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CABINET MEMORANDUM

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Sub : Creation of new Revenue Circles.

1. The Revenue & D.M. Department has been receiving demands for creation of new Revenue Circles. The Committee having Addl. Chief Secretary to the Govt. of Assam, Revenue & D.M. Department as its Chairman and the concerned DCs as Member examined the proposals and recommended creation of the new Revenue Circles as mentioned below :-

1.	Rangapara Revenue Circle	Sonitpur District
2.	Bargang Revenue Circle	Sonitpur District
3.	Pub Mangaldai Revenue Circle	Darrang District
4.	Jaleswar Revenue Circle	Goalpara District
5.	Balijana Revenue Circle	Goalpara District
6.	Athani Revenue Circle	Dhubri District
7.	Gauripur Revenue Circle	Dhubri District
8.	Manikpur Revenue Circle	Bongaigaon District
9.	Laukhowa Revenue Circle	Nagaon District
10.	Dispur East Revenue Circle	Kamrup(M) District
11.	Dispur West Revenue Circle	Kamrup(M) District
12.	Guwahati West Revenue Circle	Kamrup(M) District

(Copy of the minutes of the meeting of the committee is enclosed as Annexure-I)

2. In view of the fact that Revenue Circles being the core of District Administration and involving people at the grassroot level, it has become necessary to re-organize/create new Revenue Circles. Apart from normal revenue works, Circle Officers now a days have to involve themselves in various works of other Department and misc. works resulting in multifold workload and therefore, to enable revenue circle offices to function effectively, it has become necessary to reduce the area and population covered by each revenue circle.

The proposed revenue circles at times do not fulfil the existing norms, but due to backwardness of some areas, lack of communication and as the member of public in general prefer to go to circle offices rather than the district headquarters to sort out their problems, it may be necessary to create new revenue circles on these grounds.

3. The creation of new revenue circles would ease out problems and bring people at the grass root level closer to administration. The Committee examined and recommended the following norms relaxing the earlier norms for creation of Circle subject to approval of Govt.

Sl. No.	Subject	Existing Norms	Proposed norms
1.	Population	2 lakhs (minimum)	1 lakh
2.	Land revenue	Rs.1.50 lakh to Rs.3.00 lakh	3 Lakh (to be revised revision of rate of 1% revenue.
3.	Gaon Panchayat	8 (Minimum)	

4.	Mouza	4 (Minimum)	2 Nos. (Minimum)
5.	Area	600 Sq. KMs	150 to 200 Sq. Km.
6.	Dag No.		40,000 (Minimum)
7.	Villages		80 to 100 depending on meeting the minimum population criteria.

4. 1) Rangapara Revenue Circle, Sonitpur.

DC, Sonitpur has proposed creation of Rangapara Revenue Circle to be bifurcated from Chariduar Revenue Circle consisting of Bahbari, Chariduar, Goroimari & Balipara Mouzas having HQ at Rangapara.

Rangapara Town being one of the oldest and important town of Sonitpur District is also a railway junction. The entire Rangapara town and its peripheries fall under the administration of Balipara Mouza.

So, creation of the new Circle will ease the difficulties which are presently faced by the people of Bahbari Mouza. Moreover, Rangapara town is located at the centre of all the above three Mouzas and there are facilities of almost all the leading banks in addition to the other essential services. The only Police Station i.e. the Rangapara P.S. under the jurisdiction of the Chariduar Revenue Circle is located in Rangapara town itself.

From the administration point of view, creation of the proposed Circle will certainly ease difficulties of the people of the three Mouzas.

The relevant data of the proposed new revenue circle is given below :

Mouza- 3 nos

Lots - 12 nos

Village-113 nos

Area- 2,34,489B-4K-13L

Land Revenue - Rs.34,29,190/-

Population - 1,44,220 Nos.

Dags - 35,016 Nos.

Gaon Panchayat - 12 Nos. (2 Nos. part)

4. 2) Bargang Revenue Circle, Sonitpur.

DC, Sonitpur has proposed creation of a new Revenue Circle at Bargang to be carved out of Biswanath Revenue Circle which is comparatively a big Revenue Circle. Creation of a new Circle at Bargang will not only lead to the administrative convenience and efficient Revenue Administration but it will also help in dealing with the Law and Order situation followed by prompt administrative control throughout the remote areas under the proposed Circle.

It is administratively desirable also because the areas on Assam-Arunachal Border will fall in this Circle and also various tribal communities inhabit in these areas. District administrative will find it easier to have effective vigil on law & order situation.

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