

Press Release

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Analysis of Criminal and Financial Background of Candidates from Assam for Lok Sabha 2014 – Phase 1

Executive Summary

Association for Democratic Reforms (ADR) and Assam Election Watch (AEW) have analyzed the self-sworn affidavits of all 51 candidates (as given by the ECI) who are contesting in the first phase of Lok Sabha 2014 elections from Assam.

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Criminal Background

- **Candidates with Criminal Cases:** Out of the 51 candidates analysed, **3 candidates (or 6%)** have declared criminal cases against them.
- **Candidates with Serious Criminal Cases:** Out of the 3 candidates who have declared criminal cases, **2 have declared serious criminal cases.** These include rape, Forgery for purpose of cheating etc
- **Party wise Candidates with Criminal Cases:** **1 (20%) of 5** candidates fielded by **AGP** have declared criminal cases against them while **2 (15%) out of 13** independent candidates have declared criminal cases in their affidavits.
- **Party wise Candidates with Serious Criminal Cases:** **1 (20%) of the 5** candidates fielded by **AGP** have declared serious criminal cases against them while **1 (8%) out of 13 Independent** candidates have declared serious criminal cases in their affidavits.
- **Crimes against Women:** **Moni Kumar Subba**, an independent candidate contesting the Lok Sabha polls from **Tezpur** constituency has declared a case of rape against himself in his affidavit.

Criteria for serious criminal cases

1. Offence for which maximum punishment is of 5 years or more.
2. If an offence is non-bailable
3. If it is an electoral offence (IPC 171E or bribery)
4. Offence related to loss to exchequer
5. Offences that are assault, murder, kidnap, rape related
6. Offences that are mentioned in Representation of the People Act (Section 8)
7. Offences under Prevention of Corruption Act
8. Crimes against women.

Financial Background

- **Crorepati Candidates:** Out of the **51** candidates analysed, **13 (25%)** of them are crorepatis.
- **Party-wise Crorepati Candidates:** **4 (80%)** out of 5 candidates belonging to the **INC** have assets worth more than Rs. 1 crore, **2 (40%)** of the 5 candidates each from **AITC**, and **AGP** have assets worth more than 1 crore.
- **Average Assets:** The average assets per candidate contesting in the first phase of Lok Sabha Elections of 2014 from Assam is **Rs. 6.98 crores**.
- **Party-wise Average Assets:** Among major parties, the average asset per candidate for **5** candidates of **INC** is **Rs. 4.25 crores**, **5 AGP** candidates have average assets of **Rs. 2.30 crores**, **5 BJP** candidates have an average assets of **Rs. 54 lakhs** while the average assets of **5** candidates from **AITC** is **Rs. 1.10 crores**. The average assets of **3** candidates belonging to **AAP** is **Rs. 22.97 lakhs**, that of **4** candidates belonging to **CPI(ML)** is **Rs. 19.73 lakhs**, while **4** candidates belonging to **AIFB** have average assets of **Rs. 17.58 lakhs**.
- **High Liability Candidates:** **Moni Kumar Subba (Independent)** candidate from **Tezpur** constituency and **Navajyoti Kalita (AITC)** from **Dibrugarh** constituency have declared liabilities of Rs. 1 crore and above.
- **High Income Candidates:** **11** Candidates out of 51 analyzed declared a total income of **more than Rs. 10 lakhs** in their Income Tax returns.
**This analysis takes into count candidates who have filed Income Tax Returns.*
- **Undeclared PAN:** **3 (6%)** out of 51 candidates analysed, have not declared their PAN details.
- **Candidates who have not declared ITR:** **17 (33%)** out of 51 candidates have not declared their Income Tax Returns.

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Other background details (Education, Gender, Age)

- Candidates Education**

Education Group	Number of Candidates analyzed
8th Pass	5
10th Pass	10
12th Pass	2
Graduate	13
Graduate Professional	8
Post Graduate	11
Doctorate	2
Total	51

- Candidates' Age**

Age Group	Number of Candidates Analyzed
25-30	2
31-40	15
41-50	15
51-60	10
61-70	8
81-110	1
Total	51

- Women Candidates**

Men	46
Women	5
Total	51

Analysis based on declared criminal cases

Party-wise break up of candidates with declared criminal cases

Party	Total number of Candidates analyzed	Candidates with declared Criminal Cases	% of candidates with declared criminal cases	candidates with serious declared criminal cases	% of candidates with serious declared criminal cases
AGP	5	1	20%	1	20%
IND	13	2	15%	1	8%
Others	33	0	0%	0%	0%
Total	51	3	6%	2	4%

Table: Party-wise break up of candidates with declared criminal cases

Full Details of Candidates with Criminal Cases

S.No.	Candidate Information	Brief Details of IPCs
1	Name:Hariprasad Dihingia State:ASSAM Constituency:LAKHIMPUR Party:AGP Total Cases:2 Serious IPC:4 Other IPC:3 Cases (Accused) -----No Cases----- Cases (Charges framed) - IPC Sections - 121, 121A, 122 , Other Details - Section 3/4 of the TADA(P) Act and Section 10/13 of the Unlawful Activities(Prevention) Act, Spacial operation Unit , Kahilipara Guwahati Case No. 1/1991, TADA Session Case No.43/2001,Pending in the Hon'ble Designated Court, Assam at Guwahati, Cognizance Date 15-5-2012 - IPC Sections - 465, 468, 471, 120B , Other Details - G.R. Case No 4320/99,(Panbazar P.S Case No 403/1999),Pending in the Hon'ble Additional Cheif Judicial Magistrate Kamrup(M) at Guwahati,Cognizance 21.05.2005 Cases (Convicted)-----No Cases-----	1 charge related to Waging, or attempting to wage war, or abetting waging of war, against the Government of India (IPC Section-121) 1 charge related to Conspiracy to commit offences punishable by section 121 (IPC Section-121A) 1 charge related to Collecting arms, etc., with intention of waging war against the Government of India (IPC Section-122) 1 charge related to Forgery for purpose of cheating (IPC Section-468) 1 charge related to forgery (IPC Section-465) 1 charge related to Using as genuine a forged document or electronic record (IPC Section-471) 1 charge related to Punishment of criminal conspiracy (IPC Section-120B)
2	Name:Moni Kumar Subba State:ASSAMConstituency:TEZPUR Party:IND Total Cases:2 Serious IPC:3 Other IPC:1 Cases (Accused) -----No Cases----- Cases (Charges framed) IPC Sections - 376 , Other Details - Chandmari PS Case No.253/2010, Chandmari Police Station, Guwahati, Dist.-Kamrup Metro, Assam, Sessions Case No.342(K)/2011 Date of Cog.- 03/01/2012 Addl. Session Judge No. 2, Kamrup, Guwahati, Now it is	1 charge related to rape (IPC Section-376) 1 charge related to Cheating and dishonestly inducing delivery of property (IPC Section-420) 1 charge related to Forgery for purpose of cheating (IPC Section-468) 1 charge related to Using as genuine a forged document or electronic record (IPC Section-471)

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S.No.	Candidate Information	Brief Details of IPCs
	pending in the Court of Additional Sessions Judge No.4, Kamrup, Guwahati 2. IPC Sections - 420, 468, 471 , Other Details - Case No.RCAC 3/2010, A0004 CBI, ACU-III, New Delhi, Court of the Special Judicial Magistrate 1st Class, Kamrup, Guwahati Date of Cog.-27/01/2011, The Charge in CR Case No. 288c/2012 was framed on 02/04/2013, The Proceeding in CR Case No.288c/2012 has been stayed by the Hon'ble Gauhati High Court in CrI. Petition No.524/2013 on 15-07-2013, Which is still Pending Cases (Convicted)-----No Cases----	
3	Name:Jiten Gogoi State:ASSAM Constituency:KALIABOR Party:IND Total Cases:1 Serious IPC:0 Other IPC:0 Cases (Accused) 1. IPC Sections - , Other Details - Session Case No.12/13 Bokakhat Police Station,Within Golaghat Dist.Assam, 51/51 W.P. Act. R/W Sec.27 Arms Act., It was alleged that the accused entered in to the Kaziranga National Park and caught Fishes illegally.On being restrained,there was a quarrel between the accused and the Forest officials and it was alleged that the accused assaulted forest official with the gun of his body guard.Court- Asstt. Sessions Judge, Golaghat.,S/C-7/12, Asstt. Session Judge, Date- 05/07/2012 Cases (Charges framed) -----No Cases----Cases (Convicted)-----No Cases----	

Table: Full Details of Candidates with Criminal Cases

Analysis Based on Financial Background of Candidates

Party-wise Crorepati Candidates

Party Name	Number of Candidates Analyzed	Crorepati Candidates	Percentage of Crorepati Candidates
INC	5	4	80%
AGP	5	2	40%
AITC	5	2	40%
SP	1	1	100%
BJP	5	1	20%
IND	13	3	23%
OTHER	17	0	0%
Total	51	13	25%

Table: Party-wise Crorepati Candidates

Party-wise Average Assets

Party Name	Number of Candidates Analyzed	Average Assets
INC	5	Rs 4,25,37,131 ~ 4 Crore+
AGP	5	Rs 2,30,38,348 ~ 2 Crore+
AITC	5	Rs 1,10,98,977 ~ 1 Crore+
BJP	5	Rs 54,37,109 ~ 54 Lacs+
CPI(ML)L	4	Rs 19,73,181 ~ 19 Lacs+
AIFB	4	Rs 17,58,196 ~ 17 Lacs+
AAP	3	Rs 22,97,888 ~ 22 Lacs+
AIUDF	3	Rs 25,45,260 ~ 25 Lacs+
SP	1	Rs 1,03,22,068 ~ 1 Crore+
CPI	1	Rs 14,79,690 ~ 14 Lacs+
CPI(M)	1	Rs 3,00,100 ~ 3 Lacs+
SUCI(C)	1	Rs 69,500 ~ 69 Thou+
IND	13	Rs 23,91,11,735 ~ 23 Crore+
All Parties	51	Rs 6,98,16,406 6 Crore+

Table: Party-wise Average Assets

Top 10 Candidates with Highest Liabilities

S.No.	Name	Constituency	Party Name	Total Assets(Rs)	Liabilities (Rs)	PAN Given
1	Moni Kumar Subba	Tezpur	IND	3,06,75,35,137 306 Crore+	1,40,07,40,132 140 Crore+	Y
2	Navajyoti Kalita	Dibrugarh	AITC	2,50,04,000 2 Crore+	3,26,50,000 3 Crore+	Y
3	Mantu Saikia	Kaliabor	IND	55,75,521 55 Lacs+	61,68,003 61 Lacs+	Y
4	Dr. Arun Kr. Sarmah	Kaliabor	AGP	1,95,15,691 1 Crore+	48,50,186 48 Lacs+	Y
5	Anup Phukon	Dibrugarh	AGP	47,37,100 47 Lacs+	35,49,764 35 Lacs+	Y
6	Gopi Chand Shahabadi	Tezpur	AITC	2,06,24,119 2 Crore+	34,37,403 34 Lacs+	Y
7	Bhupen Kumar Borah	Tezpur	INC	2,60,84,515 2 Crore+	33,50,225 33 Lacs+	Y
8	Jiten Gogoi	Kaliabor	IND	1,44,07,099 1 Crore+	27,00,000 27 Lacs+	Y
9	Paban Singh Ghatowar	Dibrugarh	INC	4,92,29,437 4 Crore+	25,47,986 25 Lacs+	Y
10	Hariprasad Dihingia	Lakhimpur	AGP	8,06,59,606 8 Crore+	19,97,168 19 Lacs+	Y

Table: Top 10 Candidates with Highest Liabilities

Top 10 Candidates with Highest Income

S.No.	Name	Party Name	Constituency	Total Assets	The financial year for which the last income tax return has been filed by candidate	Total income shown by candidate in ITR (Self+Spouse+Dependent)	Self income shown by candidate in ITR
1	Ranee Narah	INC	Lakhimpur	8,85,19,819 8 Crore+	2011-2012	30,50,390 30 Lacs+	21,81,720 21 Lacs+
2	Moni Kumar Subba	IND	Tezpur	3,06,75,35,137 306 Crore+	2012-2013	26,51,095 26 Lacs+	23,86,197 23 Lacs+
3	Hariprasad Dihingia	AGP	Lakhimpur	8,06,59,606 8 Crore+	2012-2013	26,08,690 26 Lacs+	22,82,470 22 Lacs+
4	Paban Singh Ghatowar	INC	Dibrugarh	4,92,29,437 4 Crore+	2012-2013	24,00,041 24 Lacs+	16,00,765 16 Lacs+
5	Gourav Gogoi	INC	Kaliabor	54,73,199 54 Lacs+	2012-2013	23,18,680 23 Lacs+	3,58,680 3 Lacs+
6	Anup Phukon	AGP	Dibrugarh	47,37,100 47 Lacs+	2012-2013	20,85,719 20 Lacs+	8,05,167 8 Lacs+
7	Bhupen Kumar Borah	INC	Tezpur	2,60,84,515 2 Crore+	2013-2014	15,77,942 15 Lacs+	9,34,660 9 Lacs+
8	Navajyoti Kalita	AITC	Dibrugarh	2,50,04,000 2 Crore+	2013-2014	15,62,311 15 Lacs+	12,08,311 12 Lacs+
9	Sahaba Ahmed	IND	Kaliabor	1,01,04,000 1 Crore+	2011-2012	14,39,251 14 Lacs+	1,89,251 1 Lacs+
10	Dr. Arun Kr. Sarmah	AGP	Kaliabor	1,95,15,691 1 Crore+	2012-2013	13,33,299 13 Lacs+	8,15,070 8 Lacs+

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Top 10 Candidates with High Assets who have not declared their ITR

S.No.	Name	Constituency	Party Name	Movable Assets (Rs)	Immovable Assets (Rs)	Total Assets (Rs)	PAN Given
1	Horen Borgohain	Jorhat	AIFB	5,60,000	27,00,000	32,60,000 32 Lacs+	Y
2	Mithual Kumar	Kaliabor	AIFB	30,000	16,00,000	16,30,000 16 Lacs+	Y
3	Ribulaya Gogoi	Jorhat	AITC	12,33,171	1,50,000	13,83,171 13 Lacs+	Y
4	Rajen Saikia	Tezpur	AIFB	68,447	12,50,000	13,18,447 13 Lacs+	N
5	Keshab Gogoi	Lakhimpur	IND	2,58,000	6,00,000	8,58,000 8 Lacs+	N
6	Cheni Ram Moran	Dibrugarh	AIFB	1,24,337	7,00,000	8,24,337 8 Lacs+	Y
7	Samsul Alam	Kaliabor	AITC	1,05,000	5,00,000	6,05,000 6 Lacs+	Y
8	Elias Kujur	Tezpur	IND	5,02,074	0	5,02,074 5 Lacs+	Y
9	Rajkumar Dowarah	Jorhat	IND	47,600	4,40,000	4,87,600 4 Lacs+	Y
10	Arup Kumar Mahanta	Kaliabor	CPI(ML)L	4,58,613	0	4,58,613 4 Lacs+	Y

Table: Top Ten Candidates with High Assets who have not declared their ITR

Full Asset Details of Candidates

S.No.	Name	Constituency	Party Name	Movable Assets (Rs)	Immovable Assets (Rs)	Total Assets (Rs)	PAN Given
1	Moni Kumar Subba	Tezpur	IND	1,60,29,11,197	1,46,46,23,940	3,06,75,35,137 306 Crore+	Y
2	Ranee Narah	Lakhimpur	INC	4,22,26,459	4,62,93,360	8,85,19,819 8 Crore+	Y
3	Hariprasad Dihingia	Lakhimpur	AGP	1,76,59,606	6,30,00,000*	8,06,59,606 8 Crore+	Y
4	Paban Singh Ghatowar	Dibrugarh	INC	2,08,04,437	2,84,25,000	4,92,29,437 4 Crore+	Y
5	Bijoy Krishna Handique	Jorhat	INC	98,78,685	3,35,00,000	4,33,78,685 4 Crore+	Y
6	Bhupen Kumar Borah	Tezpur	INC	40,14,515	2,20,70,000	2,60,84,515 2 Crore+	Y
7	Navajyoti Kalita	Dibrugarh	AITC	1,60,04,000*	90,00,000	2,50,04,000 2 Crore+	Y
8	Gopi Chand Shahabadi	Tezpur	AITC	21,24,119	1,85,00,000	2,06,24,119 2 Crore+	Y
9	Dr. Arun Kr. Sarmah	Kaliabor	AGP	41,37,516	1,53,78,175	1,95,15,691 1 Crore+	Y
10	Sarbananda Sonowal	Lakhimpur	BJP	62,47,515	82,50,000	1,44,97,515 1 Crore+	Y
11	Jiten Gogoi	Kaliabor	IND	24,36,099	1,19,71,000	1,44,07,099 1 Crore+	Y

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12	Gunin Basumatari	Jorhat	SP	29,22,068	74,00,000	1,03,22,068 1 Crore+	Y
13	Sahaba Ahmed	Kaliabor	IND	57,04,000	44,00,000	1,01,04,000 1 Crore+	Y
14	Dhebor Gohain Boruah	Lakhimpur	AITC	34,78,597	44,00,000	78,78,597 78 Lacs+	Y
15	Subhas Sen	Dibrugarh	CPI(ML)L	18,32,268	52,00,000	70,32,268 70 Lacs+	Y
16	Prodip Hazarika	Jorhat	AGP	27,89,852	42,00,000	69,89,852 69 Lacs+	Y
17	Manorom Gogoi	Jorhat	AAP	27,09,665	39,50,000*	66,59,665 66 Lacs+	Y
18	Ram Prasad Sharma	Tezpur	BJP	49,55,300	17,00,000	66,55,300 66 Lacs+	Y
19	Mantu Saikia	Kaliabor	IND	45,75,521	10,00,000*	55,75,521 55 Lacs+	Y
20	Gourav Gogoi	Kaliabor	INC	54,73,199	0	54,73,199 54 Lacs+	Y
21	Bijoy Kr. Tiru	Kaliabor	AIUDF	19,38,298	33,00,000	52,38,298 52 Lacs+	Y
22	Anup Phukon	Dibrugarh	AGP	32,32,100	15,05,000	47,37,100 47 Lacs+	Y
23	Ranjit Singh Gorh	Lakhimpur	IND	6,11,700	40,00,000	46,11,700 46 Lacs+	Y
24	Binod Gogoi	Kaliabor	IND	1,00,000	35,00,000	36,00,000 36 Lacs+	Y
25	Mrinal Kumar Saikia	Kaliabor	BJP	6,10,000	27,50,000	33,60,000 33 Lacs+	Y
26	Joseph Toppo	Tezpur	AGP	16,89,490*	16,00,000*	32,89,490 32 Lacs+	Y
27	Horen Borgohain	Jorhat	AIFB	5,60,000	27,00,000	32,60,000 32 Lacs+	Y
28	Nasir Ahmed	Jorhat	AIUDF	5,00,000	13,30,000	18,30,000 18 Lacs+	Y
29	Kamakhya Prasad Tasa	Jorhat	BJP	7,94,785	9,00,000	16,94,785 16 Lacs+	Y
30	Mithual Kumar	Kaliabor	AIFB	30,000	16,00,000*	16,30,000 16 Lacs+	Y
31	Drupad Borgohain	Jorhat	CPI	11,94,690	2,85,000	14,79,690 14 Lacs+	Y
32	Ribulaya Gogoi	Jorhat	AITC	12,33,171	1,50,000*	13,83,171 13 Lacs+	Y
33	Rajen Saikia	Tezpur	AIFB	68,447	12,50,000	13,18,447 13 Lacs+	N
34	Rameshwar Teli	Dibrugarh	BJP	2,27,943	7,50,000	9,77,943 9 Lacs+	Y
35	Keshab Gogoi	Lakhimpur	IND	2,58,000	6,00,000	8,58,000	N

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						8 Lacs+	
36	Cheni Ram Moran	Dibrugarh	AIFB	1,24,337	7,00,000	8,24,337 8 Lacs+	Y
37	Samsul Alam	Kaliabor	AITC	1,05,000	5,00,000*	6,05,000 6 Lacs+	Y
38	Mamun Imdadul Haque Chawdhury	Lakhimpur	AIUDF	5,67,483	0	5,67,483 5 Lacs+	Y
39	Elias Kujur	Tezpur	IND	5,02,074	0	5,02,074 5 Lacs+	Y
40	Rajkumar Dowarah	Jorhat	IND	47,600	4,40,000	4,87,600 4 Lacs+	Y
41	Arup Kumar Mahanta	Kaliabor	CPI(ML)L	4,58,613*	0	4,58,613 4 Lacs+	Y
42	Khairul Islam	Lakhimpur	IND	4,13,129	0	4,13,129 4 Lacs+	Y
43	Khem Raj Chetry	Tezpur	CPI(M)	60,100	2,40,000	3,00,100 3 Lacs+	Y
44	Tanish Orang	Lakhimpur	CPI(ML)L	2,95,642	0	2,95,642 2 Lacs+	Y
45	Rahmat Ullah	Kaliabor	IND	2,55,300	0	2,55,300 2 Lacs+	Y
46	Hiramoni Deka Sonowal	Lakhimpur	AAP	1,92,000*	0	1,92,000 1 Lacs+	Y
47	Lakshi Kanta Kurmi	Tezpur	CPI(ML)L	1,06,200	0	1,06,200 1 Lacs+	Y
48	David Horo	Lakhimpur	IND	49,000	45,000	94,000 94 Thou+	N
49	Hem Kanta Miri	Lakhimpur	SUCI(C)	69,500	0	69,500 69 Thou+	Y
50	Jinti Gogoi	Kaliabor	AAP	42,000	0	42,000 42 Thou+	Y
51	Hrishikesh Baruah	Lakhimpur	IND	9,000	0	9,000 9 Thou+	Y

Table: Full Asset Details of Candidates

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(Example: MYNETA *PINCODE*)

or

MYNETA <Constituency name>

(Example: MYNETA *Dibrugarh*)

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Sample response: Sample response: Candidates for DIBRUGARH, (1) PABAN SINGH

GHATOWAR, INC: Criminal Cases-0, Asset Rs 4.92 Crores, Liability: Rs 25.47 Lakhs, Edu: Graduate. (2) ANUP PHUKON, AGP: Criminal Cases-0, Asset Rs 47.37 Lakhs, Liability: Rs 35.49 Lakhs, Edu: Post Graduate.

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Step 1→

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Reply with **option 4 (“Know Your Neta”)**

Step 3→

Reply with **PINCODE (or Constituency name)**

Step 4→

Reply with **option 1 (for Candidate 1)**

Or

Reply with **option 2 (for Candidate 2)**

Or

Reply with **option 3 (for Candidate 3)**

Sample response:

Paban Singh Ghatowar (INC)

Criminal Cases: No

Assets: 4.92 Crores

Education: Graduate

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