

**NATIONAL
PEOPLE'S
PARTY**

**PEOPLE'S
DOCUMENT**

VISION 2023-2028

BOTTOM TO TOP RANKING IN MGNREGS, NRLM, PMGSY

Rs 6,000 to Rs 9,000
INCREASED SOCIAL ASSISTANCE

4X INCREASE IN
EXTERNAL FUNDING

ePROPOSAL WINS UNITED NATIONS AWARD

GREEN MEGHALAYA SCHEME
SMART VILLAGES SPORTS STADIUMS

UPTO 1 LAKH :
YESS MEGHALAYA SCHEME

2,000
SCHOOLS UPGRADE

95% CHILD IMMUNIZATION

NATIONAL WATER AWARD

300 COLLECTIVE
MARKETING
CENTRES

AIRPORT CONNECTING
9 CITIES

2.2 LAKH
MOTHERS
BENEFITTED



FOCUS & FOCUS+
Rs.10,000
CASH TRANSFER
TO HOUSEHOLDS

4,550 TO
2.8 LAKHS
HOUSEHOLDS
WITH TAP WATER

150
TRANSIT HOMES FOR MOTHERS

**INDIA'S BEST
STARTUP STATE:
PRIME SCHEME**

SHILLONG IT PARK (1&2) : 4,500 JOBS

SHILLONG

5 YEARS NPP GOVT
KMs OF ROADS CONSTRUCTED

SUPPORT TO

SMART CITY

IS MORE THAN

2500 HOMESTAYS

TURA, JOWAI
SMART TOWN

18 YEARS OF ALL GOVTS

5,800 to 42,000
SHGs IN 5 YEARS

NEW HIGHER

MEGHALAYA'S

EDUCATIONAL

1ST FIVE
STAR
HOTEL

GANOL HYDRO ELECTRIC PROJECT

INSTITUTES

50% STATE EXPENDITURE
INCREASE

PAYMENTS TO ASHA WORKERS



INTRODUCTION

Elections reflect the political mood and temperament of the citizens, particularly the voters. Elections are also a test of a government's performance in the past five years, particularly of that party or of those parties that have been part of the government.

Meghalaya has completed 50 years of its Statehood and as we enter the next 50 years we must prepare for our journey as a State on all parameters. Towards the close of 50 years of Statehood, in 2018 the National People's Party prepared a people's document as a commitment to rise to the challenge of re-imagining and re-creating the future of the State and its people. This experience that the National People's Party has gained in the last five years has tremendously helped it to understand the issues that affect Meghalaya and to prepare for its entry into the next 50 years of Statehood.

The year 2023 is an important year as it also coincides with it being an Assembly Elections year for the State of Meghalaya. In this context, the National People's Party has drafted a People's Document 2023 not only as a roadmap but as a continuation of the developmental journey undertaken in 2018. Having been part of a government that completed its full term of five years, the National People's Party was able to initiate numerous developmental interventions in various fields and sectors.

The People's Document Vision 2023-2028 is an expression of the National People's Party's desire to continue the work that it has undertaken while keeping the interest of the people at the forefront of all decision-making. Aptly coined as the People's Document, Vision 2023-2028, the document envisions the National People's Party's desire to ensure people's timely and equitable access to basic services, continuity in improving government services and networks across all sectors and maintaining stability, transparency, efficiency and inclusiveness while carrying out transformation in key sectors of development.





FARMERS

Scheme/Program

FOCUS+ and FOCUS:

Individual and group benefit of Rs. 5,000 across all households (rural and urban)

2018-2023 : Promises Delivered

- 3.1 lakh** beneficiaries to date including **2.05 lakh** women farmers
- Rs. 155 Cr** spent on the programs

2023-2028 : Vision

- 8 lakhs** beneficiaries to get Rs 5,000 every year
- Rs. 2,500 Cr** to be spent in 5 years



Mission Mode Interventions

1. Agriculture and Horticulture

- Lakadong turmeric : Rs. 15 Cr spent; 13,000 farmers benefitted
- Ginger & Spices : Rs. 53 Cr spent; 20,000 farmers benefitted
- Apiculture : Rs. 15 Cr spent; 5,000 farmers benefitted

2. Livestock

- PROGRESS : 75,000 piglets distributed;
- Piggery : Rs. 80 Cr spent; 413 cooperatives benefitted

- Improving value chain across niche products
- 1.5 lakh beneficiaries** across major mission mode interventions with investments of **Rs. 200 Cr**

- All the programs will be expanded multi-fold to increase coverage to reach 5 lakhs farmers
- Rs. 1,000 Cr** to be spent in 5 years



Farmer Cooperatives/Collectives :

Establishing centres for banking, aggregation, processing, storage and marketing in rural areas



- 330** Village Cooperative Societies set up
- 300** Processing Centres set up
- 100** Custom Hiring Centres set up
- 50** Farmers' Markets established
- 1,00,000** Farmers benefitted
- 500 more** Village Cooperative Societies will be set up
- 500 more** Processing Centres to be set up
- 400 more** Custom Hiring Centres will be set up
- 100 more** Farmers' Markets will be set up
- 10,00,000** Farmers to be benefitted





YOUTH

Scheme/Program	2018-2023 : Promises Delivered	2023-2028 : Vision
Employment and livelihood	 Meghalaya has the lowest unemployment rate of 1.8% across country (PLFS report 2020-21)	 5 lakh more employment and livelihood opportunities will be created
PRIME : Building the best start-up eco-system in the country	 1,500 beneficiaries  5 PRIME Hubs have been set up	 5,000 entrepreneurs/MSMEs will be supported  PRIME Hubs will be set up in all the blocks to support enterprises
PRIME Agri-vehicles : Addressing the challenges of supply of agri-produce	 200 Agri-response vehicles sanctioned to farmers' groups with a subsidy of upto Rs. 5 lakhs	 500 new Agri-response vehicles to be distributed over the next 5 years
PRIME Luxury tourist vehicles : Strengthening tourism capacity and creating employment	 50 luxury tourist vehicles sanctioned to tourism-entrepreneurs with a subsidy of upto Rs. 10 lakhs	 500 luxury tourist vehicles to be distributed to tourism-entrepreneurs over the next 5 years
		
YESS Meghalaya : Empowering the youth organizations	 1,000 youth groups benefitted	 All youth groups in every village and locality to get a support for up to Rs. 1 lakh  Rs. 100 Cr to be spent annually to support youth groups
STAR : Talent identification of youth across sporting disciplines	 Trial for 4,600 young athletes conducted  Meghalaya games revived after 16 years, 2 nd North East Games conducted successfully	 50,000 young sportspersons will be screened  1,000 athletes will be selected and provided world-class training to achieve national and international excellence
Aspire Meghalaya : Developing soft-skills and making our school and college going children future-ready	 23,000+ children trained in soft-skills	 Over 2 lakh youth to be trained in soft-skills over 5 years





Scheme/Program

2018-2023 : Promises Delivered

2023-2028 : Vision

Meghalaya Grassroots Music Project (MGMP):

Promoting music, culture and creating livelihood opportunity



500 artists benefited through the conduct of round-the-year musical programs



All aspiring artists to be covered under MGMP



WOMEN

MOTHER Program :

Improving maternal and child health



2.2 lakh registered beneficiaries



All pregnant women to benefit



Institutional delivery has increased from **46% to 64%**



Institutional delivery to **cross 90%**

Chief Minister's Safe Motherhood Scheme



140 transit homes for pregnant women have been set up



350 more transit homes will be set up



14,000 mothers benefitted to date

SHGs :

Economic empowerment of women through collectivization and financial support



Over **38,000 SHGs** created benefitting **3.5 lakh households**



Expanding coverage to **6 lakh households**



Emphasis on improving income and livelihood opportunities for the SHGs

GOVERNANCE & INFRASTRUCTURE

Scheme/Program

2018-2023 : Promises Delivered

2023-2028 : Vision

Government expenditure:

Increasing public expenditure for accelerated growth & development



The average annual expenditure has increased from Rs. 8,500 Cr during 2013-18 to Rs. 15,800 Cr during 2018-23.



The government will continue to increase public expenditure with a focus on increasing revenue while increasing expenditure on development and infrastructure.





Scheme/Program

2018-2023 : Promises Delivered

2023-2028 : Vision

Education Infrastructure :

Improving the quality of education infrastructure



All government schools being upgraded



Improve infrastructure of all the government schools



Prioritize quality of education & enhance digital learning in schools across the state

Health Infrastructure :

Strengthening the delivery of health services at the grassroot level



About 200 health centres upgraded



All health centres to be upgraded



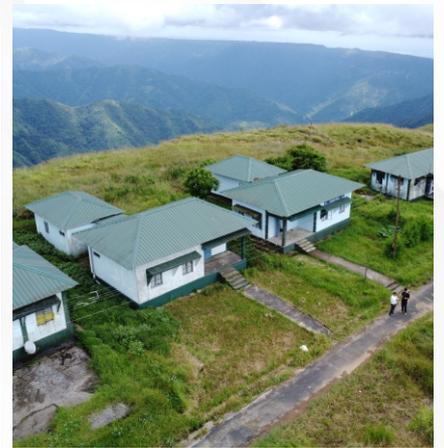
400 doctors inducted



Improve quality of healthcare for women, children & cancer patients



Provide medicines at subsidized rates through 'Chief Minister's Affordable Drug Centres'



Tourism Infrastructure :

Transforming Meghalaya into the most-favored ecotourism destination in the country



Five star hotels - Vivanta by Taj & Courtyard Marriott operationalized



1,000 high quality rooms to be built across the State



Rural tourism infrastructure setup across 30 locations



New rural tourism infrastructure to be established across **100 villages**

Homestay Scheme :

Supporting the citizens to create avenues of employment and increasing capacity in tourism infrastructure



750 beneficiaries received a subsidy of upto **Rs. 7 Lakhs** to build homestays



5,000 more persons to be supported to build homestays



Rs. 75 Cr of investments



Rs. 500 Cr of investments over 5 years

Sports Infrastructure :

Transforming Meghalaya into a sporting hub



Several iconic stadiums and sports infrastructure projects including Football stadium at P.A. Sangma Sports Complex, Chenanggre Stadium and Chandmari football ground have been inaugurated



Sports Infrastructure to be constructed in every block of the state.



Upgradation of J.N. Sports Complex and construction of Wahiajer Multisports Complex



Green Meghalaya :

Conserving our rich biodiversity



Upto **Rs. 15,000/Ha** paid to 1,000 villages for protecting forests



Rs. 300 Cr to be spent towards supporting communities and land owners for protecting forests





Scheme/Program

2018-2023 :

Promises Delivered

2023-2028 :

Vision

Sustainable Water Supply

Ensuring water supply to every household

- Initiated projects worth **Rs. 2,700 Crore**
- Williamnagar, Baghmara, Sohra and Tura water supply projects inaugurated
- Greater Shillong, Nongstoin, Ampati, Rymbai and Raliang water supply projects under construction

- Ensure timely completion of all major ongoing projects
- Focus on sustainable water management policy, regenerating natural water bodies, adopting water harvesting techniques

Jal Jeevan Mission :

Water for All

- Tap water connection provided to **2.75 lakh households**
- Rs. 1,850 Cr spent**

- Tap water connection to be provided to **3.5 lakh more households**
- Rs. 4,000 Cr to be spent in 5 years**



Major Roads

Improving Road Infrastructure

- Built & improved several major roads.
- Critical Roads upgraded : Ranigodam-Mairang, Dawki-Bholaganj, Bajengdoba-Resubelpara-Mendipathar-Damra, Rongram-Phulbari, Umling - Patharkhmah
- Rs. 3,000 Cr sanctioned**

- Continue to improve all national highways, state roads, major district roads and rural roads.
- Non-PMGSY villages will be connected by Chief Minister's Village Connectivity Scheme
- Rs. 10,000 Cr worth new roads to be sanctioned in next 5 years**

PMGSY :

Connecting all the rural habitations

- 601 habitations** connected
- 4,079 Km of roads built**
- Rs. 2,250 Cr spent**

- All the 750 eligible habitations to be connected
- A total of 6,000 Km of rural roads to be built
- Rs. 3,000 Cr to be spent in 5 years**

MGNREGS :

Creating durable assets and generating livelihood for all

- Rs. 6,000 Cr spent**
- Avg. income transfer of **Rs. 16,000 per household per year**

- Rs. 10,000 Cr to be spent over the next 5 years**
- Avg. households transfer to increase to **Rs. 20,000 every year**





Scheme/Program	2018-2023 : Promises Delivered	2023-2028 : Vision
<p>Externally aided projects : Mobilizing investments from global developmental institutions</p>	<p> New investments to the tune of Rs. 8,000 Cr mobilized</p>	<p> Further investments worth another Rs. 10,000 Cr to be mobilized</p>
<p>Urban rejuvenation : Improving the quality of lives in urban areas</p>	<p> Acquired 870 acres land for New Shillong Township</p> <p> Rs. 1,040 Cr sanctioned for Shillong Smart Town Project Rs. 700 Cr for Tura Smart Town Project Smart town projects launched in Jowai</p> <p> Initiated measures to decongest Shillong city</p>	<p> Build new administrative city in New Shillong area to decongest Shillong</p> <p> Continue investments for Tura & Jowai Smart Town and Smart Village projects Improve the quality of livelihood for urban residents, improve safety, traffic management Initiate Smart Town Project in all urban areas.</p> <p> Build network of bypasses and regular maintenance of internal roads</p>
<p>Air Connectivity : Connecting Meghalaya to the world</p>	<p> Umroi Airport - Air Connectivity to 9 Cities operationalized</p> <p> 250+ aircrafts and 10,000 passengers per month</p>	<p> Expand the existing or build a new larger airport for movement of larger aircraft carriers</p> <p> Baljek airport, Tura will be operationalized</p>
<p>Law and Order : Maintaining peace and harmony</p>	<p> 4 new civil sub division, 9 C&RD blocks, 3 new police stations, 8 new border outposts & 7 police outposts were created</p> <p> Groups have expressed willingness for unconditional dialogues with the Government</p>	<p> Increase investments to modernize police infrastructure, strengthen cyber security capabilities. Female police stations in all districts.</p> <p> Fast-track discussions with militant groups within constitutional framework for workable solutions</p>
<p>Border Issues : Resolving Long Pending Issues</p>	<p> Steps taken towards resolution of the long standing border dispute between Meghalaya and Assam</p>	<p> Continue working towards arriving at a workable agreement on the Meghalaya-Assam border issue by engaging with all concerned stakeholders</p>
<p>ILP and Language Issues : Preserving and furthering State's interests</p>	<p> Resolution passed in the Assembly for inclusion of Garo & Khasi language in 8th Schedule of Constitution of India and implementation of Inner Line Permit</p>	<p> Continue to engage with the Government of India for the inclusion of Khasi and Garo languages in the 8th Schedule of the Constitution of India and for the implementation of the Inner Line Permit in Meghalaya</p>
<p>Mining : Scientific and sustainable mining for protection of livelihoods</p>	<p> Got a favourable judgement from the Hon'ble Supreme Court upholding the rights of tribal people over land and minerals</p> <p> Prospecting license were allotted to 17 applicants</p>	<p> The government will protect the livelihoods of those engaged in the mining sector by promoting scientific & sustainable mining</p>





HIGHLIGHTS

01

Creation of 5 lakh jobs and employment opportunities for the youth

02

Annual cash transfer of Rs 5000 to all producer households in rural and urban areas.

03

Setting up quality sports infrastructure in all the blocks

04

Citizen-centric service delivery through 1,000 'Chief Minister's Facilitation Centres'

05

Chief Minister's Village Connectivity Scheme for road connectivity to all villages

06

Chief Minister's Affordable Drug Centres to provide cheaper medicines to citizens

07

Construction of suspension bridges across streams & rivers for seamless movement of people

08

Industrial Policy to attract investments in the State

09

Internet connectivity to all villages

10

Larger airport with improved connectivity to rest of the country





GOVERNANCE

- a. Law & Order** - The law & order in the State has largely been peaceful over the last five years, leading to increased economic and tourist activities. To strengthen law and order and to improve safety and security for citizens-
- i. We will increase investments to modernize police infrastructure through the use of technology, undertake capacity building exercises in law enforcement, strengthen cyber security capabilities, install CCTVs in both urban areas and along the highways;
 - ii. We will set up female police stations in all districts and establish state-of-the-art forensic science laboratories in the State;
 - iii. We will fast-track discussions with militant groups within the ambit of the Constitution of India to reach workable solutions in order to establish long lasting peace.
- b. Border Issues**
- i. Having moved from the status quo to solve the border issue, we will continue to work towards arriving at a workable agreement on the Meghalaya-Assam border issue by engaging with all concerned stakeholders;
 - ii. We will continue making efforts to protect the interests, safety and security of the citizens of the State along the border;
 - iii. We will enhance investments in administrative infrastructure in sensitive areas.
- c. Citizen-Centric Governance**
- i. We will upgrade and construct the best-in-class infrastructure at all the blocks and administrative units;
 - ii. The Meghalaya Enterprise Architecture system which received commendation from the United Nations, will be expanded to cover governance up to the grassroots level for more robust and citizen-centric governance;
 - iii. In line with the Meghalaya Right to Public Service Delivery Act, we will further expand, strengthen and ensure the time-bound delivery of public services to the people;
 - iv. We will set up 1,000 'Chief Minister's Facilitation Centres' to improve service delivery and bring governance to the doorstep of the residents. We will also establish a cadre of Village Community Facilitators (VCFs) in each of the 6,500+ villages for last-mile delivery of government services;
 - v. We will set up a CM Helpline for quick grievance redressal for the residents of the State.
 - vi. We will ensure that all government employees undergo capacity-building programs to equip them in tackling exigencies of the digital age.
 - vii. We will engage with all stakeholders including the Autonomous District Councils (ADCs) to make governance more citizen-centric.
- d. ILP and Language Issue**
- i. Several unparalleled steps (such as the passing of a resolution in the Meghalaya Legislative Assembly) have been initiated to address both the inclusion of Khasi and Garo languages in the 8th Schedule of the Constitution of India and the issue of the Inner Line Permit in Meghalaya after receiving numerous suggestions from the people;
 - ii. In line with these steps, the National People's Party shall continue to engage with the Government of India for the inclusion of Khasi and Garo languages in the 8th Schedule of the Constitution of India and for the implementation of the Inner Line Permit in Meghalaya.



ECONOMY

- a. In our efforts to be among the top ten states in India, we will endeavour to increase the GSDP of Meghalaya; make efforts to raise the State's per capita income and substantially increase the public expenditure over the next 5 years with an enhanced focus on social sectors;
- b. We will systematically increase the capital expenditure from the current levels of about 16% to 25% over the next 5 years; enhance additional resource mobilization of about Rs. 10,000 crores from external funding agencies for infrastructure development to improve connectivity, tourism, power and water harvesting and for natural resource management; attract investments from the private sector by operationalizing the State PPP policy through community participation and ensuring protection of their interests;
- c. We will work on measures to increase the share of revenue from our own resources to 30% over the next 5 years;
- d. With a focus on looking South as part of the Act East Policy, we will make efforts to further improve border infrastructure and connectivity to improve trade with Bangladesh by setting up more LCS, ICPs and border haats;
- e. To ensure balanced regional development, we will establish economic growth centres and logistics hubs in different districts of the State; we will put in place a new industrial policy regime which is attractive and investor friendly;
- f. The single window system will be revamped to improve Ease of Doing Business and to make it easier for enterprises to set up and operate in the State.



YOUTH ENGAGEMENT

Given the centrality of the youth in achieving the developmental vision of the State, we will continue prioritizing their growth and creation of opportunities. To engage the youth, the YESS Meghalaya program will be expanded to cover every youth organization in the State and provided with a support of up to Rs. 1 lakh every year.

Employment

- a. We will create 5 lakh jobs and employment opportunities with special focus on the tourism, agro-processing and knowledge/digital sectors; make efforts to enhance employment opportunities in rural areas to prevent the distress migration; incentivize and attract companies in the IT/ITES/BPO/KPO/Digital sectors to set up businesses in Meghalaya; set up a corpus fund to support the youth engaged in the creative sectors of music, film-making and fashion; continue to give high priority to entrepreneurship as means of generating jobs and employment;
- b. We will set up knowledge/tech cities in New Shillong and in other parts of the State to further attract investments in the private sector;
- c. We will set up/upgrade support centres in major cities of the country where our youth migrate for education/jobs; set up a youth helpline to counsel, inform and educate our youth on career, education, government programs, substance abuse etc.

Entrepreneurship

- a. Having been recognized and awarded as the top-performing State in the National Startup Ranking Framework - 2021 alongside the states of Gujarat and Karnataka, we will continue to build on this ecosystem with a multifold increase in investments in the startup sector;



- b. We will introduce entrepreneurship concepts and modules at the school and college level; entrepreneurs shall be provided support to network with other entrepreneurs and investors via national and international exchange programs/exposure trips;
- c. The current network of PRIME hubs will be expanded to cover all the blocks by 2028. These PRIME hubs will also be developed as skilling and career counseling centres;
- d. The existing start-up fund will be enhanced.

Sports

- a. We will create world-class sporting infrastructure, promote indigenous sports and create pathways for our youth to excel in sports. We will also create opportunities for the youth to achieve competitive excellence and improve their overall health and fitness;
- b. We will continue to take up new large infrastructure projects in every district headquarter; set up basic sports infrastructure at all block headquarters and prominent locations; set up world-class academies for football & other sporting disciplines;
- c. Under the STAR program for talent identification, we will identify 1,000 more sportspersons who will undergo a rigorous training program to build the competitive edge and spirit to compete and to excel at national and international events;
- d. We will further enhance the sportsperson scholarships and awards to encourage sportspersons to further excel in the field of sports;
- e. We will host prestigious national and international sporting events so that Meghalaya is recognized as an important sporting destination both in the region & in the country.

Skills

- a. We will set up dedicated multi-sectoral skill parks at Shillong, Tura and in other parts of the State;
- b. We will upgrade our skill development programs to train more people annually with a special focus on making them job-ready; we will also continue to train more youth on various aspects of soft skilling every year;
- c. We will promote skilling in employable and sustainable livelihood sectors such as tourism, agro-processing, and organic agriculture. We will also prioritize skill development in emerging sectors like IT, multimedia, robotics, AI and animation;
- d. We will initiate youth exposure trips and youth exchange programs and facilitate the establishment of professional, well-reputed coaching centres to prepare our youth for various competitive examinations.



FARMERS' WELFARE AND RURAL REJUVENATION

We will augment our efforts towards increasing our farmers' income; transform from a low-value-low-volume crop cycle to a high-value agri-horti hub; enhance the production of niche crops; reduce wastage in the agricultural sector and ensure optimal prices for farmer products.

- a. The successfully launched farmers FOCUS program will be expanded to cover all eligible households; similarly, the FOCUS+ program shall be continued.





- b. To expand market infrastructure, the existing network of Village Cooperative Societies and Collective Marketing Centres (CMCs) will be strengthened and expanded; CMCs will be developed as a one-stop-shops for providing assistance to farmers; additional Custom Hiring Centres (CHCs) will be set up to further increase mechanization in agriculture; we will initiate the 'Chief Minister's - Farm to Plate' outlets in urban areas to facilitate the sale of fresh produce from rural areas at subsidized rates; veterinary clinics will be set up in all the blocks; we will establish more goods ropeways for farmers in deep gorges and valleys so as to reduce the burden in the transportation of their products;
- c. To create more markets for our farmers we will continue with our focus on allied agricultural activities through mission-mode interventions; we will strengthen the products procurement system to enhance the benefits of the farmers; we will encourage farming of high value cash crops with high export potential; explore markets with better price realization; set up agri-logistical hubs near the airports to facilitate exports of fresh agri-produce to wider markets;
- d. We will continue with the successful scheme of providing agri-response vehicles at 50 percent subsidy to farmers and farmers groups;
- e. We will work towards a gradual transition to increase organic agriculture in Meghalaya; introduce agri-insurance against crop damage; establish dedicated colleges for dairy technology, fisheries and veterinary to train the local youth and to provide employment.



WOMEN EMPOWERMENT

The women of our State are the most critical stakeholders in the development process. The government will continue to take steps to make them self-reliant, confident and progressive.

- a. To economically empower women, we have facilitated the phenomenal growth of the self-help group movement in the State; we will endeavour to create business opportunities for the SHGs in the cottage industries and channel government procurement and service deliveries through SHGs; we will implement mission mode programs to benefit women weavers and artisans working on eri, muga and other traditional textiles;
- b. The tremendous response and participation of women in the startup ecosystem in the State have positively impacted the PRIME program. To boost this program, women entrepreneurs shall receive additional support of 50% over and above the mandated grants/support;
- c. In the health sector, the institutional delivery in the State has increased from 46% in 2018 to 64% in 2022; we will make efforts to increase institutional deliveries to 90% over the next 5 years; we will also make every endeavor to bring down the infant and maternal child mortality rates to below the national average by 2028.



INFRASTRUCTURE

Roads

- a. In continuation to our focus on improving road connectivity, we will increase the investments in the roads sector; improve and upgrade road connectivity for the seamless movement of people and goods among various economic, administrative and tourist centres; and significantly enhance the investments earmarked for periodic repair and maintenance of rural roads, major district roads and State highways;





- b. We will introduce the Chief Minister's Village Connectivity Scheme to ensure that the villages not covered under PMGSY are connected by all-weather motorable roads;
- c. We will replace all the timber bridges in the State with RCC/steel bridges; we will also construct suspension bridges across streams and rivers to facilitate seamless movement of people especially during the monsoon season.

Airport

- a. In keeping with our commitment to improve air connectivity, we have operationalised the Umroi airport presently with direct air connectivity to 9 cities including Kolkata; we will operationalize the Baljek airport in Tura; and we will make efforts to either expand the existing airport or build a new larger airport to enable landing of larger aircraft carriers;
- b. We will operationalize heliports in the State across the major administrative and tourist centres to improve connectivity for tourists and health emergencies.

Information Technology

- a. We will ensure that all villages have seamless mobile and internet networks;
- b. We will ensure free WiFi in public spaces including major market areas, hospitals, educational institutions and tourist spaces across the State;
- c. We have built the Shillong IT Park which has led to the creation of employment opportunities for 1,500 persons. We will build the second phase of the IT Park and create more employment opportunities;
- d. We will promote the content creators who are involved in short films, music videos, and web series through a dedicated web and app-based Over The Top (OTT) platform.

Power

- a. We will endeavour to increase our power generation capacity to meet the growing demands of the domestic, agricultural and industrial sectors;
- b. We will continue with the reforms in the power sector;
- c. We will ensure that the share of renewable sources of energy increases in the power mix. We will incentivize the usage of solar panels for domestic consumption.

Water

- a. We have been among the best-performing states in providing tapped water connection to rural households. The number of households with tapped water connectivity has increased from 4,500 to 2,75,000 over the last three years. We will ensure that all the rural households in the State have tap water connection
- b. We will continue to follow a sustainable water management policy with community participation by protecting and regenerating catchment areas and natural water bodies, adopting water harvesting techniques and constructing conservation structures to meet the increasing demand for water.



HEALTH

We will strive to improve the coverage of quality healthcare infrastructure across the State with an improved focus on increasing insurance coverage and reduction in out-of-pocket expenditure.

- a. We will continue to improve, expand & build health care infrastructures across the State;
- b. We will set up 'Chief Minister's Affordable Drug Centres' to provide high-cost medicines at subsidized rates.





c. **Maternal and Child Health**

- i. We will continue to improve maternal and child health by making efforts to reduce teenage pregnancy, increase institutional deliveries and reduce the infant mortality rate;
- ii. We will make early childhood development initiatives and curricular integral to every health and anganwadi centre.

d. **Comprehensive Primary Health care**

- i. We will increase the number of health and wellness centres in rural areas; we will enable technology-based interventions from sub-centres to district hospitals ensuring a continuum of care;
- ii. We will ensure that every household has access to Megha Health Insurance Scheme.

e. In accordance with the Mental Health and Social Care Policy we will provide access to mental health care through a 24*7 helpline; develop a dedicated program to work on adolescent health; endeavor to make Meghalaya drugs free and initiate rehabilitation programs;

f. We will take initiative to establish a state-of-the-art institution to support and improve the indigenous system of medicine and health care system.



EDUCATION

- a. We will endeavour to rationalize the overall system of education in the State and work towards resolving pending issues;
- b. We will continue with our initiative to improve infrastructure of all the 2,000 government schools; prioritize the quality of education and improve quality at all levels; enhance digital learning in schools across the State;
- c. We will continue to support students through technology driven interventions, revised, updated and contemporary curriculum and provide incentives for higher and professional studies.



SUPPORT TO VULNERABLE SECTIONS

- a. We will continue to support vulnerable sections of society through enhanced social assistance measures which are disbursed on time every month.
- b. We will also make endeavors to address the challenges related to affordable housing for the poor in both urban and rural areas.



TOURISM, ARTS AND CULTURE

We will leverage on our natural and cultural advantages and make tourism the engine of economic growth thereby creating employment for the youth.

- a. To boost infrastructure and support to tourism, we will upgrade and create new tourist infrastructures in different regions thereby creating jobs and leading to balanced regional development; we will support the building of 5,000 homestays over the next 5 years by providing up to 70% subsidy;
- b. We will introduce sustainable means of tourist transportation including luxury vehicles, caravans, electric buses and others to promote sustainable tourism;



- c. To promote tourism, we will brand Meghalaya globally by organizing world-class tourism festivals which combine the rich local culture and tradition with music, sports and arts; we will create new niche tourism products such as caving, cuisine-based, historical, heritage site, agro-tourism, film and music; we will create new tourism circuits to maximise the full potential of areas of tourist interest;
- d. We will increase funding support for the promotion and preservation of local culture and traditional institutions



URBAN DEVELOPMENT

We will make efforts to improve the quality of livelihood for the residents of urban areas by addressing the issues of potable water, congestion, cleanliness, maintenance of roads and enhanced security.

- a. We will develop the New Shillong Township as a knowledge city and connect it to the city centre via a high-speed link;
- b. We will build a new administrative city and progressively move the administration towards New Shillong, thus creating opportunities for both Shillong & New Shillong to grow and thrive;
- c. In addition to newly operationalised bypasses to ease traffic congestion, we will further build a network of bypasses to reduce the pressure on the existing internal roads of Shillong; we will ensure that road maintenance activities in urban areas are taken up on a regular basis;
- d. We will take up street lighting in all urban areas to ensure zero dark streets, improve safety and promote the pedestrian experience; we will develop and implement master traffic management plans for the cities of Shillong, Jowai and Tura as well as for other major towns; we will strive to find permanent spaces for hawkers;
- e. We will provide a larger fleet of buses including electric buses for safe and sustainable school and public transport to decongest all the urban centres; we will continue working with the local communities and expanding the community beautification programs to other urban centres; we will continue to make substantial investments in Tura, Jowai and other towns to transform them into smart towns;
- f. We will set up local theatres in district headquarters and major towns to promote local talent in street plays, dance, drama, music, theatre and film.



ENVIRONMENT

We will continue with our efforts towards the protection and conservation of our natural resources along with our cultural heritage.

- a. We will take steps to ensure that the livelihood of people engaged in the mining sector is protected;
- b. We will continue with our efforts towards ecological restoration of the mine-affected areas;
- c. We will expand efforts to conserve and improve the health and ecosystem of our forests by increased spending over the next five years;
- d. We will continue with our initiatives of cleaning rivers and pay special attention to the more polluted ones in urban areas.



BETTERING THE LIVES OF

STUDENTS

- Continue to improve school infrastructure
- Better quality of education | Digital learning
- Incentives for higher and professional studies

EMPLOYMENT ASPIRANTS

- 5 lakh jobs and employment opportunities
- Multi-sectoral skill parks | Skill more youth | Shillong IT Park – Phase 2
- Upgraded & New tourism infrastructure | 5,000 homestays
- Coaching centres



INFANTS

- Early childhood development initiatives
- Upgraded & new Health Infrastructure

YOUTH

- Increased investments in startup sector | More startup fund
- New larger PRIME hubs in all the blocks for entrepreneurs
- New & enhanced Sports infra @block & districts | Football Academy
- Training 1,000 sportsperson under STAR program | Enhance Sports Scholarship

WORKING PROFESSIONALS

- Investor friendly industrial policy
- Improve air connectivity | Airport for larger aircrafts





ALL THE MEGHALAYANS

FARMERS

- 8 Lakh Households will get Rs 5000 grant annually
- Support Village Cooperatives & Processing Centres
- Chief Minister's Farm to Plate Outlets | Vet Clinics @blocks
- Mission Mode Interventions | Agri-logistical hubs | Agri vehicles

MOTHERS

- Tap water for all
- Increase institutional delivery
- Improve mother & child health
- Megha Health Insurance Scheme for all households

VULNERABLE CITIZENS

- Support through enhanced social assistance measures
- Ensuring affordable houses for the poor in rural and urban areas



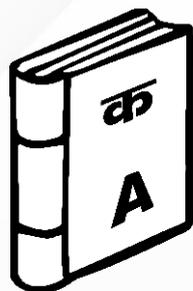
WOMEN

- Modern Police Infrastructure | CCTV Surveillance | Women Police Stations
- Business Opportunities for SHGs
- Additional grant for women entrepreneurs

COMMUNITIES & VILLAGERS

- Doorstep delivery of citizen services | CM Helpline
- Chief Minister's Village Connectivity Scheme : Roads & RCC/Steel Bridges
- Mobile & internet Network @villages
- Health and Wellness centres





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