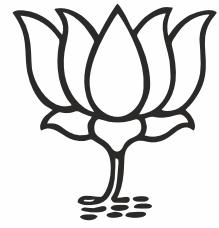


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BJP STATE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Citizens of Meghalaya,

As the State President of the BJP in Meghalaya, I am honoured to introduce our Vision Document 2023 to you. The Empower Meghalaya Vision Document reflects the BJP's commitment to work towards building a better and prosperous Meghalaya for its citizens.



We understand the challenges faced by the people of Meghalaya and this Vision Document is a promise to address these challenges head-on. From improving infrastructure, to increasing access to quality education and healthcare, to boosting the economy and creating job opportunities, we are dedicated to delivering results that will positively impact your lives.

I thank the citizens of Meghalaya for providing their inputs for the vision document and I promise that with your support, we shall continue our efforts to build a better tomorrow for our beloved state.

Sincerely,

Ernest Mawrie

BJP State President, Meghalaya

VISION DOCUMENT COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Greetings to all Citizens of Meghalaya,

I am honored to serve as the Chairman of the Meghalaya Vision Document Committee for the upcoming legislative assembly election 2023. Our team has been working diligently to create a Vision Document that addresses the most pressing issues faced by our state and its people.



We have taken into account the feedback we received from citizens, experts and leaders from different fields to draft a comprehensive Vision Document that lays out our vision and promises for the development and progress of Meghalaya. Our focus is on creating employment opportunities, improving infrastructure, providing quality education, healthcare and clean water, and promoting sustainable agriculture.

Our Vision Document reflects this belief and our unwavering commitment to serving the people of Meghalaya. Together, let us work towards a brighter future for Meghalaya.

Warm regards,

Shri Sanbor Shullai

Chairman, BJP Meghalaya Vision Document Committee



EMPOWER MEGHALAYA KEY HIGHLIGHTS



GOOD GOVERNANCE

- We will establish a **Special Task Force under a retired Supreme Court Judge** to investigate all cases of corruption to take swift and decisive action against any delay, defect or denial of government services.
- We will implement the **7th Pay Commission** in Meghalaya for all government employees.
- We will hold **regular legislative sessions** in a mini-secretariat at **Tura** to ensure equal attention to all parts of the state.
- We will collaborate with the Central Government to solve the **Meghalaya-Assam border issue**, and will establish permanent outposts to promote safety, security, and rule of law.
- We will constitute a **Task Force to check illegal mining** in the state. Additionally, we will ensure the **scientific mining of coal**.



CULTURE AND TOURISM

- We will expedite the establishment of a **state-of-the-art Tribal Museum** to showcase the rich tribal culture and heritage of the state.
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HEALTH FOR ALL

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- We will **initiate the Meghalaya Health Infrastructure Mission** with an investment of **₹2,500 crores** for the development of medical colleges and other health infrastructure in the state.
- We will fill **all vacancies for doctors, nurses, lab technicians and paramedical staff** on priority.



ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

- We will set-up **2 new Export Oriented SEZs (Special Economic Zones)**, and **one IT Park in Tura**.
- We will establish an **MSME Development Centre with a budgetary outlay of ₹100 crores**, which will nurture entrepreneurs from ideation till the execution of their business plans.



BASIC INFRASTRUCTURE

- We will launch the **Meghalaya Road Maintenance and Upgradation Programme** to upgrade and modernise all major roads in the state over the next 5 years.
- We will streamline traffic congestion through the **construction of overpasses and bypasses** across the state.
- We will ensure **100% implementation of Jal Jeevan Mission** and connect all households of Meghalaya to tap water by 2024.
- We will ensure **100% implementation of the PM Awas Yojana Scheme** and provide pucca houses to all the residents of Meghalaya.
- We will constitute a **high-level committee** under the aegis of a Retired High Court Judge to check the corruption and inefficiencies in Meghalaya Energy Corporation Limited and **ensure 24x7 electricity**.
- We will launch a **SMART (State of Meghalaya Agri-business and Rural Transformation) Village Project** with an investment of **₹2,200 crores**.





GOOD GOVERNANCE

ZERO TOLERANCE AGAINST CORRUPTION

- We will establish a **Special Task Force under a retired Supreme Court Judge** to investigate all cases of corruption to take swift and decisive action against any delay, defect or denial of government services.
- We will institute an **Anti-Corruption Helpline including a Whatsapp-based complaint mechanism** under the CM's direct command to provide a quick and efficient grievance redressal mechanism.

TRANSPARENT AND ACCOUNTABLE GOVERNANCE

- We will hold **regular legislative sessions** in a mini-secretariat at Tura to ensure equal attention to all parts of the state.
- Additionally, we will open **more offices and department headquarters** in Tura.

- We will implement the **7th Pay Commission** in Meghalaya for all government employees.
- We will initiate a survey to assess the need for **new districts, sub-divisions, and blocks** to ensure administrative efficiency and effective governance.
- We will launch **Meghalaya Myscheme, an online portal** to provide easy access to all Government services and schemes to the citizens. Additionally, it will also contain the details of all initiatives run by the Government.
- We will ensure **100% Direct Benefit Transfer DBT coverage for all Government schemes** to avoid any leakages.
- We will initiate the **Doorstep Government** initiative to provide **doorstep delivery of welfare schemes in villages** and remote areas ensuring equitable development.
- We will launch the **Chief Minister's Young Leaders Program**, which will involve talented candidates to aid in state governance through fellowships.

ENSURING PEACE AND SECURITY

- We will collaborate with the Central Government to solve the **Meghalaya-Assam border** issue, and will establish permanent outposts to promote safety, security, and rule of law.
- We will work in conjunction with the Central Government to construct **smart border fencing along with 24x7 surveillance camps** along the 443 km long India-Bangladesh border.
- We will constitute a **Task Force under the direct command of the CM** to curb the unchecked narcotics trade across the border.
- We will constitute a **Task Force to check illegal mining** in the state.
- We will **fill all vacant judicial positions in lower courts** for quicker resolution of disputes and ensure access to justice for all citizens.



RICH CULTURE AND TOURISM

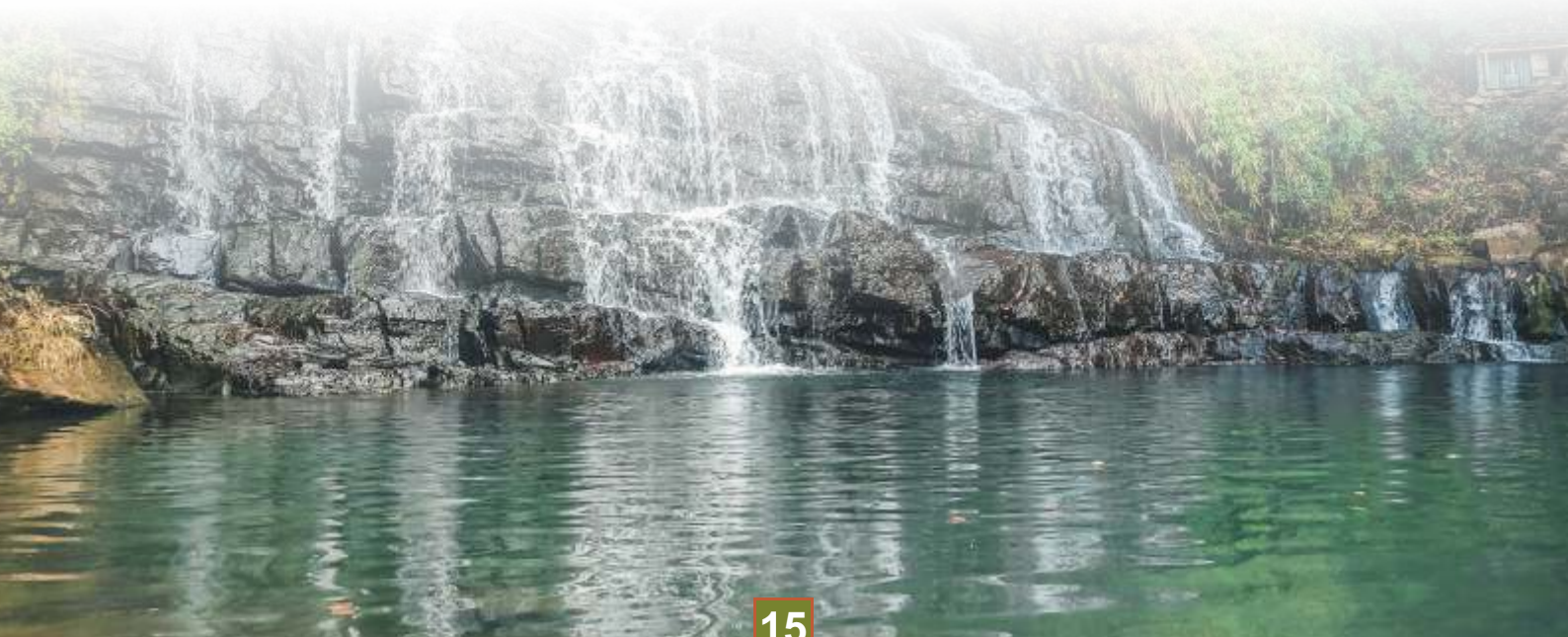
HONOURING THE INDIGENOUS CULTURE

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- We will introduce a Community Development Fund of ₹10 lakh per annum for traditional systems of administration such as Dorbar Shnongs, Nokmaships, Doloiships, and village committees.
- We will promote the **documentation of indigenous history by creating a Tribal Language Museum.**
- We shall **celebrate Traditional Tribal Festivals of Meghalaya** such as Wangala Festival, ka Pomblang Nongkrem, Shad Suk Mynsiem and Behdienkhlam Festival on a grand scale attracting foreign tourists.
- We will introduce **2 State Awards** to be awarded annually:
 - **U. Soso Tham State Award** of ₹10 lakhs to promote excellence in the field of indigenous language and culture;
 - **U. Jeebon Roy State Award** of ₹10 lakhs to admire exemplary contribution towards the society and social upliftment.
- We will ensure the conservation and development of all historic and religious places such as churches, temples and sacred groves with an investment of ₹200 crores.

PRESERVING LANGUAGE

- We will **codify and develop Khasi and Garo languages** by releasing modern dictionaries, recordings, texts, and other multimedia materials.
- We will **develop the Film Industry in Meghalaya** by identifying filming locations, partnering with production houses and simplifying filming permits, especially for films in indigenous languages.
- We will organise **Tura and Jowai Literature Festivals** which will include talks and book exhibitions of indigenous writers and those who write in North-Eastern languages.



COMMUNITY BENEFITS VIA TOURISM

- We will launch the **Meghalaya Tourism Policy** to position Meghalaya as one of the top tourist destinations with the aim of **doubling the number of international tourists and tripling the number of domestic tourists**.
- We will **expand the tourism economy** of Meghalaya by **investing ₹1000 Crores** for the promotion of Meghalaya as a major national and international tourism destination as well as the development of Homestays, Guest Houses, Hotels and others.
- We will introduce **Meghalaya Tourism Skill Mission** to provide training and employment opportunities to **1 lakh local youth**.
- We will rent out finished homestays first to local entrepreneurs, which will **create jobs for young people in Meghalaya**.
- We will initiate a **Field training program for Tourist Guides/Youths living close to historical monuments** and places of interest.
- We will introduce **Meghalaya Flagship Tourism Ambassadors**, where we **will develop 500 tourism ambassadors across 5 tourism services each**. By 2025 we shall empower citizens to create:
 - 500 Flagship Homestays;
 - 500 Flagship Taxi Operators;
 - 500 Flagship Restaurants;
 - 500 Flagship Adventure Sites Operators; and
 - 500 Flagship Guides and Interpreters.

ROBUST TOURISM INFRASTRUCTURE

- We will construct and operationalise a **Seaplane Port at Umiam Lake and a Heritage Airport at Shella**.
- We will develop **Umiam Lake into a world-class venue for water sports**, with facilities for water polo, boating, dragon boat racing, water basketball, canoeing, and water skiing.
- We will introduce state-of-the-art **cable cars and mechanized escalators** from Lawsohtun to Shillong Viewpoint and from Umiam Watersports Complex to Umiam Lake Viewpoint to provide easy access to these locations.
- We will create a **new tourism circuit in Shillong**, connecting UNESCO Heritage Living Root Bridge, Mawsmai Caves and Dainthlen Falls for a holistic travel experience.

- We will provide luxury transport services at affordable prices for tourists and locals by launching a network of **50 luxury shuttle buses** plying between various tourism hubs in the state.
- We will invest in the development of **Wari Chora, Laitlum, Shnongpdeng, Dawki and Mawsynram areas**, to improve infrastructure and promote economic growth via tourism in these regions.
- We will collaborate with the Ministry of AYUSH to build infrastructure for **Meghalaya's Traditional Medicine** and promote Medical Tourism in the state.





EMPOWER FARMER

FARMER'S WELFARE

- We will increase the annual financial assistance under the PM Kisan Samman Nidhi Scheme from the current ₹6,000 to ₹8,000 per annum.
- We will provide financial assistance of ₹3,000 per annum under the Chief Minister's Landless Farmer Scheme to all landless farmers.
- We will ensure 100% coverage of the Kisan Credit Card Scheme to provide short-term agriculture loans to interested farmers.

ROBUST AGRI INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENHANCING PRODUCTIVITY

- We are committed to transforming **Meghalaya from a food deficit to a food surplus state.**
- We will launch the **Agri-Infrastructure Mission** with an investment of **₹500 crores** to develop a holistic **agricultural-infrastructure of collection and primary processing centres.**
- We will launch **5 targeted Missions** to promote **the production of millet, buckwheat, cashew, fisheries and citrus fruits** with an investment of **₹100 crores.**
- We will introduce a **Cold Storage Mission to double the cold storage capacity** Additionally, we will install **1 lakh zero-energy cooling chambers** to prolong the selling cycle of farmers.
- We will establish **seed banks in every block to provide high-yielding seeds** along with soil and seed testing provisions.
- We will introduce the **Chibasal Rejuvenation Mission** by allocating **₹300 crores** under SMART Village Project to build and maintain community ponds and water reservoirs, ensuring water for a second crop in Meghalaya.
- We will provide procurement **subsidies and other incentives to FPOs and Cooperatives** that procure agro inputs directly from the farmers at the village level.
- We will provide **financial assistance of up to ₹18 lakh to FPOs, Cooperatives and SHGs** for setting up agri-processing units.
- We will provide additional subsidies to interested farmers who desire to **purchase farming equipment** through the **FARMS mobile application.**

PROMOTING ORGANIC FARMING

- We will develop **Organic Produce Zones** for collection, aggregation, value addition, processing, storage and market linkages of organic crops.
- We will establish an **organic farming certification desk at all the district agricultural offices.**

PROMOTING ALLIED SECTORS

- We will launch the **Meghalaya White Revolution Project** with a fund of **₹250 crores** to make Meghalaya self-reliant in milk products by 2026.
- We will set up **poultry feed manufacturing units** to provide feed at a reasonable price and **create specialised units at each subdivision to provide facilities** such as vaccinations, treatment and debeaking of poultry.
- We will implement a **Market Intervention Scheme** for perishable **horticulture** crops to ensure remunerative prices for the farmers.
- We will introduce a **Floriculture Mission with an investment of ₹10 crores** to support nurseries, processing units and floriculture farmers and provide market linkages.
- We will strengthen the **One District One Product (ODOP)** Mission by developing the necessary infrastructure for turmeric, pineapple, jackfruit, cashew and other products.
- We will provide **financial assistance of ₹6,000** per annum to all fishermen under the **Fishermen Income Support Scheme**.
- We will establish hygienic **retail fish and meat outlets with state-of-the-art facilities** in all major markets.
- We will launch the **Meghalaya Sericulture Mission** with an investment of **₹500 crores** to double the production of high-quality **Mulberry, Eri and Muga silk rearing**.
- We will provide **free-of-cost silkworm seeds for SHGs**, to facilitate silk farming.



EMPOWER WOMEN

GENDER EMPOWERMENT

- We will introduce the **Ka Phan Nonglait** scheme, providing a **bond of ₹50,000 on the birth of a girl child** under which each female student will receive:
 - ₹3,000 in Class 6;
 - ₹5,000 in Class 9;
 - ₹7,000 in Class 11 and 12 respectively;
 - ₹2 lakhs to unmarried female students after passing class 12.
- We will provide **free-of-cost, quality education to all female students** from KG to PG.
- We will give **free bicycles to all female students** from classes 9th to 12th.

- We will provide **free scooties** to all meritorious college-going female students from financially weak households.

ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL EMPOWERMENT

- We will provide **33% reservation for women in all Government jobs**, with a special focus on the police force.
- We will launch the **Jugi Rani Jugi Silchi Support Scheme** to provide financial assistance of **₹24,000 annually** to all dependent widows and single mothers.
- We will introduce the **Meghalaya Women Empowerment Mission** to provide financial assistance and access to credit to women SHGs to generate self-employment opportunities.
- We will introduce a **Pink Credit Card for collateral-free loans of up to ₹1 lakh** for all the women working in SHGs.
- We will provide **2 free LPG cylinders** to all the beneficiaries of PM Ujjwala Yojana.
- We will **develop Hostels for Working Women and Single Mothers** with creche facilities.

ENSURING WOMEN'S SAFETY

- We will establish the **Phan Nonglait Battalion**, the state's first all-women police battalion.
- We will set up a **dedicated desk operated by women officials in every police station to tackle crimes against women**.
- We will establish **One Stop Centres** at each sub-division for rehabilitation and counselling of sexual assault victims.
- We will establish **fast-track courts** to expedite the resolution of cases related to women's safety and offences against children.



HEALTH AND WELLBEING

- We will launch the **Maternal Health Mission** to ensure the availability of gynaecologists at all the District Hospitals.
- We will launch **Mobile Gyno Clinics** to make gynaecological treatments available at PHCs and CHCs even in the remotest parts of the state.
- We will launch the **Meghalaya Integrated Nutrition Abhiyan** by distributing free health kits to tackle the issue of high malnutrition amongst children and pregnant women.
- We will invest in the development of **100 model Anganwadi centres** with creche facilities to improve the quality of services and facilities for young children and their families.
- We will install **sanitary napkin vending machines** in schools, colleges, market places and Government institutions to provide sanitary napkins at **₹1 per piece**.
- We will **construct Pink Toilets at all public places** for ensuring women's hygiene and convenience.





EMPOWER YOUTH

ENSURING EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

- We will establish an empowered **Meghalaya Combined Recruitment Commission** to expedite the filling of vacancies across various Government departments.
- We will ensure all **Grade III and IV vacancies** shall be filled through a **combined examination** and there shall be **no interviews**, to eliminate the **chance of corruption** or preferential treatment.
- We will provide **skill training** and create **3.5 lakh self-employment opportunities** by setting up two new SEZs, Industrial Units, one additional IT Park, banking and hospitality industries over the next 5 years.

- We will upgrade the **Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) and Polytechnics**, producing **15,000 industry-ready youths every year**.

PROMOTING STARTUPS AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP

- We will launch the **Startup Meghalaya Scheme** with an investment of **₹100 crores** to encourage budding entrepreneurs.
- We will host a **Start-Up Summit** for startups from Meghalaya in partnership with major tech companies.
- We will launch an innovative **Idea 2 Proof-of-concept Programme** to provide early-stage proof-of-concept funding for innovative ideas or concepts with a corpus of **₹5 crores**.

YOUTH WELFARE

- We will introduce a **Silverine Swer Academic Excellence Scheme** to provide meritorious **students of class 12th with a smartphone**.
- We will introduce **Karnesh Marak Youth Support Scheme** to provide **monthly financial assistance of ₹1,000 to unemployed graduates** for a period of 1 year to help them prepare for higher education or government jobs.
- We will launch the **Meghalaya Student Credit Card Scheme** under which students pursuing higher education from high-ranking NIRF institutions can avail of **collateral-free loans from banks up to ₹10 lakhs**.
- We will establish **hostels in major cities like Delhi, Kolkata, Bangalore and Mumbai among others** for Meghalayan students venturing out of the state to complete their higher education.
- We will launch a **War on Drugs under which a state-level drug war room** will be established directly under the Chief Minister. Additionally, we will launch an **Anti-Drug Warrior Programme** to curb the menace of drug abuse within the state.
- We will set up new **Drug De-Addiction and Rehabilitation Centres** with all the necessary infrastructure, manpower, and doctors in every district of the state.

ROBUST EDUCATION INFRASTRUCTURE

- We will invest **₹1,000 crores** in Captain Williamson Sangma State University to provide modern state-of-the-art infrastructure.
- Additionally, we will establish **satellite campuses** of the State University in **Khasi and Jaintia Hill Region**.

- We will expedite the launch of the **National Law University in Meghalaya**.
- We will encourage recognised **higher educational institutes of repute to set up their campuses within the state**.
- We will launch the **Higher Education Renovation Mission**, to construct and renovate the infrastructure of colleges (including ITIs and polytechnics).
- We will launch **Mission School Renovation to revamp the educational infrastructure in all Government schools**.
- We will also **expedite the renovation of 100 government schools under PM SHRI** to revamp the educational infrastructure.

QUALITY EDUCATION

- We will further **revise the school curriculum** to reflect the rich and diverse culture of Meghalaya.
- We will launch a **Computer Literacy Programme in all schools** to improve computer literacy and promote digital learning among students.

ENHANCING SPORTS INFRASTRUCTURE

- We will introduce a **Meghalaya Sports Policy 2023** to establish world-class sporting facilities in the state, making it capable of hosting national and international level sports events.
- We will develop **Recreational Parks in each district called Megha Sports World** with Football, Basketball and Badminton play areas along with Skate Parks and Outdoor Gymnasiums among other sports.
- We will create **one Sports Nursery in every district** with the aim to identify young sports talent and nurture them to represent India at the Olympics and other international sports events.
- We will provide cash incentives of up to **₹5 lakhs** as an advance cash award for **players who are selected for major international sports competitions**.
- We will provide **employment opportunities** to medal winners of national and international sports events.



INCLUSIVE DEVELOPMENT

WELFARE OF POOR

- We will provide **free rice, wheat and dal** to all eligible PDS beneficiaries every month.
- We will provide edible **oil, sugar and salt** at a **subsidised rate** to all eligible PDS beneficiaries.
- We will establish **Koch, Hajong, and Rabha Development Boards** to ensure the holistic development of these communities.
- We will introduce a special fund of **₹100 crores** to support non-profit institutions of indigenous communities in Meghalaya.

WELFARE OF SENIOR CITIZENS

- We will **double the pensions of senior citizens to ₹1,000 per month** and ensure there are no delays in their disbursements.
- We will initiate **Senior Citizen Lok Service**, ensuring that all senior citizen welfare programmes are available at their doorstep.

WELFARE OF SPECIALLY ABLED CITIZENS

- We will **distribute physical aid and assistive devices** like tricycles to all eligible specially abled citizens free of cost.
- We will ensure that all **Government buildings, offices, and public spaces** are accessible to specially abled citizens.
- We will provide **free health insurance** to all eligible specially abled citizens.
- We will **construct shelters for the homeless** specially abled citizens in urban areas.
- We will launch a **Para-Sports Stadium in East Khasi Hills** to encourage the participation of specially abled citizens in major sports and to provide training to para-athletes.

GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES AND EX-SERVICEMEN

- We will ensure that **salaries of Government employees are disbursed every month**, as opposed to the current quarterly salaries.
- We will distribute **health insurance cards** to provide **cashless medical facilities for all Government employees**.
- We will empower our **ex-servicemen** to lead a life of dignity by providing them **vocational training, low-interest business loans, and affordable housing among others**.

TEACHERS' WELFARE

- We will establish a **Teachers' Welfare Board** which will look into the grievances of the teachers.
- We will increase Sarva Shiksha Abhiyan teachers' salaries by **₹5,000 per month** and pay all teachers regularly within the first week of each month.
- We will introduce **regular upskilling courses for school teachers** to help them keep pace with the evolving education system.

UNORGANISED LABORERS AND TAXI DRIVERS

- We will ensure that all unorganised workers are registered on the **E-Shram portal**.
- We will ensure that there is a **periodic revision of the minimum wage** for all workers in the unorganised sector.
- We will provide **accidental insurance** cover of up to **₹2 lakh** for unorganised workers with 100% enrollment under schemes like PM Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana and PM Suraksha Bima Yojana.
- We will establish **Tirot Sing Bhavans** as urban shelters for unorganised workers with facilities like workmen night shelters, taxi parking, cafeterias and leisure spaces.
- We will establish **Sanja Manda Sangma Canteens** providing locally-made nutritious meals for only **₹5 per plate**.





HEALTH FOR ALL

QUALITY AND AFFORDABLE HEALTH CARE

- We will **double the per-family annual insurance cap from ₹5 lakhs to ₹10 lakhs** under **Ayushman Bharat**.
- We will provide a **free annual health check-up** for every financially weak household.
- We will launch a fleet of **25 advanced life-saving Mobile Medical Units** at the district level to provide quality health services and doorstep distribution of medicines in remote rural areas.
- We will establish **Jan Aushadhi Kendras at the block level** to ensure adequate availability of medicines.

ROBUST HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE

- We will initiate the **Meghalaya Health Infrastructure Mission** with an investment of **₹2,500 crores** for the establishment and upgradation of medical colleges, super speciality hospitals and other health infrastructure at all levels.
- We will elevate NEIGRIHMS with state-of-the-art technology and professional services that are at par with those offered by AIIMS.
- We will establish **medical colleges in Garo, Khasi and Jaintia** regions.
- We will establish a **Cancer Care Foundation** with an investment of **₹1,000 crores** to provide a better support system for cancer patients and deliver affordable treatment.
- We will ensure the **establishment of district hospitals as per requirement**. Additionally, we will increase the number of PHCs and CHCs so that universal access to healthcare is provided to all sections of society.
- We will launch a fleet of **100 new 108 ambulances** to ensure adequate service across the state. Additionally, we will launch a fleet of **200 bike ambulances**.

MEDICAL PERSONNEL

- We will **fill all vacancies for doctors, nurses, lab technicians and paramedical staff** on priority.
- We will provide **additional incentives** to all the doctors, nurses and other paramedics serving in the remote parts of the state.





ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT

ECONOMIC REFORMS

- We will constitute the **Meghalaya Economic Advisory Council** under the aegis of prominent economists and industrialists of the nation to make **Meghalaya a \$10 Billion economy**.

EASE OF DOING BUSINESS

- We will ensure that in the next five years, **Meghalaya is ranked amongst the top 3 states** in the small state category in terms of **Ease of Doing Business**.
- We will provide all necessary permits to **set up a business within 15 days** via the **single window clearance mechanism**.

- We will host an annual **Invest Meghalaya Summit** to showcase Meghalaya as a global destination for investment.

INDUSTRIAL INFRASTRUCTURE

- We will set up **two new export-oriented SEZs (Special Economic Zones)**, one for Industries based on local Agricultural produce and another one for Consumer Durables, Textile, Plastic and Waste-recycling based Industries.
- We will develop an **IT Park in Tura** thereby ensuring equitable opportunity for the development of the IT Sector in all parts of the state.
- We will create a **Land Bank for entrepreneurs** to set up their Industrial or Food Processing Units.

PROMOTING MSMEs

- We will establish an **MSME Development Centre with a budgetary outlay of ₹100 crores** which will nurture entrepreneurs from ideation till the execution of the business plan.
- We will give **preferential treatment to MSMEs** owned by Meghalayan residents in tenders or purchases made by state government departments.

PROMOTING INDIGENOUS PRODUCTS FROM MEGHALAYA

- We will launch a **Meghalaya Handloom and Handicrafts Policy 2023** aiming at the inclusive growth of the handloom and handicraft sectors in the state, including the welfare of artisans.
- We will work towards obtaining **GI tags for indigenous Meghalayan products** of international repute, such as Lakadong Turmeric, Meghalayan Textiles, Larnai Clay Pottery and unique bamboo products.
- We will **promote the indigenous products of Meghalaya by launching the Meghalayan Products Marketing Corporation (MPMC)**, and opening stores under the **Global Meghalaya** brand which will sell their products in partnership with major online retailers.

MINES AND MINERALS

- We will ensure the **scientific mining of coal** and bring the coal industry back to Meghalaya.
- We will initiate the **Meghalaya Mineral Mission** to investigate minerals available in Meghalaya, such as natural gas, and limestone among others, in order to assess their economic potential.



BASIC INFRASTRUCTURE

ROAD CONNECTIVITY

- We will launch the **Meghalaya Road Maintenance and Upgradation Programme** to upgrade and modernise all major roads in the state over the next 5 years.
- We will launch the **Meghalaya Last-Mile Connectivity Programme** towards improving road infrastructure in the 1,692 villages located near the international border.
- We will connect all tribal areas to the nearest District Headquarters via concrete roads under the flagship initiative of **PM Gram Sadak Yojana**.
- We will launch the **Meghalaya Bridge Scheme** to convert all semi-permanent timber bridges into permanent RCC bridges.

AIR CONNECTIVITY

- We will **operationalise the Tura airport** and look into **developing a new greenfield airport in Khasi hills** specifically for long-haul passenger flights.
- We will **introduce international flights from Shillong** to Myanmar and Thailand, connecting the state to major destinations across Southeast Asia and beyond.
- We promise to launch **two new direct helicopter flight routes between Shillong and Tura** to save time and money for travellers by eliminating unnecessary stopovers.
- We will **develop 12 Helipads in Meghalaya, one in each of the districts**. These will ensure consistent air connectivity for the citizens of the state apart from providing air services during emergencies or calamities.

MODERN TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT AND AFFORDABLE TRANSPORTATION

- We will **streamline traffic congestion** through the construction of overpasses and bypasses across the state.
- We will create **one multilevel parking in Shillong and 12 multi-storey car parking compounds** for urban residents, taxis and tourist vehicle operators.
- We will build **2 Inter-State Truck Terminus (ISTT)** in Shillong and Tura, which will facilitate easy transportation and prevent traffic congestion.
- We will launch **public buses** as per the requirement by the Meghalaya Transport Corporation, along major routes.

ENSURING BASIC AMENITIES

- We will ensure **100% implementation of the Jal Jeevan Mission** and connect all households of Meghalaya with tap water by 2024.
- We will, in conjunction with the Central Government, provide affordable housing to all under **PM Awas Yojana by 2025**.
- We will constitute a **high-level committee** under the aegis of a retired High Court judge to check the corruption and inefficiencies in **Meghalaya Energy Corporation Limited**.
- We will overhaul the functioning of the **Meghalaya Energy Corporation Limited** and work towards ensuring a **24×7 supply of electricity** within the state across the year.

SMART VILLAGE MISSION

- We will launch a **SMART (State of Meghalaya Agri-business and Rural Transformation) Village Project** with an investment of **₹2,200 crores** under which:
 - We will establish PHCs and CHCs as per the requirement and upgrade the existing PHCs and CHCs to ensure hospital facilities to every village;
 - We will ensure school bus services for all and secondary school students;
 - We will establish Har Hith Stores, ensuring shopping complexes in every village and shopping mall in every village cluster;
 - We will appoint Banking Correspondents to provide banking services in each village;
 - We will renovate and develop religious complexes in every village catering to all faiths;
 - We will induct minibuses as required to connect every village with public transport.

ENVIRONMENT CONSERVATION

- We will encourage **novel food-forest concepts and cultivation** of low volume high-value crops to bring about a reduction in jhum cultivation within the State.
- We will increase the forest cover by launching the **Green Meghalaya** initiative, which will include creating a fund for forest management, and organising a state-wide tree planting campaign.
- We are committed to making **Meghalaya free from landslides and floods** by launching **Mission Mei Mariang** to stabilise soil slopes and utilize advanced technology to identify and build flood-storage reservoirs.
- We will end animal trafficking in Meghalaya by creating the **Zero Animal Trafficking Mission** which includes upgrading the Forest Protection Force, setting up fast-track courts, and launching a public reporting system to quickly respond to wildlife-related events.
- We will launch the **Clean Wah-Umkrah River Mission** to ensure the conservation and rejuvenation of the Wah-Umkrah River.



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