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### ASSAM SKILL UNIVERSITY PROJECT

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Subject: Addendum IEE (CW02 - for first phase buildings)

Dear Sir,

The revised IEE Report for the ASU Campus and facilities (CW02) has been updated with the changes made for the finalization of the first phase building components. This is prepared as there was a change in built-up areas (after the detailed design of Phase I buildings) in comparison to the tendered areas in the original IEE report. This addendum IEE has been prepared to reflect environmental implications based on the current detailed design.

Submission for kind revision and approval.

Yours faithfully

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#### **ABBREVIATIONS**

ADB - Asian Development Bank

ASDM - Assam Skill Development Mission

ASI - Archaeological Survey of India

ASU - Assam Skill University

CPCB - Central Pollution Control Board

CSQA - Construction Supervision and Quality Assurance

DMP - Disaster Management Plan

EA - Executing Agency

EIA - Environnemental Impact Assessment

EMP - Environnemental Management Plan

GoA - Government of Assam

Gol - Government of India

GRC - Grievance Redress Committee

GRM - Grievance Redress Mechanism

IEE - Initial Environmental Examination

IA - Implementing Agency

MOEFCC - Ministry of Environment, Forest, and Climate Change

PMC - Project Management Consultants

PMU - Project Management Unit

PSC - Project Steering Committee

PUC - Pollution Under Control

PWD - Public Works Department

REA - Rapid Environmental Assessment

SEIAA - State Environment Impact Assessment Authority

SEED - Skill, Employment and Entrepreneurship Department

SPS - Safeguard Policy Statement

STP - Sewage Treatment Plant

#### **CURRENCY EQUIVALENTS**

(As of 16 February 2024) Currency unit – Indian rupee (Rs) Rs1.00 = \$0.0120279 \$1.00 = Rs 83.09

#### **WEIGHTS AND MEASURES**

microgram μg

dB(A) weighted decibel

km kilometer

km<sup>2</sup> – square kilometer

meter

 $\begin{array}{ccc} m & - \\ m^2 & - \end{array}$ square meter

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#### **EXECUTIVE SUMMARY**

- The objective of the Assam Skill University Project (ASUP) is to strengthen industryaligned and flexible skills education and training system in Assam by developing management and operating systems, business models, faculty development and management systems for Assam Skill University (ASU); developing environmentally sustainable and climate resilient ASU campus and facilities; designing and delivering industry-aligned and flexible skills education and training programs; developing the capacity to manage and support entrepreneurship, applied research and development, and technology transfer; and improving access to professional development and skills education and training resources for technical and vocational education and training and higher education institutions in Assam, the northeastern region, and neighboring countries. The Skill, Employment and Entrepreneurship Department (SEED) of the Government of Assam (GoA) is the executing agency (EA) and Assam Skill Development Mission (ASDM) is the implementing agency (IA) of the project. ASDM has established a project management unit (PMU) to carry out day-to-day project management activities. To achieve the abovementioned objective; Assam Skill University has been designed in a 82.737acre (250.281Bigha<sup>1</sup> or say 250 Bigha) land (334828.083 m<sup>2</sup>) plot in Mangaldai in Darrang district.
- 2. At the time of project concept stage in September 2020, 100 Bigha of land were allotted for the ASU, and the project team completed environmental screening, categorization and consultations in November 2020. Subsequently, in January 2021, the Government of Assam, through the land advisory committee of the Darrang district, recommended an additional 150 Bigha of land for the project. Based on this recommendation, the ASDM carried out an engineering survey and prepared a preliminary design layout covering an area of 210 Bigha (69.5 acres) of land with an aim of making campus more open, grand and beautiful. The IEE report was prepared in March 2021 and was cleared in April 2021 for 210 Bigha area. Subsequently after loan signing, additional area (40 Bigha) was also included, due to which ASU plot boundary limits were changed. and boundary wall length changed. Hence, the IEE report was updated for 250 Bigha plot of ASU in May 2022. After this, there have been minor changes in the built-up areas of some components of the project. Accordingly, this Addendum IEE is prepared for components to be implemented in Phase I buildings, and to reflect changes in tendered built up area and finalized and approved built-up area at the end of detailed engineering for the issuance of good for construction drawings.
- 3. The site for ASU has been finalized near Mangaldai town of Darrang district in Assam. The site is about 73 km from Guwahati. The ASU will be comprised of: (a) school of manufacturing and construction; (b) school of management and finance; (c) school of agriculture and food technology; (d) school of technology; (e)school of sustainability; (f) school of mobility; (g) school of design and creativity; (h) school of tourism, hospitality and wellness; (i) school of healthcare; (j) center for entrepreneurship and innovation; (k) center for school of life skills and languages; (l) center for lifelong learning; and (m) center for faculty and curriculum development. The built-up area of the ASU was around 73530.92 m² at the time of loan processing (tendering), but during detailed design the built-up area at the time of approval of drawings for construction is 82709.03 m² for all components. The total cost of the project is estimated to be US\$ 140 million. For the Phase I components, the built-up area was 61241 m² at the time of loan processing/tendering and now the built-up area after detailed design is 67,298 m².
- 4. The ASU project site is an unencumbered land owned by the government. The

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In the State of Assam, 1 Bigha= 0.33057643 acre (1337.80864 m<sup>2</sup>)

project is categorized as 'B' for environment. Accordingly, to comply with the Asian Development Bank (ADB) Safeguard Policy Statement (SPS), 2009, this Addendum initial environmental examination (IEE) report has been prepared to reflect the changes in Phase I components of the ASU project.

- For ease of implementation, ASU campus development has been divided into a few 5. sub-projects. Some of these subprojects will be prepared and supported under the project, while the others will be prepared after the construction is completed. The current Addendum IEE is for Phase I components of ASU campus and facilities (after completion of detailed design). The Phase I components include Admin and Multi-purpose hall building (12,629 m<sup>2</sup>), academic and laboratories buildings (18592.5m<sup>2</sup>), Workshops and Store (3456.8m<sup>2</sup>), Faculty Hostel (4802.39 m<sup>2</sup>), Guest house (2511 m<sup>2</sup>) Hostel 'A' (13,957 m<sup>2</sup>) and Hostel 'B' (11,347 m<sup>2</sup>). Asbestos products will not be used in the roofing sheets. The Project components also comprises utility infrastructure, including sewage treatment plant (STP) (400 KLD capacity for phase I, space available for future expansion), transformer capacity 4000 kVA, DG set for backup power 1500 kVA and overhead water storage tank (400m<sup>3</sup>). solar power heating system for 64000 liters per day capacity and roof top solar system for solar power generation 100 kW capacity. The utility infrastructure is included in the built-up area of (67,298 m<sup>2</sup>) mentioned above (para.2). Three rainwater harvesting structures with a combined capacity of 800 m<sup>3</sup> will also be provided. This addendum IEE report has been prepared for ASU project phase I components based on the detailed design and approved drawings, soil testing and geotechnical investigation reports.
- 6. The detailed design of ASU campus Phase I components and facilities has been finalized after topographic survey, soil testing and geotechnical report and with due consideration to other climatic and location specific factors such as intense rainfall, liquefaction phenomena (weak soil strength) and earthquake zone V coefficient. The construction of ASU campus and facilities (Phase I) will mainly be for buildings, workshops and laboratories and furnishing these with equipment, instruments, and machinery. In addition to electrifying these buildings and facilities, drainage, water supply and sewage network systems and sewage treatment plants will be installed as part of utility infrastructure. To make campus ambience soothing to the eyes, plantation of shrubs and ornamental trees, landscaping in open areas (total green area 217,830.74 m²), and development of existing small ponds /low lying areas as water bodies shall also comprise phase I components of ASU.
- 7. This addendum IEE report provides details of the ASU project phase I components and associated potential environmental impacts during project lifecycle. The addendum IEE report also suggests ways of mitigating and addressing these identified environmental impacts. In the vicinity of ASU site, there are no environmentally and/or ecologically protected areas (national parks, wild-life or bird sanctuaries, tiger reserves, bio-spheres, forests, wetlands, mangroves, or estuaries etc.) in or near the ASU site. There are no archeologically protected monuments, structures, or heritage sites within 300 m distance of ASU plot boundary. The ASU site is a plain terrain.
- 8. Since the ASU Phase I components will involve civil works, consumption of natural resources (water, construction materials), transportation of construction materials, usage of

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>Local stakeholders were involved in developing the revised IEE through discussions on-site and public consultation during November 2020, February 2021 and March 2022. Their views were incorporated into the revised IEE, and the design of the project. The revised IEE has been made available at public locations in the town such as municipal office building, district administration office, and site office of ASU. It is also disclosed to a wider audience via the ADB and ASDM websites.

construction equipment and machinery and consumption of power supply, there will be environmental impacts. Like the construction stage impacts, there will be environmental impacts during operation phase as well. Yet environmental impacts during both construction and operation phases are not likely to be significant as these will be limited to ASU site with no tree cutting requirements for campus and facilities construction. The routine and localized impacts associated with construction and operation can be mitigated easily by following the measures laid down in the Environment Management Plan (EMP) included in the addendum IEE report. The addendum IEE confirms the ASU phase I components (detailed design and construction of ASU campus and facilities) as environment category "B". No further special study or detailed environmental impact assessment (EIA) needs to be undertaken to comply with ADB SPS, 2009 or Government of India EIA Notification, 2006.

- 9. A 'with' and 'without' ASU project scenario has been considered to justify the ASU project. Location and usage of alternative materials have also been analyzed from environmental and sustainability considerations. The sustainability considerations have also been discussed for the project scenario.
- 10. PMU at ASDM is responsible for supervising overall planning and implementation of civil works. The PMU has environmental and social safeguard specialists. To assist PMU in supervision, project management consultant (PMC) firm and construction supervision and quality assurance (CSQA) firm have been appointed. PMU and PMC will ensure that the revised EMP is followed during pre-construction and construction phases. The revised EMP implementation is being monitored by the environment safeguard specialists of PMU and appointed PMC firm.
- 11. Grievance redress mechanism (GRM) has been established under the project to address grievances of aggrieved parties or persons. The GRM is transparent, easily accessible and time bound for the resolution of grievances. The EA (SEED) had issued an approval order for the establishment of GRM. The GRM is functional. The details of GRM are provided in this addendum IEE report.

#### I. INTRODUCTION

#### A. Background

1. **Location.** The location of ASU is near Mangaldai in Darrang district of Assam. The latitude and longitude of the ASU site are given below, and coordinates of newly added area are also given. Further, a detailed map showing coordinates marked on boundary of the plot is given in the next section of the report.

SI. No.	Name of Facility	Latitude	Longitude
1	Assam Skill University	26°25'21.36"N	92° 0'53.93"E
2	Assam Skill University Newly added area (150 Bigha)	26°42'0.69"N	92° 0'12.99"E

2. The nearest rail head to Mangaldai is Tangla at about 35 km and Rangia Junction is 48 km away from the ASU site. The project site is well connected to important destinations such as Guwahati, New Jalpaiguri, Rangia and Nalbari. The distances of important destinations from ASU are given below:

SI. No.	Name of Facility	Altitude (m)	District	Distance f	fron	n ASU site
1.	ASU	51.24	Darrang	Guwahati Airport	:	70 Km
			_	Guwahati City	:	72 Km
				Tezpur	:	107 Km
				Nalbari	:	68 Km
				IIT Guwahati	:	52 Km
				Udalguri	:	43 Km
				Alipurduar	:	303 Km
				Cooch Behar	:	323 Km
				Darrang	:	5 Km
				Barpeta	:	123 Km
				Morigaon	:	141 Km

- 3. The proposed Skill University site is a vacant land in the ownership of Assam Skill University (ASU), Government of Assam. The Darrang district geographically lies between the latitude 20° 9´N to 26.96° North and longitude 91° 45´ E to 92° 22´ East.
- 4. **Present Status of ASU Site:** The ASU site is a plain terrain. The site ownership is with Assam Skill University. There are no permanent or temporary structures on the site. There are also no trees at site. The photographs of the ASU site are shown below. At the site construction works are in progress and photographs of site are given below:





View of access road connecting site with NH

View of site showing plain terrain







View of Additional Area included in ASU plot



View of additional area at site showing growth of local shrubs due to vacant and unutilized land



View of Site showing water in some portion but no trees

#### B. Compliance with India's Environmental Regulatory Framework

- 5. India's environmental rules and regulations, as relevant for the construction of ASU, are shown in Table 1. The Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Notification, 2006 issued by the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change (MOEFCC, GOI) specifies the requirements for mandatory environmental clearances. All projects and activities are broadly categorized into two categories—category 'A' and category 'B', based on the spatial extent of potential impacts on the environment, human health, and natural and man-made resources 3. However, MOEFCC's Notification- S.O. 3252, dated 22/12/2014. exempts all educational and training institutes from obtaining prior environmental clearance. Hence, this subproject will not require any prior environmental clearance according to the environmental rules and regulations of India. Further, as shown in Table 1, most other rules pertaining to India's regulatory framework such as Ancient Monuments and Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958; the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, amended in 2003 and 2006; and the Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980, will also not apply to construction of ASU. Permission (Consent to Establish and Consent to Operate) is required from the State Pollution Control Board, GoA for the construction phase of the ASU. Moreover, according to ADB's SPS 2009, all ADB funded activities/projects are required to comply with the borrower country's environmental regulations. Relevant permissions and clearances have been obtained before the start of the construction activities. There was a delay in obtaining the CFE as an approved area and final drawings for ASU campus were not available before the start of construction activities. CFE was obtained after good for construction and approved drawings were available.
- 6. During, construction and operation phases of the project, compliance with National Ambient Air Quality Standards (NAAQS) for air quality, ambient noise standards for noise levels, General Standards for Discharge of Treated Effluents for wastewater discharge and Drinking Water Standards specified by Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) will be ensured. The above standards have been specified under various acts and rules promulgated by the Gol. During pre-construction phase (completed) all regulations of air quality, water quality and noise levels were complied with.

**Table-1: Environmental Regulatory Compliance** 

Sub-Project	Applicability of Acts/Guidelines	Compliance Criteria
Detailed design and construction of ASU campus and facilities	The EIA notification, 2006 (and its subsequent amendments till date) provides for categorization of projects into category 'A' and 'B', based on extent of impacts.	the ambit of the EIA notification (amended till date), either as a

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All projects or activities included as Category 'A' in the Schedule, including expansion and modernization of existing projects or activities and change in product mix, will require prior environmental clearance from the Central Government in the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEFCC) on the recommendations of an Expert Appraisal Committee (EAC) to be constituted by the Central Government for the purposes of this notification. All projects or activities included as Category 'B' in the Schedule, including expansion and modernization of existing projects or activities as specified in sub paragraph (ii) of paragraph 2, or change in product mix as specified in sub paragraph (iii) of paragraph 2, but excluding those which fulfill the General Conditions stipulated in the Schedule, will require prior environmental clearance from the State/Union territory Environment Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA). The SEIAA shall base its decision on the recommendations of a State or Union territory level Expert Appraisal Committee (SEAC) as to be constituted for in this notification. In addition, General Condition (GC) of the notification specifies that any project or activity specified in Category 'B' will be treated as Category A, if located in whole or in part within 5 km from the boundary of: (i) Protected Areas notified under the Wild Life(Protection) Act, 1972, (ii) Critically Polluted areas as notified by the Central Pollution Control Board from time to time, (iii) Notified Eco-sensitive areas, (iv) inter-State boundaries and international boundaries.

Sub-Project	Applicability of Acts/Guidelines	Compliance Criteria
Sub-Project	The Ancient Monuments and	educational and training institutions are exempted from prior environmental clearance (Annexure-1). As a result, the categorization, and the subsequent environmental assessment and clearance requirements, either from the state or the GOI, are not triggered. The guidelines of sustainable environmental management will be followed (in the design, construction, and operation phases) as per the MoEFCC SO 3252 dated 22 December 2014.  Not Applicable  The ASU site is not close to any
	Archaeological Sites and Remains Act, 1958, and the rules, 1959 provide guidance for carrying out activities including conservation, construction and reuse in and around the	monument which is protected by the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI). Hence, no clearance is needed from ASI.
	protected monuments.  Water (Prevention and control of pollution) Act, 1974 and Air (prevention and control of pollution) Act, 1981	Not Applicable  Consent for Establishment (CFE) and Consent for Operation (CFO) from the State Pollution Control Board will be required during construction for installation of diesel generator set, hot mix plant, and concrete batching plant. The contractor has obtained the CFE and CFO for the concrete batching plant and DG Set. The CFE was required for the project and accordingly ASU has obtained the CFE for the project. For the operation phase, CFO will also be required.
	The Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, amended in 2003 and 2006, provides	Applicable  No wildlife protected areas within 15 km aerial distance from the ASU
	for protection and management of Protected Areas.	site. Nearest Wildlife sanctuary is at about 35 km from ASU site.
	Forest (Conservation) Act, 1980	Not Applicable  This act provides guidelines for conservation of forests and diversion of forest land for nonforest use. It describes the penalties for contravention of the provisions of the Act. If forest land has to be acquired, clearance is required from the Forest Department. No forest land is acquired by ASU. Hence, this is not applicable.
	Solid Waste Management Rules,	Not Applicable These rules have been notified by

Sub-Project	Applicability of Acts/Guidelines	Compliance Criteria
	2016	the MoEFCC for collection, transportation and disposal of municipal waste. In the case of ASU, these rules will be applicable both during construction and
		operation. Applicable
	Hazardous Wastes (Management, Handling and Trans-boundary Movements) Rules 2016	These rules are for safe handling, storage, transportation and disposal of hazardous wastes. The hazardous waste mainly discarded fuel and lubricants on account of vehicle, equipment and machinery maintenance during construction and waste from laboratory and machinery (in workshops) will be generated during operation phase. Hence these rules will be applicable. Applicable
	Battery Waste Management Rules 2020	These rules have been promulgated for safe recycling of lead acid batteries. These will be applicable both during construction and operation phases.  Applicable
	Noise Pollution (Regulation and Control) Act, 1990	This act prescribes ambient noise levels for various land uses. This act will be applicable both during construction and operation phases of ASU project.  Applicable
	E- Waste (Management) Rules, 2016	These rules have been formulated to channelize the E-waste to authorized dismantlers for possible re-use and recycle of waste. These will be applicable during the operation phase of ASU project.  Applicable
	Permission to withdraw Ground Water	The ASU project plans to use ground water during operation phase. To withdraw ground water, permission will be required from the Central Ground Water Authority. The Contractors have obtained ground water abstraction NOC from CGWA.  Applicable
	Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules 2016	The ASU project will have a medical center to provide first aid and referral to district hospital. There may be generation of bio-medical waste. This waste needs to be handled, stored and disposed of as per provisions stipulated in Bio-MedicalWaste Management Rules, 2016.  Applicable
	Construction and Demolition Waste Management Rules 2016	The rules have been formulated for safe storage, transportation, and

Sub-Project	Applicability of Acts/Guidelines	Compliance Criteria
		disposal of construction and demolition waste. There will be generation of construction waste during the construction phase. Hence these rules will be applicable during the construction phase.  Applicable
	Building and Other Construction Workers (Regulations of Employment and Conditions of Service) Act, 1996	The rules have been formulated and notified under this Act in 1998 for the regulation of employment and safe working conditions for the construction workers. The workers will be employed by the contractor (s) for the construction and these rules will be applicable during construction phase for proper occupational, health and safety measures at site.  Applicable

#### C. International Agreements and Commitments of Government of India

7. The Republic of India is party to various international agreements/conventions/treaties for conservation of environment at global level. construction, development and operations of ASU will not trigger most of the convention/agreements including Ramsar Convention on Wetlands, 1971, Convention on World Cultural and Natural Heritage, 1972, Vienna Convention on Protection of Ozone Layer, 1985, and Montreal Protocol on Substances Depleting the Ozone layer, 1987 and Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), 1992 because ASU site is not close to any notified wetlands or cultural and natural heritage sites, no production of ozone depleting substances from the project and no biodiversity rich areas are close to the project site. The only convention(s) pertaining to climate change will be triggered. This is explained below:

#### 1. United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC), 1994

- 8. As per the convention the reduction/limitation requirements of Green House Gases (GHG) apply only to developed countries. The only reporting obligation for developing countries relates to the preparation of GHG inventory (GHG sources and sinks, potential vulnerability to climate change, adaptation measures and other steps being taken to address climate change). India acceded to the Kyoto Protocol in 2002 and voluntarily agreed to reduce the GHG emissions in 2018.
- 9. The ASU project activities will not have direct GHG emissions, but on account of slight increase in traffic both during construction and operation phases, there will be increased  $CO_2$  and NOx emissions through vehicular emissions.
- 10. The project aims to adopt environment friendly construction materials, energy conservation measures (energy efficient fixtures, usage of solar energy for water heating and campus-lighting), minimization of natural resource consumption and through landscaping and tree plantation.

#### D. Asian Development Bank's Environmental Safeguard Policy Principles

11. <u>Since the ASU project is being funded by the ADB, it has to comply with ADB's SPS, 2009, in addition to the India's environmental laws and regulations applicable at the national, and the India's environmental laws and regulations applicable at the national,</u>

state and local levels. The environmental safeguard policy principles embodied in SPS, 2009 aim to avoid adverse impacts on the environment and on affected people or communities; minimize, mitigate and/or compensate for adverse project impacts, if unavoidable; help borrowers to strengthen their safeguard systems and to develop their capacity in managing the environmental and social risks. The SPS, 2009 categorizes all projects into 3 environmental categories (A, B or C) based on their potential impacts 4. Similarly, ADB's rapid environmental assessment (REA) checklist was used to assess the potential impacts of the construction and development of ASU campus phase I components (Annexure-2). As explained in Annexure-2, this subproject has been categorized as 'B'. Accordingly, this addendum IEE has been prepared to address the potential impacts in line with the requirements for category 'B' projects. The addendum IEE is to capture impacts due to change in built up area after detailed design. Stakeholder consultations at ASU site are an integral part of the addendum IEE. An updated EMP outlining the specific environmental measures to be adhered to during implementation of the subproject is included in this addendum IEE document. This updated EMP will be shared with the contractor and will be implemented.

#### E. Review and Approval Procedure

12. For Category 'B' projects, the draft IEE report is prepared by EA and submitted to ADB for clearance. The IEE report is reviewed by the relevant ADB department and comments are provided. Then EA modifies the report by incorporating the comments and final IEE document is submitted for clearance. At the time of loan processing, the finalized IEE report was disclosed on ADB and ASDM websites. After clearance from ADB, this addendum IEE report will also be disclosed in ADB's website in accordance with ADB's SPS 2009 and Access to Information Policy, 2018. The EA will also disclose this addendum IEE report to the stakeholders in a form and language understandable to the communities (Assamese) by making hardcopies available at ASU site office, ASDM office at Guwahati and Deputy Commissioner's office at Mangaldai. The soft copy of the addendum IEE report will be disclosed at ASU website.

#### F. Report Structure

13. This addendum report contains nine sections including: (i) Introduction; (ii) description of phase I components; (iii) description of the existing environment around the ASU project; (iv) environmental impacts and mitigation measures; (v) analysis of alternatives; (vi) EMP; (vii) public consultation and information disclosure; (viii) findings and recommendations; and (ix) conclusions.

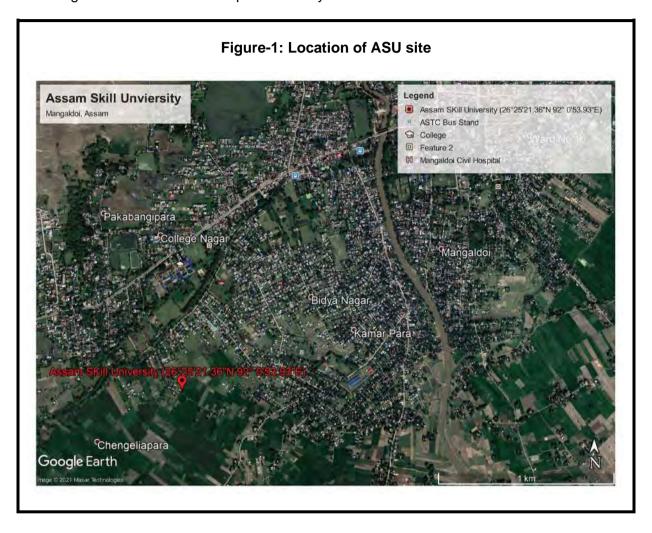
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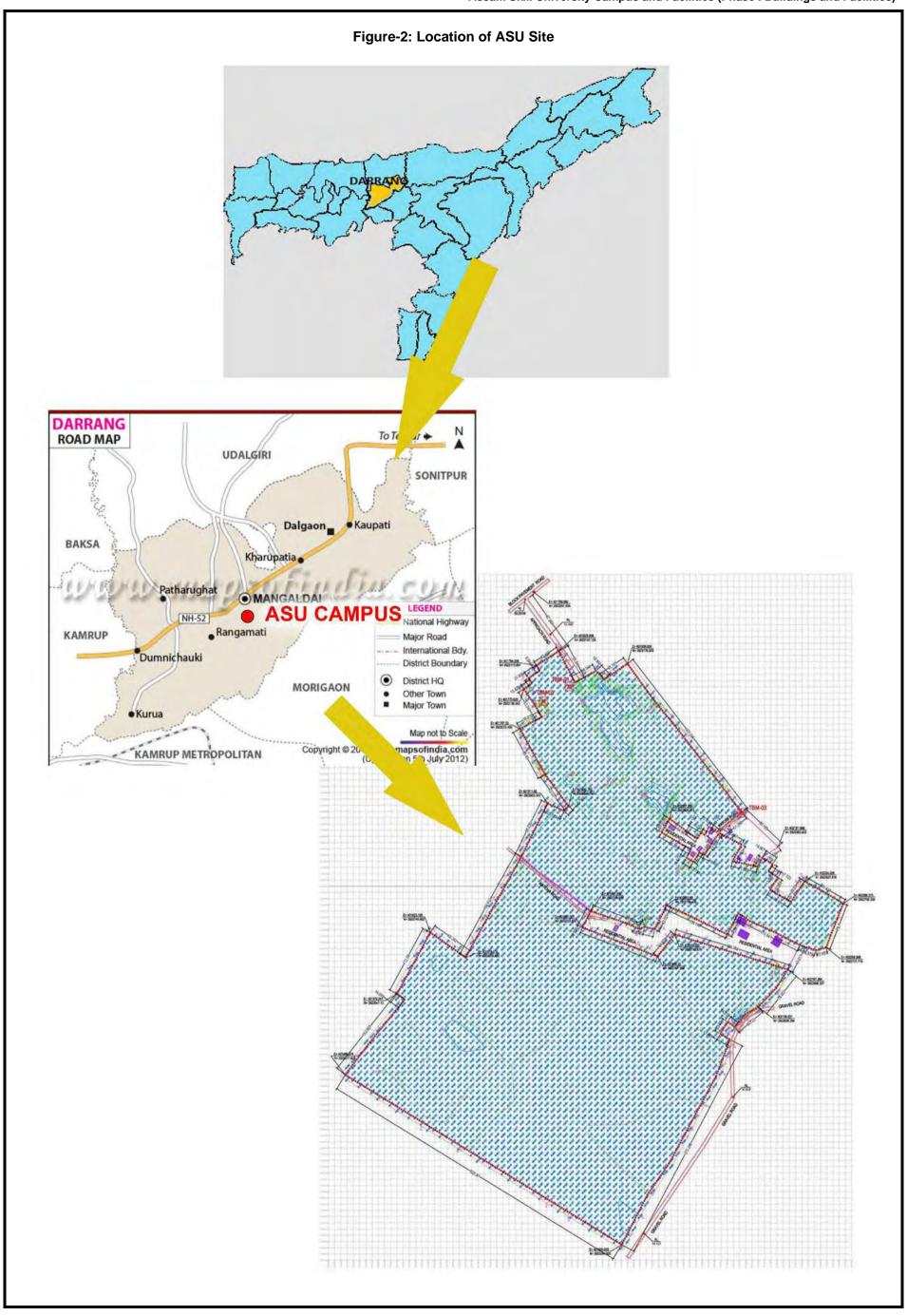
As per SPS 2009, projects are assigned to one of the following four categories: (i) **Category A.** A proposed project is classified as category A if it is likely to have significant adverse environmental impacts that are irreversible, diverse, or unprecedented. These impacts may affect an area larger than the sites or facilities subject to physical works. An environmental impact assessment is required. (ii) **Category B.** A proposed project is classified as category B if its potential adverse environmental impacts are less adverse than those of category a project. These impacts are site-specific, few if any of them are irreversible, and in most cases mitigation measures can be designed more readily than for category B Project. An initial environmental examination is required. (iii) **Category C.** A proposed project is classified as category C if it is likely to have minimal or no adverse environmental impacts. No environmental assessment is required although environmental implications need to be reviewed (iv) **Category FI.** A proposed project is classified as category FI if it involves investment of ADB funds to or through a financial intermediary (FI) (paras. 65-67).

#### II. DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT COMPONENTS

#### A. Components of the ASU Project

14. The location of the ASU site has been shown in **Figures 1 and 2. Table. 2** summarizes the need for the project and brief description of ASU components. The Figure-2 also has revised and current ASU plot of 250 Bigha (inclusive of newly added 40 Bigha area) showing coordinates marked on plot boundary.





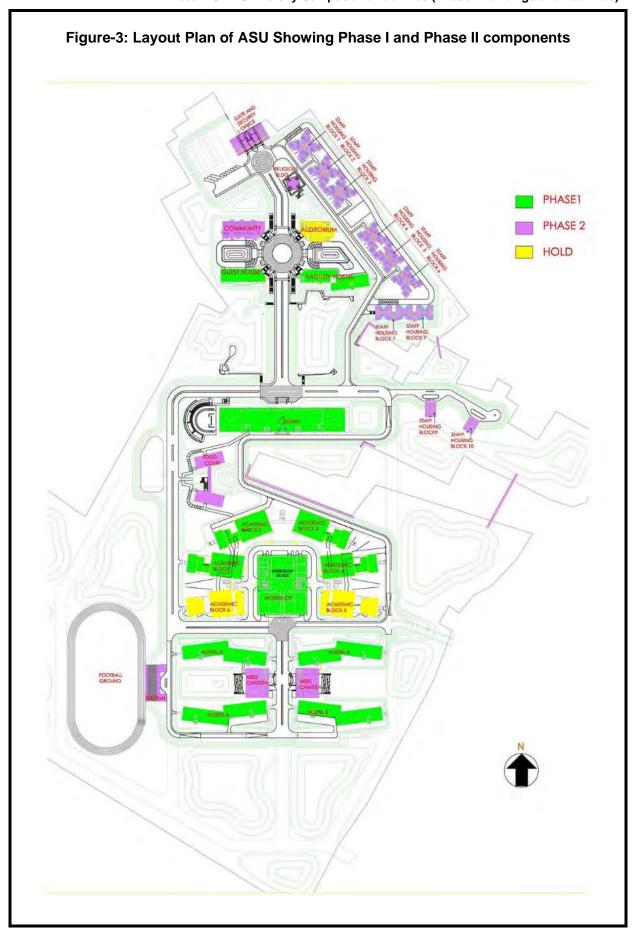
**Table-2: Description of the ASU Campus Components** 

Description	Need of the Sub-project	<b>Proposed Components</b>	Details of Finalized
Detailed design and construction of ASU campus and facilities	Despite its abundant natural resources and higher proportion of young population (under 40 years of age) than the rest of India, Assam is yet to unleash its growth potential. Being landlocked, largely rural, and with underdeveloped infrastructure, Assam's economy is dominated by low value added, natural resource-based products and is poorly integrated with regional and global value chains. Its manufacturing sectors are undiversified and small in terms of outputs and capital investment. Limited availability of skilled workforce has been identified as one of the constraints to infrastructure and industrial development. Fewer prospects for socioeconomic development have propelled out-migration for jobs and education, leading to shortages of higher-level skills in Assam. Technical and vocational education and training and higher education is undersupplied, and the existing systems face many challenges, including low quality and lack of industry relevance of programs leading to poor employability of graduates from industrial training institutes, polytechnics, engineering colleges, and academic colleges and universities. To address these challenges, the project will assist the Government of Assam in establishing a skill university.	1- The main ASU components include academic and administration buildings (18,386 m²), laboratories (13,008m²), workshops (2,761m²), staff quarters and guest house (14,609m²), hostels (3,500 m²), community Centre (2,316m²), miscellaneous building (1,079 m²), multipurpose hall (2,316 m²), single storied corridor with RCC roof (1,144m²), single storied corridor with RCC roof (1,144m²), single storied corridor with sheeting roof (3,102 m²), and open-air theatre (150 m²).  2- Utility infrastructure included STP (400 KLD for phase I and space available for future expansion), transformer capacity 4000 kVA, DG set for backup power 1500 kVA and water storage tanks (400m³), solar power heating system for 64,000 liters per day and roof top solar system for power generation 100 kW.  3-To enhance aesthetics within the campus, plantation of shrubs and trees, landscaping in open areas (217830.74m²), and development of existing small ponds (seasonal-having water availability during June to October) as water bodies shall also form part of the subproject. The water source to these ponds is monsoon rains.  4- Three rainwater harvesting structures with a combined capacity of 800 m³ will be provided. Locations will be finalized during detailed design. These rainwater harvesting structures will be the existing seasonal ponds at site. Roof top	Phase I components  1-The built-up area of various phase I components after detailed design is: 18,592m² for academic block and laboratory; 12629 m² for Admin and Multi-purpose Hall; 3,456.8 m² for workshop and store; 4802.39 m² for faculty hostels; 2511 m² for guest house; 13,957 m² for hostel A; 11,347 m² for hostel B. The total plinth area for Phase I components is 67,298 m² against the estimated area of 61,241 m² based on preliminary drawings at the time of bidding process.  2- The capacities of utility infrastructure are the same as planned.  3-The number of rainwaters harvesting structures and green area for plantation remains unchanged.

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	rainwater will be diverted to these ponds. The ponds will be excavated during the development for increase in volume as well as to provide sides slope stability.	

15. The layout plan of ASU showing Phase I and Phase II components is shown below in **Figure-3.** The detailed engineering has been completed and all environmental implications after detailed design have been assessed and included in the current addendum IEE report. This is the final IEE report for Phase I components for submission to ADB and further disclosure.



#### B. Executing and Implementing Agencies

The Skill, Employment and Entrepreneurship Department (SEED) of GoA is the EA. 16. The Assam Skill Development Mission (ASDM) is the IA. The ASDM has established a project management unit (PMU) for the overall project implementation. The PMU is being supported by the PMC team and construction supervision and quality assurance (CSQA) firm. The PMC and CSQA firm teams are multi-disciplinary teams, including one environment specialist (intermittent input) in PMC team. The PMC environmental specialist has adequate experience and knowledge of environmental rules and regulations of the State and GoI and other environmental management aspects. The PMC consulting firm has been appointed and mobilized. In addition to PMC, CSQA firm has also been hired for construction supervision and quality check. The civil work contractor engaged for the construction also have one environment, health and safety officer in their team till closure of the contract. The ASDM is responsible for supervising overall planning and implementation of civil works with the assistance of CSQA firm and PMC team. ASDM ensures that the ASU and all activities financed under the ADB comply with environmental rules and regulations of Gol and GoA and ADB SPS 2009. Regulatory permissions and clearances have been obtained (although there was a delay in obtaining the CFE for the project due to a delay in receiving the approved drawings and revised built-up area).

#### C. Implementation Schedule

17. The implementation period for the proposed ASU campus is 36 months. The detailed good for construction drawings have been issued by the contractor for the ASU campus phase I components. These drawings have also been approved and vetted by IIT Guwahati. The bidding process for the detailed design and construction of ASU campus and facilities has been completed and construction works have been awarded and contractor has been mobilized. Earthwork has been initiated since October 2022 and construction works are in progress. The civil works are planned to be completed by October 2025.

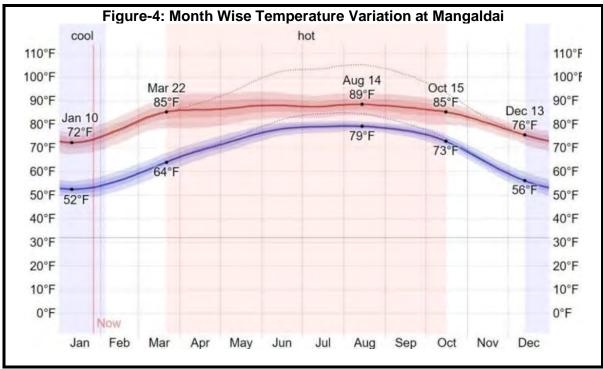
#### III. DESCRIPTION OF THE EXISTING ENVIRONMENT FOR ASU CAMPUS SITE

18. This section presents a brief description of the existing environment around the ASU site, including its physical resources, ecological resources, socio-economic development, and social and cultural resources. Broad aspects on various environmental parameters such as geography, climate, and meteorology, physiographic, geology, seismology, ecology, socio-cultural and economic development parameters that are likely to be affected by the ASU campus construction and development are presented. Secondary information was collected from relevant government agencies like the State Forest Department, State Environment Department and State Pollution Control Board, and Meteorological Department.

#### A. Environmental Profile

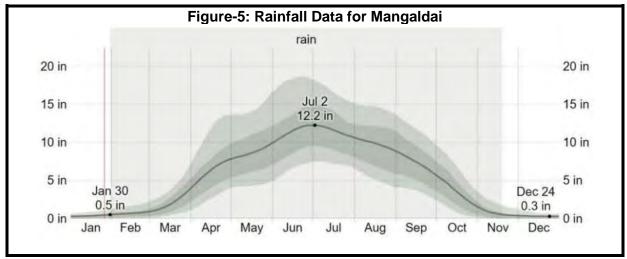
#### Air and Noise Quality

- 19. No air pollution sources have been seen in the surroundings of the project site as site is in open area near Mangaldai town. There are no environmentally sensitive receptors (residential houses, schools, hospitals, etc.) within the perimeter of delineated ASU site. The minimum distance of residential houses from the site boundary is about 50 m. The minimum distance of construction activity from the residential houses will be about 55 m. There is no baseline ambient air quality available for Mangaldai town and ASU site. Baseline ambient air quality monitoring has been completed by the contractor in the pre- construction phase and results are found well within the limits. The measured levels of SO<sub>2</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, PM<sub>10</sub> and PM<sub>2.5</sub> were 5-7 ug/m³,14-16 ug/m³,32-64 ug/m³ and 20 ug/m³respectively. These values are well within the stipulated limits of national ambient air quality standards.
- 20. Noise level data was not available for the ASU site. To have site specific ambient noise level monitoring has been conducted by the contractor prior to start of construction works with the aim of establishing baseline conditions. The hourly 'Leq' values in 'Day' time ranged from 47.1-56.1 dB(A) whereas 'Night' values were in the range of 41.5-44.8 dB(A). The environmental monitoring was conducted by the Assam State Pollution Control Board.
- 21. **Climate.** Three seasons are witnessed in Mangaldai. From February to March weather is dry. In the month of March north-east winds carry sand and dust. In April and May occasional local rains along with storms are a common feature. The minimum and maximum temperature varies from 11° to 32°C during this period. From June to October, there is prevalence of south-west monsoon with heavy rainfall. Temperature varies from 22 to 32°C in this season. Average annual rainfall is 1,637.3 mm in the region with about 87 rainy days. About 90 % of rain occurs between April and September and July and August being the rainiest months.
- 22. **Temperature.** The temperature exhibits seasonal variation with minimum during the winter and higher during the summer. June, July and August are the hottest months while January and December are the cold months. The maximum temperature rises to about 32°C (89 °F) in August and the minimum temperature falls to about 11°C (52 °F) in winter months. The **Figure-4** below shows month wise Temperature data at Mangaldai.



Source: https://weatherspark.com/y/112086/Average-Weather-in-Mangaldai-India-Year-Round

23. **Rainfall.** The ASU project area experiences maximum rainfall during Monsoon season from June to October while as least Rainfall is received in November and December. Average annual rainfall at Mangaldai is around 1,637.3 mm. The month wise rainfall for Mangaldai has been shown in **Figure-5**.



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- 24. **Humidity**. Based on climatological data of the Mangaldai, it is found that relative humidity increases rapidly with the onset of monsoon and reaches maximum (around 96%) during August, when peak monsoon period sets in. Relative humidity is the minimum during the months April to May with February being the driest month (around 6%). Skies are heavily clouded during the monsoon months.
- 25. **Wind Speed and Directions.** Generally, light to moderate winds prevail throughout the year. Average wind speed from February to June is 8.50 kmph. The wind speed is about 7.10 kmph from July to January. Peak wind speed in March month is about 9.5 kmph. **Topography and Soils**

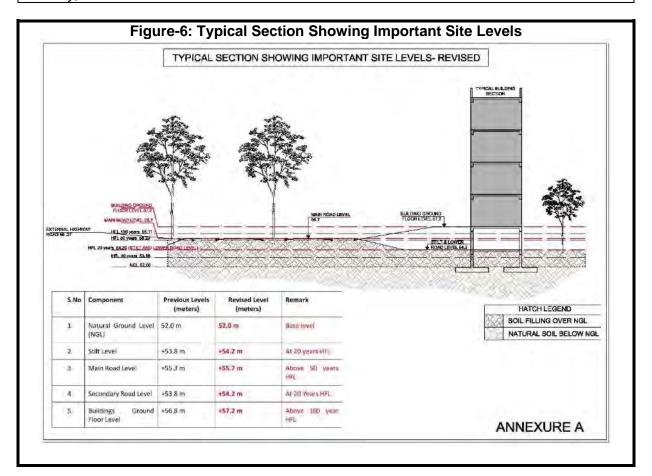
26. The topography of the project site is plain. The average elevation of the site is around 52m above mean sea level. The levels of other site features such as roads have been shown in Figure-6. Physiographically, the entire Darrang district is an alluvial plain with flat topography and there is a very gentle slope towards Brahmaputra River, which makes the southern boundary of the district. The district has soil cover of younger alluvium and older alluvium which have undergone diversified pedagogical changes. The soils are characterized by medium to high organic carbon, low to medium phosphate and potash contents. The alluvial soils are light yellow to light grey in color of recent age. At the project site soils are light grey in color. The texture of the soil ranges from sandy loam to silty loam in nature. At the site texture of soils is silty loam. The soil is suitable for cultivation of rice crop and Maize. To characterize the baseline soil quality, data was collected from secondary published sources for the project region. It has been provided in Table-3. Soil testing and geotechnical investigations were carried out for the detailed structural design. The soil results indicate the soil is in a very soft state in shallower depth. The bulk density of soil ranges from 1.76-1.95 ton/m<sup>3</sup> from a depth of 1.5 m to 15 m. According to soil report findings the soil texture is whitish brownish gray poorly graded medium to fine sand in some portions of site and brownish gray clay with some silt (at 2.0 m depth) in some portions. The soil testing and geotechnical investigations reports were vetted by the Civil Engineering Department of Assam Engineering College Guwahati. It has been concluded in the report that potential liquefiable zone (week soil strength for structure) exists up to a maximum depth of 10.5 m in the entire area of site (16 bore holes spread all over site were dug for investigations) accordingly detailed design of building has been completed considering the liquefiable zone. The soil texture results are also available in the above-mentioned reports and these results show 100 % sand in some bore hole samples, 60-70 % sand and 30-40 % silt in some samples and very few bore hole samples have shown 20 % silt and 80 % clay. There was total sixteen bore-holes as part geo-technical investigations for the site.

Table-3: Soil Quality Data for Sub-Project Region

SI. No.	Parameter	Unit	Value
1	Color	-	Brownish
2	рН	-	6.2
3	Conductivity	Micro mhos/cm	593
4	Bulk Density	gm/cm3	1.14
5	Porosity	%	42.60
6	Water Holding Capacity	%	33.80
7	Texture	-	Sandy –Loam
8	Sand	%	22
9	Silt	%	17
10	Clay	%	29
11	Gravel	%	32
12	Organic Matter	%	1.9
13	Calcium as Ca	%	0.43
14	Magnesium as Mg	%	0.20
15	Sodium	%	0.66
16	Potassium	%	0.15
17	Sulphur	%	0.08
18	Nitrogen	%	0.21
19	Phosphorus	%	0.16
20	CEC	Meq/100 gm	27.9
21	Copper	mg/kg	2.3

SI. No.	Parameter	Unit	Value
22	Chromium	mg/kg	ND
23	Zinc	mg/kg	4.4
24	Lead	mg/kg	0.50

Source: Environmental Impact Assessment Report for Installation of 2 Mounded Bullets at Guwahati Refinery, Year 2017



#### Surface water and Ground water

- 27. The ASU site is in Brahmaputra River catchment (at about 5 km in monsoon season). There is no major surface water source close to the site. The site has not been flooded due to Brahmaputra River flow. However, during monsoon, there is water logging in some low-lying portions of site.
- 28. The ground water quality data for ASU site and surroundings is not available. The contractor has collected ground water samples in pre-construction phase with an aim to establish baseline for ground water quality. The results are given in **Table-4**. It is clear from these results that most of the parameters of ground water quality are within the limits of drinking water parameters limits specified in IS:10500 (2012). The Central Ground Water Board (CGWB-Northeastern Region Office) has conducted some ground water survey and studies in Darrang district in 2010 and published in 'Ground Water Information Booklet-Darrang District' in the year 2012. As per their study, the ground water of district is fresh and suitable for both domestic and irrigation purposes. Based on 2012 data of CGWB the depth of water level during pre-monsoon months, in Darrang district ranged from 2 to 4 m below ground level (bgl) and 1 to 2 m in post monsoon months. The stage of ground water development in Darrang district is 31% and the district does not fall in critical category for

ground water development. The total reserves/potential of ground water in the district is 575 million m<sup>3</sup> whereas development /usage is only 230 million m<sup>3</sup>. The hydrogeology map of Darrang district has been shown in **Figure-7**.

Table-4: Ground Water Quality Results (Baseline Monitoring)

Parameter	Unit	IS:10500-2012 limits	GW1
pH	-	6.5-8.5	6.9
Total Alkalinity as CaCO3	mg/l	200	44
Turbidity	NTU	1	54
Total Dissolved Solids	mg/l	500	78
Total Hardness as CaCO3	mg/l	200	24
Total Coliform	MPN /100 ml	Absent in 100 ml	Absent
Calcium as Ca	mg/l	75	18
Magnesium as Mg	mg/l	30	6.0
Residual Chlorine as Cl2	mg/l	1	Nil
Chloride as Cl	mg/l	250	10.0
Sulphate as SO4	mg/l	200	4.2
Fluoride as F	mg/l	1.0	0.248
Nitrates as NO3	mg/l	45	2.4
Cadmium as Cd	mg/l	0.01	0.02
Arsenic as As	mg/l	0.01	<0.01
Copper as Cu	mg/l	0.05	0.03
Lead as Pb	mg/l	0.01	0.05
Manganese as Mn	mg/l	0.10	<0.05
Iron as Fe	mg/l	0.30	2.4
Chromium as Cr+6	mg/l	0.05	0.06
Nickel as Ni	mg/l	0.01	<0.10
Mercury as Hg	mg/l	0.001	<0.001
Fecal Coliform	MPN /100 ml	Absent in 100 ml	Absent
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Source: Baseline Monitoring completed by the Contractor in Pre- Construction phase at ASU site

29. The surface water quality data of local stream close to ASU site is not available. The contractor has collected water samples from the Mangaldai River in pre- construction phase to establish baseline. The results of the water sample of Mangaldai river are given in **Table-5**. Since Brahmaputra is also the river of significance in the project region so water quality data of this river was obtained from past EIA study source. This river in future may also be the source of drinking water supply in Darrang town. Currently ground water is the drinking water source. The aerial distance of this river from site is about 5 km in monsoon season. This data is given below in **Table-6**. It is clear from this table that heavy metals like copper, lead, mercury, cadmium, and chromium were below their respective detection limits in both the river water. Brahmaputra River generally conforms to Class-B & C of the CPCB and Mangaldai river conforms to Class-C, which means the water quality of both the rivers is suitable for outdoor bathing and as drinking water source after conventional treatment and disinfection.

Table-5: Mangaldai River Water quality in Sub-Project Region

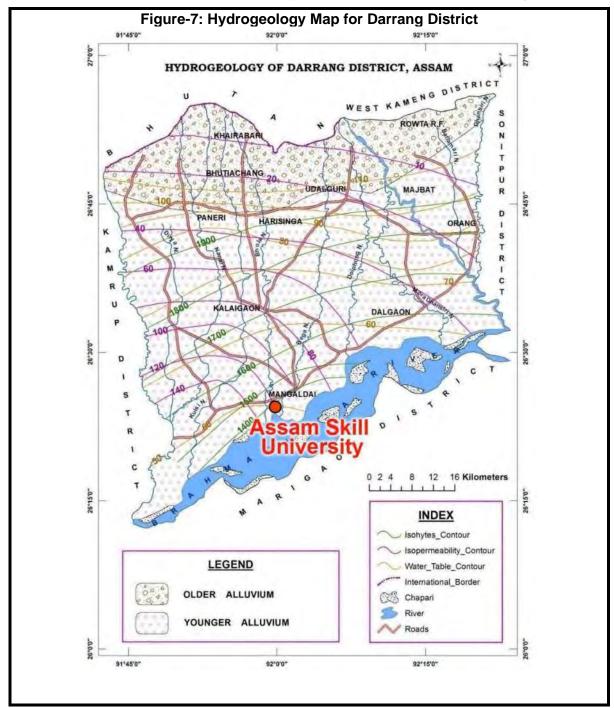
SI.	Parameter	Unit	Value	Permissible CPCB Criteria		
No.				Class B (Suitable for outer Bathing)	Class C (Drinking Water source after conventional treatment and disinfection)	
1	рН	-	6.3	6.5 to 8.5	6 to 9	
2	Conductivity	Micromhos/cm	416	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
3	Dissolved Oxygen	mg/l	7.4	5 or more	4 or more	
4	BOD (3 Days 27°C)	mg/l	3.2	3 or less	3 or less	
5	Total Coliforms	MPN/100 ml	1500	500 or less	5000 or less	
6	Faecal Coliforms	MPN/100 ml	730	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
6	Turbidity	NTU	20	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
7	COD	mg/l	12.4	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
8	Total Suspended Solids	mg/l	26	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
9	Phosphate as P	mg/l	0.66	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
10	Total Hardness (as CaCO3)	mg/l	102	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
11	Chloride (as Cl)	mg/l	90	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
12	Sulphate (as SO4)	mg/l	30.2	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
13	Nitrate (as NO3)	mg/l	1.2	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
14	Fluoride (as F)	mg/l	0.223	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
15	Calcium (as Ca)	mg/l	62	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
16	Magnesium (as Mg)	mg/l	40	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
17	Copper (as Cu)	mg/l	0.03	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
18	Iron (as Fe)	mg/l	1.6	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
19	Zinc	mg/l	0.13	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
20	Nickel (as Ni)	mg/l	0.10	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
21	Arsenic (as As)	mg/l	<0.01	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
22	Mercury (as Hg)	mg/l	<0.001	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
23	Lead (as Pb)	mg/l	0.11	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
24	Cadmium (as Cd)	mg/l	0.02	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
25	Alkalinity (as CaCO3)	mg/l	195	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
26	Hexavalent Chromium as Cr+6	mg/l	<0.06	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	

Source: Baseline Environmental Monitoring by the Contractor during Pre- construction Phase

Table-6: Brahmaputra River Water quality in Sub-Project Region

SI.	Parameter	Unit	Value	Permissible CPCB Criteria		
No.				Class B (Suitable for outer Bathing)	Class C (Drinking Water source after conventional treatment and disinfection)	
1	рН	-	7.4	6.5 to 8.5	6 to 9	
2	Conductivity	Micromhos/cm	288	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
3	Dissolved Oxygen	mg/l	6.7	5 or more	4 or more	
4	BOD (3 Days 27°C)	mg/l	3	3 or less	3 or less	
5	Total Coliforms	MPN/100 ml	640	500 or less	5000 or less	
6	Total Dissolved Solids	mg/l	168	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
7	Oil and Grease	mg/l	1.4	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
8	Cyanide as (CN)	mg/l	<0.005	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
9	Phenol	mg/l	<0.001	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
10	Total Hardness (as CaCO3)	mg/l	99	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
11	Chloride (as CI)	mg/l	25	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
12	Sulphate (as SO4)	mg/l	3	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
13	Nitrate (as NO3)	mg/l	1.6	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
14	Fluoride (as F)	mg/l	0.2	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
15	Calcium (as Ca)	mg/l	28	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
16	Magnesium (as Mg)	mg/l	7	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
17	Copper (as Cu)	mg/l	<0.05	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
18	Iron (as Fe)	mg/l	0.40	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
19	Manganese (as Mn)	mg/l	<0.05	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
20	Zinc	mg/l	0.06	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
21	Boron (as B)	mg/l	<0.02	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
22	Arsenic (as As)	mg/l	<0.002	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
23	Mercury (as Hg)	mg/l	<0.001	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
24	Lead (as Pb)	mg/l	<0.05	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
25	Cadmium (as Cd)	mg/l	<0.01	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
26	Alkalinity (as CaCO3)	mg/l	128	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	
27	Hexavalent Chromium as Cr+6	mg/l	<0.05	Not Stipulated	Not Stipulated	

Source: Environmental Impact Assessment Report for Installation of 2 Mounded Bullets at Guwahati Refinery, Year 2017

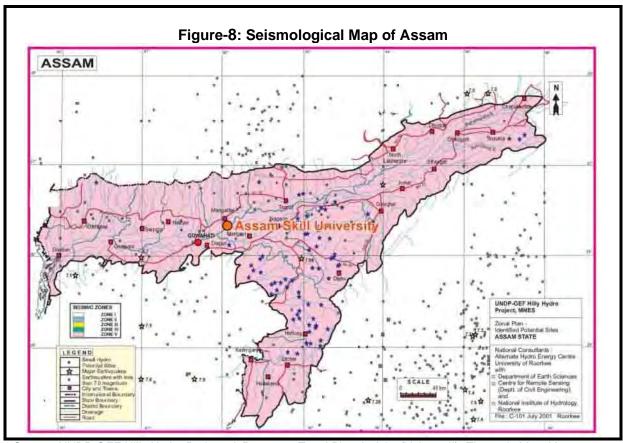


Source: Ground Water Information Booklet Darrang District, Assam -Central Ground Water Board (Year-2013)

#### **Geology and Seismology**

30. Geologically, the project region (Darrang district) is occupied by Quaternary sediments of older and younger alluvium, where, the northern foothill part is covered mostly by old alluvium consisting of clay, sand, gravel, pebble, and boulder, on the other hand, the southern new alluvium contains clay, silt and fine sand in maximum proportions. With favorable physiographical, geological, lithological, and climatic factors, the project area happens to be an area of large reserve of under-ground water in regionally extensive aquifers up to a depth ranging from 50 to 300 m. There are no rock formations at site and surroundings.

31. India's seismic code divides the country into five seismic zones (I to V). The ASU campus site comes under seismic zone V as defined by Urban Earthquake Vulnerability Project (UEVP) and the Atlas prepared by the Building Materials Promotion and Technology Council (BMTPC), Government of India and UNDP [IS 1893 (Part I: 2002)]. All structures have been designed considering seismic zone V. It may be mentioned that intensity of earthquake increases from Zone I to V. The Zone V mainly covers all North-Eastern states of India, parts of Jammu and Kashmir, Western part of Himachal Pradesh, eastern part of Uttarakhand, Kutch in Gujarat, parts of North Bihar, and Andaman & Nicobar Islands. Zones I, II and III mainly cover Central and Southern parts of Indian peninsula. As mentioned above, Zone V covers the areas with the highest risk of suffering earthquakes, so IS code assigns a zone factor of 0.36 for Zone V. Structural designers use this factor for earthquake resistant design of structures in Zone V. The same factor has been used in design of building structures of ASU campus in Phase I. The seismological map of Assam has been given in Figure-8.



Source: UNDP-GEF Hilly Hydro Project- A Report on Zonal Plan Activity (Volume II) -Thematic Map, Year 2001

#### **Drainage**

32. The ASU site is drained by Brahmaputra River (at an aerial distance of about 5 km in monsoon months) and its tributaries (mainly Managaldai River). No flooding issues have been reported at the site because of the spread of river water during monsoon. However, due to torrential rains in monsoon local depressions and some portions at site get waterlogged. This issue is being addressed in the design through design and implementation of storm water drainage system after detailed hydrological study. The stormwater drainage system is proposed in 3 numbers of Zones to ensure multiple outfall points for the discharging of the stormwater with a capacity of 18.01 m³/s. Runoff from these zones will be connected to the nearby Noanadi and Mangaldai river with the assistance of the Water Resource Department. The layout of the stormwater drainage plan has been given in

**Figure-11** and Para 51. The HFL (100 years return flood period) level reported is 57.2 m at site. The reported average existing ground level at the site is around 52 m. The site is not in the river land or flood plains. The general slope of the site is towards Brahmaputra River in the southern direction.

#### B. Ecological Resources

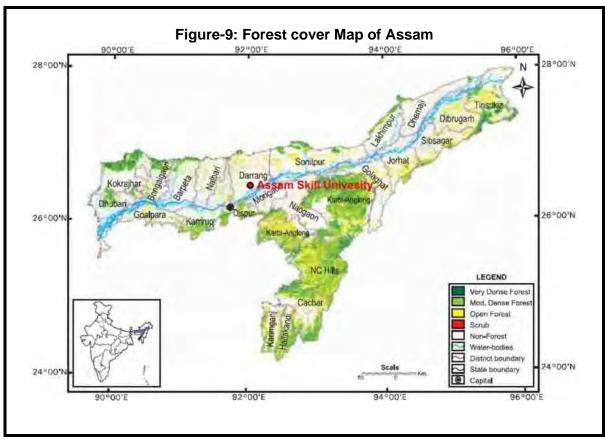
#### (i) Forests

33. Various types of forests in Assam currently cover an area of nearly 28,326.51 km², which is about 36.11% of the total land area of the state. The variation in the landscape has created great diversity of flora and fauna. In terms of forest canopy density classes, the State has 2,794.86 km² under Very Dense Forest (VDF), 10,278.91 km² under Moderately Dense Forest (MDF) and 15,252.74 km² under Open Forest (OF). Darrang district has about 5.64 % forest of total geographic area of the district. The most portions of these forest areas are managed by the Forest Department. The forest areas under very dense, moderately dense and open category are presented below in **Table-7** for Darrang district.

**Table-7: Different Categories of Forests in Darrang District** 

District	Very Dense Forest Area (km²)	Moderately Dense Forest Area (km²)	Open (km²)	Forest	Area
Darrang	0	13.89	75.54		
Source: State Forest Department (Forest Survey of India Report - Year 2019)					

34. Five major groups of forests in Assam have been identified. These are (1) Tropical Wet Evergreen Forest, (2) Tropical Semi-evergreen Forest, (3) Tropical Moist Deciduous Forest, (4) Littoral and Swamp Forest and (5) Tropical Dry Deciduous Forest. Forest cover map for Assam is shown in **Figure -9.** 



Source: Forrest Survey of India, Year 2020

35. The ASU site does not fall within any reserved, protected, or revenue forest areas. The newly added 40 Bigha area in the ASU plot is also not part of any reserved, protected or revenue forest areas. The forest area in Darrang district is low because it is an agriculture dominated area and is in the flood plains of Brahmaputra.

#### (ii) Flora and Fauna around ASU Site

36. The ASU site is at the outer skirts of Mangaldai town. There are no protected areas within 15 km radius. Around the ASU site, one only finds domesticated fauna. At present there are no trees at site. There is presence of shrubs in some portions of ASU site. The common trees in the surroundings of ASU site (more than 40 meters away from the boundary) are given in **Table-8**. The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) category of each tree species is also given in Table-8. Some tree species belong to near threatened (NT), vulnerable (VU) and endangered (EN) categories. But none of these species are present at ASU site and these are not expected to be impacted during construction and operation phases.

Table-8: Common Tree Species around ASU Site

SI. No.	Scientific Name	Common Name	IUCN Category
1.	Aegle marmelos	Bel	Near Threatened (NT)
2.	Alangiumchinense	Kodalkonia	not available
3.	Albizia lucida	Hoj	Least Concern (LC)
4.	Albiziaodoratissima	Chamkorai Heharu	Least Concern (LC)
5.	Acrocarpusfraxinifolius	Mandhani	Least Concern (LC)

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SI. No.	Scientific Name	Common Name	IUCN Category
6.	Acrocarpusintegrifolia	Borpat	Least Concern (LC)
7.	Acrocarpusprocera	Korai	Least Concern (LC)
8.	Anona squamosa	Custard apple	Least Concern (LC)
9.	Azadirachtaindica	Neem	Least Concern (LC)
10.	Bauhinia purpurea	Kanchan	Least Concern (LC)
11.	Brideliaretusa	Kohir	Least Concern (LC)
12.	Bauhinia malabarica	Tengakotra	Least Concern (LC)
13.	Barringtoniaacutangula	Hijal	Least Concern (LC)
14.	Bombax malabarica	Simalu	Least Concern (LC)
15.	Carallia lucida	Mohithekara	not available
16.	Callicarpa arborea	Maskiita	Least Concern (LC)
17.	Caseariaglomerata	Telbhurukia	Least Concern (LC)
18.	Cassia fistula	Sonam	Least Concern (LC)
19.	Celtistimorensis	Mahila	Least Concern (LC)
20.	Cordia dichotoma	Ghapakharea	Least Concern (LC)
21.	Craetera religiosa	Barun	Least Concern (LC)
22.	Croton oblongifolius	Makhunda	Least Concern (LC)
23.	Callistemon linearis	Bottle brush	not available
24.	Canariumbengalensis	Dhuna	not available
25.	Canarium strictum	Dhuna	not available
26.	Cassia javanica	Malayan cassia	Least Concern (LC)
27.	Chrysophyllusslanceolatum	Bon pitha	not available
28.	Celbapentandra	White silk cotton	Least Concern (LC)
29.	Cinnnamomumcamophora	Karpur	not available
30.	Cordia sebestina	Lolu	Least Concern (LC)
31.	Anthocephaluschinensis	Kodam	not available
32.	Artocarpuschama	Chamkathal	not available
33.	Artocarpusintegrifolia	Kathal	not available
34.	Acacia auriculiformis	Akasmani	Least Concern (LC)
35.	Acacia catechu	Khair	not available
36.	Crescentia cujete	Bilatibel	Least Concern (LC)
37.	Caesalpiniapulcherina	Radhasurea	not available
38.	Dalbergia sissoo	Sisu	Least Concern (LC)
39.	Derris robusta	Kothriakorai	not available
40.	Dilleniaindica	Outenga	Least Concern (LC)
41.	Dilleniascabrella	Banjole	Least Concern (LC)
42.	Diospyros variegata	Koliori	not available
43.	Dysoxylumbinectariferum	Bandardima	Least Concern (LC)
44.	Dalbergialatifolia	Rose wood	Vulnerable (VU)
45.	Dipterocarpus retusus	Holang	Endangered (EN)
46.	Ehretiaacuninata	Gual	Least Concern (LC)
47.	Erythrina stricta	Modre	Least Concern (LC)
48.	Eugenia balsamea	Goolhajam	Least Concern (LC)

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SI. No.	Scientific Name	Common Name	IUCN Category
49.	Elaeocarpus floribundus	Jalpai	not available
50.	E. ganitrus	Rudrakesha	Least Concern (LC)
51.	Eucalyptus tereticornis	Red gum	Least Concern (LC)
52.	E. globules	Blue gum	Least Concern (LC)
53.	E. citriodora	Lemon scented	not available
54.	Exbucklandiapopulnea	Diengdok	not available
55.	Ficusbengalensis	Bot	not available
56.	F. benjamina	Joribor	not available
57.	F elastica	Athabor, Indian	Least Concern (LC)
58.	F. hispida	Dimoru	Least Concern (LC)
59.	F. religiosa	Ahat	Least Concern (LC)
60.	F. cunia	Kongroy	Least Concern (LC)
61.	Flacourtiajongomus	Poniyal	Least Concern (LC)
62.	Garcinia cowa	Kujithekera	Least Concern (LC)
63.	G. pedunculata	Borthekera	Least Concern (LC)
64.	G. xanthochymus	Tepontenga	Least Concern (LC)
65.	Gliricideasepium	Madera	Least Concern (LC)
66.	Garugapinnata	Rohini	Least Concern (LC)
67.	Glochidionlancedarum	Armlochan	Least Concern (LC)
68.	Glochiolionsphaerogynum	Bob Jagru	Least Concern (LC)
69.	Magnolia griffithii	Gahorisopa	Data deficient (DD)
70.	Machilusbombycina	Som	Least Concern (LC)
71.	Manilkarahexandra	Oubard	Least Concern (LC)
72.	Mesuaferrea	Nahae	not available
73.	Melia azedarch	Ghoranim	Least Concern (LC)
74.	Memelyloncerasiforma	Kakoichera	Least Concern (LC)
75.	Micheliachampaca	Titasopa	not available
76.	M. oblonga	Phulsopa	not available
77.	M. montana	Phulsopa	Least Concern (LC)
78.	Mimusopselongi	Bakul	Least Concern (LC)
79.	Morus macroura	Bola	Least Concern (LC)
80.	Moringa oleifera	Sajina	Least Concern (LC)
81.	Myristicakingii	Amol	Least Concern (LC)
82.	Mallotusferrugineus	Larubandha	not available
83.	Mangiferaindica	Am (Mango)	not available
84.	Micromelumminutum	Sagladi	not available
85.	Nyctanthesarbortristis	Sewali	not available
86.	Oroxylumindicum	Bhatghila	not available
87.	Premhalatifolia	Gonara	Least Concern (LC)
88.	Palaquiumpolyanthum	Kurta	Least Concern (LC)
89.	Pongamiapinrata	Tamsica	Least Concern (LC)
90.	Phoebe goalparensis	Bonscn	Least Concern (LC)
91.	Polyalthialongifolia	Debdaru	Least Concern (LC)

SI. No.	Scientific Name	Common Name	IUCN Category
92.	P. pendula	Pendulum tree	Least Concern (LC)
93.	Psidium guajara	Madhuriam	Least Concern (LC)
94.	Putrajivaroxburghii	Putranjibi	Least Concern (LC)
95.	Phyllanthus emblica	Amlakhi	Least Concern (LC)
96.	Sapiumbaccatum	Cheleng	Least Concern (LC)
97.	Semecarpus anacardium	Bhela	not available
98.	Syzygiumcumini	Kalajam	Least Concern (LC)
99.	Shorearobusta	Sal	Least Concern (LC)
100.	Spathodeacampanulata	Fountain tree	not available
101.	Spondiuspinnata	Amorea	not available
102.	Swietenia macrophylla	Mahogeni	Vulnerable (VU)
103.	S. mahagoni	Mahogeni	not available
104.	Santalum album	Chanolan	Vulnerable (VU)
105.	Talaumahodgsonii	Bovehamthuri	not available
106.	Tectonagrandis	Segun	not available
107.	Terminalia chebula	Silikka	Least Concern (LC)
108.	T Arjuna	Arjun	not available
109.	T. belerica	Bhoora	not available

Source: Site and surrounding Observations of ASDM Site Team and Environmental Specialist

- 37. The fauna in the surroundings of ASU site includes Wild Boar, Jungle Cat, Asiatic Jackal, Bengal Fox, Small Indian Civet, Indian Grey Mongoose, Small Asian Mongoose, Rhesus Macaque, Assam Macaque, Capped Langur, Bengal Slow Loris, Indian Palm Squirrel, Porcupine, Lesser Bandicoot Rat, Hoary Bamboo Rat, Indian flying Fox, short nosed Indian fruit Bat, Least horseshoe Bat. The reptiles include Tree frog, Ornamented Pygmy, Indian bull frog, Common Pond Frog, Water frog, Common Rat Snake, Northeastern Kukri, Golden Tree Snake, Banded Krait, Indian Roofed Turtle, Indian Soft Shell, Peacock, etc. The common avian in the project ASU site and surroundings are Little grebe, Little cormorant, Grey Heron, Pond Heron, Smaller egret, Little egret, Stork, Lesser adjutant stork, Large whistling teal, Pintail, Common teal, Pariah kite, While backed vulture, Pied Harrier, Crested Serpent eagle Coot, Common Sand piper, Spotted dove, The cuckoo, Koel, Spotted owlet, Common kingfisher, Copper smith, Pied wood pecker. None of these birds are of the threatened or endangered category (Reference: Discussion with Forest Department Officials at Mangaldai and Guwahati in February 2021).
- 38. There are no endangered or rare species of fauna as project site is located close to Mangaldai town.
- 39. The water bodies around ASU site are seasonal in nature. There is not much presence of aquatic life in the water bodies close to the site as these are shallow ponds /low lying areas, which get dried up in winter and summer months. The site is surrounded by open agriculture land and sparse habitation.

#### (iii) Protected Areas

40. The list of protected areas (National Parks and Wildlife Sanctuaries) in Assam is given in **Table 9**. In Darrang district, there is no National Park or wildlife sanctuary. The boundary of nearest National Park (Orang) is about 35 km from ASU site. The map of protected areas is shown in **Figure-10**.

## **Table-9: Protected Areas in Assam**

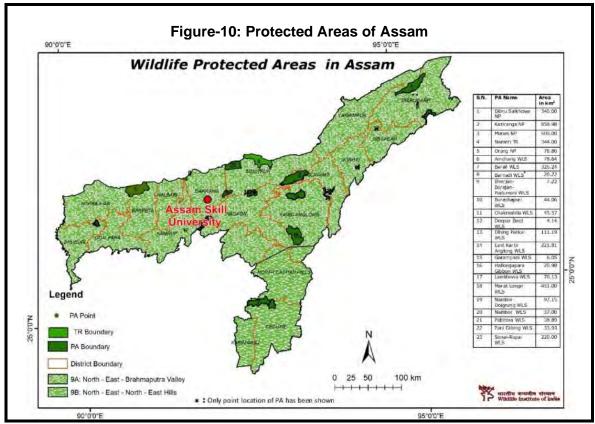
(a) National Parks

Name	Location	Area (km²)	Year of Notification
Kaziranga National Park	Golaghat, Nagaon district and Karbi Anglong	858.98	1905
Manas National Park	Kokrajhar, Chirang, Baksa, Bajali and Udalguri,	950.00	1985
Nameri National Park	Sonitpur	200.00	1978
Dibru-Saikhowa National Park	Dibrugarh and Tinsukia district	340.00	1978
Orang National Park	Udalguri and Sonitpur district	78.81	1999
Dehing Patkai National Park	Dibrugarh and Tinsukia district	231.65	2020

# (b) Wildlife Sanctuaries

Name	Location	Area (km²)	Year of Notification
Hoollongapar Gibbon Sanctuary	<u>Jorhat</u>	20.98	1997
Garampani Wildlife Sanctuary	Karbi Anglong	6.05	1952
Bura Chapori Wildlife Sanctuary	<u>Sonitpur</u>	44.06	1995
Bornadi Wildlife Sanctuary	<u>Udalguri</u>	26.22	1980
Sonai Rupai Wildlife Sanctuary	<u>Sonitpur</u>	220.00	1998
Pobitora Wildlife Sanctuary	<u>Marigaon</u>	38.80	1987
Panidihing Bird Sanctuary	<u>Sibsagar</u>	33.93	1995
Bherjan-Borajan-Padumoni Wildlife Sanctuary	<u>Tinsukia</u>	7.22	1999
Nambor Wildlife Sanctuary	Karbi Anglong	37.00	2000
East Karbi-Anglong Wildlife Sanctuary	Karbi Anglong	222.81	2000
Laokhowa Wildlife Sanctuary	<u>Nagaon</u>	70.13	1972
Chakrashila Wildlife Sanctuary	Dhubri and Kokrajhar	45.57	1994
Marat Longri Wildlife Sanctuary	Karbi Anglong	arbi Anglong 451.00 2003	
Nambor-Doigrung Wildlife Sanctuary	<u>Golaghat</u>	97.15	2003
Dehing Patkai Wildlife Sanctuary	Dibrugarh and Tinsukia	111.19	2004
Borail Wildlife Sanctuary	Cachar and <u>Dima</u> <u>Hasao</u>	326.25	2004
Amsang Wildlife Sanctuary	<u>Guwahati</u>	78.64	2004
Dipor Bil Wildlife Sanctuary	Kamrup	4.14	1989

Source: Department of Environment and Forest, Govt. of Assam, Year 2020)



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## C. Economic Resources Industries

41. Being an agriculture prominent district, there are no large industrial units in the Mangaldai and surroundings. As shown in **Table-10** for Darrang district, there are micro, small, and medium enterprises focusing on agro-products, food, cotton textiles, etc.

Table-10: Details of Existing Micro and Small Enterprises and Artisan Units in Darrang District

NIC Code No	Type of Industry	Number of Units	Employment
10	Manufacture of Food Products	43	1,917
11	Manufacture Beverages	1	10
13	Manufacture of Textiles	3	95
17	Manufacture of Paper and Paper Products	3	47
20	Agro based	1	10
22	Soda water	4	36
23	Cotton textile	34	623
24	Woolen, silk & artificial Thread based clothes.	1	15
27.	Wood/wooden based furniture	1	10
31.	Chemical/Chemical based	1	10

Source: Statistical Handbook of Assam (Year 2016)

#### **Transportation**

42. The ASU site is well connected with Guwahati, West Bengal, and other states of north- eastern region of the country through various national highways and state highways. The nearest rail head is Tangla at about 35 km from ASU site. The nearest operating airport is Guwahati from the ASU site, and its distance is about 74 km. No clearance or permission from Airport Authority of India (AAI) is needed for the construction of ASU campus.

#### **Land Use**

43. A study of the land use (**Table-11**) shows that most of the area in Darrang district is under agriculture and non-agriculture uses. It is also clear that forest land and waste land is not significant. The land use of ASU site is rural open land under the ownership of GoA. If land use of ASU site is to be seen in terms of classification of **Tables 11**, it will fall under 'Land put to non-agriculture uses'.

**Table-11: Land Use Pattern of Darrang District** 

Land use	Area (In 000' hectare)
Geographical Area	158.5
Forest land	10.541
Culturable Waste land	3.879
Land put to Non-Agriculture Uses	97.319
Gross Cropped Area	132.670
Net Area Sown	73.319
Area Sown more than once	59.351

Source: District Irrigation Plan 2016-2020 for Darrang District

44. **Agricultural Development**. Darrang district is basically agrarian, where more than 65 percent of the population is engaged in agriculture and allied activities. Agriculture in Darrang is characterized by small holdings operated by family labor, both men & women. Average land holding size in Darrang is 0.95 ha. However, small & marginal farmers who make up 89 % of land holders, have an average farm size of 0.57 ha. Fruits and cash crops are a major source of income. Paddy is the principal crop grown in the district and autumn paddy, winter paddy and summer paddy are the three main types of paddy grown in the district. Next to paddy, wheat, rapeseed and mustard, sugarcane and vegetables are the main agricultural produce. Among cash crops, jute accounted for 3.2 % and sugarcane 0.38 % of the total cropped area.

#### **Electrification**

45. The Rural Electrification in Darrang district is 100%.

## D. Social and Cultural Resources

# **Population and Communities**

46. As per 2011Census, the total population of Darrang was 928,500, with density of population 586 per sq. km, which is higher than the state average of 398. The decadal variation of population for 2001-2011 was 22.19 percent, which had experienced much higher decadal variations during last several decades. Witnessing quite a sluggish process of urbanization, most people in Darrang live in the villages. The district is predominantly rural

with more than 94 per cent of the total population in the district residing in rural area while the urban population is 5.98 percent which is lower than the state average of 14.1 percent. In terms of religious composition, around 58 per cent of the total population in the district is hindu while the muslim constitutes more than 35 per cent of the total population. Almost all the muslims live in the rural areas, while around 4 percent of the hindus live in urban areas. The other minority communities constitute less than seven per cent of the total population of the district. In the district, Dalgaon Revenue Circle is the most populous having 473585 persons while Khoirabari is the least populous Revenue Circle having 8398 persons. Darrang district is basically agrarian, where more than 65 percent of the population is engaged in agriculture and allied activities. Out of the total population, 39.85 percent population was involved in agriculture as a main source of income and livelihood. Around 25 percent of the total population had agricultural laborers. Moreover, males were predominantly involved in agriculture and allied activities with 43.60 percent while women share was 27.97 percent of the total population of district. However, women were overwhelmingly occupied in manufacturing and production in household, small scale industry, rearing of livestock and collection of forest woods etc. Like elsewhere, women are also engaged in agricultural labor.

#### **Health facilities**

47. Darrang district has one civil hospital, 30 Primary Health Centers, 1 First Referral Unit, 6 Community Health Centers, and 163 Sub Centers of Community Health Centers. In addition to above mentioned government run health facilities, there are many privately owned facilities available in major urban centers of the district. At the ASU there will be one medical Centre having first aid and referral facilities. The Darrang district hospital is about 3 km from ASU site.

#### **Education facilities**

48. In Darrang district there are 1,096 primary schools, 154 Middle Schools, 1,656 Senior Secondary Schools and 18 colleges. There are many technical education training institutes. The current ASU project will also contribute towards skills development and employability of youth from the Assam and North- Eastern states.

## **Archaeological Resources**

49. There are no heritage sites notified by Archaeological Survey of India (ASI) within 300 m distance from the ASU site. Similarly, no common property resources such as public wells, water tanks, playgrounds, common grassing grounds or pastures, market areas and community buildings exist at the ASU site.

#### IV. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT AND MITIGATION MEASURES

## A. Environmental Impacts

- 50. Any project creating physical infrastructure will have some impact on the environment. This addendum IEE examines the potential impacts anticipated during the construction and operation phases due to construction and development of ASU campus phase I buildings and other support infrastructure:
  - (i) **Location impacts:** Impact associated with location of the project including effect on the environment and resettlement or livelihood related impacts on communities.
  - (ii) **Design impacts and pre-construction impacts:** Impact arising from project design, including the technology used, scale of operations, discharge standards, topographic survey, geotechnical survey, etc.
  - (iii) **Construction impacts:** Impact resulting from construction activities including site clearance, earthworks, civil works, etc.; and
  - (iv) **Operation and maintenance impacts:** Impact associated with the operation and maintenance of the ASU campus.
- 51. ADB's REA checklist for buildings was used while screening the site and location of ASU and recommending mitigation measures.

## B. Location Impacts

- The ASU site with 250 Bigha area is located on unencumbered land owned by ASDM, GoA. The construction works will be on the delineated plot as per drawings issued to the contractor. There are no significant ecological resources in the surroundings of ASU site as it is lying vacant and is close to Mangaldai town. There are sparse houses outside the plot boundary of ASU. There are no heritage sites notified by ASI or State Archaeological Department within the delineated site or in the immediate surroundings (300 m distance). The nearest archaeological site to ASU is at a distance of 35km from ASU site. No significant impacts can arise due to ASU location as its components including boundary wall will not impinge upon any area of ecological, archaeological, or historical importance. The ASU site is not in the immediate vicinity of national highway or state highway. The distance of National Highway-15 (connecting Guwahati and Mangaldai) is about 1 km, so air and noise pollution impacts on ASU are not anticipated on account of vehicular traffic. The road connecting to ASU site with National Highway is being strengthened by the Assam State Public Works Department with the help of GoA budget for the roads. This will be standalone activity of Assam PWD. No additional impacts due to implementation of Phase I components pertaining location have been identified.
- 53. The ASU site is located within seismic zone V and earthquakes of major magnitude may damage boundary wall and buildings of Phase I components of ASU.

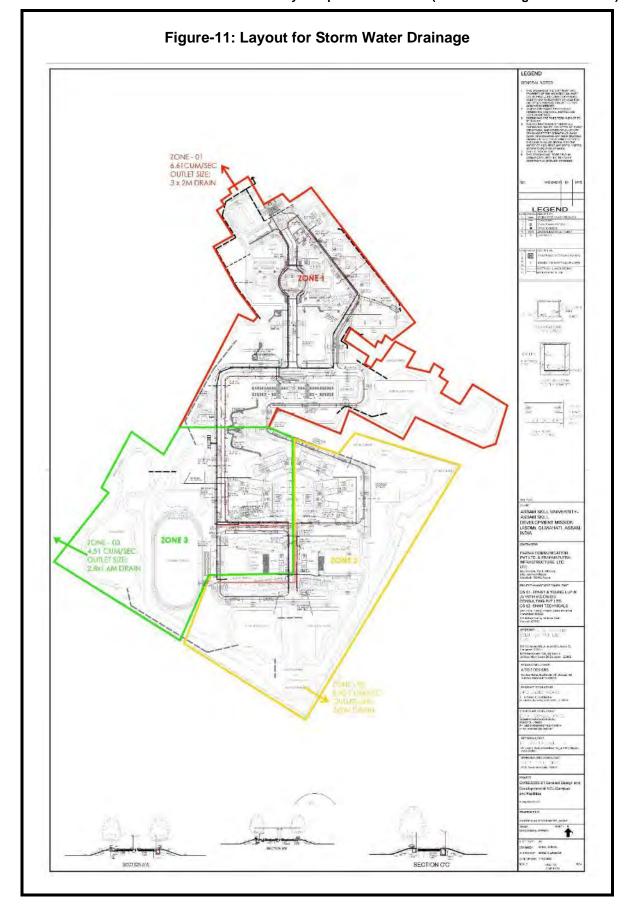
# C. Impacts during Design and Pre-Construction Phase

54. As noted above, the project site of ASU is owned by ASDM, GoA. In the absence of trees at the site, there are no issues pertaining to tree cutting. There is presence of shrubs in small portion of site. Based on the environmental screening of the ASU site, it is concluded that there are no significant adverse environmental impacts during the design and preconstruction phase of project. There are also no activities pertaining to obtaining environmental and forest clearances for the ASU project. The building plans have been

approved by the Mangaldai Development Authority. In the design, sustainable environmental management measures have been built in. There is a water logging issue in some portions of site during monsoon months. The detailed design of phase I components has taken care of this issue. The liquefaction phenomena (weak soil strength) have been identified in soil and geotechnical reports up to a depth of 10.5 m. Hence, ASU (Phase I components) detailed building design has been completed taking to account liquefaction phenomena and HFL levels of 57.2 m (100 years return period) at the site.

#### **Storm Water Drainage**

A separate and independent rainwater drainage system has been planned for collecting rainwater from terrace & buildings and shall be diverted towards the waterbody / ponds. The entire complex has been designed incorporating the landscape and gradients to ensure stormwater drainage efficiently employing as less pipe/ drain channels as possible. The waterbodies / ponds have been created to store the stormwater run-off during peak monsoon season. Saucer drain shall be provided for the roads channelizing the water to the catch basin and discharging the stormwater towards the nearest waterbody / pond. Paved areas, lawns and roads shall slope towards the saucer/waterbody. Independent rainwater down takes of appropriate size and number have been planned. The stormwater drainage system is proposed in 3 numbers of Zones to ensure multiple outfall points for the discharging of the stormwater. The total storm water from all three zones has been estimated at 18.01 m<sup>3</sup>/s. The sizes of the drains of Zone 01 and Zone 02 are 3m x2m and for Zone -03 is 2.8 m x1.6 m. The drainage map has been provided in **Figure-11**. The report has been reviewed by the Green Building Consultants and they have seen that drainage in three zones will aid quick drainage of site and minimum damage to surroundings. Due to marginal increase in plinth area of phase I components, change in storm water quantity generation are almost insignificant and these have been taken care in the latest storm drainage planning, therefore, no additional impacts have been identified.



#### D. Impacts during Construction Phase

- 56. All construction activities to be undertaken at the ASU site (for the Phase I components) are being approved by the PMU, ASDM through PMC and CSQA firm. The regulatory approvals required for building plans have been obtained from authorities. The construction stage impacts due to the phase I components are generic to the construction activities. The EMP emphasizes the construction impacts and necessary mitigation measures to be strictly followed by the contractor and supervised by the PMU and its authorized agency appointed (PMC) by the ASDM. The key potential impacts are covered in the following paragraphs.
- 57. **Impact due to stockpiles of construction materials**. Improper stockpiling of construction materials could obstruct movement of locals accessing agriculture fields, if stored outside delineated site boundary in open area. Hence, due consideration will be given for proper materials storage within the construction site. Stockpiles (sand, subgrade, and earth) will be covered (with covered bricks or polythene sheet) to protect from dust and erosion. Special care needs to be taken in monsoon months as some portions of sites are prone to water logging. All the materials are being stored within the ASU plot boundary.
- 58. **Disposal of construction waste.** The construction waste could lead to untidy conditions at site and surroundings. These wastes comprise of broken pieces of bricks, surplus earth, discarded and /or spilled construction materials, shuttering materials, etc. In the ASU construction, it shall be mandatory for the contractor to ensure proper disposal of the construction waste at the disposal site as designated by the PMU and CSQA firm.
- 59. **Quarry and Borrow pits operations.** Since the civil works are of a small size, all construction materials are being procured from market/sources compliant with the environmental regulations of India. There will not be any need for direct procurement of stone dust and sand and other building materials from quarries. The borrow pit operations are not required as the site is plain. For raising level of the site, sand from approved and operating sand quarries near Brahmaputra River is being obtained. The total fill quantity has been estimated as 450,000 m³. Necessary regulatory permissions for earthfilling works have been obtained by the ASDM.
- Increase in noise levels and vibrations. Noise levels in the immediate proximity of ASU construction site are expected to increase during construction. However, these will be largely imperceptible as civil works will be confined to relatively small area because nature of building construction works is such that it would not generate noises large enough to cause any difficulties. Further, there are no rock formations at site, so there will not be any requirement for blasting. Hence, extreme noise generations are ruled out. The distance of the nearest house is about 50 m from the boundary. The least distance of construction activity from house will be 55 m. Further, well raised (1.8 m height above ground level) barricading has been provided near the houses, so this will also help in reducing noise level exposure to houses due to construction activities of ASU campus. Transportation of construction materials is confined to daytime, depending upon the extent of construction activity. The increase in noise levels is expected to be between 3-5 dB (A) for the nature of construction works involved in the ASU campus Phase I components. This increase will be felt up to 50 m only as the first row of houses at about 50 m boundary will act as a noise barrier to other houses at farther distances. This noise will be intermittent in nature and will last only during the construction phase. Necessary monitoring of noise levels are been taken up as part of the environmental monitoring plan. After the completion of detailed design, no implications on noise generating activities have been identified.
- 61. As mentioned earlier soil liquefaction issue is observed in the soil investigation report, so based on construction methodology adopted for laying foundation of building and

infrastructure suitable construction methodology will be adopted to minimize noise and vibration. For this QAQC firm in consultation with the environmental specialist of PMC and PMU has prepared a 'statement of method' for the contractor.

- 62. **Impacts on biodiversity during construction phase.** No major impacts are expected on the biodiversity during the construction phase as the current ASU site of 250 Bigha area has no presence of trees, very minimal presence of shrubs and is in an open area. There are no endangered or rare species of flora and fauna in the surroundings of the ASU site. The site is not on migratory route of birds and seasonal ponds (low lying areas) do not attract birds. No additional impacts have been identified on biodiversity after detailed design of phase I components of ASU.
- 63. **Disturbance due to traffic during construction phase.** At the time of construction, inconvenience to locals is not anticipated as the site is accessible through an existing motorable road and away from habitation. Traffic on the connecting road to the ASU site from NH-15 is almost insignificant. However, a sample Traffic Management plan is attached in **Annexure-3.**
- 64. **Impact on cultural properties.** The ASU campus phase I components construction and development will not have any impact on any religious structure or any other structure of historical and/or cultural significance.
- 65. **Ground Water**. Ground water will be used for construction of Phase I and the contractors have taken the ground water abstraction NOC from Central Ground Water Authority. The problem of ground water contamination is not anticipated during the construction phase since there is proper disposal of the wastewater generated from the construction camp and workers' camp. Post the detailed design of phase I components no additional impacts have been identified on ground water consumption and contamination.
- 66. **Ambient Air Quality.** Generation of dust is anticipated during transportation, excavation, and construction activities. Some dust and gaseous emissions will also be generated during the construction period from machines such as mixers, and vehicles engaged in transportation of construction materials. Pollutants of primary concern at this stage include respirable and suspended particulate matter (RSPM) and gaseous emissions (NO<sub>X</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, CO, etc.). The detailed design of phase I components reveals that there is a slight increase in the built-up area. Due to this there will be slightly higher consumption and handling of construction materials. However, transportation of construction materials will be confined to a few trips per day depending upon the extent of construction activity. Therefore, impact at this stage will be temporary and restricted to the close vicinity of the ASU construction site only.
- 67. All vehicles and construction equipment operating for the contractor, CSQA firm, and PMU ASDM has obtained and maintained "Pollution under Control" (PUC) certificates. To control dust emissions, vehicles deployed for sand and aggregate haulage, are covered with tarpaulins to prevent spillage. Regular sprinkling of water during excavations, loading, unloading, vehicular movement on approach roads, and raw material transport is carried out to prevent the spread of dust and other contaminants. Periodic air quality monitoring is being conducted to ensure that emissions comply with the vehicle emission standards specified by the Gol and ambient air quality standards specified by the Central Pollution Control Board. The contractor submits air quality monitoring results as a compliance with environmental monitoring plan. The impacts related to air pollution on account of construction activities will be felt close to ASU site.
- 68. **Construction Waste.** Some waste will be generated due to excavated earth material and waste from construction. Debris and excavated earth material can be reused subject to

the approval of the Engineer during the construction. Waste generated during construction will be disposed of as per provisions of 'Construction and Demolition Waste Management Rules, 2016' and to the satisfaction of the Engineer. The disposal locations for waste has been finalized in consultation with local civic authorities and in compliance with construction and demolition waste management rules 2016. The clean-up and restoration operations will be implemented by the contractor prior to demobilization. The contractor will clear all temporary structures and dispose of all garbage from the project site. The entire construction site and surrounding vacant area will be left tidy, at the contractors' expense as per the satisfaction of the Engineer.

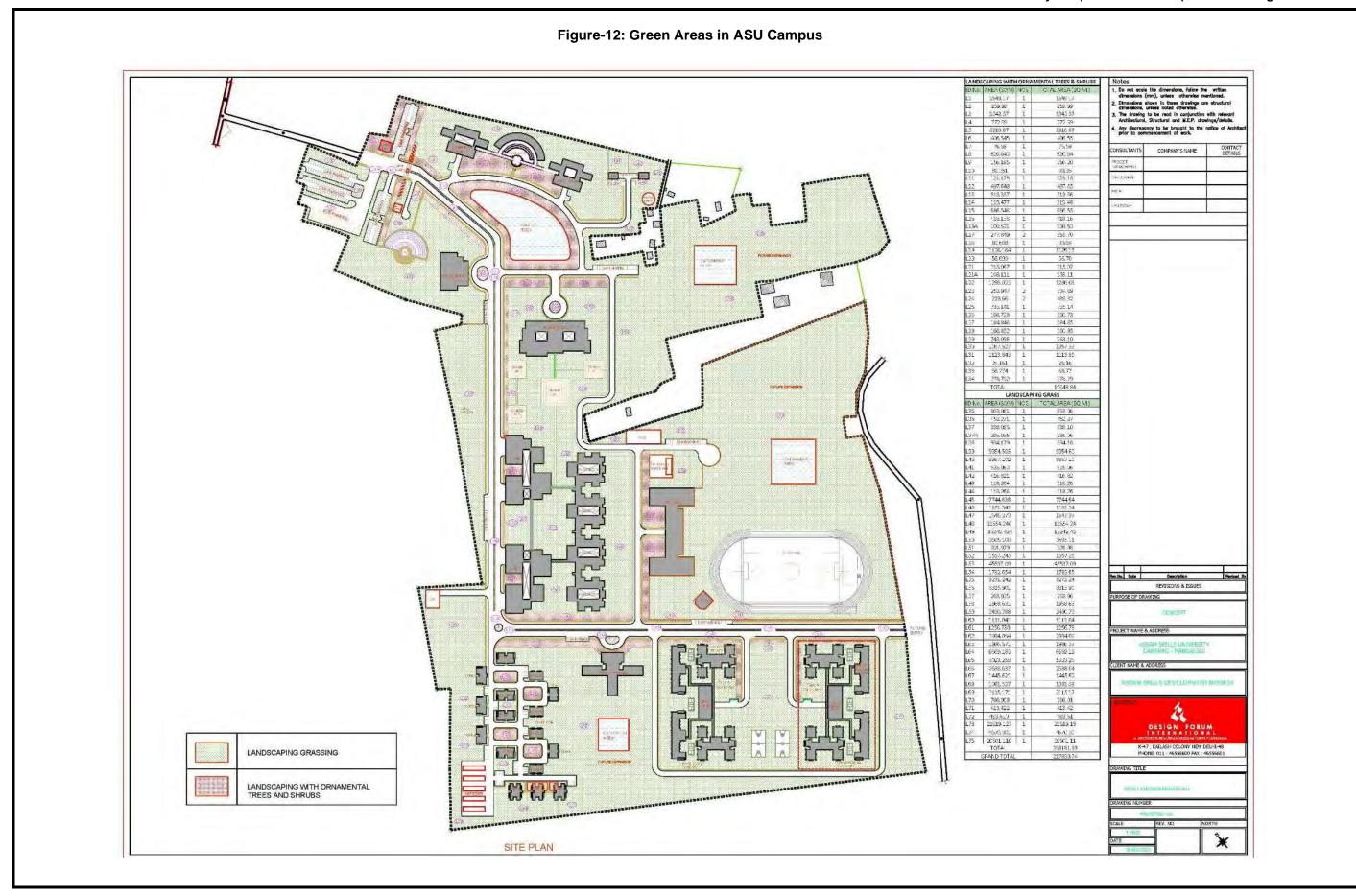
- 69. The contractor has engaged local as well as migrant labor for various construction activities. For the migrant labor, the contractor has established a properly designed labor camp with all basic amenities such as dignified well-ventilated and well-lit accommodation, potable water supply, gender segregated sanitation facilities, including provision of septic tanks and soak pits, and COVID-19 protection facilities. The permission for labor employment (registration with local labor office) has been obtained (under the Inter State Migrant Workmen (Regulation of Employment and Conditions of Service) Act, 1979). Dustbins and hand washing facilities have been provided in adequate numbers at camp site. The EMP lays down some measures to address likely adverse impacts associated with the labor camps.
- 70. Occupational Health and Safety and COVID-19. The occupational health and safety related impacts will include injury to the construction work force, chances of more accidents at site and adverse impacts on health of workers if proper measures are not adopted and necessary protection gadgets are not used. COVID-19 related impacts will cause chances of more infections if protection measures are not provided. The COVID-19 related measures should be taken up at site as per the guidelines issued by the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare and Government of Assam for the construction projects.
- 71. Site Enclosure to avoid washing of lose earth and other construction materials during monsoon. As mentioned earlier that major portion of site face water logging issues during monsoon and torrential rains. The contractor needs to take appropriate measures such as proper enclosure of site with MS sheet to avoid washing of construction materials during rains and possible damage to crops and houses in the surroundings.

## E. Environmental Impacts during Operation Phase

Since only educational activities will be undertaken at the ASU campus, there will not 72. be any adverse environmental impact during operation. Necessary regulatory permissions (such as occupancy certificate, permission from fire department, consent to operate from Assam Pollution control Board, etc.) will be obtained from civic authorities before start of operations of ASU. The ASU campus design provides for adequate parking, accommodation, and safe disposal for wastewater and solid waste. Toilet blocks will be connected to the sewage network of the ASU campus as a sewage treatment plant has been planned for wastewater treatment. The solid waste generated at ASU campus during operation phase will be segregated. Its disposal will be integrated with Mangaldai town waste disposal. There may be generation of some waste on account of maintenance and operation of solar water heating system. The supplier of the solar water heating system will be responsible for collecting the waste for possible reuse and recycling. Since STP has been planned for the wastewater treatment, effective operation, and maintenance of STP needs to be undertaken as part of ASU operations and maintenance. One medical center is planned to provide first aid and referral center. There may be generations of biomedical waste at this center. This waste needs collection and disposal as per 'Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules, 2016'.

- 73. Given the residential nature of ASU campus (Students Hostels and staff quarters), there will not be any significant vehicular increase on account of its operations. Traffic on the road connecting to the campus with NH-15 will be marginal. Hence vehicular emissions on account of traffic movement will be insignificant. A diesel generator (1500 kVA capacity) will be required, but it will be operated only during power cuts. The generator will be of the silent type and will comply with the levels stipulated by Central Pollution Control Board.
- 74. The water requirements for the ASU campus during the operation phase will be met from the ground. The water requirement has been estimated to be around 400 kLD. Necessary permission from the Central Ground Water Board will be obtained. Though the requirement is not significant, continuous withdrawal will have impact on ground water table in the surroundings of institution. This impact shall be taken care of through design of ground water recharge features (rainwater harvesting structures) in the campus. Based on raw water characteristics, necessary treatment will be provided. The treatment for raw water will include screening, reduction of total suspended solids (TSS) and hardness and disinfection to meet drinking water standards specified in IS:10500 by the Bureau of Indian Standards. The waste generated (mainly sludge) will be disposed of after appropriate treatment in low lying areas in the campus.
- 75. In the operation phase, there will be generation of different types of solid wastes (municipal waste from residential areas, biomedical waste from medical center, hazardous waste from laboratories/workshops, E-Waste from IT and computer facilities and discarded lead acid batteries). These wastes will require handling, transport, and disposal as per regulatory requirements of their respective categories to avoid environmental impacts.
- 76. There will be occupational risks due to handling and storage of hazardous and toxic chemicals in some of the laboratories and workshops. These risks include minor fire on account of leakages (e.g., LPG leakage) and injuries due to spillage.
- 77. After the detailed design of Phase I components, no additional impacts and /or environmental implications have been identified.
- 78. **Safety Measures**. The design of the ASU campus buildings includes structural and seismic safety measures required by India's latest building codes (in seismic zone V). The other safety features are explained below:
- The ASU campus will be equipped with fire-fighting systems with portable fire extinguishers and smoke detectors. The staircase will have adequate width to allow for people to exit the campus buildings during any fire-related or other eventuality.
- During natural calamities, the operations will be stopped. The trainees and staff will be safely evicted as per the disaster management plan of Darrang district.
- A medical center will be provided for first aid and preliminary treatment.
- Building design and toilet facilities will be barrier-free for physically challenged persons.
- 79. **Socio-economic Impacts.** The project will have positive socio-economic impact during construction as it will provide employment and business opportunities. In the operation phase, the ASU functioning will also have a positive socio-economic impact since it will provide Assam and other north-eastern states youth and adults an opportunity to enhance job-oriented skills at an affordable price. In addition to the above, local economy will also grow through demand of houses on rentals, local goods consumption, service shops operations and operations of eateries in the Mangaldai town specially ASU campus surroundings.

- 80. **Flora and Fauna.** The ASU campus land is owned by the GoA. In the absence of any trees or vegetation, no adverse impact on fauna and flora is anticipated. No tree cutting is required. Further, in the ASU campus, plantation of shrubs and landscaping will be taken up along the pathways and vacant spaces to enhance natural ambience. The total area available for shrubs and tree plantation is 217,830.74 m². This comprises of 19,648.84 m² for landscaping with ornamental trees and shrubs plantation and 198,181.89 m² for landscaping with grassing. The ASU layout plan showing green areas is given in **Figure-12**. There is no existence of any wildlife/bird sanctuary, national park or any other area notified by the GoA or MoEFCC for ecological importance within an aerial distance of 15 km from the ASU site. There has been no reduction in green area after the detailed design of Phase I components.
- 81. **Emergency Plan for Accident and Natural Hazards.** For operation phase, onsite emergency plan will be prepared by the ASU. For natural calamities, the Disaster Management Plan prepared by GoA for Darrang district will be followed. The GoA has prepared district wise Disaster Management Plans as per provisions of Disaster Management Act 2005 of Government of India.
- 82. **Maintenance of Drainage System in the Campus.** It is clear from the earlier description that project site receives around 1,637.3 mm average rainfall, so there will be flooding issues in campus if drainage system is not maintained properly.



## F. Description of Planned Mitigation Measures for the Identified Impacts

- 83. Screening of environmental impacts is based on the magnitude and duration of the impact. **Table-12** summarizes the potential environmental impacts for ASU for the project life cycle. The mitigation measures including the institutional responsibilities for implementing the same have also been summarized. The subproject site is located sufficiently away from protected areas and the components proposed will not impact any environmentally sensitive or protected areas. All subproject activities including construction and operation will take place within available government land. When national regulations differ from the performance levels and measures presented in WBEHS Guidelines, projects are expected to achieve whichever is more stringent. If less stringent measures are appropriate in view of specific project circumstances, a detailed justification of the applied standard or guideline shall be provided during implementation.
- 84. The baseline monitoring for ambient air quality of the Project area has been undertaken by the civil works contractor prior to commencing with the works. The proposed mitigation measures are expected to maintain the overall ambient air quality during construction and operation stages. The interventions proposed through the mitigation measures are not expected to improve the prevailing ambient air quality. The air emissions from the construction activities has been monitored for compliance with the national standards as required by the regulatory framework. During implementation, no activities are envisaged that would contribute to deterioration of ambient air quality. The WBEHS guidelines have emission limits more stringent than the NAAQS for PM<sub>10</sub>, PM<sub>2.5</sub> and SO<sub>2</sub>. If the prevailing ambient air quality is observed to be exceeding WBEHS guidelines and/or NAAQS, the efforts would be made to maintain the ambient air quality through the mitigation measures.
- 85. The mitigation measures detailed are sufficient as no additional and specific environmental implications/impacts have been identified after the detailed design of Phase I components of the ASU project.

**Table-12: Summary of Environmental Impacts and Planned Mitigation Measures** 

SI. No.	Potential Environmental Issues	Duration or Extent	Magnitude	Proposed Mitigation Measures	Institutional Responsibilities
1	Location Impacts				
1.1	Lack of sufficient planning to ensure long term sustainability of the ASU campus features and ensure protection especially from earthquake and other natural disasters	Permanent	Major	The detailed design of ASU campus Phase I components have been completed considering earthquake coefficient of zone V. To take care of liquefaction phenomenon at site appropriate foundation with adequate strength is adopted as per findings of geotechnical and soil investigation report. This report is vetted by Assam Engineering College Guwahati.  The site is not on the bank of any river or major stream.  During the earthquake or any other natural calamity, the Disaster Management Plan prepared by the Darrang district administration will be followed. It will be updated for ASU campus in coordination with district administration.  To address the water logging issue at site an effective drainage system has been designed based on hydrological study and historical flood data of Brahmaputra River. A storm water drainage plan based on 3 zones with a total storm water capacity of 18.01 m³/s, is prepared, and this will be implemented.  To avoid water logging issues at site, filling with sand and earth will be carried out and quantity of fill is about 4,50,000 m³ and this will be obtained from quarries compliant with environmental regulations of State and India. All regulatory permissions for transport and usage to be obtained by Civil Contractor before start of earth works.	Contractor, PMU, ASDM

SI. No.	Potential Environmental Issues	Duration or Extent	Magnitude	Proposed Mitigation Measures	Institutional Responsibilities
2	Design and Pre-construction	Impacts			-
2.1	Consents, permits, clearances, no objection certificates (NOC), etc.	Permanent	Minor	Obtain all necessary consents, permits, clearance, NOCs, etc. prior to start of civil works.  Acknowledge in writing and provide report on compliance with all the obtained consents, permits, clearance, NOCs, land ownership records (Annexure-4), etc.  Include in detailed design drawings and documents all conditions and provisions, if necessary.	Contractor, ASDM, and PMU
2.2	Environmental monitoring in respect of ambient air quality, water quality and noise levels to establish baseline levels	Preconstruction, immediately after mobilization	Nil	Contractor has carried out environmental monitoring immediately after mobilization to establish baseline in respect of ambient air quality, water quality (ground and surface), and noise levels.	Contractor, ASDM, and PMU
2.3	Layout of components to avoid impact on the aesthetics of the ASU site	Permanent	Minor	The ASU campus Phase I buildings will not have any adverse impacts on aesthetics of project site and surroundings and exteriors of campus buildings will be like the exteriors of buildings in the project region as well as matching with institutional looks. There will be positive impacts as green areas to be developed in campus will enhance look of the area.	Contractor, ASDM, and PMU
2.4	Increased storm water runoff from alterations of the site's natural drainage patterns due to landscaping, excavation works, construction of parking lots, and addition of paved surface	Permanent	Moderate	The detailed ASU layout and design have considered storm water runoff. This will be provided through the development of existing seasonal water ponds (low lying areas) into water bodies within the campus. The capacity of these ponds will be increased through excavation. Part of storm water will be diverted to these water bodies and part will be channeled through drainage system (local drains) outside campus. The drainage plan has been prepared and this will be implemented.	Contractor, ASDM, PMU
2.5	Integration of energy efficiency and energy conservation programs in the ASU campus planning and	Permanent	Moderate	The following energy efficiency measures have been adopted in the ASU campus Phase I components design and subsequent implementation:	Contractor, ASDM, and PMU

SI. No.	Potential Environmental Issues	Duration or Extent	Magnitude	Proposed Mitigation Measures	Institutional Responsibilities
	design			<ul> <li>Installation of BEE certified equipment at the workshop, laboratories, classrooms and other facilities.</li> <li>Usage of energy efficient lighting fixtures (LED and solar). The disposal of discarded LED should be done in consultation with civic bodies and supplier.</li> <li>Solar energy usage for water heating.</li> <li>Solar energy utilization for lighting. Roof top solar system of 100 kVA proposed.</li> </ul>	
2.6	Impacts on flora and fauna	Temporary	Minor	There is no requirement for tree cutting for the development of ASU campus I components. There was a requirement for removal of locally grown shrubs in some portion of ASU site. The removal of shrubs was only from areas delineated for construction This loss of shrubs will be made up during landscaping and tree plantation works of the ASU. The total area for landscaping will be 217830.74 m² and 3,000 trees and shrubs will be planted. The detailed landscaping and tree plantation plan will be prepared during project implementation at the end of construction phase.	Contractor, PMU, and PMC
3	Construction Impacts				
3.1	Construction camps - location, selection, design and layouts	Temporary	Moderate	Construction camp at the ASU site has been located within the ASU plot. The construction camp will not affect the day-to-day activities of local residents as the workforce will be around 200 Adequate sanitation facilities (with septic tanks and soak pits) shall be provided at camp site so that no wastewater will be discharged outside.	Contractor, ASDM, and PMU
3.2	Traffic circulation plan during construction	Temporary	Minor	Prior to commencement of site activities and mobilization on ground, the contractor will prepare a traffic circulation plan for safe passage of local traffic during construction stage. This will include alternative access routes (for any emergency	Contractor, CSQA firm, and PMU

SI. No.	Potential Environmental Issues	Duration or Extent	Magnitude	Proposed Mitigation Measures	Institutional Responsibilities
				access), traffic regulations, signages, etc. The contractor will get these plans approved from the traffic police with the assistance of CSQA firm and PMU. In the peak time construction related traffic will not exceed 20-25 vehicles per hour, including vehicles in use of construction crew to travel to site.  The contractor will disseminate the traffic circulation plan around the project site.	•
3.3	Impacts on flora and fauna	Temporary	Minor	The PMU and PMC regularly conduct site induction and environmental awareness program for the construction workers and CSQA team at site. The workers are also sensitized not to cut the trees (outside site) for firewood and not to hunt local fauna. The construction related activities are being limited within the site of ASU to minimize impacts on flora and fauna.  Storage of construction materials is within the project site limits to avoid impacts on flora (local shrubs).	Contractor, PMU, PMC, and CSQA firm
3.4	Clearance activities, including delineation of construction areas for various buildings and facilities	Temporary	Moderate	The commencement of clearance activities for the ASU campus was undertaken with due permission from local civic authorities and from the environment specialist of the PMU/PMC to minimize environmental impacts.  All areas used for temporary construction operations will be subject to complete restoration to their former conditions with appropriate rehabilitation procedures.	Contractor, CSQA firm, PMU, and PMC
3.5	Drinking water availability	Temporary	Major	A sufficient supply of potable water is provided and maintained at the construction site and construction camp. If the drinking water is obtained from an intermittent public water supply, then storage tanks will be provided.	Contractor, CSQA firm, PMU, and PMC
3.6	Waste disposal	Permanent	Major	Location of disposal site for construction waste finalized by the environmental specialists of the PMU and PMC. The PMU has confirmed the location of	Contractor, CSQA firm, PMU, and PMC

SI. No.	Potential Environmental Issues	Duration or Extent	Magnitude	Proposed Mitigation Measures	Institutional Responsibilities
				disposal. Further, it will be ensured that disposal of the material will not impact the seasonal water body (at site) or environmentally sensitive areas. For the disposal, Construction and Demolition Waste Management Rules, 2016 will be followed.	
3.7	Stockpiling of construction materials	Temporary	Moderate	Stockpiling of construction materials does not impact or obstruct the local small drains and stockpiles will be covered to protect from dust and erosion. The stockpiles shall be bunded so that these are not washed away during intense rainfall.	Contractor, CSQA firm, PMU, and PMC
3.9	Soil and water pollution due to fuel and lubricants, construction waste	Temporary	Moderate	The fuel storage and vehicle cleaning at site is being avoided and in future also it shall be avoided as far as possible. In case of unavoidable circumstances, fuel storage shall be in the leak proof drums and storage of drums should be on temporary raised paved platform.  The vehicle and equipment maintenance shall be taken at the authorized workshops only to avoid pollution at site.	Contractor, CSQA firm, PMU, and PMC
3.10	Soil erosion	Temporary	Moderate	Temporary slope protection (side slopes of roads, side drains along roads in campus and excavated locations of plinths) may be required during construction at the excavated areas.  Adequate measures will be taken up so that there is no soil erosion causing risks in the vicinity.	Contractor, CSQA firm, PMU, and PMC
3.11	Siltation of existing water ponds due to spillage of construction wastes	Temporary	Moderate	No disposal of construction wastes will be carried out into the existing small water ponds at site. These will be developed as water bodies during campus development. The waste materials will be transported to the pre-identified disposal site for safe disposal. This disposal site has been identified by the PMC, PMU, and CSQA firm in consultation with local civic authorities.	Contractor, CSQA firm, PMU, and PMC
3.12	Generation of dust	Temporary	Moderate	The contractor will take every precaution to reduce the levels of dust at the construction site. The ASU	Contractor, CSQA firm, PMU, and PMC

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				campus site has been barricaded with adequate height (2-3m) prefabricated mild steel sheets near the habitations to avoid air emissions and dust impacts in the surroundings of site due to construction activities.	•
3.13	Emission from construction vehicles, equipment and machinery	Temporary	Moderate	Vehicles, equipment, and machinery used for construction will conform to the relevant standards (vehicular emission standards of GoI and CPCB specified standards for equipment and machinery) and will be regularly maintained to ensure that pollution emission levels comply with the relevant requirements. The materials shall be covered while transportation. The vehicles will also have reverse horns and blinkers.	Contractor, CSQA firm, PMU, and PMC
3.14	Noise pollution and Vibrations	Temporary	Moderate	Noise limits for construction equipment used in this project will not exceed 70 dB (A). Regular monitoring will be taken up at the site as per the monitoring plan.  Suitable construction methods as well as adequate strength foundations will be laid to counteract liquefaction phenomenon. For this a method of statement for construction has been prepared by the environmental specialists of PMC and PMU (in consultation with QAQC firm) and issued to the contractor.	Contractor, CSQA firm, PMU, and PMC
3.15	Material handling at site	Temporary	Moderate	The workers are being provided and would be provided in future also with appropriate personal protective equipment commensurate with the safety and health risks associated with the activities such as workers employed (i) on mixing cement, lime mortars, concrete, etc., would be provided with protective footwear and protective goggles; and (ii) in welding works, would be provided with welder's protective eye-shields.	Contractor, CSQA firm, PMU, and PMC

SI. No.	Potential Environmental Issues	Duration or Extent	Magnitude	Proposed Mitigation Measures	Institutional Responsibilities
				Workers engaged in stone breaking activities will be provided with protective goggles, masks and clothing.	
				The use of any toxic chemical (paints, thinners and anti-corrosive and anti-termite materials, etc.) will be strictly in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. The CSQA firm will be given at least 6 working days' notice of the proposed use of any chemical. A register of all toxic chemicals delivered to the site will be kept and maintained up to date by the contractor.	
3.16	Occupational health and safety and measures during construction	Temporary	Moderate	Adequate safety measures for workers during handling of materials at the ASU site are being taken up. Necessary safety measures will also be taken for working at heights and trenches as per the instructions of CSQA firm team and PMC/PMU environmental specialists.  The contractor will comply with all regulations for the occupational safety of workers. Precautions will be taken to prevent danger to the workers from fire, accidental injury, etc. First aid treatment is made available for all injuries likely to be sustained during the course of work.	Contractor, CSQA firm, PMC, and PMU
	COVID-19 Health and Safety Plan			The Contractor will comply with all anti-malaria instructions/advisories given by the PMU, PMC or CSQA firm. Necessary awareness programs will be carried out for HIV/AIDS and STD.  All protection measures pertaining to COVID-19 will be taken at the site as per the protocol specified by the GoA and GoI for the construction sites, if required in future. For this, a COVID-19 Health and safety Plan will be prepared by the contractor after COVID-19 Protocol is enforced by GoA. The protection measures for COVID-19 will continue till pandemic threat continues.	

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3.17	Clearing of construction of camps and restoration	Temporary	Major	Contractor at the ASU site will prepare site restoration plan for approval by the CSQA and PMC at the end of construction phase. These camp site restoration plans are to be implemented by the contractor prior to demobilization.  On completion of the works, all temporary structures will be cleared away, all rubbish burnt, excreta or other disposal pits or trenches filled in and effectively sealed off, and the site left clean and tidy, at the contractor's expense, to the entire satisfaction of the engineer (PMU and CSQA firm site team). This will be taken up comply with the condition of contract.	Contractor, CSQA firm, PMU, and PMC
3.18	Onsite emergency plan for accidents and mishaps and disaster management plan for natural calamities	Temporary	Major	The onsite emergency plan is being prepared by the contractor in consultation with PMC and PMU. For natural calamities, a disaster management plan prepared by the Darrang District Administration under the provisions of Disaster Management Act 2005 will be followed. The updating of DMP shall be followed up by the ASU management (for inclusion of ASU operations) with the district administration.	Contractor
3.19	Flooding and Water Logging and construction materials accidental flow with food waters	Temporary	Major	The contractor will take all measures to barricade the site with MS sheet till a permanent boundary wall is constructed.  The contractor will maintain quick drainage of site to avoid any water logging and flow of lose construction material with rainwater. The drainage plan prepared for monsoon season will be implemented.  The contractor will take all necessary mitigatory measures to ensure that mud and construction materials do not enter agriculture fields of houses from storm water of site.	Contractor, CSQA Firm
4	Operation and Maintenance in	mpacts			
4.1	Regulatory permissions for ASU operations	Regularly as per requirements	Moderate	All regulatory permissions such as building occupancy certificate from civic authorities, NOC from fire department, consent to operate from Assam Pollution Control Board, etc. will be obtained before	ASU management team, PMU, PMC, ASDM

SI. No.	Potential Environmental Issues	Duration or Extent	Magnitude	Proposed Mitigation Measures	Institutional Responsibilities
				start of ASU operations.	•
4.2	Environmental conditions	Permanent	Moderate	Air, water, and noise quality will be monitored periodically (once in a season except monsoon season) as per the environmental monitoring plan prepared. This monitoring shall be continued for the first two years. The boundary wall and plantation along the periphery will be maintained to avoid any impacts from the ASU campus in the surroundings.	ASU management team, PMU, PMC, and ASDM
4.3	Safety risks	Permanent	Moderate	Proper demarcation and flagging of the area requiring safety observations will be taken up after completion of construction works.  Necessary precaution measures to be observed by visitors will be printed on boards and will be prominently put inside the ASU Campus.  The hazardous and toxic materials at the laboratories and /or workshops will be handled and stored as per instructions provided in material safety data sheets.	ASU management team, PMU, PMC, and ASDM
4.4	Unhygienic conditions due to poor maintenance of sanitation facilities and irregular solid waste collection, handling and disposal	Permanent	Severe	The ASU Management will carry out maintenance of the toilets and carry out the regular waste collection and disposal of the waste to the local disposal site (authorized for use by the Mangaldai Municipal Council). Sewage network and sewage treatment plant will be maintained effectively. For maintenance period, necessary holding capacity will be built for storage of untreated sewage. No wastewater without treatment in STP will be discharged outside ASU campus.  The organic and inorganic waste will be segregated. The inorganic waste along with horticulture waste will be used to prepare organic manure by constructing compost pits in the open space. This manure may be used as fertilizer for landscaped area and plantation. Any hazardous waste generated waste generated will be handled as per the provisions of 'Hazardous Wastes (Management, Handling and Transboundary	ASU management team, PMU, PMC, and ASDM

SI. No.	Potential Environmental Issues	Duration or Extent	Magnitude	Proposed Mitigation Measures	Institutional Responsibilities
				Movement) Rules, 2016. Any bio-medical waste generated at Medical Center will be handled, stored, transported and as per the provisions of 'Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules 2016'. The E-waste generated will be handled and disposed of as per provisions of 'E- Waste Management Rules, 2016'. The used and discarded lead acid batteries for recycling and disposal as per Battery Waste Management Rules, 2020'.	
4.5	Onsite emergency plan for accidents and mishaps and disaster management plan for natural calamities	Temporary	Major	The management team of ASU will prepare on site emergency plan for possible accidents and mishaps during operation phase (due to fire, handling and storage of hazardous and toxic chemicals at laboratories, workshops, water treatment plant, STP, etc.). This plan will cover all types of accidents. For natural calamities, the disaster management plan prepared by Darrang district administration will be followed. The updating of DMP shall be followed up by the ASU management (for inclusion of ASU operations) with the district administration	ASU management team, PMU, PMC, and ASDM
4.6	Waste generated on account operation and maintenance of solar water heating system and roof top solar system	Intermittent	Minor	The supplier of solar panels cells and water heating system will maintain the system. Any waste generated (damaged panels, discarded pipes and storage batteries) will be collected by the supplier for possible reuse and recycling. For this, the necessary agreement will be prepared at the time of supply and installation.  Any wastewater generated will be diverted to sewage network.	Operator of solar panels and water heating system, ASU management team, PMU, PMC, and ASDM
4.7	Maintenance of drainage system of ASU campus	Regularly as per requirements	Major	The ASU management team will maintain drainage system properly to avoid flooding of campus	ASU management team, PMU, PMC, and ASDM

#### V. ANALYSIS OF ALTERNATIVES

#### A. Introduction

86. In this chapter analysis of alternatives has been carried out for 'with' and 'without' ASU project, location selection, project implementation scheduling and materials usage in the detailed design and construction of ASU campus and facilities.

#### B. Without Project Scenario

87. Despite its abundant natural resources and higher proportion of young population (under 40 years of age) than the rest of India, Assam has yet to unleash its growth potential. Being landlocked, largely rural, and with underdeveloped infrastructure, Assam's economy is dominated by low value added, natural resource-based products and is poorly integrated with regional and global value chains. Its manufacturing sectors are undiversified and small in terms of output and capital investment. Limited availability of skilled workforce has been identified as one of the constraints to infrastructure and industrial development. Fewer prospects for socioeconomic development have propelled out-migration for jobs and education, leading to shortages of higher-level skills in Assam. Technical and vocational education and training and higher education is undersupplied, and the existing systems face many challenges, including low quality and lack of industry relevance of programs leading to poor employability of graduates from industrial training institutes, polytechnics, engineering colleges, and academic colleges and universities. Without project scenario, Assam youth and adults will continue facing challenges of getting job oriented skilled courses. Hence, 'without project' scenario is undesirable. The ASU will not only help youth and adults in Assam but also in the northeastern states.

## C. With Project Scenario

88. The project scenario will help Assam and other north-eastern states youth and adults in attaining job-oriented skill courses, qualification to work in the state, country and abroad. The establishment of ASU will strengthen the skills education and training ecosystem since the tag of a 'university' attached to an institution is expected to improve the general perception of skilling institutions as inferior to the conventional education system, i.e. the skill university will make skilling aspirational among youth. Further, the ASU will serve as a one stop skilling solution for the entire northeastern region of the country filling gaps in the existing training and higher education system. The government also expects ASU to cater to skilling needs of industries in neighboring countries such as Bangladesh, Bhutan, and Nepal facing similar challenges. Hence, project scenario is highly desirable. While the 'with subproject scenario' may have negative environmental impacts from construction activities, the environmental impacts are projected to be temporary and short-term in nature. The impacts during construction and operation phase are not irreversible and can be readily mitigated.

#### D. ASU Location Alternatives

89. Various locations for ASU were evaluated. The considerations for the ASU site finalization were availability of government land, good connectivity, and proximity to planned and proposed manufacturing centers. Based on the above considerations, Mangaldai was selected for locating ASU campus. Mangaldai has been identified as a potential manufacturing center for electrical equipment, electronics, plastics, and pharmaceuticals. This provides ASU a competitive edge over other institutes in the state due to significant placement and industry exposure opportunities for students and faculty members. Moreover, with major infrastructure projects such as hydropower, multimodal logistics parks, etc. which

are either ongoing or are in the pipeline, Assam will require highly skilled manpower and ASU will be good source for skilled manpower. The ASU site is encumbrance free land under the ownership of GoA. The ASU site is more than 15 km aerial distance from notified ecologically sensitive area such as national park, wildlife sanctuary and bird sanctuary. The ASU site is also devoid of any revenue, reserved or protected forest. There are no sites of cultural and heritage importance within the 300 m distance of boundary of ASU site.

#### E. Material Usage and Sustaibaility considerations

90. In terms of design, materials (steel bars, cement, and bricks) will be appropriately selected (as per approved design specification) considering that the area is within the seismic zone V classification. There will be no use of asbestos containing sheets or pipes. Further, to conserve natural resources, treated wastewater (300-400 KLD) will be recycled through double plumbing piping system for flushing, air conditioning and irrigation of green areas. The STP design will ensure usage of treated water for the above-mentioned usages. To reduce the carbon foot prints through solar water heating system for 64,000 liters per day capacity and roof top solar system for 100 kWH solar power generations. The ASU also plans to have energy efficient lighting system.

#### F. Conclusion

91. It is clear from the above that without project scenario is undesirable and the location of ASU has been strategically selected with only short-term and reversible environmental impacts. To make the project outcome and outputs sustainable, necessary measures have been included in the project design.

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**ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT PLAN (EMP)** 

## A. Institutional Arrangements for Project Implementation

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activities.

- 92. The Government of Assam through Skill, Employment, and Entrepreneurship Department (SEED) is the executing agency (EA). The EA (i) assumes overall responsibility for the execution of the project and reporting; (ii) engages adequate permanent or fixed-term staff to implement the project; iii) provides overall strategic guidance on technical supervision and project execution; and (iv) ensures overall compliance with the loan covenants.
- 93. The implementing agency (IA) for the project is ASDM. The ASDM is registered under the Societies Act. The IA responsibilities include (i) project planning and budgeting; (ii) day-to-day assistance, supervision and guidance for the project site team and consultant; (iii) review ASU components for due diligence requirements and approve subproject proposals; (iv) bidding, evaluation and contract award; (v) managing and disbursing funds; (vi) review compliance with loan covenants, contract specifications, work plans and quality control; (viii) monitoring and reporting of environmental safeguards; and (viii) consolidate and submit progress reports, finance and accounting/audit reports, and matters requiring higher level decision to project steering committee (PSC) and ADB.

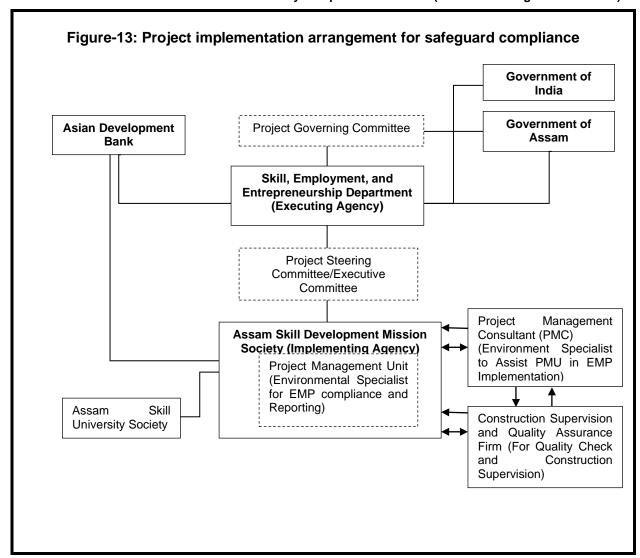
In Assam, a state level PSC has been established. This committee is chaired by

Secretary SEED, with secretaries of industry, agriculture, land and revenue, information technology, health, planning and finance, handloom and textile, tourism, transformation and development, education, public works, social justice and empowerment, and the vice chancellor of ASU as members. The PSC has been empowered to take all decisions on behalf of the state and will provide overall advice and guidance to the EA, IA, and PMU. The ASDM has established a PMU, headed by a full-time Project Director (PD) at ASDM, and consisting of personnel drawn from relevant line departments and market. This PMU will also have safeguards specialists (social and environmental). These specialists have been hired from the market and/or from other GoA departments on deputation. The PMU is being supported by the project management consultants (PMC). The PMU is the nodal agency for overall management of all project activities and is responsible for: (i) project planning and budgeting; (ii) providing day-to-day assistance, supervision and guidance for the site team, contractors and consultants; (iii) reviewing ASU components to satisfy ADB's due diligence requirements and coordinating approvals for proposals submitted by contractors, CSQA firm team, and site team of PMU; (iv) bidding, evaluation and contract award; (v) managing and disbursing funds; (vi) reviewing compliance with loan covenants, contract specifications, work plans and quality control; (vii) monitoring and

reporting of environmental safeguards;(viii) consolidating and submitting progress reports, finance and accounting/audit reports, and matters requiring higher-level decision, to the PSC and ADB; and (ix) engaging and mobilization of CSQA firm at Mangaldai ASU site for quality check and construction works supervision. To implement the construction of ASU project smoothly, the contractor has established an ASU site office. In this office, space is available for ASDM team, CSQA team and contractor team for better coordination of project activities. This office is of temporary structure and will be dismantled on completion of construction

96. The construction of ASU campus and facilities at site is being supervised by the CSQA firm multidisciplinary team. This CSQA firm team is headed by the Team Leader. The CSQA firm team is responsible for: (i) providing day-to-day assistance, supervision, and guidance to the contractor; (iii) reporting to PMU; (iv) supervising construction, conducting quality control, advising PMU on approval of progress payments to contractors; and (v) maintaining records and accounts on an up-to-date basis and making these available to ADB, its missions, or auditors for inspection.

- 97. The project management consultant (PMC) has been engaged to provide support to the PMU in overall planning, risk management, implementation, monitoring, reporting, and evaluation under the project. The PMC team has experienced professionals specializing in areas such as procurement, social safeguards, environmental safeguards, finance, etc. The PMC assists the PMU and ASDM in meeting the relevant requirements of ADB, GoA, and GoI for project implementation. The PMC team reports and works under the overall guidance of the PMU.
- 98. To ensure effective implementation of safeguard related components in the phase I components of the ASU project, PMU has safeguard experts (one environmental specialist and one social development specialist). These safeguard experts ensure implementation of environmental management plan and social safeguard actions under the project.
- 99. As mentioned earlier, PMC has one environmental safeguard specialist in their team. This environmental specialist is a qualified graduate in environmental sciences with about 10 years of professional experience in environmental assessment and management in projects financed by international financial institutions. The environmental safeguard specialist of PMC provides support to PMU safeguard specialists for the EMP implementation during construction, reporting, safeguards related documents preparation, disclosure, and capacity building of CSQA firm team and contractors.
- 100. The contractor in the current subproject has appointed one environmental, health, and safety officer for the implementation of addendum IEE and updated EMP requirements at site. The project implementation arrangement for safeguard compliance is shown below in **Figure-13**.
- 101. The updated EMP for the detailed design and construction of ASU campus and facilities (Phase I) for pre-construction, construction and operation phases is given in **Tables-13 to 15**. It may be mentioned that earlier prepared EMP is sufficient after the detailed design also as no additional environmental impacts have been identified after the detailed design of Phase I components of ASU project.



#### B. Responsibility for updating IEE during Pre-Construction and Construction

- 102. **Responsibility for monitoring.** During construction, the environmental specialist of PMU and environmental specialist of PMC monitor the contractor's EMP implementation at site and update IEE if there is change in scope of ASU campus features or a new component is added. During the operation phase, monitoring will be the responsibility of the PMU and/or ASU management handling ASU operations.
- 103. **Responsibility for Reporting.** PMU submits semiannual reports on the implementation of the EMP to ADB. It will permit ADB to field environmental review missions to examine in detail the environmental aspects of the project. Any major lapses (such as non-compliances with regulatory requirements, etc.) in adhering to the IEE (including this addendum IEE document) and/or EMPs for specific sub-projects shall be reported to ADB immediately. There have been no such instances of lapses till date. The PMC's environment specialist assists the PMU in finalizing the semiannual environmental monitoring reports. These semi-annual monitoring reports will be submitted till the project completion report is prepared. The frequency of submission of environmental monitoring report will be revised from semi-annual to annual in the operation phase.

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104. For any non-compliance observed, corrective actions will be implemented in a time bound manner. The cost for mitigating non-compliance will be borne by the contractor as per contract provisions. During the bidding process, prospective contractors were made aware of these requirements and conditions during pre-bid meetings and inclusion of IEE document as General Conditions of Contract in the contract of selected contractor. In case mitigation costs of any unforeseen impacts are not coming in scope of contract, these will be met out of contingencies built in the overall project cost.

Table-13: Pre-Construction Phase Environmental Management Plan for Detailed Design and Construction of ASU Campus and Facilities (Phase I Components)

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameters (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible for Implementation	Responsible for Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
1	Lack of sufficient planning to ensure long term sustainability of the ASU campus and its facilities (Phase I components) and protection of assets	The detailed design has included provisions for ensuring effective maintenance of ASU campus infrastructure (included in Phase I), to ensure the long-term sustainability. The long-term sustainability has been ensured by taking into consideration appropriate Bureau of Indian Standards Codes (BIS) in the design of ASU infrastructure considering seismic Zone V coefficient. Appropriate wind load factor (corresponding to 39 m/s wind speed, maximum possible load) has been considered in the building design (maximum wind. The detailed design of Phase I components has been completed after a topographic survey of ASU site. Three rainwater harvesting structures with a combined capacity of 800 m³ will be provided. The capacity of rainwater harvesting structures has been finalized	Verification of site-specific design parameters	Contractor	CSQA firm, PMU, and PMC	Review after completion of detailed design	Contractor

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameters (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible for Implementation	Responsible for Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
		based on computation of runoff with rainfall data and runoff coefficient.  The plinth level has been kept about 20 cm above highest flood level to ensure long term sustainability.  To address the water logging issue at site an effective drainage system has been designed based on hydrological study and historical flood data of Brahmaputra River. The foundation of adequate strength has been provided to take care of liquefaction phenomenon at site and suitable construction methodology shall be adopted to minimize noise and vibrations during the construction.					
2	Environmental monitoring to establish baseline monitoring	Environmental monitoring in respect of ambient air quality, water quality (Ground and surface) and noise levels immediately after mobilization to establish baseline at ASU site has been completed. Locations for sample collections were finalized in consultations with PMU and	Sample collection, finalization of locations for monitoring	Contractor	PMU and PMC environmental specialist	Once before start of construction activities	Contractor

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameters (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible for Implementation	Responsible for Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
		PMC environmental specialist.					
3	Layout of components to avoid impacts on the aesthetics of the project site and surroundings	The ASU campus Phase I building components will not have any adverse impacts on aesthetics of project site and surroundings and exteriors of campus buildings will be similar to the exteriors of buildings in the project region as well as matching with institutional looks. There will be positive impacts as green areas to be developed on campus will enhance look of the area. The additional 40 Bigha area added to site is also similar to existing site and will remain open and kept for future expansion.	Campus buildings exteriors	Contractor	CSQA firm, PMU, and PMC	Review of exterior color of buildings after completion of brickwork and plaster	Contractor
4	Increased storm water runoff from alterations of the site's natural drainage patterns due to landscaping, excavation works, construction of parking lot, and addition of paved surfaces	The ASU layout and design considered storm water runoff. This will be provided through the development of existing seasonal water ponds (low lying areas) into water bodies within the campus. The capacity of these ponds will be increased through excavation. The part of storm water will be diverted to these water bodies and part will be diverted through drainage	Arrangement for proper diversion of storm water runoff	Contractor	CSQA firm, PMU, and PMC	Design of drainage system and layout of ASU	Contractor

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameters (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible for Implementation	Responsible for Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
		system (local drains) outside campus. The effective drainage plan (based on based on 3 zones) has been prepared by the ASDM, and it will be implemented in the construction phase.					
5	Consents, permits, clearances, no objection certificate (NOC), building drawings approvals from civic authorities, labor licenses of contractors, insurance for workers etc.	Obtain all necessary consents, permits, clearances, NOCs, etc. prior to start of civil works. CTE obtained for the ASU project and other clearances and permissions have also been obtained.  Acknowledge in writing and provide report on compliance (with terms and conditions) for, all obtained consents, permits, clearances, NOCs, etc.	Consents, permits, clearance and NOCs Records and communications	Contractor	CSQA firm, PMU, ASDM	Check permission from district administration	Contractor
6	Integration of energy efficiency and energy conservation programs in the ASU campus planning and design	The following energy efficiency measures have been adopted in the ASU campus Phase I components design and subsequent implementation:  • Installation of BEE certified	Specifications of equipment, LED lights, solar panels specifications	Contractor	CSQA firm, PMU, and PMC	During installation of solar system for heating, electrification and equipment installation	Contractor

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameters (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible for Implementation	Responsible for Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
		equipment at the workshop, laboratories, classrooms, and other facilities.  • Usage of energy efficient lighting fixtures (LED and solar). The disposal of discarded LED shall be done in consultation with civic bodies and supplier.  • Solar energy usage for water heating.  • Solar energy utilization for lighting. Roof top solar system of 100 kVA proposed.  The implementation of above measures planned and will be completed.					
7	Establishment of baseline environmental conditions prior to start of civil works	1. Conduct documentation of location of components, areas for construction zone (camp, staging, storage, stockpiling, etc.) and surroundings (within direct impact zones). Include photos and GPS coordinates.  2. Carry out environmental monitoring at ASU project site for ambient air quality, water quality and noise levels	Records and photographs, baseline environmental monitoring results	Contractor	PMC and PMU environmental specialist	Once prior to start of construction works	Contractor

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameters (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible for Implementation	Responsible for Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
8	Utilities (mainly electric line and possibility of underground cables)	operators of utilities to be impacted for the subproject have been identified and documented in detailed design documents to prevent unnecessary disruption of services during the construction phase.  Require contractor to prepare a contingency plan to include actions to be done in case of unintentional interruption of	List and maps showing utilities to be shifted  Contingency plan for services disruption	Contractor will prepare preliminary list and maps of utilities to be shifted During detailed design phase, contractor to prepare(i) list and operators of utilities to be shifted; and (ii) contingency plan	CSQA Firm Team and PMU	After delineation of ASU site	
		services.  Obtain the list of affected utilities and operators (Assam Electricity Supply Department, Water Supply Department, Telecommunication Departments, etc.).  If relocations are necessary; contractor will coordinate with the providers to relocate the utility.					

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameters (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible for Implementation	for Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
9	Social and cultural resources	Develop a protocol for use by the contractor in conducting any excavation work, to ensure that any chance finds are recognized, and measures are taken to ensure they are protected and conserved.	Chance find protocol	PMU and PMC safeguard specialists to develop protocol for chance finds	PMU	Prior to start of construction activities	PMU operation costs
10	Construction camplocations, selection, design and layout	Sitting of the construction camp, if required, at project site shall be as per the guidelines below and details of layout to be approved by PMU.  The potential sites for labor camp and construction camp shall be identified by the contractor and this identified site shall be visited by the environmental specialists of PMU and PMC and the one having least impacts on environment will be approved by the PMU. The labor camp and construction camps have been established at the vacant land in ASU plot. Locations for storage of construction materials have been identified at the site. Sanitation facilities at construction camps have been adequately planned.	Construction Camp sites, and locations of material storage areas, sanitation facilities	Contractor	PMU and PMC	At the time of construction camp establishment and finalization of storage areas	Contractor

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameters (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible for Implementation	Responsible for Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
11	Sources of construction materials	Use quarry sites and sources compliant with environmental regulations of India at the national, state and local levels till the end of construction phase.  Verify suitability of all material sources and obtain approvals from PMU.  Submit to PMU on a monthly basis documentation of sources of materials.  Necessary permissions from the relevant authority for the sand and earth to be obtained from Brahmaputra River licensed quarry have been obtained by the ASDM	Environmental permissions issued to quarries, mines and sources of materials Environmental permissions of concrete batching plants and hot mix plants if concrete and premix are obtained from the above.	Contractor  PMU and CSQA firm to verify sources (including permits) if additional is requested by contractor	PMU and CSQA firm	Upon submission by contractor	Contractor
12	Access for construction material transportation	Plan transportation routes so that heavy vehicles do not use narrow local roads, except in the immediate vicinity of ASU campus site because close to site access roads are narrow  Schedule transport and hauling activities during nonpeak hours (between 1100 to 1700 hours).  Locate entry and exit points	Traffic management plan	Contractor	CSQA Firm and PMU	During delivery of construction materials	Contractor

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameters (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible for Implementation	Responsible for Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
13	Occupational health and safety	for the site in a way that traffic congestion is minimum on access roads to site.  Keep the site free from all unnecessary obstructions.  Drive vehicles in a considerate manner.  Coordinate with the Traffic Police Department for temporary road diversions and for provision of traffic aids if transportation activities cannot be avoided during peak hours (in case of exigencies).  Comply with IFC EHS Guidelines on Occupational Health and Safety.  Develop comprehensive site-specific health and safety (H&S) plan. The overall objective is to provide guidance to contractor on establishing a management strategy and applying practices that are intended to eliminate, or reduce, fatalities, injuries and	Health and safety (H&S) plan	Contractor	CSQA Firm, PMU, and PMC	During pre- construction phase	Contractor

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameters (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible for Implementation	Responsible for Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
		illnesses for workers performing activities and tasks associated with the project.					
		Include in H&S plan measures such as: (i) type of hazards at construction site; (ii) corresponding personal protective equipment for each identified hazard; (iii) H&S training for all site personnel; (iv) procedures to be followed for all site activities; and (v) documentation of work-related accidents.					
		Ensure that there will be no use of asbestos containing materials such as roofing sheets and pipes.					
		Provide medical insurance and accident coverage for all workers (skilled, semi-skilled and unskilled) of contractors and sub-contractors.					
14	Measures for the protection of COVID- 19 at ASU campus site	All protection measures pertaining to COVID-19 will be taken at the site as per the protocol specified by the GoA	COVID-19 screening and protection facilities	Contractor	PMU, CSQA Firm, and PMC	During pre- construction phase	Contractor

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameters (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible for Implementation	Responsible for Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
		and GoI for the construction sites. For this, a COVID-19 Health and safety Plan will be prepared by the contractor after mobilization (at present no protocol specified). The protection measures for COVID-19 will continue till pandemic threat continues.					
15	Stakeholder consultations	Continue information dissemination, stakeholder consultations, and involvement/participation of stakeholders during project implementation.	Disclosure records  Consultations	Contractor, PMU, and PMC	ASDM	<ul> <li>During updating of IEE Report (if required)</li> <li>During preparation of site- and activity-specific plans as per EMP</li> <li>Prior to start of construction</li> <li>During construction</li> </ul>	PMU and contractor
16	Disclosure of Addendum IEE and updated EMP	The Addendum IEE report including updated EMP and monitoring table will be disclosed in English and Assamese language at ASDM website (after approval from ADB) and hard copies to be made available at ASU site office, ASDM	IEE, EMP and environmental monitoring table	PMU	ASDM	Before start of construction works	PMU

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameters (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible for Implementation	Responsible for Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
		Guwahati office, and Deputy Commissioner Darrang office.					
17	Establishment of grievance redress committee and functionality	Grievance Redress Mechanism (formation of committees) to be notified by the IA (ASDM).	Committees and contact details at site, PMU and state level	PMU	ASDM	Notification before start of construction works (The GRM is notified by the ASDM).	PMU

Table-14: Construction Phase Environmental Management Plan for Construction of ASU Campus and Facilities (Phase I components)

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameter (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible Implementation	Responsible Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
1	Regulatory compliances	Following regulatory compliances shall be ensured at site in the entire construction phase:  1- Environmental clearances of sand and subgrade quarries/crushers, concrete batching plant and hot mix plants (construction material sources)  2- Labor license from Government of Assam  3- Copies of medical insurance and accident insurance coverage for all workers at site	Compliance clearance copies	Contractor and PMU	ASDM	Validity during entire construction phase	Contractor and PMU

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameter (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible Implementation	Responsible Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
		4- Utility shifting permissions 5- Valid Consent to establish from Assam Pollution Control Board 6-Permission from relevant authority for obtaining sand from licensed and legal quarry at Brahmaputra River for fill works at site					
2	Sanitation, Drinking water facilities and accommodation of construction workers at construction camp	The contractor shall provide and maintain sanitation facilities at the camp site. These facilities will include dust bins in adequate numbers for solid waste collection, drinking water facilities, and separate toilets for male and females. These toilets facilities shall be well maintained, and septic tanks/soak pits shall be provided at the toilets. The dust bins shall be regularly emptied and waste from camp site shall be disposed off at designated locations.  The accommodation shall be well lit and ventilated and will have amenities such as water supply and sanitation as explained above.	Construction camp sanitation and drinking water facilities	Contractor	CSQA firm, PMU, and PMC	Regularly during construction phase	Contractor
3	Traffic circulation plan during construction phase	Prior to commencement of site activities and mobilization on ground, the contractor will prepare and get approved	Safe movement of traffic	Contractor	CSQA firm and PMU	Every day during construction phase	Contractor

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameter (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible Implementation	Responsible Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
		(from local traffic police after the review of CSQA firm) traffic circulation plan during construction for safe passage of public vehicles so that locals are not at inconvenience. The contractor will carry out dissemination of these information and traffic circulation plan at ASU construction site.					
3	Clearance activities, including delineation of construction areas	Only ground cover shrubs, if any, that impinge directly on the permanent works or necessary temporary works shall be removed with prior approval from the environmental specialists of PMU and PMC.  All areas used for temporary construction operations will be subjected to complete restoration to their former conditions with appropriate rehabilitation procedures. The photographic records shall be maintained for the temporary sites used for construction. These will help in proper restoration.	Pre- construction records of site and vegetation in area of construction	Contractor	PMU, PMC, and CSQA firm	During site clearance activities	Contractor
4	Drinking water availability at construction camp and construction site	Sufficient supply of cold potable water to be provided and maintained. If the drinking water is obtained from an intermittent	Water supply source and availability of water	Contractor	CSQA firm and PMU	During construction phase regularly	Contractor

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameter (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible Implementation	Responsible Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
		public water supply, then storage tanks will be provided. For this, the contractor will submit plans which detail how availability of drinking water shall be assured.					
5	Waste disposal	The pre-identified disposal location shall be part of a comprehensive waste disposal plan. Solid waste management plan to be prepared by the contractor in consultation with local civic authorities.  The environmental specialist of PMU shall approve these disposal sites after conducting a joint inspection on the site with the contractor and PMC environmental specialist.  Contractor shall ensure that waste shall not be disposed off near water stream in the surroundings of site and along	Waste disposal sites, waste management plan	Contractor	PMU, PMC, and CSQA firm	Regularly during construction phase	Contractor
6	Stockpiling of construction materials	the access path.  Stockpiling of construction materials will be done in such a way that it does not impact and obstruct the drainage and movements of locals for accessing their agriculture fields. The stockpiles will be covered by tarpaulin sheet to	Stockpiling locations at ASU site	Contractor	CSQA firm, PMU and PMC	Regularly during construction phase	Contractor

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameter (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible Implementation	Responsible Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
		protect from dust and erosion. The stockpiles shall be bounded so that these are not washed away during intense rainfall.					
7	Arrangement for construction water	The Contractor shall provide a list of locations and type of sources from where water for construction shall be acquired.  To avoid disruption/ disturbance to other water users, the contractor shall arrange water from market or from local municipality and consult PMU before finalizing the source.	Water availability at identified water source locations	Contractor	PMU, CSQA firm	Regularly during construction phase	Contractor
8	Siltation of existing water ponds due to spillage of construction wastes	No disposal of construction wastes will be carried out into the existing small water ponds at site. These will be developed as water bodies during campus development. The waste materials will be transported to the pre-identified disposal site for safe disposal.	Water ponds at ASU campus site	Contractor	PMU, PMC, and CSQA firm	Regularly during construction phase	Contractor
9	Water pollution from fuel and lubricants	The contractor shall not store fuel and lubricants at site to avoid water pollution on account of spillage. These will be purchased on need basis.  The maintenance of vehicles	Vehicle parking, refueling sites, etc.	Contractor	PMU, PMC, and CSQA firm	Regularly during construction phase	Contractor

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameter (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible Implementation	Responsible Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
		and equipment shall be avoided at site. It will be taken up at authorized workshops.					
		The contractor shall ensure that all vehicle/machinery and equipment operation and refueling shall be carried out in such a manner that spillage of fuels and lubricants does not contaminate the ground.					
		The monitoring of ground water quality will be taken up as per monitoring plan.					
10	Soil pollution due to fuel and lubricants and construction wastes	Fuel and lubricants storage at site will be avoided to avoid soil pollution on account of spillage. These will be purchased on need basis from market.	Vehicle parking area	Contractor	PMU, PMC and CSQA firm	Regularly during construction phase	Contractor
		Vehicle and equipment cleaning and washing shall be avoided at site.					
11	Soil erosion	Temporary slope protection may be required during construction at the excavated areas.	Excavated areas, erosion measures taken	Contractor	PMU, PMC and CSQA firm	Regularly during construction phase	Contractor
		Adequate measures will be taken up so that there is no soil erosion causing risks in the vicinity.  The construction site will be					

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameter (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible Implementation	Responsible Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
		properly barricaded so that lose material and earth at site are not eroded during intense rain and carried way with storm water.					
12	Generation of dust	The contractor will take every precaution to reduce the levels of dust at the construction site. The ASU campus site will be properly barricaded with adequate height prefabricated mild steel sheets from all sides to avoid air emissions and dust impacts in the surroundings of site.  All filling works to be protected/covered in a manner to minimize dust generation.	ASU site, air quality monitoring results	Contractor	PMU, PMC, and CSQA firm	Regularly during construction phase	Contractor
13	Emission from construction vehicles, equipment and machinery	All vehicles, equipment and machinery used for construction shall conform to the relevant Bureau of India Standard (BIS) norms. The discharge standards promulgated under the Environment Protection Act, 1986 shall be strictly adhered to. The silent/quiet equipment available in the market shall be used in the construction.  The contractor shall maintain a record of Pollution under Control Certificates (PUCs) for all vehicles and machinery used	PUC certificates of vehicles and machinery	Contractor	PMU, PMC and CSQA firm	Regularly during construction phase	Contractor

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameter (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible Implementation	Responsible Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
		during the contract period which shall be produced for verification whenever required.					
14	Noise pollution and Vibration levels	The contractor shall confirm that all construction equipment used in construction shall strictly conform to the MoEFCC and CPCB noise standards and all vehicles and equipment used in construction shall be fitted with exhaust silencers.  At the construction sites noisy construction work such as operation of DG sets, use of high noise generation equipment shall be stopped during the nighttime between 10.00 pm to 6.00 am.  Noise limits for construction equipment used in this project will follow IFC's EHS standards.  No construction activities will be taken up in nighttime (2200 hours to 0600 hours) to avoid noise impacts. Like construction activities, no construction vehicle movement will be allowed in the night hours. Since liquefaction phenomenon has been identified at site	Certificates of vehicles conforming noise standards, noise monitoring results	Contractor	PMU, PMC, and CSQA firm	Regularly during construction phase	Contractor

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameter (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible Implementation	Responsible Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
15	Impacts on flora and fauna	will be laid and for this suitable construction technology shall be adopted. To minimize vibration, issue a Statement of method will be prepared by the environmental specialists of PMC and PMU in consultation with QAQC firm to minimize vibrations during construction.  Noise monitoring will be taken up as per the monitoring plan.  Minimize impacts on flora and fauna during construction phase by limiting site clearance bare minimum and limiting all	Landscaping area and tree plantation	Contractor	PMU, PMC, and CSQA firm	Regularly during construction phase	Contractor
		types of pollution generation. The total area for landscaping to be done will be 217830.74m² and 3000 trees and shrubs will also be planted. The detailed landscaping and tree plantation plan will be prepared during project implementation. Plantations will be taken up along boundary wall, side slopes of roads in campus.					
16	Material handling at construction site	Workers employed on mixing cement, lime mortars, concrete, etc. will be provided with protective footwear and protective goggles.  Workers who are engaged in	Data on available personal protective equipment	Contractor	PMU and CSQA firm	Regularly during construction phase	Contractor

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameter (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible Implementation	Responsible Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
		welding works will be provided with welder's protective eye shields.					
		Workers engaged in stone breaking activities will be provided with protective goggles and clothing.					
		The use of any toxic chemical (paints, thinners and anticorrosive and anti-termite materials, etc.) will be strictly in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.					
		The PMU site in-charge (District Program Manager/Deputy Director Project) will be given at least 6 working days' notice of the proposed use of any chemical. A register of all toxic chemicals delivered to the site will be kept and maintained up					
17	Disposal of construction waste, and debris	to date by the contractor.  The contractor shall confirm that safe disposal of the construction waste will be ensured in the pre-identified disposal locations. In no case, any construction waste will be disposed off around the ASU campus site.	Disposal site	Contractor	PMU, PMC and CSQA firm	Regularly during construction phase	Contractor

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameter (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible Implementation	Responsible Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
18	Onsite emergency plan for minor accidents and mishaps and disaster management plan for natural calamities	The onsite emergency plan will be prepared by the contractor in consultation with CSQA firm, PMU and PMC.  For natural calamities, disaster management plan prepared by the Darrang district administration under the provisions of Disaster Management Act 2005 will be followed.	Onsite emergency plan document and disaster management plan document of Darrang District	Contractor	PMU, CSQA firm, and PMC	Mock drill every quarter	Contractor
19	Occupational Health and Safety and COVID-19 measures during construction	Adequate safety measures for workers during handling of materials at the construction site will be taken up.  The contractor has to comply with all regulations for the safety of workers. Precautions will be taken to prevent danger of the workers from accidental injuries, fire, etc.  First aid treatment will be made available for all injuries likely to be sustained during work.  The contractor will comply with all anti-malaria instructions given by the PMU, PMC, and CSQA firm.  Necessary COVID-19	Records of availability of personal protective equipment, availability of first aid kits	Contractor	PMU, PMC, and CSQA firm	Regularly during construction phase	Contractor

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameter (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible Implementation	Responsible Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
		protection measures will be taken up as per prescribed protocols of GoA and Gol guidelines.  There will not be any use or handling of asbestos containing materials such as roofing sheet and plumbing pipes.					
20	Flooding and Water Logging and construction materials accidental flow with food waters	The contractor will take all measures to barricade the site with MS sheet till a permanent boundary wall is constructed.  The contractor will maintain quick drainage of site to avoid any water logging and flow of lose construction material with rainwater  The contractor will take all necessary mitigatory measures to ensure that mud and construction materials do not enter agriculture fields of houses from storm water of site.	Flooding and water logging	Contractor	PMU, PMC, and CSQA firm	Regularly during construction phase and especially during monsoon months	Contractor
21	Clearing of construction of camp and restoration	The contractor to prepare site restoration plan for approval by the PMU or its authorized agency (such as CSQA Firm).	Restoration plan, and records of pre- construction of	Contractor	PMU, ASDM, CSQA firm	End of construction phase	Contractor

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameter (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible Implementation	Responsible Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
		The plan is to be implemented by the contractor prior to demobilization.  On completion of the works, all temporary structures will be cleared away, all rubbish burnt, excreta or other disposal pits or trenches filled in and effectively sealed off, and the site left clean and tidy, at the contractor's expense, to the entire satisfaction of the ASDM.	temporary sites				

Table-15: Operation Phase Environmental Management Plan for ASU Campus and Facilities (Phase I components)

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameter (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible Implementation	Responsible Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
1	All regulatory permissions for operations of ASU	All regulatory permissions such as building occupancy certificate from civic authorities, NOC from fire department, consent to operate from Assam Pollution Control Board, etc. will be obtained before start of ASU operations.	List of permissions /NOCs required	ASU management team, PMU, and PMC	ASDM	Regularly for validation / renewal of permissions	ASU operational budget
2	Environmental Conditions	Air, water, and noise quality will be monitored periodically as per the environmental monitoring plan prepared.	Ambient air quality standards, drinking water quality standards,	ASU management team, PMU, and PMC	ASDM	Every season except monsoon for first two years	ASU's operational budgets

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameter (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible Implementation	Responsible Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
		The boundary wall and plantation along the periphery will be maintained to avoid any impacts from the ASU campus in the surroundings.	and ambient noise standards				
3	Safety risks	1- Proper demarcation and flagging of the area requiring safety observations will be taken up after completion of construction works.  2- Necessary precaution measures to be observed by visitors will be printed on boards and will be prominently put inside the ASU Campus.  3- The hazardous and toxic materials at the laboratories and /or workshops will be handled, stored and disposed of as per instructions provided in material safety data sheets.	Risk area identification, boards for precautionary measures	ASU management team, PMU, and PMC	ASDM	Regularly during operation phase	ASU's operational budgets
4	Unhygienic conditions due to poor maintenance of sanitation facilities and irregular solid waste collection	The ASU operations and management team will carry out maintenance of the toilets	Maintenance schedule of the STP, sewage network and toilet blocks, disposal plans of various solid wastes	ASU management team, PMU, and PMC	ASDM	Regularly during operation phase	ASU's operational budgets

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameter (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible Implementation	Responsible Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
		Any hazardous waste generated waste generated waste generated will be handled as per the provisions of 'Hazardous Wastes (Management, Handling and Transboundary Movement) Rules, 2016.  Any bio-medical waste generated at Medical Center will be handled, stored, transported and as per the provisions of 'Bio-Medical Waste Management Rules 2016'.  The E-waste generated will be handled and disposed of as per provisions of 'E- Waste Management Rules, 2016'.  The used and discarded lead acid batteries for recycling and disposal as per Battery Waste Management Rules, 2020.					
5	Natural disasters	Necessary procedures to be followed by the visitors, students, ASU staff during natural disasters shall be written at prominent locations.	Warnings of disasters by Meteorological Department		District Administration	Regularly during operation phase	Government of Assam
6	Onsite emergency plan for minor accidents and mishaps	The operations and management team of ASU will	Onsite emergency plan document	ASU management team	ASDM	Mock drills every quarter	ASU operational budgets

SI. No.	Environmental Issues	Mitigation Measures	Parameter (Indicators for Compliance)	Responsible Implementation	Responsible Supervision	Frequency for Monitoring	Sources of Fund for Implementing Mitigation Measure
		at laboratories, workshops, water treatment plant, STP, etc.) during operation phase.					
7	Waste generated on account of operation and maintenance of solar water heating system and roof top solar system	The supplier of solar panels cells and water heating system will maintain the system. Any waste generated will be collected by the supplier for possible reuse and recycling. For this, necessary agreement will be prepared at the time of supply and installation.	Waste generation from solar system	Suppliers of solar panel cell and water heating system	ASU operations and management team, PMU, and PMC	Regularly	ASU operational budgets
8	Disposal of waste from ASU campus	The ASU operations and management team will prepare waste disposal plans for municipal waste, bio-medical waste and hazardous waste in consultations with local civic authorities and local office of Assam Pollution Control Board	Waste disposal plans for various types of wastes	ASU management team, PMU, and PMC	ASDM	Regularly	ASU operational budgets
9	Maintenance of drainage system of ASU Campus	The ASU management Team will maintain drainage system constructed properly to avoid flooding of campus	Drainage maintenance schedule and clearing of drains before monsoon	ASU management team, PMU, and PMC	ASDM	Regularly as per requirements	ASU Operational Budget

### C. Environmental Monitoring Plan

105. Environmental monitoring will be undertaken during construction at three levels. Environmental monitoring (which covers EMP implementation and compliance with rules and regulations with respect to the environment, and handling of solid and liquid waste) at site will be undertaken by the contractor during pre-construction and construction phases and will be supervised by PMU (with the support of PMC and CSQA Firm teams). Environmental monitoring during operation phase will be taken up by the PMU through an accredited laboratory. Water logging is not anticipated as ASU layout design includes ASU campus drainage system (Based on 3 zones). The environment safeguards specialists of the PMU and PMC will ensure that addendum IEE and EMP are updated for any changes in future in accordance with ADB's and GoA's requirements. The CSQA firm team and environmental specialists of PMC and PMU will ensure that all the provisions of the EMP are being adhered to by the contractor.

106. To ensure the effective implementation of mitigation measures and revised EMP during pre- construction and construction phases of this subproject, it is essential that an effective environmental monitoring plan is followed as given in **Table 16**. The proposed monitoring of all relevant environmental parameters, with a description of the sampling stations, frequency of monitoring, applicable standards and responsible agencies are presented in this table.

Table-16: Environmental Monitoring Plan for the Detailed Design and Construction of ASU Campus and Facilities (Phase I Components) during Pre-construction, Construction and Operation Phases

SI. No.	Field (Environmental Attribute)	Phase	Parameters to be Monitored and applicable standards	Locations	Frequency	Responsibility	Cost (INR/US\$)
1	Air quality	During preconstruction phase  During construction phase  During operation phase for first two years	CO, NOx, PM <sub>10</sub> , PM <sub>2.5</sub> , and SO <sub>2</sub> (applicable standards – national- National Ambient Air Quality Standards)	Location of maximum construction activity at the ASU site	Once in the preconstruction phase to establish baseline Once in a quarter except monsoon quarter (June to September) during construction phase Once in a quarter except monsoon quarter for first two years	Contractor through approved monitoring agency during pre-construction and construction phase and ASU management team during operation phase	INR160,000/US \$2300
2	Ground water quality	During preconstruction phase  During construction phase  During operation phase for first two years	TDS, TSS, pH, Hardness, BOD, Faecal Coliform (applicable standards – national- Drinking Water Quality Standards specified in IS:10500)	Ground water close to ASU construction site	Once in the preconstruction phase to establish baseline Once in in a quarter except monsoon quarter during construction phase Once in a quarter except monsoon quarter for first two years	Contractor through approved monitoring agency during pre-construction and construction phase and ASU management team during operation phase	INR160,000/US \$2300
3	Treated Waste Water in Recycle use in ASU campus	During operation phase	TDS, TSS, pH, Hardness, BOD, Faecal Coliform (applicable standards – national- Drinking	Treated water from STP used for recycling	Once in a quarter except monsoon quarter for first two years	ASU management team	INR 60,000/US\$850

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SI.	Field	Phase	Parameters to	Locations	Frequency	Responsibility	Cost
No.	(Environmental Attribute)		be Monitored and applicable standards				(INR/US\$)
			Water Quality Standards specified in IS:10500)				
4	Noise Levels	During preconstruction phase  During construction phase  During operation phase for first two years  During preconstruction phase	Noise quality as per National Ambient Noise Standards on dB(A) scale (Applicable standards – national- National Ambient Noise Standards)	Noise levels at location of maximum construction activity at ASU site	Once in the preconstruction phase to establish baseline Once in quarter except monsoon quarter during construction phase Once in a quarter except monsoon quarter for first two years	pre-construction and construction	INR 48,000/US \$700

## Summary of Site- and Activity-Specific Plans/Programs as per ASU EMP

107. **Table-17** summarizes site- and activity-specific plans to be prepared as per EMP tables.

Table-17: Site- and Activity-Specific Plans/Programs as per EMP

To be Prepared	Specific Plan/Program	Purpose	Responsible for Preparation	Responsible for
During	Pian/Program		Freparation	Implementation
Pre- construction phase	Environmental monitoring program as per detailed design	Indicate sampling locations, methodology and parameters to the contractor	PMU and PMC	Contractor
Pre- construction phase	Chance find protocol	Address archaeological or historical chance finds	PMU and PMC environment specialists	Contractor
Pre- construction phase	List of pre- approved sites for construction camp, stockpiles, and waste disposal sites	Location/s for construction camp, areas for stockpile, storage, and disposal for minimization of impacts	PMU and PMC environment specialists, CSQA firm, and contractor	Contractor
Pre- construction phase	Waste management plan	Mitigate impacts due to waste generation	Contractor	Contractor
Pre- construction phase	Spill prevention and containment plan	Mitigate impacts of accidental spills of oil, lubricants, fuels, concrete, and other hazardous materials	Contractor	Contractor
Construction phase	Traffic management plan	Mitigate impacts due to transport of materials and project related traffic movement	Contractor	Contractor
Construction phase	COVID-19 health and safety plan	To comply with COVID-19 guidelines issued by the GoA and Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, GoI (MoHFW)	Contractor	Contractor
Construction phase	Health and safety (H&S) plan	To comply with IFC's EHS guidelines on occupational health and safety	Contractor	Contractor
Construction phase	Erosion control and revegetation plan	Mitigate impacts due to erosion and vegetation removal	Contractor	Contractor

To be Prepared During	Specific Plan/Program	Purpose	Responsible for Preparation	Responsible for Implementation
		at ASU site		
Construction phase	Environmental monitoring plan implementation	To check efficacy of mitigation measures	Environment specialists of PMU and PMC and contractor	Contractor
Operation Phase	Environmental monitoring plan implementation for first two years	To check efficacy of mitigation measures	ASU management team in close coordination with PMU	ASU management team
Operation Phase	Solid waste management plan	For effective disposal of all types of wastes	ASU management team in close coordination with PMU	ASU management team
Operation Phase	Onsite emergency plan	For handling any mishap at ASU campus on account of fire, explosion, accident, etc.	ASU management team	ASU management team

108. The guidelines for preparation of site-specific traffic management plans are in **Annexure-4.** 

### D. Capacity Building

- 109. In addition to the primary objective of project strengthening industry-aligned and flexible skills education and training systems in Assam, the subproject will also raise awareness about environmental conservation amongst implementing agency, contractors, CSQA firm team, and local communities. The project will have the opportunity to build capacity in environmental protection for the above-mentioned stakeholders. In the operation phase, ASU campus management team will take up awareness about environmental conservation with the assistance of PMU.
- 110. The environment specialists at PMU and PMC will provide the basic training required for environmental awareness. Specific modules customized for the available skill set will be devised after assessing the capabilities of the members of the training program and the requirements of the project. The training would cover basic principles of environmental assessment and management, mitigation plans and programs, implementation techniques, monitoring methods and tools. The proposed training program along with the frequency of sessions is presented in **Table 18**. **There is no change in capacity building training modules post completion of detailed design of phase I components of ASU project.**

**Table-18: Training Modules for Environmental Management** 

Program	Description	Participants	Duration	Training Conducting Agency			
A. PRECONS	A. PRECONSTRUCTION STAGE						
Sensitization workshop on environment	Introduction to Environment: environmental assessment and social due diligence requirements in the project, regulatory	PMU, CSQA firm, ASDM officials involved in the project, other	½ working day	Environment specialists of PMU and PMC			

	Description	Participants	Duration	Training
Program				Conducting Agency
	clearances, and permission requirements in the project  Environmental management plan implementation, introduction of ADB Safeguard Policy Statement, 2009, and ADB guidelines on environmental considerations in planning, design and implementing projects	engineering staff associated with the subproject, and contractors' technical staff		
Session 1	Environmental impacts due to ASU project during construction and operation phases, pollution generation activities during preconstruction and construction phases     Environmental management, environmental provisions, implementation arrangements, methodology of assessment, and good engineering practices to be integrated into contract documents	PMU, CSQA firm, ASDM officials involved in the project, other engineering staff associated with the subproject, and contractors' technical staff	½ working day	Environment specialists of PMU and PMC
B. CONSTRU	CTION STAGE			
Session 2	<ul> <li>Roles and responsibilities of officials, contractors, consultants toward protection of environment</li> <li>Implementation arrangements and environmental monitoring during construction phase</li> </ul>	PMU, CSQA firm, ASDM officials involved in the project, other engineering staff associated with the ASU project, and contractors' technical staff	½ working day	Environment specialists of PMU and PMC
Session 3	Monitoring and reporting system	PMU, CSQA firm, ASDM officials involved in the project, and other engineering staff associated with the ASU project	¼ working day	Environment specialists of PMU and PMC

## E. Environmental Budget

111. Most of the mitigation measures require the contractor to adopt good site practices, which should be part of their normal procedures, and these are mandated under the prevailing regulations and standards, hence there are unlikely to be major costs associated with compliance. Only those items not covered under budgets for construction are included in the IEE budget. The revised IEE costs include mitigation, monitoring and capacity building costs. The summary budget for the environmental management costs for the sub-project is presented in Table 19. There is no change in environmental budget post completion of detailed design of phase I components of ASU project.

Table-19: Environmental Management and Monitoring costs (INR)

Monitoring Component	Rate	Amount (INR)	Sourc Fund	e of
Pre-Construction and Construction	n Phase			
Ambient Air Quality: One location at location of maximum construction activity at ASU site (one sample during preconstruction phase and nine samples during construction phase - Total 10 samples)	10,000	100,000	Contra	ctor
Water Quality: One ground water sample from ASU construction site from existing bore well/hand pump (one sample during preconstruction phase and nine samples during construction phase - Total 10 samples)	10,000	100,000	Contra	ctor
Ambient Noise Quality: One location of maximum construction activity at ASU construction site (one sample during preconstruction phase and nine samples during construction phase - Total 10 samples)	3000	30,000	Contra	
Cost for Occupational Health and Safety Measures Occupational health and safety measures at construction site and workers' camp	EMP is pa	in the construction cost of contractor as art of bid and contract document.	Contra	
Capacity Building Training Program	Covered of PMU	in the consultancy cost of the PMC and o	peration	cost
Total: Pre-Construction and Construction Phase Monitoring Cost (A)		230,000		
O&M Phase				
Ambient Air Quality One location at ASU campus, thrice a year, for first 2 years (three samples a year, total of six samples)	10,000	60,000	PMU ASU	and
Drinking Water Quality One treated drinking water sample at ASU campus, thrice a year, for first 2 years (three samples a year, total of six samples)	10,000	60,000	PMU ASU	and
Treated wastewater Quality One treated wastewater sample used for recycling in ASU campus, thrice a year, for first 2 years (three samples a year, total of six samples)	10,000	60,000	PMU ASU	and
Ambient Noise Quality One location at ASU campus, thrice a year, for first 2 years (three samples a year, total of six samples)	3000	18,000	PMU ASU	and

Monitoring Component	Rate	Amount (INR)	Source Fund	of
Maintenance of Plantation, Shrubs and Landscape Areas	Covered	in operation and maintenance cost of ASL	J campus	
Capacity Building	Covered	in operation and maintenance cost of ASL	J campus	
Maintenance of drainage system of ASU campus to avoid water logging and flooding	Covered	in operation and maintenance cost of ASL	J campus	
Total O&M Phase Monitoring Cost (B)		198,000		
Total Cost (A+B)		4,28,000		
Contingencies @ 5 %		21,400		
Total Budgeted Cost (INR)		4,49,400 (approx. 4,50,000)		

## F. Environmental Monitoring and Reporting

- 112. The PMU with the assistance of PMC monitors and measures the progress of EMP implementation during construction phase. During operation phase PMU safeguard cell in close coordination with ASU operations and management teams will take care of EMP implementation.
- 113. During construction phase, CSQA firm team with guidance from PMC and PMU environmental specialists submits monthly monitoring and implementation reports to ASDM. The PMU environmental specialist, with the assistance of PMC environmental specialist, prepares semi-annual environmental monitoring reports for submission to ADB on behalf of EA. The semi-annual monitoring reports—document monitoring results, identify the necessary corrective actions, and reflect them in a corrective action plan. The frequency of submission of environmental monitoring reports to ADB will be reduced to annual in the operation phase. These reports on an annual basis will be prepared by the PMU environmental specialist and submitted to ADB till project completion report is issued by the ADB. Monitoring reports will be posted on ADB website and in other IA locations accessible to the public.
- 114. If there are any unanticipated impacts found during implementation, the EA, through the PMU will update the IEE and EMP or prepare a new environmental assessment and EMP to assess the potential impacts, evaluate the alternatives, and outline mitigation measures and resources to address those impacts. Till date there have been no unanticipated impacts.
- 115. ADB will review project performance against the EA's commitments as agreed in the legal documents. The extent of ADB's monitoring and supervision activities will be commensurate with the project's risks and impacts. Monitoring and supervising social and environmental safeguards will be integrated into the project performance management system. ADB will monitor the project on an ongoing basis until a project completion report is prepared.

#### VII. PUBLIC CONSULTATION AND INFORMATION DISCLOSURE

#### Α. **Process For Consultations Followed**

- The detailed design and construction of ASU campus and facilities does not involve any elements which could have an adverse impact on the community. There is no deprivation of any sort for the residents or displacement of any groups. Particularly, with regard to environmental impacts, this subproject can be characterized as having no significant adverse impacts.
- In view of this, the need for holding a public hearing(as defined in EIA Notification 2006 of GoI) was not perceived at this stage as EIA Notification is not applicable to ASU project. However, in compliance with the ADB's guidelines, focused public consultations were undertaken during the site visit to the ASU site in Mangaldai. The consultations were also held with the Deputy Commissioner Mangaldai, Revenue Authorities of district and local people living close to the ASU site. The stakeholders were informed about the ASU project components and subsequent implementation in their area and their views were obtained. Initial consultations were carried out on November 12 and 13, 2020 and February 5, and 6, 2021. After inclusion of additional 40 Bigha area to the project site, stakeholder consultations were carried out on March 03, 2022. During construction period, consultations were carried out on November 16, 2022, and December 16, 2022. During the preparation of this addendum IEE, consultations were also held on 4th April 2023. The number of participants (male and female) is given in Table-20. In addition to above mentioned consultations, the Government of Assam laid the foundation stone for ASU at the site on February 15, 2021, and for this event, there was a public ceremony attended by about 20,000 people. This was also a mode of communication about the establishment of ASU and this ceremony was covered by local media.
- The process of consultations was an integral part of the ASU campus design and environmental assessment, in accordance with ADB's guidelines to achieve the following obiectives:
  - To educate the general public, especially potentially impacted or benefited communities, individuals and stakeholders about the proposed ASU and its detailed design and construction.
  - To familiarize the people with technical and environmental issues of the detailed design and construction of ASU campus and facilities for better understanding.
  - To solicit the opinion of the communities, local authorities and individuals on environmental issues and assess the significance of impacts due to the subproject.
  - To foster co-operation among officers of EA and IA, the community and the stakeholders to achieve a cordial working relationship for smooth implementation of the project; and
  - To identify the environmental issues relating to the proposed activity.
- During the consultations residents opined that there is need to provide skills and joboriented education to the youth of Assam State so that better employment opportunities are made available to them. The project will help rural youth in getting training and skills enhancement education. The project will also provide employment and business opportunities to local population during construction and operation phases. The local people demanded fast implementation of the overall project. The dates of consultations and stakeholders consulted are summarized in **Table 20**. The views, comments and suggestions of stakeholders and their incorporation in project design are presented in Tables 21 and 22. The records of consultations (list of participants with signatures) and consultation photographs are given in **Annexure-5**

Table-20: Dates and Stakeholders Consulted

SI.	Stakeholders	Dates of	Number of Participants		
No.	Consulted	Consultations		T	
			Male	Female	
1	ASU campus site	12 and 13 November 2020	10	4	
2	Deputy Commissioner Darrang Office	12 November 2020	12	4	
3	Assam Skill Development Mission	12 and 13 November 2020	9	2	
4	District Revenue Authorities	13 November 2020	4	0	
5	ASU campus site	6 February 2021	23	6	
6	Principal Chief Conservator of Forest, Assam State Forest Department, Guwahati	05 February 2021	4	0	
7	Assam Pollution Control Board	05 February 2021	5	0	
8	Environmental Impact Assessment Authority, Assam State	05 February 2021	4	0	
9	ASU Campus Site	03 March 2022	20	10	
10	ASU Project Site Mangaldai	16 December 2022	2	8	
11	Deputy Commissioner, Water Resources Deptt., T&CP, Mangaldai	4 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	13	3	

<sup>120.</sup> Most of the suggestions of stakeholders were considered in the project design, as shown in **Tables 21 and 22**.

Table-21: Views, Comments, and Suggestions of Stakeholders at ASU Campus Site and Considerations in ASU Design

SI.	Place	Date	Consultations	Issues	Outcome of discussions and
No.			held with	discussed	consideration in project design and implementation
1	ASU campus site	12/11/2020 and 13/11/2020	With local people near the site, ASDM officials, and elected representatives of the State Assembly	Project components, benefits of project, implementation schedule, environmental and social impacts during project implementation, etc.	<ol> <li>Participants, especially elected State Assembly Member (MLA), welcomed the commencement of the project and assured all help during project implementation. The environmental specialist (ADB project preparation consultant) and ASDM officials thanked the MLA.</li> <li>One local participant suggested that local population should be given preference in supply of construction materials and employment during construction. The environmental specialist replied that contractors once appointed will procure manpower and materials. At that time local population may interact with them for the supply of materials and employment.</li> <li>One participant enquired about access road to the ASU site. The environmental specialist replied that access road from NH-15 will be developed. Once Mangaldai Bypass has been constructed by the National Highways Authority of India, access road from new bypass will also be developed by the Authority.</li> <li>The environmental specialist solicited suggestions for environment protection from the participants. The participants suggested that plantation and waste disposal should be done with care. The environmental specialist replied that plantation and landscaping plan for the campus will be prepared and implemented. The solid waste disposal will be as per regulatory requirements.</li> <li>One local participant</li> </ol>

SI.	Place	Date	Consultations	Issues	Outcome of discussions and
No.			held with	discussed	consideration in project
					design and implementation
					suggested during discussion
					that there is intense rainfall in Mangaldai, so drainage
					should be installed. The
					consultant and ASDM
					officials informed that
					campus will be designed with
					proper drainage system
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2	ASU campus	February 06, 2021	With local people near	ASU Project components,	1.The participants suggested that tree plantation in the
	site	00, 2021	the site, ASDM	benefits of	campus should also include fruit
	0.10		officials, and	project,	bearing trees growing locally.
			village	implementation	The environmental specialist
			Panchayat	schedule,	replied that tree plantation and
			elected	environmental	landscaping plan will be
			representatives	and social	prepared as part of design of
				impacts during project	campus. In the tree plantation plan, locally grown fruit bearing
				implementation,	trees will be considered for
				etc.	plantation.
					2.The environmental specialist
					inquired from the participants
					about the water availability in
					two small ponds at site. The
					participants replied that these get dried up in winter months.
					The environmental specialist
					informed the participants that
					these ponds will be retained and
					further developed during ASU
					campus construction.
					3. All the participants said that they welcome the project in their
					area and will provide full
					cooperation during project
					implementation. The ASDM
					officials and environmental
					specialist thanked the
					participants.
					4.The village head suggested that the site should have proper
					drainage as there is water
					accumulation during monsoon
					time. The environmental
					specialist informed the
					participants that drainage
					system of ASU is being
					designed considering rainfall intensity in the region.
3	ASU	March 03,	With local	ASU Project	The locals participating in the
	Campus	2022	people near	components,	project requested early start of
	Site		the site, ASDM	benefits of	construction works and were
			officials, Town	project,	happy about the project in the
			and Country	implementation	area. One of the local
			Planning	schedule,	participants suggested that
			Department	environmental	preference to locals should be

SI. No.	Place	Date	Consultations held with	Issues discussed	Outcome of discussions and consideration in project
			officials and village Panchayat elected representatives	and social impacts during project implementation, additional 150 Bigha area included in the previous delineated plot, etc.	given in employment. The contractor representative replied that locals will be employed as per skills suiting for the construction works.  2. Deputy Director Town and Country Planning Department (T&CP) suggested that the drainage problem at site should be properly addressed. The Deputy Project Director -ASUP replied that the storm water drainage system of project is being designed and problem of drainage will be addressed.  3. The officials of T&CP further suggested that Building Rules and National Building Code (NBC) should be followed in design and all necessary permissions should be obtained. The ASUP officials replied that the design building rules and NBC have been followed and all necessary permissions required for start of construction works obtained.  4. One participant suggested that Rainwater Harvesting (RWH) structures should be designed and constructed. The environmental specialist replied that because of intense rainfall and high-water table in the area, RWH may not be successful, but RWH has been designed in the form water bodies in the campus. The detailed examination is under progress and based on technical decision these will be implemented.  5. All the participants welcomed the decision of inclusion of additional 150 Bigha area for the ASU site and B expressed happiness that the campus will be bigger and open.
5	ASU Project Site Mangaldai	December 16, 2022	Local people	ASU Project components, benefits of project, implementation schedule, environmental and social impacts during project	Local people were made aware of the GRM, and the functionality of the GRM, different modes of receiving complaints, discussion about addressing environmental and social issues at site through GRM. The local people were happy and conveyed that there are no grievances due to the project implementation.

SI. No.	Place	Date	Consultations held with	Issues discussed	Outcome of discussions and consideration in project design and implementation
				implementation, etc.	

Table-22: Summary of Stakeholder Consultations at Institutional Level

SI. No.	Place and date	Consultations held with	Issues discussed	Outcome of discussions and consideration in project design and Implementation
1.	Deputy Commissioner Darrang Office 12/11/2020	Darrang District Deputy Commissioner, local NGO, Revenue Officials, and Darrang Municipal Council elected representatives	ASU Project components, benefits of project, implementation schedule, environmental and social impacts during project implementation, etc.	<ol> <li>In Darrang District Deputy Commissioner informed ADB project preparation consultant team that elected public representatives are in favor of project and district administration will extend all help for the project. He further suggested that Darrang district being agriculture predominant area so modern courses based on agro processing, and local agriculture-based products should be taught in the ASU. ASDM team replied that suggestion has been noted and while finalizing the courses the suggestion will be considered.</li> <li>One participant suggested that if trees are to be cut down, then these should be replanted at another location. The environmental specialist replied that there is no requirement of tree cutting as site is flat and vacant.</li> <li>The official from local office of State Pollution Control Board suggested that environmental impacts of the project should be assessed thoroughly. The environmental specialist replied that environmental assessment of the project is being done and an IEE report will be completed as part of project preparation.</li> <li>One participant suggested that a small portion of ASU should also develop a water body. In this water body rainwater should be collected from rooftop as well as from ground. This will help in ground water recharge. ADB project preparation consultant team replied that suggestions have been noted and will be considered while finalizing layout plan of ASU.</li> <li>The Deputy Commissioner</li> </ol>

SI.	Place and	Consultations	Issues discussed	Outcome of discussions and
No.	date	held with		consideration in project design and Implementation
				informed that after COVID-19 pandemic, cultivation on land is in demand by the youth. Darrang district is a major production center of maize so courses related to food processing should be offered at ASU. The ASDM officials replied that suggestions have been noted and courses pertaining to food processing will be planned.  6. One participating NGO from Darrang suggested that jute production is good in Darrang district and jute is exported so local youth should be trained for export of jute-based products and exotic vegetables. The ASDM officials replied that suggestions have been noted and courses will be planned considering the suggestions given in the consultation meeting.
2.	Guwahati 12/11/2020 and 13/11/2020	ASDM Director and officials	Site Issues, ASU project components, regulatory permissions required and project site revenue records	1. Environmental specialist enquired about land title and tree cutting requirements at site. The ASDM
3	Guwahati 05/02/2021	Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (PCCF), State Forest Department	Dissemination of project information and enquiry about requirement of clearance/permissions from the forest department	1- The ASDM officials explained ASU project features. The environmental specialist enquired about the clearances and permissions required from the forest

SI. No.	Place and date	Consultations held with	Issues discussed	Outcome of discussions and consideration in project design and Implementation
				advised that that letter to divisional forest officer (DFO) may be written to confirm that no forest land is in the delineated plot of ASU. This will avoid any complications later. ASDM subsequently obtained confirmation from the forest department and the letter is enclosed in Annexure-6.  2- Similar to the forest land confirmation, PCCF also advised to obtain confirmation letter from divisional forest officer (wildlife) that the land of the ASU campus site does not fall in the eco-sensitive zone of Orang National Park. The environmental specialist thanked the PCCF and said that confirmations for both forest and eco-sensitive will be obtained from the respective DFOs. ASDM subsequently obtained confirmation from the wildlife division of forest department and letter is enclosed in Annexure-6.
4	Guwahati 05/02/2021	Chairman of State Environmental Impact Assessment Authority (SEIAA), Assam State	Dissemination of project information and enquiry about requirement of prior environmental clearance for the project	1- The environmental specialist explained the project features to the chairman of Assam State Environmental Impact Assessment Authority and enquired whether the project will require prior environmental clearance. The SEIAA chairman replied that education institutes are exempted from obtaining the prior environmental clearance as per MoEFCC notification. So, the project will not require prior environmental clearance. ASDM officials and environmental specialist thanked the chairman for clarification.

5	Guwahati 05/02/2021	Assam Pollution Control Board	Dissemination of project information and enquiry about requirement of 'No Objection Certificate and permissions' from Assam Pollution Control Board for the project	required from the Assam State pollution Control Board for the
6	ASU Site 04/04/2023	Deputy Commissioner, Darrang, Water Resources, T&CP, ASUP officials	Storm water drainage system development at and around ASU campus	A detailed discussion regarding the storm water drainage plan was done. Based on the drainage plan of the ASU Campus, three zones have been identified to carry the run-off to the nearby Noanadi River, Mangaldai River and the Moranadi River. District Administration, Darrang ensured necessary cooperation during the implementation of the drainage plan.

### **B.** Future Consultation and Information Disclosure

To ensure continued public and stakeholder participation in the ASU project life cycle, periodic consultations and focus group discussion shall be continued. A grievance redress committee (GRC) has been formed at the site and also at PMU level to register grievances regarding technical, social and environmental issues. The participatory process will ensure that all views are adequately reviewed and suitably incorporated in the design and implementation process. Further, to ensure an effective disclosure of the ASU project proposal to the stakeholders and the communities in the vicinity of site, an extensive project awareness campaign will be carried out.

### **Information Disclosure**

- An electronic version of this addendum IEE will be placed in the official websites of the ASDM and ADB (after clearance of this document by the GoA and ADB). On demand, any person seeking information can obtain a hard copy of the complete IEE document by paying the cost of photocopy from the office of the PMU and ASU site office on a written request. The hard copies of addendum IEE report summary in Assamese language will be available at ASDM office, Guwahati, ASU site office, Mangaldai and Deputy Commissioner office, Darrang for reference.
- The PMU issues important notifications on the disclosure mechanism on its website 123. for creating awareness of the project implementation among the public.

### C. Grievance Redress Mechanism- ASUP

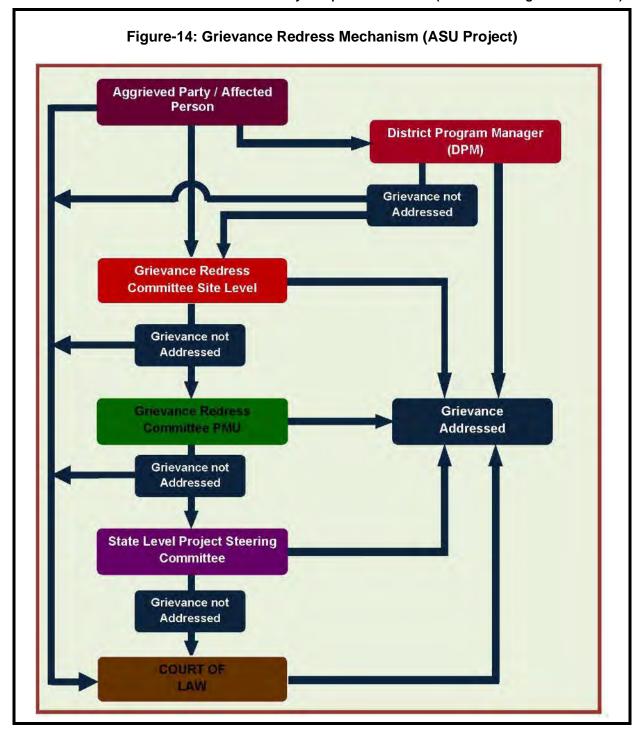
- A three tier Grievance Redressal Mechanism has been established for ASUP. This mechanism has been approved by SEED and ADB. The affected person(s)/aggrieved party can give their grievance verbally or in written to the ASU site office in Mangaldai. Grievances of affected person will first be brought to the attention of the officer in charge of the site (District Program Manager of ASDM), who can resolve the issue at the site level. If the matter is not solved within 7 days period by the site in charge, it will be brought to the GRC constituted for the purpose at site. This GRC shall discuss the issue in its monthly meeting and resolve the issues within one month after receiving the grievance. If the matter is not resolved by GRC at the site level within the stipulated time, it shall be referred to GRC at PMU level by the officer in-charge of the site (District Program Manager) of ASDM.
- GRC at PMU shall discuss the issue and try to resolve it and inform the ASU site 125. office. If the matter is not resolved by the GRC at PMU level within one month, the matter will be referred to the state level project steering committee (SPC), who will resolve the complaint within one month. However, the aggrieved person/party can bring the matter to the Court of Law any time during the process or even without approaching the GRC. The PMU and ASU site keep records of all grievances received including contact details of the complainant, date of receiving the complaint, nature of grievance, agreed corrective actions and the date the actions were taken and their final outcome. A complaint box and register is maintained at the construction site. The grievance redress process is shown below. The cost for the operation of GRM will be accounted for in project cost as part of PMU operation.
- Further, person(s)/aggrieved party who are, or maybe, adversely affected by the project may submit complaints to ADB's Accountability Mechanism. The accountability mechanism provides an independent forum and process whereby people can voice, and seek a resolution of their problems, as well as report alleged violations of ADB's operational policies and procedures. Before submitting a complaint to the Accountability Mechanism, affected person(s)/aggrieved party should first make a good faith effort to solve their problems by working with the ADB South Asia operations department including the India

Resident Mission.

### D. Composition and functions of GRC

- 127. **Site Level Grievance Redress Committee (GRC-Site).** This committee comprise of PMU civil engineer, PMU environment specialist, PMU gender and indigenous peoples specialist, and one local elected representative from Panchayat. The GRC-Site is headed by District Program Manager of ASDM. It meets at least once a month. The agenda of the meeting will be circulated to all the members and the affected persons/aggrieved party along with venue, date and time at least a week prior to the meeting. The matters shall remain with GRC at site level for one month.
- 128. **GRC at PMU.** There is one GRC in PMU. GRC at PMU comprises of the Director ASDM, safeguard specialists (Environmental and Social) of the PMU and Finance Officer/Manager of PMU/ASDM. The Committee is headed by the Mission Director, ASDM. This committee shall look into the matters, which are referred to and not resolved by GRC at site level. If the matter is not resolved by the GRC at PMU level within one month, then the aggrieved person or party can bring the matter to the state level project steering committee (PSC) which is in-charge of the project. The GRC mechanism at PMU will also refer the complaint to the PSC.
- 129. **GRC at State Level-Executive Agency (SEED).** Grievances that cannot be solved at the PMU Level or where matter is directly presented to Principal Secretary by the complainant will be deliberated upon in the SLSC meeting and the solution of the same will be intimidated to the complainant by letter.
- 130. **Approach to GRC.** Affected person or aggrieved party can approach the GRC for redress of his/their grievances through any of the following modes:
  - Web based: A separate corner has been developed at the ASDM/ASU website (s) so that public and affected person can register their complaints in the online column.
  - ASU project information board has been installed at site and on this board, contact details (name, phone number and email) of complaint receiving officer is available.
  - Telephone based: A telephone number is available on the website of ASDM/ASU and at the construction site so that general public can register their complaint through telephone/mobile phone to the ASU site office and PMU office. One complaint register is maintained at the construction site.

The grievance redress mechanism for the project for any safeguard related issues is shown below in **Figure-14**:



### VIII. FINDINGS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

- 131. The construction and development of ASU campus on the delineated plot does not involve any interventions in and around the natural and cultural heritage destinations and have no significant (direct and indirect) environmental impacts. It is expected that the ASU will offer industry-aligned and flexible skills education and training programs for youths and adults. This will help them in getting gainful employment locally and internationally.
- 132. This addendum IEE has not identified any additional impacts, other than those identified earlier, only minor impacts on water, air and noise during construction and has defined mitigation measures. Minor impacts have also been identified during the operation phase and mitigation measures have also been given in the addendum IEE. Those mitigation measures are being implemented and monitored during project implementation. The overall environmental quality of the ASU project site and surroundings will not be affected because of the construction and operation of the ASU campus.
- 133. The specific management measures laid down in the addendum IEE will effectively address any adverse environmental impacts due to the ASU project. The effective implementation of the measures proposed will be ensured through the building of capacity towards environmental management within the PMU supplemented by the technical expertise of safeguards specialist of the PMC. Further, the environmental monitoring plan provides adequate opportunities towards course correction to address any residual impacts during ASU phase I components construction.

### IX. CONCLUSIONS

134. Based on the addendum IEE, it is expected that the subproject (Phase I components) has only minor, localized, temporary and reversible environmental impacts. **No additional impacts have been identified after detailed design of Phase I components.** The identified impacts can be easily mitigated through adequate mitigation measures and regular monitoring during the design, construction, and post construction phases of the project. Negative impacts on water, air quality and noise levels during civil works will be appropriately monitored and adequately mitigated. This report has not identified any comprehensive, broad, diverse, or irreversible adverse impacts caused by the ASU project Phase I components. Based on the findings of the addendum IEE, the classification of the project as Category "B" is confirmed. No further special study or detailed EIA needs to be undertaken to comply with ADB SPS (2009).

### ANNEXURE-1: MOEFCC NOTIFICATION ON EXEMPTION OF ENVIRONMENTAL CLEARANCE FOR EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS

[भाग II-खण्ड 3(ii)]

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### MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, FORESTS AND CLIMATE CHANGE

#### NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 22nd December, 2014

S.O. 3252(E).—Whereas, a draft notification further to amend the notification number S.O 1555(E), dated the 14th September, 2006 (hereinafter referred to as the principal notification), was published, as required under sub-rule (3) of rule 5 of the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986 in the Gazette of India ,Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Subsection (ii) vide number S.O. 2319, (E) dated the 11th September, 2014 (hereinafter referred to as the said notification), inviting objections and suggestions from all persons likely to be affected thereby within a period of sixty days from the date on which copies of Gazette containing the said notification were made available to the public;

And whereas, copies of the said notification were made available to the public on 11th September, 2014;

And whereas, no objections or suggestions have been received in response to the said notification within the specified period of sixty days;

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by Sub-section (1) and clause (v) of Sub-section (2) of Section 3 of the said Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 (29 of 1986) read with clause (d) of sub-rule (3) of rule 5 of the Environment (Protection) Rules, 1986, the Central Government hereby makes the following amendments in the said notification, namely:—

In the principal notification, in the Schedule, under Column (1), for item 8 relating to Building/Construction Projects/Area Development Projects and Townships and sub-items 8 (a) and 8 (b) and the entries relating thereto, specified there under, the following item, sub-items and entries shall be substituted, namely:—

(1)	(2)	(3)	- (4)	(5)					
	33.4	-	C	projects or Area Development projects and Townships					
"8		Build	Building or Construction projects or Area Development projects and Townships						
8 (a)	Building and Construction projects		>20000 sq.mtrs and < 1,50,000 sq. mtrs. of built up area	The term "built up area" for the purpose of this notification the built up or covered area on all floors put together, including its basement and other service areas, which are proposed in the building or construction projects.  Note 1 The projects or activities shall not include industrial shed, school, college, hostel for educational institution, but such buildings shall ensure sustainable environmental management, solid and liquid waste management, rain water harvesting and may use recycled materials such as fly ash bricks.  Note 2 "General Conditions" shall not apply.					
8	Townships and Area Development Projects	-	Covering an area of > 50 ha and or built up area > 1,50,000 sq. mtrs	A project of Township and Area Development Project covered under this item shall require an Environmen Assessment report and be appraised as Category 'B1 Project.  Note "General Conditions" shall not apply.					

[F. No. 19-2/2013-IA-III]

MANOJ KUMAR SINGH, Jt. Secy.

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	Note: The principal rules were published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part II, Section 3, Sub-section (ii) vide Notification Number S.O. 1533(E), dated the 14th September, 2006 and was subsequently amended as follows:—
	1. S.O. 1737 (E), dated the 11th October, 2007;
	2. S.O. 3067 (E), dated the 1st December, 2009;
25	3. S.O. 695 (E), dated the 4th April, 2011;
	4. S.O. 2896 (E), dated the 13th December, 2012;
	5. S.O.674(E), dated the 13th March, 2013;
	6. S.O. 2559 (E), dated the 22nd August, 2013;
	7: S. O. 2731 (E), dated the 9th September, 2013;
	8. S. O. 562(E), dated the 26th February 2014; and
	9. S. O. 1599(E), dated the 25th June, 2014.
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Government of India

### Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change

(Impact Assessment Division)

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Dated: 09th June, 2015

### OFFICE MEMORANDUM

Sub: Clarification regarding Gazette Notification No. S.O. 3252 (E) dated 22.12.2014 on applicability of Environment Clearance-reg.

Vide Gazette Notification No. S.O. 3252 (E) dated 22.12.2014, the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change has exempted the School, College and Hostel for educational institution from obtaining prior Environment Clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 subject to Sustainable Environmental Management.

The Ministry is in receipt of representation from various educational institutions regarding issuing clarification on status of universities, and other educational institutions. The matter has been further examined in the Ministry and it is clarified that the Notification No. S.O. 3252 (E) dated 22.12.2014 provides exemption to buildings of educational institutions including universities form obtaining prior Environment Clearance under the provisions of the EIA Notification, 2006 subject to sustainable environmental Management. In case of medical universities/institutes the component of Hospitals will continue to require prior Environment Clearance.

The Guidelines to be followed for building projects to ensure sustainable environmental management in pursuance of Notification No. S.O.3252 (E) of 22nd December 2014 under EIA Notification 2006 are at Annexure-I.

This issues with the approval of the Competent Authority.

(Manoj Kumar Singh) Joint Secretary

### Copy to:-

- All the officers of IA Division 1.
- The Chairperson/Member Secretaries of all the SEIAAs/SEACs. 2.
- 3. The Chairman of all the Expert Appraisal Committees
- The Chairman, CPCB 4
- The Chairpersons/Member Secretaries of all SPCBs/UTPCCs. 5.
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ANNEXURE-

# GUIDELINES TO BE FOLLOWED FOR BUILDING AND CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS TO ENSURE SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT IN PURSUANCE OF NOTIFICATION No. S.O. 3252 (E) OF 22nd DECEMBER, 2014 UNDER ENVIRONMENT IMPACT ASSESSMENT NOTIFICATION, 2006

### [INDUSTRIAL SHED AND EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTIONS]

The Notification dated 22nd December, 2014 has taken out the industrial shed\*, school, college, hostel for educational institution from the requirement of prior Environment Clearance (EC) under EIA Notification, 2006 and stipulated that such buildings shall ensure sustainable environmental management, solid and liquid waste management, rain water harvesting and may use recycled materials such as fly ash bricks. These Guidelines will be applicable to all buildings and constructions which come under the ambit of Notification No. S.O. (E.) 3252 of 22nd. December 2014. To ensure sustainable environment management these guidelines as suited will be applicable on the projects under Item 8 (a) of EIA Notification in addition to the conditions stipulated in the EC.

Land, Air, Noise, Water, Energy, Biological, Socio-economic, and Solid & other Waste Management are the main environment facets to be considered in relation to pre, during & post building construction, therefore, it is necessary to ascertain the baseline data of these environmental facets.

The project proponent should file the information about description of project as per points described below prior to start of the project. Information pertaining to compliance on other points be filed at six monthly interval to the respective State Pollution Control Board and the Regional Office of the Ministry of Environment, Forests and Climate Change.

The compliance of the following will be ensured by the respective State Pollution Control Board before giving 'Consent-to-Operate' to industries and by the Local Urban Bodies and the Development Authorities while giving the 'Occupancy Certificate' to the buildings and constructions. These Certificates should be submitted by the above authorities to the Regional Office of MoEFCC. Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change can assess/evaluate/monitor the compliance of conditions enumerated in the Guidelines through verification by Regional Offices or deputed organisations / person.

S. No.	Environmental Parameters	Implementation and monitoring parameters to be included in local by-laws.
a.	Pre-requisites	Brief description of the project
		01 Name of the Project, Survey number, Village, Taluka, District, State to be mentioned with Google Earth Image and GPS Co-ordinates of the plot to be submitted.
		02 Location & distance from nearby landmark places / services to be mentioned.
		03 Total Built-up area (FSI and Non-FSI) should be mentioned with detailed calculations certified by local planning and sanctioning authority.
		04 Form 1, Form 1A and Consolidated statement as per Environment Notification dated September 14, 2006 to be submitted to local planning and sanctioning authority, Regional Office, MoEFCC and SPCB
b	Environment Impacts on Project Land	05. The building layout, set-back/side margin, podium, basement ventilation etc is prepared based on local building bye-laws and is approved by loca competent authorities. The Project Proponent shall obtain all necessary clearance/ permission from all relevant agencies including Town Planning Authority before commencing the work.
		06. Provisional fire NOC to be obtained from local CFO ( Chief Fire Officer)
		<ol> <li>"Consent-to-Establish and Consent-to-Operate" shall be obtained as required from State Pollution Control Board as provided in the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 and Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974</li> </ol>

Conservation/ efficiency Authority in the State

08 The project proponent shall put in place a credible enforcement mechanism for compliance of energy conservation measures with its allottees, as projected, in perpetuity. This would be monitored by the designated Energy

09 Soil and ground water samples will be tested to ascertain that there is no

threat to ground	water	quality	by	leaching	of	heavy	metals	and	other	toxic
contaminants.										

- 10. Top fertile soil to be preserved and to be later used in landscape
- 11. The excavation/demolition debris must be disposed off in designated landfill areas or to be used within site for levelling purpose. Under no circumstance, the debris will be disposed in river bed/lakes etc
- 12. Undertaking to be given by project proponent that occupancy will be given only after drainage and water connections are in place.
- 13. Dust/smoke prevention measures such as wheel washing, water sprinkler, screening, barricading and debris chute must be installed
- 14 This should comply with the provisions of eco-sensitive zone regulations, coastal zone regulations, heritage areas (identified in the master plan or issued separately as specific guidelines), water body zones (in such zones, no construction is permitted in the water-spread and buffer belt of 30 m minimum around the FTL [full tank level]), various hazard prone area regulations, and others if the site falls under any such area.
- 15. The site planning should take into account heat island effect, size and density of the built-up areas cause heat island effect, wherein higher air temperatures are created in the dense urban areas as against the low-rise surrounding built-up areas. The solar access in the morphology of clusters can be understood in terms of utilization of direct (and not reflected or diffused) solar radiation, mainly for day lighting and heat gain. This defines the minimal distances between the buildings and the relations between built-up volume and open spaces
- 16. The proportion of open spaces and built-up edges should be designed such that it ensures winter solar access and summer ventilation.
- Water
- 17 Proponent shall obtain permission for ground water withdrawal from State Ground Water Authority
- 18 Storm water control and its re-use as per CGWB and BIS standards for various applications
- 19. The natural flow of existing storm water channel should not be altered or diverted
- 20 Keeping in view the use of large quantities of water in curing, measures for reducing water demand during construction should be followed. Curing water should be sprayed on concrete structures; free flow of water should not be allowed for curing. After liberal curing on the first day, all concrete structures should be painted with curing chemical to save water. Concrete structures should be covered with thick cloth/gunny bags and then water should be sprayed on them. This would avoid water rebound and will ensure sustained and complete curing. Ponds should be made using cement and sand mortar to avoid water flowing away from the flat surface while curing.
- 21 The developer should ensure groundwater and municipal water meet the water quality norms as prescribed in the Indian Standards for various applications (Indian Standards for drinking [IS 10500-1991], irrigation applications [IS 11624-1986]).
- The use of potable water during construction should be minimized.
- 23 Separation of grey and black water should be done by the use of dual plumbing line for separation of grey and black water
- 24 Source of water to be identified
- 25 Water treatment measures such as filtration, softeners, RO etc should be implemented
- 26. Low flow fixtures and sensors to be used to promote water conservation.
- 27 Water meters to be installed to monitor consumption of water.
- 28. Water balance table/chart should be prepared
- Waste Water Treatment
- 29. Sewage treatment plant of capacity capable of treating 100% waste water to be installed on site.
- 30. Tertiary treatment such as dual media filter, activated carbon filter and ozonization/ chlorination to be provided so that the treated water

-			characteristics are as per Central Pollution Control Board (CPCB) norms
7			31 If STP and pump room are installed in basement, adequate ventilation as SNBC air changes norms should be provided.
			32 Treated waste water to be recycled for flushing and gardening.
	e.	Drainage	33.Excess treated water disposal plan to be submitted.
		Pattern	34. Total paved area of the site under parking, roads, paths or any other use should not exceed 25% of the site area or net imperviousness of the site not to exceed the imperviousness factor as prescribed by the NBC 2005 (BIS 2005b), whichever is more stringent.
			35.The final disposal point for excess treated water discharge will be municipal sewer for areas where sewerage network is present.
			36.In areas where sewerage network is absent, the excess treated water can be used for agriculture or can be disposed off as per CPCB rules.
			37. Storm water disposal plan to be submitted.
			38. The final disposal point for storm water will be municipal storm drain for areas where storm water network is present.
			39.In areas where storm water network is absent, the storm water surface runoff can be disposed off in nearby natural water streams/ nallas.
	f.	Ground Water	40 Hydro-geological survey for ground water analysis shall be submitted.
			41 Aquifer capacity and Ground water yield shall be determined.  42 Rain water harvesting plan shall be submitted indicating the number of
			recharge pits and bores and total rain water to be harvested.
			43.Rain water to be harvested and as a safety precaution, rainwater on-line filters be provided as per NBC norms.
	g.	Solid Waste	A) During construction phase:
			44 Disposal of muck during construction phase should not create any adverse effect on the neighbouring communities and be disposed taking the necessary precautions for general safety and health aspects of people, only in approved sites with the approval of competent authority. The Rules on the Solid Waste Management including Construction Waste issued by the MoEFCC as amended will be applicable.
			45 Construction spoils, including bituminous material and other hazardous materials, must not be allowed to contaminate watercourses and the dump sites for such material must be secured so that they should not leach into the ground water.
			46. Any hazardous waste generated during construction phase, should be disposed off as per applicable rules and norms with necessary approvals of the State Pollution Control Board.  47. Miscellaneous site debris such as broken tiles etc shall be used on site for
			leveling /backfilling purpose
			48 Packaged STP /mobile toilets shall be provided for labour camp. 49 Polymer bags used for cement and gypsum shall be handed over to
			authorized recyclers.
			50 Cardboard boxes and other packaging material will be handed over to authorized recyclers.
			B) Post construction phase:
			51 Organic waste composter (OWC) or Vermiculture pits shall be installed on site for biodegradable waste treatment (capacity calculated at 0.3kg/tenement/day) The manure generated shall be used for landscaping.
			52. The non-biodegradable waste or e-waste shall be handed over to authorized recyclers.
			53 STP sludge shall be removed using filter press or centrifuge mechanism. The dried sludge cakes shall be used as manure in landscaping.
			54. Minimize waste generation, streamline waste segregation, storage, and
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- disposal; and promote resource recovery from waste
- 55 Resource recovery from waste: Employ resource recovery systems for biodegradable waste as per the Solid Waste Management and Handling Rules, 2000 of the MoEFCC. Make arrangements for recycling of waste through local dealers.
- 56. Use of covering sheets should be done for trucks to prevent dust dispersion from the trucks and washing of tyres when trucks with soil / debris coming on road.
- 57. Hazardous Waste Management: Products, such as paints, cleaners, oils, batteries, and pesticides that contain potentially hazardous ingredients require special care when being disposed. Improper disposal of household hazardous wastes can include pouring them down the drain, on the ground, into storm sewers, or in some cases putting them out with the trash.

The hazardous wastes from construction and demolition activities are centering oil, formwork oil, tar and tar products (bitumen, felt, waterproofing compounds, etc.), wood dust from treated wood, lead containing products, chemical admixtures, sealants, adhesive solvents, Explosives and related products and equipment used in excavation, acrylics, and silica, etc.

h. Air Quality and Noise Levels

#### A) During construction phase:

- 58 The diesel required for operating DG sets shall be stored in underground tanks and clearance from Chief Controller of Explosives shall be taken, as applicable.
- 59 Ambient noise levels should conform to residential standards both during day and night as per Noise Pollution (Control and Regulation) Rules, 2000. Incremental pollution loads on the ambient air and noise quality should be closely monitored during construction phase. Adequate measures should be made to reduce ambient air and noise level during construction phase, so as to conform to the stipulated standards by CPCB/ SPCB.
- 60. Burning of waste to be banned.
- 61 The construction site DG to be maintained regularly so that the smoke emission and noise levels are as per permissible norms.
- 62 Regular P.U.C check for all construction machinery coming on site be done.
- 63. Noise cancellation and insulation devices such as mufflers, barricades etc to be used to avoid noise propagation to adjoining areas.

#### B) Post construction phase:

- 64 DG to be regularly maintained so that the smoke emission and noise levels are as per permissible norms. It shall be at least 6 meters away from the boundary.
- 65 Air quality monitoring to be done quarterly.
- 66.STP and water pumps, air blowers etc should be installed with noise cancellation devices or suitable acoustical enclosures to be given so that the noise levels as per NBC norms are maintained.

### C) During Construction & Operation

- 67 The provisions of the Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1981 (14 of 1981) and the rules made thereunder be complied for control of noise pollution during construction and operation.
- 68. Setting up the barriers: National Building Code 2005 suggests that design solutions such as barrier blocks should be used to reduce external LA10 noise levels to at least 60-70 dB (A) at any point 1.0 m from any inward looking façade. Green belts and landscaping could act as an effective means to control noise pollution. In case of railway tracks, a minimum distance of 50m to 70m may be provided between the buildings and the tracks.

Energy

- 69. Appropriate processes and material be used to encourage reduction in carbon foot print.
- 70. Use of glass be reduced by up-to 40% to reduce the electricity consumption and load on air-conditioning. If necessary, use high quality double glass with special reflective coating in windows.
- 71. Solar water heater to be provided adequately.

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- 72. Common area lighting should be Solar / LED.
- 73 Install energy meters to monitor overall consumption, and timer-switch for all common area lighting, and other consumption of measurable energy.
- 74 Fly ash should be used as building material in the construction as per the provisions of Fly Ash Notification of September, 1999 and amended as on 27th August, 2003 and 3rd November, 2009.
- 75. Wherever possible recycled materials having low embodied energy be used.
- 76.Use of light coloured, reflective roofs having an SRI (solar reflectance index) of 50% or more should be promoted. The dark coloured, traditional roofing finishes have SRI varying from 5% to 20%
- 77 Optimize use of energy systems in buildings that should maintain a specified indoor environment conducive to the functional requirements of the building by following mandatory compliance measures (for all applicable buildings) as recommended in the Energy Conservation Building Code (ECBC) 2007 of the Bureau of Energy Efficiency, Government of India. The energy systems include air conditioning systems, indoor lighting systems, water heaters, air heaters, and air circulation devices.
- 78.Use the concept of passive solar design of buildings using architectural design approaches that minimize energy consumption in buildings by integrating conventional energy-efficient devices, such as mechanical and electrical pumps, fans, lighting fixtures, and other equipment, with the passive design elements, such as building orientation, landscaping, efficient building envelope, appropriate fenestration, increased day lighting design, and thermal mass.
- 79 The building should be oriented optimally based on Sun-path and engineering analysis to curtail excessive solar radiations.
- 80. Lighting systems should comply with the ECBC 2007 and applicable to interior spaces of buildings, exterior building features, including facades, illuminated roofs, architectural features, entrances, exits, loading docks, and illuminated canopies, exterior building grounds etc. except emergency lighting and lighting in dwelling units
- 81.All the point light sources installed in the building for general lighting shall be LEDs or LEDs or equivalent. All the linear light sources installed in the building for general lighting shall be T-5 or at least 4 Star BEE rated TFLs or equivalent. The installed interior lighting power shall not exceed the LPD (Lighting Power Density) value as recommended by ECBC 2007
- 82 Automatic Lighting shutoff control be installed Interior lighting/Exterior Lighting systems shall be equipped with an automatic control device in accordance with ECBC 2007 Occupancy sensors that shall turn the lighting off within 30 minutes of occupant leaving the space. It should also have option for manual turning on lights when the space is occupied. ECBC requires controls in day lit areas that are capable of reducing the light output from luminaries by at least half and Controlling of exterior lighting with photocontrols where lighting can be turned off after a fixed interval.
- 83. The tapping of renewable sources of energy for lighting, heating, cooling and ventilation needs, deserve special attention. For captive solar power generation, a minimum of 15 percent of sanctioned load is the requirement.
- 84. Solar photovoltaic (SPV) systems are direct energy conversion systems that convert solar radiation into electric energy. SPV systems should be installed to reduced use of conventional sources of energy. Roof tops of buildings as well as other exposed areas such as of parking shades should be utilized for installation of SPV systems.
- 85. Hot water requirement in buildings should be met through use of various types of solar water heating systems, viz. flat plate collector, single glazed double glazed; evacuated tube collectors, and Water heating with solar concentrators.
- 86. The Project Proponent should ensure regular energy audit.
  - To validate the predicted energy consumption, thermal comfort, and visual comfort criteria by an energy auditor approved by the BEE, Government of India.

		106. All local labour welfare laws must be compiled.  107. Concerns of the communities being affected by the Project are to be
		to be provided to construction workers.
		during construction phase for the construction workers.  105. Adequate shelter for resting hours, creche, clean and potable drinking water.
		104. Provision for health care, medical kit, creche, First-Aid room shall be given
		103 Importance of maintenance of environment infrastructure to be showcased by issuing pamphlets etc.
	Impact and CSR	household to promote waste segregation at source.  102. Importance of environment and various environment drives to be initiated.
n.	Socio Economic	101 Biodegradable and non-biodegradable waste bins to be provided for every
		<ul> <li>99. Public address system to be installed as per the Fire Safety norms.</li> <li>100. Place of assembly to be indicated.</li> </ul>
		laws.
	Assessment Plan	.97. Firefighting system to be provided as per the fire NOC.  98. Turning radius to be kept as per Fire NoC or as prescribed in the local by-
m.	Disaster/Risk	96 Fire tender movement plan to be submitted.
		95. The project should have detail proposal for tree plantation, landscaping, creation of water bodies etc along with a layout plan to an appropriate scale.
		fountains have a desirable effect. It should be planned for maximum benefit.
		94. Vegetation to provide as shading and promote evaporative cooling. In hot and dry climates, evaporative cooling through appropriately sized wet surfaces or
		93. Native species of trees to be planted.
	Belt/Green Cover	92. Wherever trees are cut or transplanted, compensatory plantation in the ratio of 1.3 to be done in the premise.
L.	Green	91. Provide minimum 1 tree for every 80 sq.mt of plot area.
		<ul> <li>Layout and designing of interior and exterior facilities as per principles of universal design such as prescribed by the National Building Code of India, building management policies and procedures, provision of auxiliary aids &amp; appliances, and staff training in disability awareness.</li> </ul>
		planning to eliminate barriers as per the recommended standards (NBC 2005 [BIS 2005f]).
		employees, visitors and clients with disabilities.  • Ensure access to facilities and services by adopting appropriate site
	Differently able	accessibility for persons with disabilities.     Ensure accessibility and usability of the facilities in the building by
k.	System Provisions for	90. The Project Proponent should provide at least the minimum level of
j.	Traffic Movement	89. Width of driveways, parking provision, ramp width and slope to be kept as per local bye laws.
		should be properly collected and disposed off /sent for recycling as per the prevailing guidelines/ rules of the regulatory authority to avoid mercury contamination. Use of solar panels may be done to the extent possible.
		the areas outside the building should be integral part of the project design and should be in place before project commissioning. Used CFLs and TFLs
		maintenance facilities.  88 Energy conservation measures like installation of CFLs/LEDs for the lighting
		supplier or builder. Moreover, the respective facility management group assigned by the owner or the occupants themselves, will carry out the
		87 This will be ensured in the contract document by providing for the commissioning of all electrical and mechanical systems by the respective
		owner or the occupants.
		<ol> <li>To ascertain continued safety in the operation of the electrical and mechanical systems of the building through proper maintenance by the</li> </ol>

108. Detailed environment management plan comprising of estimated capital cost and O&M cost for the following environment infrastructure should be Environment Management Plan (EMP) submitted: a. Sewage Treatment Plant b. Landscaping c. Rain Water Harvesting d. Power backup for environment infrastructure. e. Environment Monitoring f. Solid Waste Management g. Solar and Energy Conservation 109 Environment Monitoring Cell with defined functions and responsibility shall be set up and its details be submitted. END NOTE Industrial Shed\*: The word 'industrial shed' implies building (whether RCC or otherwise) which is being used for housing plant and machinery of industrial units and shall include godowns and buildings connected with production related and other associated activities of the unit in the same premise.

### ANNEXURE-2: RAPID ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (REA) CHECKLIST

### Instructions:

- (i) The project team completes this checklist to support the environmental classification of a project. It is to be attached to the environmental categorization form and submitted to the Environment and Safeguards Division (SDES) for endorsement by Director, RSES and for approval by the Chief Compliance Officer.
- (ii) This checklist focuses on environmental issues and concerns. To ensure that social dimensions are adequately considered, refer also to ADB's (a) checklists on involuntary resettlement and Indigenous Peoples; (b) poverty reduction handbook; (c) staff guide to consultation and participation; and (d) gender checklists.
- (iii) Answer the questions assuming the "without mitigation" case. The purpose is to identify potential impacts. Use the "remarks" section to discuss any anticipated mitigation measures.

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India (53277): Assam Skill University Project (ASU: Construction and development of ASU campus)- Phase I

Sector Division:

SAHS

Screening Questions	Yes	No	Remarks
A. Project Sitting			The project (output 1) involves construction of the
Is the project area adjacent to or			campus and facilities of the Assam Skill University
within any of the following areas:			(ASU) on a green field site under the ownership and
within any of the following areas.			possession of Assam Skill Development Mission (the
			implementing agency). The total built up area was
			around 73,530.92m <sup>2</sup> at the time of loan
			processing/tendering. As part of project
			implementation plan, detailed design of Phase I
			components of ASU project is completed and
			drawings good for construction have been approved.
			These have been released to the contractor. As per
			these drawings total area of Phase I components is
			67,298 m <sup>2</sup> . The total area of Phase I components
			was 61,241 m <sup>2</sup> at the time of loan processing and
			tendering. The phase I components include multi-
			purpose hall, administration block, academic block,
			laboratories, workshops and store, faculty hostel,
			guest house, hostel 'A', and hostel 'B' in addition to
			support infrastructure facilities such as DG set for
			power back-up, water supply, sewage treatment
			plant, etc. The ASU site is not located within core or
			buffer zones of national parks, sanctuaries, tiger
			reserves, or biosphere reserves; nor within 300m
			from the boundary of protected monuments of
			archaeological importance.
<ul><li>Underground utilities</li></ul>		$\sqrt{}$	There are no underground utilities at the site of ASU.
<ul> <li>Cultural heritage site</li> </ul>			There are no buildings of archaeological and cultural
o aman am manga ama			heritage importance close to the ASU site. (Within
			300m distance and beyond also in Mangaldai town).
			The nearest archaeologically protected structure is
			about 35 km from the site.
Protected Area		<b>√</b>	There are no protected areas (wildlife park or bird
1 10100104 7 1104		,	sanctuary) within 15km aerial distance around the
			proposed site of ASU. The nearest wildlife sanctuary
- \\/-4		. 1	is about 35 km aerial distance from ASU site.
<ul><li>Wetland</li></ul>		V	There is no wetland within 50km aerial distance around the proposed site of ASU.
Manarova		V	The site of ASU is away from coastal areas. Hence
<ul><li>Mangrove</li></ul>		٧	
		1	this is not applicable.
<ul><li>Estuarine</li></ul>		$\sqrt{}$	The site of ASU is away from coastal areas. Hence this is not applicable.
<ul> <li>Buffer zone of protected</li> </ul>		<b>√</b>	The site of ASU is not in the buffer zone of any
area		٧	protected area.
<ul> <li>Special area for</li> </ul>			There is no special protected area for biodiversity
protecting biodiversity		,	within 15km aerial distance from the site of ASU.
proceeding blocky			The nearest protected area to the site is at about 35
			km from ASU site.
■ Bay		<b>√</b>	The proposed site of ASU is away from the coast.
		٧	Hence this is not applicable.
B. Potential Environmental			
Impacts			
Will the Project cause			
■ Encroachment on		<b>√</b>	There are no historical or cultural areas within 300m
historical/cultural areas?		, v	from the proposed site of ASU.
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■ Encroachment on precious		<b>√</b>	The ASU site is located in Mangaldai, an urban area.
ecology (e.g. sensitive or		٧	Hence, it is away from any sensitive or protected
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protected areas)?		-110	areas.
Impacts on the sustainability of associated sanitation and solid waste disposal systems?	<b>V</b>		For wastewater, sewage network system for sewage transport and sewage treatment plant for wastewater treatment plant are planned. The sewage treatment plant and sewer network will be maintained. The proper operation and maintenance of sanitation facilities will be ensured through the implementation of the environmental management plan (EMP). The EMP is part of contract for the contractor. During operation phase, solid waste will be disposed of as part of the disposal systems of the local civic body in Mangaldai.
Dislocation or involuntary resettlement of people?		V	All project related construction works are being taken up in the vacant and encumbrance-free land. There is no involuntary resettlement or dislocation of people.
Disproportionate impacts on the poor, women and children, Indigenous Peoples or other vulnerable groups?		V	No negative impacts on the poor, women and children, indigenous peoples, or other vulnerable groups are foreseen. The project will enhance access to industry-aligned, multidisciplinary, and flexible skills education and training for graduates from higher secondary education, industrial training institutes, polytechnics, engineering colleges, academic colleges, and universities, as well as professionals and other working age population, including the poor, women, and indigenous peoples.
<ul> <li>Accident risks associated with increased vehicular traffic, leading to loss of life?</li> </ul>			The ASU site is not on the national highway or state highway. It will be connected to the national highway through the strengthening and repair of existing local roads. At present, the local road is an earthen road and ends at the site. Traffic near the site is insignificant. During construction, traffic is expected to increase (for material and site staff movement). To minimize any conflict with the local population, vehicles will be driven in a considerate manner. However, to rule out any accident due to the project related vehicular traffic, flagmen will be deployed near the construction site to regulate the traffic. Traffic management plan will be prepared for the construction phase. The traffic management plan has been elaborated in revised IEE and EMP. The IEE and EMP are part of the contract document for the contractor.  Since ASU will have hostels and residential accommodations for faculty and staff, there will be traffic increase in the operation phase. The connecting road will be properly developed and will have road signages for precautions (such as speed, no use of horn, curved approaches, etc.) to be observed by the road users. These measures will avoid conflict with the local community and accident risks.
• Increased noise and air pollution resulting from increased traffic volume?	√		There will be an increase in air and noise pollution due to the movement of construction vehicles. The increase is expected to be marginal and intermittent in nature because of the limited number of construction-related vehicles. To minimize impacts on the local community, mitigation measures (no

Screening Questions	Yes	No	Remarks
Screening Questions	res	NO	movement of vehicles at night, mandatory pollution under control certificate, water sprinkling for dust suppression, and regular monitoring of ambient air quality and noise levels) have been elaborated in the EMP.  Skills education and training activities at ASU are not envisaged to result in any air or noise pollution.  There will be an increase in traffic volume owing to this project so there is a likelihood of some increase in dust and noise levels and vehicular exhaust emissions. To minimize impacts, mitigation measures (plantation of shrubs, landscaping of open areas and trees on side slopes of access road, regular monitoring, etc.) have been included in the EMP. These measures will be implemented during construction and operation phases.
Occupational and community health and safety risks?	~		The environmental impacts related to the construction of new buildings (under phase I) under the project are minor in nature and mostly limited to the duration of construction. The impacts are confined mainly within the construction site. These minor impacts are being mitigated through the EMP. Potential occupational health and safety risks during construction period will be addressed by including provisions in the contract documents and implementation of the EMP. In the operation phase, safety risks due to the usage of equipment, machinery, and instruments in the laboratories and workshops of ASU will be mitigated through the formulation of safe operating procedures (SOPs). These SOPs will be developed during installation of equipment and will be displayed at equipment, machinery instruments, practical training tables, platform of laboratories and workshops. For COVID-19 protection during construction and operation phases, COVID-19 health and safety plan will be prepared in accordance with the guidelines issued by the government agencies and in consultation with ADB. This will also be part of contract document to the contractor.
Risks and vulnerabilities related to occupational health and safety due to physical, chemical, biological, and radiological hazards during project construction and operation?	√		The environmental impact related to the construction of new buildings (under phase I) are minor in nature and mostly limited to the duration of construction. There will be limited physical, chemical, and biological hazards during construction and operation of ASU. The usage of any radioactive material during construction and operation is not envisaged at present. Adequate provisions will be included in the relevant contract documents to address potential occupational health and safety hazards during the construction.  For operation phase, SOPs will be followed to minimize risks and vulnerabilities due to the usage of machinery, equipment and instruments in the laboratories and workshops (including usage of any radioactive materials if unavoidable). These SOPs will be displayed at suitable locations. To minimize COVID-19 related health hazards, COVID-19 health and safety plan will be implemented.

Screening Questions	Yes	No	Remarks
Generation of dust in sensitive areas during construction?	V		During construction, there is minor dust generation due to material handling and operation of construction machinery and equipment. This is being controlled through dust suppression measures (e.g., water spray) and proper maintenance of construction equipment and machinery. It is also being ensured that construction equipment and machinery conform to the emission norms laid down by the Central Pollution Control Board. The necessary provisions are included in the contract document of the contractor.
Requirements for disposal of fill, excavation, and/or spoil materials?		7	Since buildings planned in Phase I are being constructed on a green field site, spoiled materials will be generated. There will be excavations for construction works. The excess earth generated due to these excavations will be utilized in fill works in low-lying areas of the site or any other disposal site as directed by the relevant government agencies. Given that the site is plain land, a significant generation of excess excavated earth is not expected as there are substantial fill works. The utilization of excess earth will be suitably included in the contract document.
Noise and vibration due to blasting and other civil works?		√	During construction, some noise is generated due to the operation of construction equipment and machinery. Adequate mitigation measures have been stipulated in the EMP. No blasting activity is envisaged during construction. Hence, there will not be any significant shaking or vibrations. Further, no construction works are being carried out during nighttime. These will be avoided in future also. There will be periodic ambient noise level monitoring at the construction site as per the monitoring plan prepared as part of the EMP.
Long-term impacts on groundwater flows as result of needing to drain the project site prior to construction?	V		The Assam State has an average annual rainfall of about 1600mm. This intense rainfall causes water to log in plain land. The long-term impact on ground flow is not expected because as part of construction works, an efficient drainage system will be developed after the completion of fill works. The ground water recharging systems such as rainwater harvesting structures are part of ASU design and will be implemented as part of the EMP during the remaining period of construction phase. Due to construction of an efficient and effective drainage system, water logging issues are not envisaged in the operation phase.
<ul> <li>Long-term impacts on local hydrology as a result of building hard surfaces in or near the building?</li> <li>Large population influx during</li> </ul>		√ √	Since the site area is about 82.7 acres, the area to be occupied by buildings and other infrastructure will be around 20-25 acres only and the rest will remain open and green. Therefore, no long-term impacts on local hydrology are anticipated. Further, there is an average rainfall of around 1600 mm in Assam. This will help quick recharge to the aquifer.  ASU may have a maximum of 5,000 students,
project construction and operation that causes increased burden on social		V	faculty and staff. Some may be accommodated at hostel facilities and residential accommodations. As most students will be from Assam, a large population

Screening Questions	Yes	No	Remarks
infrastructure and services			influx is not anticipated. As part of construction
(such as water supply and			works, adequate water supply and sanitation
sanitation systems)?			systems (as per specified codes) facilities have been
			developed. Therefore, no burden on social
			infrastructure and services is anticipated.
			During construction, a workforce of around 200 is
			expected. A construction camp with adequate
			potable water supply and sanitation facilities is
			established. Hence, there will not be any burden on
			social infrastructure and services. Necessary
			provisions for these requirements are included in the
			EMP and contract documents of the contractor.
<ul> <li>Social conflicts if workers from</li> </ul>			Preference will be given to locally available labor.
other regions or countries are			The construction activities are relatively small in
hired?			nature and will take place within the land owned by
			the Assam Skill Development Mission (the
			implementing agency) in Mangaldai. At present, no
			need to hire workers from other regions or countries
			is envisaged.
<ul><li>Risks to community safety</li></ul>			Since all the buildings of ASU will be new, the latest
caused by fire, electric shock,			national building codes and safety measures will be
or failure of the buildings			adopted. The regulatory permissions for occupation
safety features during			of the buildings will be obtained from the local civic
operation?			authorities, including fire department and other
			regulatory bodies after complying with the safety
	,		regulations for fire and electricity shocks.
<ul> <li>Risks to community health and</li> </ul>	$\sqrt{}$		During construction, waste collection and disposal
safety caused by management			system will be developed and operated by the
and disposal of waste?			contractor. The processes being followed will be
			reviewed and approved by the Assam Skill
			Development Mission or its appointed representative
			entity (construction supervision and quality
			assurance firm). Project management consulting firm
			will also help the Assam Skill Development Mission
			in ensuring that the required safety measures are
			adhered to while managing and disposing of waste.
			In the operation phase, adequate provisions will be
			made in the building designs for management and
			disposal of wastewater and other solid waste.
Community safety risks due to	V		All the construction works will be limited to within the
both accidental and natural	٧		fenced area of ASU in Mangaldai and community
hazards, especially where the			safety risks are not foreseen in construction phase.
structural elements or			Skills education and training activities of ASU during
components of the project are			operation phase will not cause any hazards to the
accessible to members of the			community as these will be limited to teaching and
affected community or where			learning in classrooms and practical training classes
their failure could result in			in workshops and laboratories. The activities of ASU
injury to the community			will not interfere with the activities of the population
throughout project			living outside the campus. Further, the buildings will
construction, operation and			be maintained regularly in the operation phase to
decommissioning?			avoid any accident or hazard pertaining to building
			upkeep. Appropriate traffic safety measures would
			be deployed during construction and operation
			phases to minimize accidents with local
			communities.

### A Checklist for Preliminary Climate Risk Screening

Country/Project Title: India (53277): Assam Skill University Project (ASU: Construction and development of ASU campus

**Sector: Education** 

**Subsector: Technical and Vocational Education and Training** 

**Division/Department: SAHS** 

**Screening Questions** Score Remarks<sup>5</sup> Location and Is sitting and/or routing of the project (or There are two rivers Design of project its components) likely to be affected by near the site-Noa climate conditions including extreme Nadi River, and weather-related events such as floods, Mangaldai River and droughts, storms, landslides? also channels of Brahmaputra to which the water from the site will drains to. However, considering very high rainfall, when Brahmaputra is at spate, the level of water at outlet of campus may be higher than Brahmaputra. Therefore, the groundfloor level of the buildings and road levels of the campus have been proposed at a level of 100 years HFL and years respectively to avoid being affected in case of any flood (in design ground level kept at floor 57.2 m - 100-year return flood period level). The site receives around 1637 mm rainfall, so issue drought is not at of site. The site being in plain and а agrarian area with good plantation so not prone to landslides, but there are occasional storms during

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If possible, provide details on the sensitivity of project components to climate conditions, such as how climate parameters are considered in design standards for infrastructure components, how changes in key climate parameters and sea level might affect the sitting/routing of project, the selection of construction material and/or scheduling, performances and/or the maintenance cost/scheduling of project outputs.

			summer months of
			April and May.
	Would the project design (e.g. the	0	Not Applicable
	clearance for bridges) need to consider		
	any hydro-meteorological parameters		
	(e.g., sea-level, peak river flow, reliable		
	water level, peak wind speed etc.)?		
Materials and	Would weather, current and likely future	0	Weather conditions at
Maintenance	climate conditions (e.g. prevailing		ASU site do not
	humidity level, temperature contrast		demand usage of any
	between hot summer days and cold winter		specific construction
	days, exposure to wind and humidity		material to counteract
	hydro-meteorological parameters likely		weather
	affect the selection of project inputs over		phenomenon.
	the life of project outputs (e.g.		
	construction material)?		
	Would weather, current and likely future	0	No, weather
	climate conditions, and related extreme		conditions at ASU
	events likely affect the maintenance		site do not require
	(scheduling and cost) of project output(s)?		specific scheduling
			for maintenance.
Performance of	Would weather/climate conditions and	1	Yes, Extreme
project outputs	related extreme events likely affect the		weather/climate
	performance (e.g. annual power		conditions during
	production) of project output(s) (e.g.		construction may
	hydro-power generation facilities)		prolong construction
	throughout their design life time?		period and in
			operation phase
			training /teaching
			activities may get
			affected.

Options for answers and corresponding score are provided below:

Response	Score
Not Likely	0
Likely	1
Very Likely	2

Responses when added that provide a score of 0 will be considered <u>low risk</u> project. If adding all responses will result to a score of 1-4 and that no score of 2 was given to any single response, the project will be assigned a <u>medium risk</u> category. A total score of 5 or more (which include providing a score of 1 in all responses) or a 2 in any single response will be categorized as <u>high-risk</u> project.

Result of Initial Screening (Low, Medium, High): Medium Risk

Other Comments: None

Prepared by:

#### ANNEXURE-3: SAMPLE TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT PLAN

### A. Principles

- 1. It is expected that there will not be any major or prolonged disruption of local traffic during the construction phase. Nevertheless, it is good to prepare a traffic management plan (TMP) to minimize and avoid public inconvenience to the extent feasible. This indicative TMP will ensure the safety of all the road users along the work zone and minimize public inconvenience. It addresses the following issues:
  - (i) The safety of pedestrians, bicyclists, and motorists travelling close to the construction zone:
  - (ii) Protection of work crews from hazards associated with vehicle and equipment movement;
  - (iii) Avoiding traffic congestion and
  - (iv) Maintenance of access to adjoining properties.

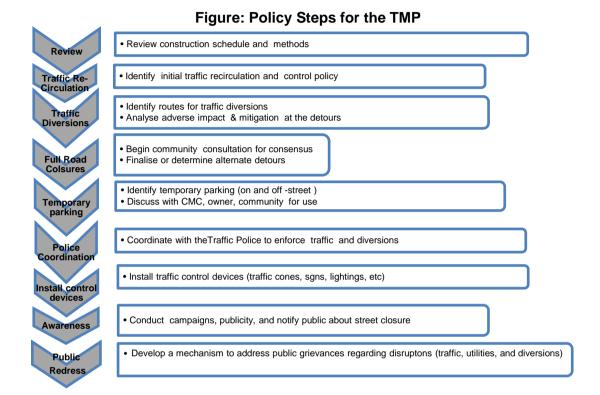
### B. Operating Policies for TMP

- 2. The following principles will help to promote safe and efficient movement for all road users (motorists, bicyclists, and pedestrians, including persons with disabilities) through and around work zones while reasonably protecting workers and equipment.
  - (i) Make traffic safety and temporary traffic control an integral and high-priority element of every project from planning through design, construction, and maintenance.
  - (ii) Inhibit traffic movement as little as possible.
  - (iii) Provide clear and positive guidance to drivers, bicyclists, and pedestrians as they approach and travel through the temporary traffic control zone.
  - (iv) Inspect traffic control elements routinely, both day and night, and make modifications when necessary.
  - (v) Pay increased attention to roadside safety in the vicinity of temporary traffic control zones.
  - (vi) Keep the public well informed.
  - (vii) Make appropriate accommodation for abutting property owners, residents, businesses, emergency services, railroads, commercial vehicles, and transit operations.

### C. Analyze the impact due to street closure, if required

- 3. A final decision to close a particular street and divert the traffic should involve the following steps:
  - (i) Approval from the PMU site team and local administration to use alternative local streets as detours:
  - (ii) Consultation with businesses, community members, traffic police, PWD, etc., regarding the mitigation measures necessary at the detours where the road is diverted during the construction;
  - (iii) Determining of the maximum number of days allowed for road closure, and incorporation of such provisions into the contract documents:
  - (iv) Determining if additional traffic control or temporary improvements are needed along the detour route;
  - (v) Considering how access will be provided to the worksite;
  - (vi) Contacting emergency service, school officials, and transit authorities to determine if there is any effect on their operations; and

- (vii) Developing a notification program to keep the public informed. As part of this program, the public should be advised of alternate routes that commuters can take or will have to take as result of the traffic diversion.
- 4. If full road-closure of certain streets within the area is not feasible due to inadequate capacity of the detour streets or public opposition, then full closure can be restricted to weekends with the construction commencing on Saturday night and ending on Monday morning prior to the morning rush hour traffic.



### D. Public awareness and notifications

- 5. The PMU site team and the contractor will issue timely notifications to inform the public about the following issues:
  - (i) Road blockages and alternative routes along with the duration (as applicable)
  - (ii) Traffic control devices placed around the construction zones (signs, traffic cones, barriers, etc.).
  - (iii) Reduced speed limits to be enforced at the work zones and traffic diversions.
- 8. It may be necessary to conduct an awareness campaign on road safety during construction. It will target relevant groups i.e. children, adults, and drivers. Therefore, these campaigns will be conducted in schools and community centers. In addition, the project will publish a brochure for public information. These brochures will be widely circulated around the area and will also be available at the site office. The text of the brochure should be concise to be effective, with a lot of graphics. It will serve the following purpose:
  - (i) Explain why the brochure was prepared, along with a brief description of the project.
  - (ii) Advise the public to expect the unexpected.

- (iii) Educate the public about the various traffic control devices and safety measures adopted at the work zones.
- (iv) Educate the public about the safe road user behaviour to emulate at the work zones.
- (v) Tell the public how to stay informed or where to inquire about road safety issues at the work zones (name, telephone, mobile number of the contact person; and
- (vi) Indicate the office hours of relevant offices.

### E. Vehicle Maintenance and Safety

10. A vehicle maintenance and safety program shall be implemented by the construction contractor. The contractor should ensure that all the vehicles are in proper running condition and comply with roadworthy and meet certification standards of GoA. All vehicles should be in good condition and meet the pollution standards of GoI and GoA. The drivers will follow the special code of conduct and road safety rules of GoA. They will ensure that all loads are covered and secured. The vehicle cleaning and maintenance will not be taken up at site.

### F. Install traffic control devices at the work zones and traffic diversion routes

- 10. The purpose of installing traffic control devices at the work zones is to delineate these areas to warn, inform, and direct the road users about a hazard ahead, and to protect them as well as the workers. As proper delineation is the key for achieving the above objective, it is important to install good traffic signs at the work zones. The following traffic control devices will be used in work zones:
  - Signs
  - Pavement Markings
  - Channelizing Devices
  - Arrow Panels
  - Warning Lights
- 11. Procedures for installing traffic control devices at any work zone vary depending on road configuration, location of the work, construction activity, duration, traffic speed and volume, and pedestrian traffic. Work will take place along major roads, and the minor internal roads. As such, the traffic volume and road geometry vary. However, regardless of where the construction takes place, all the work zones should be cordoned off, and traffic shifted away at least with traffic cones, barricades, and temporary signs (temporary "STOP" and "GO").
- 12. The work zone should take into consideration, the space required for a buffer zone between the workers and the traffic (lateral and longitudinal) and the transition space required for delineation, as applicable. For the works, a 30 cm clearance between the traffic and the temporary STOP and GO signs should be provided. In addition, at least 60 cm is necessary to install the temporary traffic signs and cones.
- 13. Traffic police should regulate traffic away from the work zone and enforce the traffic diversion result from full street closure in certain areas during construction. Flaggers or personnel should be equipped with reflective jackets at all times and have traffic control batons (preferably the LED type) for regulating the traffic.
- 14 In addition to the delineation devices, all the construction workers should wear fluorescent safety vests and helmets in order to be visible to the motorists at all times. There

should be provision for lighting beacons and illumination for night constructions. The PMU site team and contractor will coordinate with the local administration and traffic police regarding the traffic signs, detour, and any other matters related to traffic. The contractor will prepare the traffic management plan in detail and submit it along with the EMP for the final approval.

### ANNEXURE-4: LAND RECORDS CERTIFIED BY THE REVENUE DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS SHOWING GOA OWNERSHIP

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## GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM OFFICE OF THE CIRCLE OFFICER: MANGALDAI REVENUE CIRCLE MANGALDAI : DARRANG

No.MRC- 12/2018/9165

Dtd. 12/10/2020

### Land Holding Certificate

This is to certify that a plot of land measuring 100 Bighas covered by Dag No.22 at village Gerimari Chapori under Rangamati Mouza under Mangaldai Revenue Circle is recorded in the name of Skill City, Darrang in pursuance of Govt. order ECF No.53336/2018/26 Dated Dispur, the 13th January, 2020.

### Schedule of the Land:

Dag No. Mouza		Village	Area	Remarks			
22	Rangamati	Gerimari Chapori	100 Bighas	Recorded in the name of Skill City, Darrang in the Field index.			

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### GOVT. OF ASSAM

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER :: DARRANG :: MANGALDAI (LAND SETTLEMENT BRANCH)

Tel: 03713 222135 :: Fax - 03713 222800, Email: dc-darrang@nic.in. Website: http://www.darrang.nic.in

No. DRS. 85/2017/487

Dated Mangaldai, the & th January, 2021

To,

The Mission Director, Assam Skill Development Mission, Katabari, NH-37, Guwahati-781035

Sub: Allotment of land in favour of Assam Skill University.

Sir,

With reference to the subject cited above and as per discussion held on 05.01.2021 in the office of the undersigned, I have the honour to inform you that in continuation to earlier allotment of 100 Bighas of land in favour of Assam Skill University vide Govt. letter No. 53336/2018/106 dated 31.07.2020, the Sub-Divisional Land Advisory Committee held on 11.12.2020 has recommended another 150 Bighas of land in favour of Assam Skill University adjacent to earlier allotment in the same village Gerimari consisting of Dag No. 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 201, 202, 203, 204, 205, 206, 207and 208 under Rangamati Mouza of Mangaldai Revenue Circle.

This is for favour of your information and necessary action.

Enclo: As stated above.

Yours faithfully,

Deputy Commissioner Darrang, Mangaldai

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### ANNEXURE-5: PHOTOGRAPHS AND ATTENDANCE SHEETS OF CONSULTATIONS

### A. Photographs of Consultations in November 2020 and February 2021



**Discussion with Stakeholders at Site** 



Another View of Discussion with Locals at Site



Discussion with locals near Site



**View of Stakeholder Consultations at Darrang Deputy Commissioner Office** 

### B. Photographs of Consultations in March 2022



Discussion with stakeholders at site



Environmental specialist taking a note of suggestions of stakeholders



Another view of discussion at site

## C. Photographs of Consultations in December 2022 at ASU Site



## D. Attendance Sheets of Stakeholder Consultations during Nov2020 and Feb 2021

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# F. Attendance of the Storm water drainage meeting held at ASU Site, April,2023

# Meeting on Storm Water Drainage Plan for Assam Skill University Campus, Mangaldai

Date: 04-04-2023

Time: 2:00PM -

Venue: ASU Site

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# G. Attendance Sheets of Stakeholder Consultations in December 2022 at ASU Site

## Stakeholder Consultation

Topic of discussion: Grievance redressal mechanism

Date: 16.12.2022

Venue: ASU Site, Mangaldhi

#### Participants:

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# ANNEXURE-6: NO OBJECTIONS FROM FOREST AND WILDLIFE DIVISIONS OF STATE FOREST DEPARTMENT



# GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER MANGALDAI WILDLIFE DIVISION, MANGALDAI

No. B/46/Misc/ 220 Dated: 08.02.2021

To,

The Mission Director Assam Skill Development Mission

Sub: Establishment of Assam Skill University at Gerimari Chapori, Mangaldai, Darrang.

Darrang.

Ref: Your office letter No. ASDM-49/2017/482 dtd. 05.02.2021

Dear Sir.

With reference to the subject cited above, I would like to inform your goodself that, the proposed site of Assam Skill University at Gerimari Chapori Mangaldai Darrang, does not fall under proposed Eco Sensitive Zone of R G Orang National Park.

This is for your kind information.

Sincerely Yours.

(B V Sandeep, IFS) Divisional Forest Officer Mangaldai Wildlife Division





## GOVERNMENT OF ASSAM OFFICE OF THE DIVISIONAL FOREST OFFICER:: NORTH KAMRUP DIVISION :: RANGIA

Letter No. B/ 2/19-24

Date: 25/2/2021

To

The Mission Director Assam Skill Development Mission Katabari, DPS Road, NH-37 Garesuk, Guwahati-35

Sub: Establishment of Assam Skill University at Gerimari Chapori, Mangaldai, Darrang.

Ref: Your letter no. ASDM-49/217/483, dt-05-02-2021.

Sir.

With reference to the subject & letter cited above, I am to inform you that as per report submitted by Beat Forest Officer, Mangaldai Beat, Mangaldai, It appears that the proposed site identified for establishment of Assam Skill University at Gerimani Chapon, Mangaldai, Darrang does not fall under any Reserve Forest / Proposed Reserve Forest of North Kamrup Division, Rangia.

Therefore, this Forest Division has not any objection for establishment of Assam Skill University at the proposed site.

This is for your information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully

Divisional Forest Officer North Kamrup Division, Rangia

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1. The Beat Forest Officer, Mangaldai Beat, Mangaldai for information and necessary action.

Divisional Forest Officer North Kamrup Division, Rangia





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No. B/ 46/Misc/ 1844

Date: 22/03/2022

To,

The Mission Director, Assam Skill Development Mission 5<sup>th</sup> Floor, Katabari, DPS Road, Garchuk, Guwahati- 781035

Sub: Establishment of Assam Skill University at Gerimari Chapori, Mangaldai.

Ref: Your office letter No. ASDM/ASUP/12/2022/8 dated 10th March,2022.

Sir.

With reference to the subject cited above, I would like to inform you that the proposed site of Assam Skill University at Gerimari Chapori, Mangaldai, Darrang. The new survey area does not falls under proposed Eco Sensitive Zone of the Orang National Park & Tiger Reserve, Silbori.

This is for favour of your kind information and necessary action.

Yours faithfully,

(Pradipta Baruah, AFS) Divisional Forest Officer Mangaldai Wildlife Division ڪ

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Letter No B/Genl/427-28

Date: 30-04-2022

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The Deputy Commissioner. Darrang, Mangaidol.

Sub:- Establishment of Assam Skill University at Gerlman Chaporl, Mangeldol.

Ref:- I. OSD, Assam Skill Development Mission, Garchuk, Guwahati-35 letter No. ASDM/ASUP/12/2022/7, dt-10.03.22 II. C.O. Mangaldol Revenue Circle letter no. MRC.45/2021/521, dt-30.04.2022.

III, B.O. Mangaldol Beat letter No. MB/30/Land/2022-23/24, dt-30.04.2022.

Sir,

With reference to the subject cited above, I have the honour to inform you that the proposed site of Assam Skill University at Geriman Chapen, Mangaldoi, Darrang does not falls under notified Reserved Forest area as reported by the Circle Officer, Mangaldol Revenue Circle, Mangaldol & Forest Beat Officer, Mangaldol Beat, Mangaldol vide letter under references II & III(Copy enclosed).

This is for your kind information and necessary action.

Enclo:-As stated above.

Yours faithfully
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Copy to the OSD, Assam Skill Development Mission, Garchuk, Guwahati-35 of his kind information,

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