



AUVID

ASSAM UNIVERSITY, SILCHAR
(A CENTRAL UNIVERSITY ESTABLISHED BY AN ACT OF PARLIAMENT)
SILCHAR- 788011, CACHAR, ASSAM, INDIA



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ASSAM UNIVERSITY VISION DOCUMENT

(AUVID)



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From the Vice Chancellor's Desk

It is indeed a sound achievement for all of us that Assam University continues its journey of academic excellence for more than twenty four years now. Though still a nascent institution in comparison to the established institutions of repute, our University has already made its presence felt in multiple fields of the academic world of North East India and beyond. While our basic commitment to generation and dissemination of knowledge remains sacrosanct, the changes and challenges brought in by the demands of a post- globalized world necessitates a more inclusive road map in addition to the existing ones. The road map is expected to be a guide that will help the University in becoming more and more relevant, dynamic and efficient in the years to come. For this, identifying the priorities and promoting the overall performance are two of the key factors, along with others. This Vision Document (AUVID) is the guide or road map which has been prepared keeping in view all these factors as well as mandates and expectations of august bodies like MHRD and UGC, which is crucial for a Central University in India. Relevant feedbacks from all sides of University departments, administration and fraternity –the vital functional units of the University, have been considered to prepare this Vision Document.

I hope AUVID will help us achieve our desired goals and make the University one of the best of its kind in the years to come.

Date: 04.06.2018


Vice Chancellor

FORWORD

The Ministry of Human Resource Development (MHRD), GOI organized a 3-day 'National Convention on Digital Initiatives for Higher Education' on 8th July, 2017. On the 2nd Day of the Convention i.e. 9th July, 2017, a meeting was convened at the Plenary Hall, Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi which was attended by the Vice Chancellors of all Universities and the Directors, CFTIs of India. An Action Plan containing 17 actions was prepared for compliance by all Universities and CFTIs by December, 2017.

Out of these 17 Action Plans, one action is to prepare a Plan for future. The Convention directed all Universities to prepare (i) a 3-year Action Plan for immediate improvement of the quality of learning, (ii) a 7-year Strategic Plan and (iii) a 15-year Vision and Mission Plan to determine where the University would like to be 15 years hence.

For an early compliance with this directive, the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Assam University took initiatives and a 10-Member Committee was constituted to prepare the vision document of the university on 30th August, 2017 under the Chairmanship of Prof. Sumanash Dutta, Assam University. The Members of the Committee are Prof. SPS Chauhan, Dr. Arti Deshamukhya, Dr. Jaydeep Chakrabarty, President, AUTA, President, AUNTEA, Joint Registrar (Administration), Prof. Sanjib Das, Dr. Amit Kr.Das and Dr. Amitabh Singh (Member Convener).

The Committee convened a meeting on 6th Sept, 2017. The meeting was chaired by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Assam University. In the meeting, the modus operandi for the preparation of 3-7-15 year Actions, Missions and Vision Document was discussed. It was unanimously decided that feedback shall be obtained in a structured format from all academic and administrative Departments of the University to prepare an exhaustive vision document of the University. The acronym of the document AUVID was suggested by Dr. Jaydeep Chakrabarty, Member of the Committee, which was approved by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor. The structured format for obtaining feedback was prepared by the Committee and the same was forwarded to all Heads of the Departments. The Academic Heads were requested to convene



Departmental Affairs Committee meeting involving all teachers of the department to prepare the feedback for submission to the AUVID Committee. The departmental feedback, thus received, was analysed and on the basis of that, the 1st draft of AUVID was prepared. The Chairman, AUVID made a LCD presentation of the Draft in the 116th Meeting of the Executive Council (EC), Assam University held on 11th Jan, 2018. After a thorough discussion on AUVID in the meeting, the Executive Council approved the draft with some observations for incorporation into and modification of the document. Subsequently, the corrected and modified version of the Document, the second draft, was again placed in the Deans' Committee meeting held on 5th May, 2018 for perusal. The Final Document is prepared on the basis of suggestions and observations received from all quarters including the learned EC members, Deans, HODs, Teachers' Association, Non-Teaching Employees Association and Students' Union. As per requirements set by the Ministry, a very brief version of AUVID has since been uploaded in the website of MHRD.

AUVID is presented here in printed form for information and follow up action on it by all the academic and administrative units of the University to achieve the Missions and Vision of the University through the successful implementation of action plans outlined in the document within the time frame prescribed.

The Document is an outcome of collective wisdom displayed by the University fraternity during the process of its configuration. The help and cooperation received from all Teachers, Statutory Officers, Officers, Staff members and students in giving the final shape to AUVID is acknowledged here by the Committee with a profound sense of thanks and gratitude. Special thanks and appreciations are also extended to Mr. Gautam Dutta, Assistant Professor, Department of Visual Arts, Assam University, Silchar and his team for designing the Vision Document. The efforts put in by the Committee to prepare AUVID shall be considered worthwhile if it helps the University attain further academic and administrative excellence in near future.

Date: 11th July, 2018



(Prof. Sumanash Dutta)

Chairman

Assam University Vision Document
(AUVID) Committee



Assam University Vision Document (AUVID)

1. Genesis, Location, Administrative Jurisdiction and Objectives

1.1 Genesis:

Assam University was established in 1989 under "Assam University (AU) Act, 1989 (Act Number XIII). The University at present has been functioning in two campuses located at Silchar and Diphu. The Silchar campus started functioning from 21st January 1994 while Diphu campus. started functioning from 18th July, 2007. The total number of affiliated degree colleges, including professional degree colleges admitted to the privileges of Assam University, is 72 which have at present a total strength of more than 35000 students. The University has 16 School of Studies with 42 Departments in its Silchar campus and 10 in Diphu campus. The University offers different Under Graduate, Post Graduate courses and research facilities. The total on roll strength of Teachers, Students and Non-Teaching Staff of the University, as on 31st March, 2018, is 361, 4501 and 321 respectively with Teacher Student Ratio at 1:14.15 and Teaching Non- Teaching Staff Ratio at 1: 0.89. The University has been accredited with B grade with a Cumulative Grade Point Average (CGPA) of 2.92 for the period 2014-19 by National Assessment and Accreditation Council. The University has improved its NIRF (MHRD) ranking from 92 in 2017 to 87 in 2018.

1.2. Location:

The main campus of Assam University, the **Silchar Campus**, is located at the southern part of the state of Assam. With Bhuban, Barail ranges of hills and the vast Surma valley at the backdrop, the Silchar campus of Assam University is surrounded by lush green hillocks, natural lakes and the picturesque tea gardens. Its inner landscape is featured by sprawling lawns, well nurtured gardens and eco-forests. The roadway distance between the Silchar campus and Silchar city is about 23 Km. Silchar city being the gateway to the entire southern part of North East India is the hub of commercial activities and is known for its history as the Tea capital of South Assam.

The **Diphu Campus** of the University is located on Diphu-Lumding road about 8 Km away from Diphu town in the Karbi Anglong District of Assam. The campus is surrounded by lush green hills.



1.3. Territorial Jurisdiction:

The jurisdiction of the University is spread over five districts of Assam viz., Cachar, Hailakandi, Karimganj, Karbi Anglong and N.C.Hills.

1.4. Objectives:

At the dawn of Assam University way back in 1994, the vision of the University envisaged was its aspiration to translate the multidimensional collective dreams of the community of the region into reality with some specific objectives as laid down below which are enshrined in Section 4 of Assam University Act, 1989.

- ♦ to disseminate and advance knowledge by providing instructional and research facilities in such branches of learning as it may deem fit and by the example of its corporate life to make provisions for integrated courses in Humanities, Natural and Physical Sciences and Social Sciences in the educational programme of the University,
- ♦ to take appropriate measures for promoting inter-disciplinary studies and research in the University,
- ♦ to educate and train manpower for the development of the state of Assam; and
- ♦ to pay special attention to the development of the social and economic conditions and welfare of the people of the state, their intellectual, academic and cultural development.

The Academic, Administrative, Social and Cultural environment of Assam University is equipped with important facilities such as Central Library, Central Instrumentation Laboratory, Computer Centre, Health Care Centre, Internal Quality Assurance Cell, College Development Council, Centre for Tribal Studies, Career Counselling and Placement Cell, NSS Cell, NCC Unit, Games and Sports and Physical Education Centre, Gymnasium, NET Coaching Centre and Remedial Coaching Centre.



2. Vision, Missions and Action Agenda – The Path Ahead and Goal to Achieve

2.1 Foreword:

Under the initiatives taken by the Hon'ble Vice Chancellor, Assam University, Silchar; a 10- Member Committee under the Chairmanship of Prof.Sumanash Dutta was constituted vide Notification No. 120/01/2015-Estt II/11110-21, dated 30th August,2017 to prepare the Vision Document of Assam University, Silchar (AUVID). AUVID comprises 3 different but interlinked Sections which are:

A 15-years Vision and Mission of Assam University to lay the Road Map to decide where the University would like to be 15 years hence in 2031-32.

An ambitious and transformational yet pragmatic and achievable 3-year Action Agenda of Assam University for the period 2017-18 to 2019-20 for immediate improvement of the quality of teaching.

A 7-year Strategic medium term plan of Actions for the period 2017-18 to 2023-24 to reach the vision state at 2031-32.

A 15-year Action Agenda to reach the goal of Vision and Mission set to be achieved on or before 2031-32.

2.2 A 15-Year Vision and Mission of Assam University

Vision:

Assam University aspires to translate the multidimensional collective dreams of the community of the Region and the Nation into reality by developing human excellence through inclusive growth of the Institution and value based education, research and leadership.

Mission:

The broad Mission is to gradually transform the University into a modern, vibrant and value-based Academic and Research – Focused University responsive to local-Northeast India – National and Global social, technological and economic needs. During the long-run process of such transformation, the University shall seek to ensure the accomplishment of the following objectives to achieve excellence in the areas of teaching, learning and research with spread, speed and synergy.

Objectives:

A multi-disciplinary approach to teaching, learning and research of an exceptionally high quality.

Apart from the existing regular courses, the University shall offer various new inter-disciplinary and job oriented courses, including the areas of emerging technology and interest as well as those of relevance to the development of India in general and Southern Assam in particular.

Interactive style of functioning in the area of teaching, learning and research preferably having close interaction with national and international qualified faculty to maximise knowledge capacity.

To have a reasonably good mix of domestic and foreign students and to develop a robust mechanism to facilitate entry of meritorious students to University level of education within the ambit of Govt approved reservation policy.

Development of laboratory facilities to do cutting-edge scientific research and engagement of qualified faculty who are capable of doing research and field work in frontier areas by using the latest methodologies.

Development of a world-class library fitted with modern state-of- art technologies and facilities with subscriptions to reputed journals of relevance.

Development of student amenities comparable with that of globally reputed institutions and conversion of University to a fully residential Institution with a pleasant, 100 percent Green and Eco- friendly environment for teaching, learning and research.

Effective collaboration with global Universities/Research Centres and reputed Universities/Research Centres of South Asia and East Asia.

Research publications at the mean rate of at least two per faculty member each year in reputed peer-reviewed international/national journals identified on the basis of publication made by top 100 global Universities.

Total cumulative enrolment of at least 1 lakh (100 thousand) students in a period of fifteen years. The University shall also strive to achieve 100 percent retention of students enrolled.

Within a time frame of 15 years, the University shall try to come in top 20 of Universities in India and in 200 of any of the world renowned ranking frameworks (such as the Times Higher Education World University Rankings or QS or Shanghai's Jiao Tong University).

Develop the regional cultural richness and take it forward to interact with national cultural mosaic.

Help create an egalitarian society by developing thought leaders with a difference in all fields of educational and research activities.

Gradual transcendence from an Enrolment- Focused University(Tier-III) to Research-Focused University(Tier-I) within a period of 15 years, through tier-II(Employment-Focused University).

Conversion of University to Cash- Less and Paper-Less University within 7 years (complete digitalization).

To develop a culture of Zero Tolerance towards all kinds of corruption- academic, financial and administrative.



2.3 Action Agenda

2.3.1 Three Year Action Agenda

A 3-year Action Plan has been designed mainly to strengthen the basic physical infrastructure of the University for a holistic transformation of the academic ambience, primarily the quality of teaching and research. The thrust shall be to achieve accelerated growth with speed, spread and synergy. The salient points of action agenda are as follows.

► Development of Physical and Academic Infrastructure:

Construction of two RCC 100 bedded Hostels for OBC (one each for Boys and Girls) at Assam University Silchar Campus. **(Approved by UGC)**

Construction of one RCC 100 bedded Boys' Hostel at Diphu campus, Assam University and two 100 bedded Hostels, one each for Boys and Girls at Silchar campus. **(Approved by UGC)**

Construction of Canteen and Departmental Store at Assam University, Silchar Campus **(Approved by UGC).**

Construction of Eco-Nursery Shed at Ecology Department, Assam University. **(Concurred)**

Development of University Sports field with agricultural top soil and river sand properly laid and compacted at Assam University, Silchar campus **(Proposed with Estimate)**

Construction of "A" Type Kendriya Vidyalaya School (KVS) Building and 9 number of Staff Quarters including internal Sanitary installations and water supply (The KVS at Assam University Silchar campus has started functioning from its make-shift accommodation from the year 2017). **(Approved by UGC)**

Construction of RCC independent building for the Department of Pharmaceutical Science at Assam University, Silchar Campus **(Approved by UGC)**

Installation of two number of incinerators for non biodegradable waste management. Installation of two waste treatment plants, Fume Hood at Assam University, Silchar campus. **(Proposed with Estimate)**

Construction of a 1 MW Rooftop Power Plant in the campus of Assam University, Silchar to promote the use of Green Power.

Replacement of Tube lights, CFL and other bulbs in phased manner at Assam University, Silchar campus & Diphu campus by LED bulbs and Tube lights.

Construction of vertical extension of Education Building (2nd and 3rd Floor) including internal sanitary installations and water supply at Assam University, Silchar Campus. (PMMMNMFT Fund available)

Vertical Extension of Non-Teaching Quarters. (Approved by UGC), Assam University, Silchar campus.

Completion of work to have fully Wi-Fi enabled Assam University Silchar & Diphu campus (Approved by UGC)

Installation of Solar Panels for generation of electricity in Assam University Silchar & Diphu Campus.

► New Courses and Outreach Programmes Proposed:

Certificate Course on Human Rights/ Leadership in Political science Department, Assam University, Silchar.

Setting up of Department of Hospitality and Tourism Management in JN School of Management Studies, AUS (The School has only one Department at present viz., Department of Business Administration)

Post Graduate Diploma Course in E- Resource Management, Short Term Certificate Course in Library and Information Science in the Department of Library and Information Science, Assam University, Silchar.

PG Course in Masters of Finance and Control in the Department of Commerce, Assam University, Silchar.

Diploma Course in Data Science and Analysis in the Department of Statistics, Assam University, Silchar.

Diploma in Medical Instrumentation in the Department of Physics, Assam University, Silchar.



Short Term Training Courses in Safety Training, Instrumental Techniques, Laboratory Techniques in the Department of Chemistry, Assam University, Silchar.

Short time Certificate course in Skill Development especially incorporating Communicative English and Basic Computer Skill in the Department of English jointly with Computer Centre, Assam University, Silchar.

Adoption of 5 villages of Barak Valley

Introduction of Consultancy services as a part of outreach and fund generation programme.

Certificate and/or Diploma Course in Applied Ethics in the Department of Philosophy, Assam University, Silchar.

Certificate and/or Diploma Course in Philosophy of Environmental Ethics and Environmental Law in the Department of Philosophy, Assam University, Silchar.

Certificate and/or Diploma Course in Public Health and Lifestyle in the Department of Philosophy, Assam University, Silchar.

Certificate Course in Communicative Karbi in Diphu Campus, Assam University.

2.3.2 Seven –Year Strategic Plans & Action Agenda

The 3-year Action agenda shall be executed in a time bound manner. However, incomplete projects in it, if any, shall be carried forward for completion within a time limit of Seven years. The thrust area under seven –year action plan shall be to build Competitive Edge over other national Universities with actions which shall be Need/Opportunity driven, Viable and Time-bound. The broad outline of the strategic plans envisaged by Assam University hinges upon the successful planning and execution of the following within a time frame of 7 years.

Increased focus on vocational and profession led education, skill development particularly soft skill, effective large scale skill generation for jobs that are expected to be in high demand through introduction of Certificate, Diploma, PG Diploma and PG courses in academic departments and Centre of Studies.

Increased focus on research of Global standard with objectives to contribute to social welfare, advancement of Science and Technology, publication of research articles in leading journals of the World and to acquire patent rights.

Further consolidation and strengthening of academic and physical infrastructure for the vertical and horizontal growth of the University.

More academic autonomy to top ranking Affiliated Colleges and to encourage them to start PG courses in the colleges.

Special efforts for generation of Internal Receipts of the University through introduction of Self Financing employment focused courses, Consultancy services of high quality, utilization of unused vast campus areas by starting plantation of medicinal plants, fruit trees, bamboos, Teak and other economically valuable trees, floriculture, fishery in natural lakes, strengthening of Alumni Association etc.



Some of the 7- year Action Agenda which are in tune with the above strategies, are as follows.

Development of Physical and Academic Infrastructure:

Construction of RCC independent building for the Examinations Branch of the University.

Construction of RCC independent buildings for the Departments of Performing Arts, Urdu and Statistics, AUS

(The above two projects shall be taken up on priority basis with a target to start the construction work within first 3-year time frame subject to availability of fund)

Horizontal and Vertical need-based extension of existing academic buildings of Assam University in Silchar and Diphu campus to start new courses and to accommodate more students.

Purchase and installation of modern machineries, equipments, software etc for Departments and laboratories in Diphu and Silchar Campus of Assam University on the basis of proposals received.

Construction and development of Solar power harvesting Unit and Rain water harvesting unit with facility for water recycling in Silchar campus, Assam University.

Construction of Microbial resource library, Green House, Animal House and Glass House for departments in Silchar campus, Assam University on the basis of proposal received.

Establishment of a Super Speciality Medical College Hospital at Assam University, Silchar campus.

Setting up of a new department- 'Department of Finance' in JN School of Management Studies, AUS.

Establishment of three self financing Research Centres in JN School of Management Studies, AUS (Centre for Heritage and Business Studies, Centre for East Asian Business Studies and Centre for Skill Development and Entrepreneurship incubation.

Establishment of Centre at Silchar campus, Assam University for Population Science Studies and Research with special reference to Northeast India, Bangladesh, other South Asian Countries and East Asian countries.

Establishment of a full-fledged administrative Research Section and re-organization of administrative sections of Assam University as a part of administrative reforms.

Setting up of a Centre of Yoga and Sports Medicine under Sports and Physical Education Unit, Assam University, Silchar.

Setting up of a Centre of Intellectual Property Rights (IPR), Assam University, Silchar in the Department of Law, AUS.

Construction of one 3 storied Academic Building for the Departments of English, Assamese, Hindi and Anthropology at Diphu campus, Assam University.

Construction of one RCC 100 bedded Boys' / Girls' Hostel in Diphu Campus, Assam University.

Construction of Teachers' and Non-Teaching Staff Quarters in Diphu Campus, Assam University.

Construction of Guest House in Diphu Campus, Assam University.

Up-gradation of Health Centre and University Canteen in Diphu Campus, Assam University.

Construction of Auditorium in Diphu Campus, Assam University.

Setting up of a Geological Museum in the Department of Earth Science, Assam University, Silchar.

Establishment of GSIC (Geological Sciences Instrumentation Centre) in the Department of Earth Science, Assam University, Silchar.



Construction of Geological Park in Assam University, Silchar.

Construction of Geological Workshop for rock cutting/ thin –section preparation in Earth Science Department, Assam University, Silchar.

Construction of Approach Road and Retention Wall of the Department of Philosophy, AUS.



New Courses Proposed:

PG Course M.Pharm (in Pharmaceutics, Pharmaceutical Chemistry, Pharmacology, Pharmacognosy) and Ph.D course in the Department of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Assam University, Silchar.

Data Journalism (Specialization in PG Course), Rural Communication and Development Journalism, Children and Media Literacy, Post Graduation in Convergent Journalism in the Department of Mass Communication, Assam University, Silchar.

PG Courses MVA History of Arts and MVA Print-Making in the Department of Visual Arts, Assam University, Silchar.

B.Tech in Electronics and Instrumentation Engg, M.Tech in Microelectronics and VLSI Design, M.Tech in Communication Systems, M.Tech in Signal Processing in the department of Electronics and Communication Engineering, Assam University, Silchar.

PG Diploma in Business Economics, MA in Environmental Economics in the Department of Economics, Assam University, Silchar.

M.Sc M.Ed in the Department of Education, Assam University, Silchar.



Masters in Accounting and Taxation, Masters in Hotel Management, Masters in Finance and Control, Masters in Entrepreneurial Development in the Department of Commerce, Assam University, Silchar.

Introduction of Integrated MPhil-Ph.D and Ph.D Double-Degree (Joint Degree programmes with Universities abroad in general and South Asian Universities in Particular) courses in selected departments of the University.

M.Tech, Ph.D in Nanotechnology, Astronomical Instrumentation and Biomedical Engineering in the Department of Electronics and Communication Engineering, Assam University, Silchar.

PG Diploma in Industrial Microbiology, Certificate course in Agricultural Microbiology and Diagnostic Microbiology in the department of Microbiology, Assam University, Silchar.

Post Graduate Diploma in E- Resource Management in the department of Library and Information Sciences, Assam University, Silchar.

M.Sc and Diploma Course in Data Science and Analysis in the Department of Statistics, Assam University, Silchar.

PG Diploma Course in Film Studies in the Department of Indian Comparative Literature, Assam University, Silchar.

Short term courses on software design, Instrumentation techniques for environmental process monitoring and Newer Spectroscopic techniques for the characterisation of the materials in the Department of Chemistry, Assam University, Silchar.

Certificate Course on Training on Political Participation of members of Urban and Local Bodies in the Department of Political Science, Assam University, Silchar.

PG courses in Climate Change, Ethnopharmacology and RS-GIS in the Department of Ecology & Environmental Science, Assam University, Silchar.

PG Programme in Geophysics in the Department of Earth Science, Assam University, Silchar.

MVA in History of Arts, Print Making, Photography and Multimedia and Animation in the Department of Visual Arts, Assam University, Silchar.

Integrated Courses in BA/BSc/B.Com/BBA/BE/B.Tech. LLB (Hons) courses in the department of Law, Assam University, Silchar.

To offer specialization in Data Science & Engineering (DSE) and Artificial Intelligence and Robotics(AIR) in M.Tech in CSE programme and gradual conversion of these to full-fledged M.Tech courses.

PG/PG Diploma/Certificate courses in Skill Development and Employment- oriented courses in suitable departments at Silchar and Diphu Campus, Assam University on the basis of proposal received.

PG Courses in Economics and Education in Diphu Campus, Assam University, Silchar.

PG Courses in affiliated colleges of repute.

Campus Development Action Plan

Centralized Cafeteria, Canteen, and Cooperative Shopping Complex in University campus.

Adequate and innovative eco-friendly transport facility within the campus for hassle free communication between administration block, health centre, library, computer centre, other academic departments and centres and Campus Residential Complex.

Construction of Conference/Convocation Hall with 2500 seat capacity fitted with modern facilities.

Massive plantation by planting fruit trees, medicinal plants and other plants of high economic and environmental values.

Development of Sports Complex (Indoor Stadium for multipurpose activities, Office building for Sports and Physical Education, Outdoor Stadium etc fitted with latest facilities)

Intercom facilities for each faculty members, departments, administrative wings, health centre and security posts.

Construction of Water Projects and Pipelines, Internal metal roads, Electricity Transmission Line and Dedicated Power Generation facilities in Diphu Campus, Assam University.

Outreach Action Plan

Launching of awareness and motivational programmes in financial literacy, consumer education, self employment, financial inclusion, women entrepreneurship and empowerment, benefits of having small family, digital money, disease diagnosis, community pharmacy etc in the surrounding areas of Assam University within 7 years and gradual expansion of operational areas in the subsequent years. Field Studies and Village visits on Environmental Ethics, Field Studies on Gender Studies and Popular Religions of the Region.

Data Maintenance, data analysis and preparing scientific reports for Cachar Cancer Hospital & Research Centre.

Strengthening of Industry-University linkages.

Beyond national boundary, enhanced socio-cultural interaction with Universities/Research Centres of South Asian and East Asian countries. More financial assistance to teachers for visiting educational institutions/research centres of South Asian and East Asian countries.

Invited lectures by University teachers in schools and colleges located in nearby areas.



Fund Generation Action Plans

Promotion of Self Financing courses, Consultancy Services, extramural grants and projects, at least 10 patent rights in next 15 years.

Starting of Biotechnology Incubator Centre, more UGC-SAP and DST-FIST, ICSSR, UGC etc projects.

Revitalization of Directorate of Distance Learning and Community College.

Launching of short term Skill development Programmes.

Plantation (bamboo, tea, teak etc) and Pisciculture in the unutilized areas of the vast University campus, planting and harvesting of medicinal plants, floriculture, fruit trees etc.

2.3.3 Fifteen- Year Action Agenda

Successful completion of action plans envisaged in 7- year action plan and Consolidation of infrastructural development of Assam University.

All laboratories, Centres and Departments are to be fully equipped with modern state-of-art technology and facilities.

Horizontal and Vertical extension of all academic departments in Silchar and Diphu Campus, Assam University in a phased manner within the time frame of 15 years.

Setting up of three Research Centres viz., Centre for Seismological Studies, Centre for Advanced Studies in Petroleum Geology and Centre for Advanced Studies on Northeastern Geology in the Department of Earth Science, AUS.

Construction work for Post Office and Bank facilities and construction of Security Barrack in Diphu Campus, Assam University.

Construction of 5(five) RCC independent and permanent Academic Buildings for the departments of Commerce, History, Political Science and Geography in the Diphu Campus, Assam University,



Construction of Students' Amenity Centre in Diphu Campus, Assam University.

Construction of Indoor Stadium, Convention Centre, Site Development in Diphu Campus, Assam University.

Completion of academic, administrative and examination related reforms and induction of more qualified administrative officers and staff in compatibility with such reforms for total e-governance.

Induction of more Students, Teachers and Non-Teaching Officers/Staff and; Restoration of Teacher-Student Ratio and Teaching-Non-Teaching Staff Ratio at level recommended by Apex bodies.

Less Regulations within the defined autonomy and more focus on corruption free, radiant and transparent style of functioning.

Exploration of new avenues for generation of internal fund for the sustainable growth of the University.

Creation of at least one **Chair of Excellence** in each and every department of Assam University on the basis of proposals prepared by departments in compliance of UGC guidelines, with an objective to invite Nobel Laureates and Scholars of eminence for lectures and interactions on themes of contemporary relevance.

Continuation of 7-year objective of gradual and need-based introduction of Certificate, Diploma and Post Graduate Diploma Courses, PG Courses in both Silchar and Diphu Campus of Assam University on areas and subjects having contemporary relevance and importance in job markets, for substantial accomplishment of the same within 15 years.

Adoption of at least 20 villages by departments like Mass Communication, Social Work, Economics, Philosophy, Biotechnology etc within a time frame of 15 years as a part of the completion of outreach programme.

