same has also been made available in the portal.

An attempt has been made to provide full coverage of the function of the Directorate of Border Areas Development. However, there is always room for improvement, and suggestions in this regard are welcome. Any interested person may kindly send their suggestion to the Public Information Officer in whatever convenient form for examination by the Directorate. It is expected that this compendium will be of use to all the information seekers.

Particulars of Organization, Functions and Duties

(Section 4(1)(b)(i) of RTI Act, 2005)

1. **Objective/Purpose of the Public Authority:** Since time immemorial, the people of the State have had a flourished trade with the people of the erstwhile East Pakistan, now Bangladesh, which helped them keep up their economic condition and livelihood. But since the partition of the country in 1947, the trade between our people and the people of Bangladesh was abruptly closed. This has adversely affected the economy of the people who had poor communication with the hinterland of the country. This has deprived them of any alternative markets for their produces within the country. With a view to ameliorate the problems faced by the people living in those areas bordering Bangladesh, the Government has created the Border Areas Development Department in 1973 and its Directorate in 1975.

Keeping in view the hardships and difficulties of the people living in border areas, the Directorate of Border Areas Development is implementing Centrally Sponsored Schemes, various State Schemes, supplementing the schemes already implemented by other Departments thereby generating employment besides easing the problems.

- 2. **Mission/Vision of the Public Authority:** To integrate the living standard/condition of the border people and to be at par with other developing/advanced regions of the State, and be self-dependent through income generating schemes along with infrastructural needs of the area / village that the Government may assist.
- 3. **Duties and Functions of the Public Authority:** The main function of the Directorate of Border Areas Development is to implement the Centrally Sponsored Scheme, namely, Border Areas Development Programme (BADP). Apart from this, various State Schemes are also funded and/or implemented by the Directorate such as Inter-State Border Areas Development Programme (ISBADP), Schemes under provisio to Article 275(1) of the Constitution of India, Schemes under NEC, etc. Establishment matters such as appointment, leave of Non-Gazetted Staff under the Administrative Control of the Directorate are also processed by the Directorate.

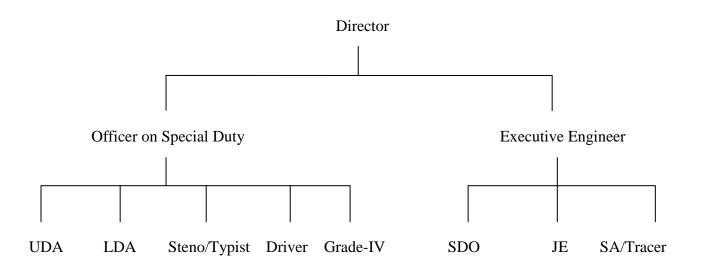
The Directorate has two wings, namely, Establishment Wing and Technical Wing. In the Establishment wing, the main functionaries are the Officer on Special Duty, Upper Division

Assistant and Lower Division Assistant. In the Technical wing, the main functionaries are the Executive Engineer, Officer on Special Duty, Junior Engineer and Sectional Assistant. Both the wings of the Directorate are headed by the Director, Border Areas Development who reserves the final decision making authority in respect of the Directorate of Border Areas Development.

The duties of the Technical Staff is to process matters relating to the preparation of plans of Centrally Sponsored Schemes and various State Schemes implemented by the Department. These include Border Areas Development Programme, Inter-State Border Areas Development Programme, Schemes under provisio to Article 275(1) of the Constitution of India, NEC, etc.

The duties of the Establishment Staff is to process matters relating to Governor's Address and Finance Minister's Budget Speech, appointment, leave of non-Gazetted staff of Border Areas Development Department, RTI, Pay Commission and Public Grievances, medical reimbursement, among other Establishment matters.

4. **Organizational Structure:**



(Section 4(1)(b)(ii) of RTI Act, 2005)

Powers and Duties of Officers and Employees

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The detailed breakdown of duties of each Officer/staff is as follows:-

Director: - The Director heads the Directorate and is responsible to oversee the implementation of the development schemes both Centrally Sponsored Scheme and State Plan Schemes as well as establishment matters.

Officer On Special Duty: - He is responsible for efficient and smooth functioning of the Office.

- **U.D. Assistants**: They are responsible for timely action on the receipts, issuance of drafts/bills/cheques efficient and expeditious disposal of correspondences/replies/information/reports.
- **L.D. Assistants**:- Their duties are to examine promptly all receipts received and act according to their priority, put up case to seniors/incharge for guidance/enlightenment/ approval on the case in question and to furnish reply/report on or before stipulated date not later than 7 (seven) days of

its receipt.

(Section 4(1)(b)(iii) of RTI Act, 2005)

Procedure followed in the decision making process, including channels of supervision and accountability

1. Letters are firstly diarized and receipts are handed over to the Dealing Assistant who processes them in the file and puts up to the Branch Officers and in turn to the Director for final approval. In respect of Policy matter it has to be forwarded to the Administrative Department for approval. In all matters relating to the Directorate of Border Areas Development, the final decision lies with the Director of Border Areas Development.

 $(Section\ 4(1)(b)(iv)\ of\ RTI\ Act,\ 2005)$

Norms set out for the discharge of functions

The Directorate of Border Areas Development follows the norms, rules and regulations issued by the State Government in its discharge of duties.

(Section 4(1)(b)(v) of RTI Act, 2005)

Rules, regulations, instructions, manuals and records, held by it or under its control or used by its employees for discharging its functions

- 1. The Directorate follows the Rules and Regulations notified by the Border Areas Development Department and other Departments for subjects dealt by them as below:-
 - 1) Delegation of Financial Power Rules
 - 2) Meghalaya Financial Rules / Assam Finance Rules 1978
 - 3) Fundamental Rules and Subsidiary Rules-1984
 - 4) Traveling Allowances Rules
 - 5) Treasury Rules
 - 6) Meghalaya Medical Attendance Rules
 - 7) Meghalaya Civil Service General Provident Fund Rules
 - 8) Meghalaya Secretariat Manual of office Procedures 1993
 - 9) Meghalaya Civil Services (conduct) Rules 1990
 - Meghalaya Civil Service (Pension) Rules 1983 11)Handbook of General Circulars
 - 11) Rules of Executive Business
 - 12) Assam Discipline and Appeal Rules 1963 (as adapted by Meghalaya)
- The Directorate also follows scheme-specific guidelines prescribed by the Competent Authority such as BADP Guidelines, ISBADP Guidelines, etc. in the formulation of plans for various schemes such as BADP, ISBADP.

(Section 4(1)(b)(vi) of RTI Act, 2005)

Statement of the categories of documents that are held by it or under its control

The Directorate have files relating to Border Areas Development Programmes (BADP), State Schemes, Service Book, Assets Register, etc.

(Section 4(1)(b)(vii) of RTI Act, 2005)

The particulars of any arrangement that exists for consultation with, or representation by, the members of the public in relation to the formulation of its policy or implementation thereof

- 1. The Directorate, in line with the Border Areas Development Programme (BADP) Guidelines consults the Border Guarding Forces in the selection of schemes under BADP.
- 2. The local democratic representatives are consulted in the selection of schemes under BADP and ISBADP.
- 3. Most of the schemes/projects under BADP, ISBADP, Article 275(1) are implemented with a participative approach by involving the Village Development Committees in its implementation. The Technical Wing of the Directorate of Border Areas Development supervises the implementation.

(Section 4(1)(b)(viii) of RTI Act, 2005)

Statement of the boards, councils, committees and other bodies consisting of two or more persons constituted as its part or for the purpose of its advice, and as to whether meetings of those boards, councils, committees and other bodies are open to the public, or the minutes of such meetings are accessible for public

The Border Areas Development Department has set up the following Committees and the minutes of the Committees are circulated to all members of the Committees:-

- **1.** State Level Screening Committee (SLSC) for the screening of schemes under Border Areas Development Programme (BADP) at the State Level.
- **2.** State Level Screening Committee (SLSC) for the screening of schemes under Inter-State Border Areas Development Programme (ISBADP) at the State Level.
- **3.** District Level Coordination & Selection Committee (DLCSC) for the selection of schemes under Border Areas Development Programme (BADP) at the District Level.
- **4.** District Level Coordination & Selection Committee (DLCSC) for the selection of schemes under Inter-State Border Areas Development Programme (ISBADP) at the District Level.
- **5.** Departmental Promotion Committee
- **6.** Departmental Committee for Schemes
- 7. Web Co-ordination Committee

(Section 4(1)(b)(ix) of RTI Act, 2005)

Directory of Officers and Employees

Sl. No	Name	Designation	STD	Phone No		Address
		C	Code	Office	Home	
1	Smti V.R. Syiem	Director	0364	2227198	9436110091	Shyiap,
				PABX-		GolfLink
				2435		Shillong
	Shri A.Marbaniang	Executive	0364	PABX-	9436101665	Mawngap,
2	8	Engineer		2660		Shillong
3	Shri F.C. Pathaw	Sub Divisional	+91		8415079819	Pynthorumkhrah
		Officer				Shillong
4	Shri D.Khyllep	O.S.D	0364	PABX-	9436303719	Laitumkhrah
		0.2.2	000.	2654	3 .0 00 00 , 13	Shillong
5	Smti M.Dkhar	UDA	+91	-	9612900876	Mawlai, Sh-8
6	Shri L.Soanes	UDA	+91	-	9774491243	,
0			.,,			Nongthymmai,
			+91			
7				-		
	Shri K.Lyndem	J.E			9856632067	Golf-link, Sh-1
			+91			Mawlai, Mawtawar
8	Smti P.Nongsiej	Peon		-	9615324661	Mawtawai
0	Smti E.Sohkhlet	LDA	+91	_	8794736894	Laitumkhrah,
9			.,,,			Lower Assam
10	Shri J.H.Mukhim	Driver	+91	_	9856042723	20 11 11 12 20 11 1
			.,,,			Lumparing
						Sh-4
11			+91	-		Lapalang,
	Shri S.Lyngdoh	Driver	.,,		9856025284	Shillong
12			+91			Fire
	Shri J.S.Swer	Driver		-	9612759784	brigade,Shillong
	Shri M.Khongsit	Driver	+91	_		
13			.,,			Mawpat
						1
14	Shri L. Majaw	Driver	+91	-	9856639634	3 rd Mile,
4						UpperShillong
	Shri T.H. Dkhar	Driver	+91	_	8575287934	
15	Jiii 1.11. Dallai	Diivoi	十プ1	-	03/320/734	Mawlai,
	Shri	Duftry	+91	_	9856813552	Laitkor
16	K.Khyrriemujat	<i>y</i>	1/1			
17	Shri V.D. Dhar	Peon	+91	-	9612482562	Rynjah Rngi
						Shillong

18	Shri E.Phin	Chowkidar	+91	-	9615382885	Laitkor
19	Shri	Cleaner	+91	-	9774106632	Tynring
20	Smti A. Papang	LDA	+91	-	6009147154	Nongthym
21	Smti I. Buam	Typist	+91	-	8794095096	Mawlai
22	Smti E. Marbaniang	AAO	+91	-	9436703504	Laban
23	Smti W. Kharlyngdoh	Steno	+91	-	9774155962	Mawlai

(Section 4(1)(b)(x) of RTI Act, 2005)

Monthly remuneration received by each of its officers and employees, including the system of compensation as provided in its regulations

Sl. No.	Name	Designation	Monthly Remuneration (Rs)
1	Smti V.R.Syiem, I.A.S	Director	1,23,300
2	Shri A. Marbaniang	Executive Engineer	1,06,100
3	Shri D.Khyllep	O.S.D	58,800
4	Shri F.C.Pathaw	S.D.O	61,300
5	Shri L Soanes	LDA	48,700
6	Smti M.Dkhar	UDA	51,700
7	Shri K.Lyndem	J.E	50,800
8	Smti P.Nongsiej	Peon	36,200
9	Smti E.Sohkhlet	LDA	29,800
10	Shri E.Phin	Chowkidar	27,100
11	Shri J.H.Mukhim	Driver	29,900
12	Shri S.Lyngdoh	Driver	32,700
13	Shri J.Swer	Driver	29,900
14	Shri M.Khongsit	Driver	29,900
15	Shri K.Khyrriemujat	Duftry	26,300
16	Shri V.D.Dhar	Peon	19,600
17	Shri T.H.Dkhar	Driver	23,200
18	Shri L.Majaw	Driver	23,200
19	Smti A. Papang	LDA	28,900
20	Smti I. Buam	Typist	23,600
21	Smti E.Marbaniang	AAO	43,800
22	Smti W. Kharlyngdoh	Steno	30,300

(Section 4(1)(b)(xi) of RTI Act, 2005)

Budget allocated to each of its agency, indicating the particulars of all plans, proposed expenditures and reports on disbursements made

Financial Year: 2020-21

Object	Object Head	Bı	idget Allocation	Expenditure	
Head Code		General	6 th Schedule	General	6 th Schedule
J.	01.	DIRECTION AND A	ADMINISTRATION	1	
		01.Staff for	BAD		
1	Salaries	2,05,00,000	5,79,76,000	15982977	50198079
2	Wages	2,00,0000	5,00,000	440140	499400
11	Travel Expenses	2,00,000	5,20,000	200000	526000
13	Office Expenses	4,00,000	6,20,000	400000	626000
06	Medical Treatment	3,00,000	6,20,000	255266	597942
14	RRT	1,00,000	1,10,000		110000
27	Minor works	1,00,000	2,80,000		
02	Payment due to MeSEB/Municipal Board				
13	O.E	(R.A) 1,00,000	2,72,000 + (R.A 1,00,000)	65509	352967
14	R.R.T		1,60,000	-	1,60,000
		02. Border Are	as Marketing		
01	Salary		(R.A) 7,00,000		700000
06	Medical Treatment				
11	T.E				
		800. OTHER EX	KPENDITURE	1	
03	Land Acquisition & Construction of office buildings for the office of BADOs				
27	Minor Works				

50	Other charges				
06	Agro Custom Hiring in the Border Areas				
01	Salaries		22,00,000		900000
11	01-Special Central Assistance under Border Areas Programme inclusive of State Share				
36	Grand-in-Aid General (Non-Salary)		4,00,00,000		3,26,01,000
11	Special Central Assistance under Border Areas Programme				
36	Grants-in-Aid General (Non-Salary)		36,20,10,000		29,34,15,000
12	Village Development Programme in Areas bordering Assam				
53	Major Works	1,00,00,000		1,00,00,000	
13	C.A. under Art. 275 (1)				
50	Other Charges		(R.A) 1,00,00,000		10000000
16	Construction of Ropeways				
50	Other Charges				
(05)	Border Areas Programmes under Public Works Department				
27	Minor Works				
(06)	Border Areas Programme under Education				
34	Scholarships and Stipends	1,77,00,000		7619400	

(Section 4(1)(b)(xii) of RTI Act, 2005)

The manner of execution of subsidy programmes, including the amounts allocated and the details of beneficiaries of such programmes

Nil, as the Directorate of Border Areas Development does not implement any schemes/programmes relating to subsidies.

(Section 4(1)(b)(xiii) of RTI Act, 2005)

Particulars of recipients of concessions, permits or authorisations granted by it

Nil

 $(Section\ 4(1)(b)(xiv)\ of\ RTI\ Act,\ 2005)$

Details in respect of the information, available to or held by it, reduced in an electronic form

- 1) List of assets created under the Directorate.
- 2) Reports of projects implemented.

(Section 4(1)(b)(xv) of RTI Act, 2005)

The particulars of facilities available to citizens for obtaining information, including the working hours of a library or reading room, if maintained for public use

- The Directorate of Border Areas Development is at Horse Shoe Building, Lower Lachumiere, Shillong. It is open to the public. The public can meet any of the Officers or staff and seek any information. All the Officers have been directed to provide assistance to the public seeking information.
- 2. Presently, there is no Library or Reading Room.
- 3. The Directorate is open on all working days from 10:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. during summer and till 4:30 P.M. during winter.

(Section 4(1)(b)(xvi) of RTI Act, 2005)

Names, designations and other particulars of the Public Information Officers

Name of Public Authority in the Department	Designated Appellate Authority (DAA) under the Public Authority	Public Information Officer (PIO) under each Public Authority	Assistant Public Information Officer (APIO) under each Public Authority
1	2	3	4
Administrative Department of Border Areas Development Ph.No.PABX-2512	Secretary Ph.No.2223949	Planning Officer & Ex- Officio Under Secretary Ph. No. PABX-2263	Research Officer/Assistant Research Officer, Ph.No.PABX-2509 Asst. Research Officer, PABX-2512
Directorate of Border Areas Development	Director, Border Areas Development Ph.No.2227198 PABX- 2435	Officer on Special Duty, Directorate, Border Areas Development Ph.No.PABX-265	
Office of Asst. Director, Border Areas Development, Shillong	Deputy Commissioner, East Khasi Hills, Shillong Ph.No.0364 2224003	Assistant Director, Border Areas Development, Shillong Ph.No.2225646	
Office of Border Areas Development Officer, Sohra	Deputy Commissioner, East Khasi Hills, Shillong Ph.No.0364 2224003	Border Areas Development, Sohra	
Office of Border Areas Development Officer, Pynursla	Deputy Commissioner, East Khasi Hills, Shillong Ph.No.0364 2224003	Border Areas Development, Pynursla	
Office of Border Areas Development Officer, Mawsynram	Deputy Commissioner, East Khasi Hills, Shillong Ph.No.0364 2224003	Border Areas Development, Mawsynram	
Office of Border Areas Development Officer, Hqr. Nongstoin	Deputy Commissioner, West Khasi Hills, Nongstoin Ph.No.03654 280221	Border Areas Development, Head Quarter Nongstoin	
Office of Border Areas Development Officer, Ranikor	Deputy Commissioner, South West Khasi Hills, Mawkyrwat	Border Areas Development, Ranikor	
Office of Border Areas Development Officer Mawkyrwat	Deputy Commissioner, South West Khasi Hills, Mawkyrwat	Border Areas Development, Mawkyrwat	
Office of Asst. Director, Border Areas Development, Jowai	Deputy Commissioner, West Jaintia Hills, Jowai Ph.No.03652 2220721	Assistant Director, Border Areas Development, Jowai	
Office of Border Areas Development Officer, Khliehriat	Deputy Commissioner, East Jaintia Hills, Khliehriat	Border Areas Development, Khliehriat	
Office of Border Areas Development	Deputy Commissioner, West Jaintia Hills, Jowai	Border Areas Development, Dawki	

Officer, Dawki	Ph.No.03652 2220721		
Office of Asst.	Deputy Commissioner,	Assistant Director, Border	
Director,Border	West Garo Hills, Tura,	Areas Development, Tura	
Areas Development,	Ph.No.03651-223835	Ph.No.03651 1233301	
Tura			
Office of Border	Deputy Commissioner,	Border Areas	
Areas Development	West Garo Hills, Tura,	Development, Dalu	
Officer, Dalu	Ph.No.03651-223835		
Office of Border	Deputy Commissioner,	Border Areas	
Areas Development	South West Garo Hills,	Development, Ampati	
Officer, Ampati	Ampati		
Office of Border	Deputy Commissioner,	Border Areas	
Areas Development	South West Garo Hills,	Development, Kalaichar	
Officer, Kalaichar	Ampati		
Office of Border	Deputy Commissioner,	BADO, Head Quarter	
Areas Development	South Garo Hills,	Baghmara Ph.No. 03639	
Officer, Hqr.	Baghmara Ph.No.03639	222105	
Baghmara	222225		
Office of Border	Deputy Commissioner,	Border Areas	
Areas Development	South Garo Hills,	Development, Gasuapara	
Officer, Gasuapara	Baghmara Ph.No.03639		
	222225		
Office of Border	Deputy Commissioner,	Border Areas	
Areas Development	North Garo Hills,	Development,	
Officer, Resubelpara	Resubelpara	Resubelpara	

(Section 4(1)(b)(xvii) of RTI Act, 2005)

Other information

RTI Application Details in respect of Directorate of Border Areas Development:

Financial Year	No. of Applications Received	No. of Applications Disposed	No. of Application Pending	No. of Applications Rejected	Remarks
2005-06	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	-
2006-07	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	-
2007-08	5	5	0	0	-
2008-09	2	2	0	0	-
2009-10	4	4	0	0	-
2010-11	5	5	0	0	-
2011-12	4	4	0	0	-
2012-13	6	6	0	0	-
2013-14	5	5	0	0	-
2014-15	1	1	0	0	-
2015-16	0	N/A	N/A	N/A	-
2016-17	2	2	0	0	-
2017-18	5	5	0	0	-
2018-19	4	4	0	0	-
2019-20	1	1	0	0	-
2020-21	3	3	0	0	-