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Detail Feedback

1. Discuss how did Lachit Borphukan succeed in defeating the mighty Mughals under Ram Singha in the 17th century? [10]

The lost of Battle by Jayachraj Singh and signing of Treaty of Ghilazighat was humiliating for Ahom. So, Ahom under Lachit Borphukan devised a plan to delay the arrival for Ram Singha for better counter-attack.

Lachit Borphukan Succeeded in defeating the mighty Mughals because:-

- Lachit Borphukan constructed a blockage in the land route to force the mughal through the river route.
- River route were forte of Ahom as they learnt to cope up with

Brahmaputra's flow.

- After the Battle of Alaboi where Ahom lost many life, Army of Uddhayaditya were reelectat to attack the mughal.
- Lachit dashed into the Mughal Army with 7 fleets to defeat the mughal though he was sick. This led to encouragement which ultimately lead to defeat of Mughal.

Thus, Lachit Borphukan contribution can be remembered as a general who was ready to fight for his country even in time of despair.

2. Give a brief account of Koch architecture in the mediaeval period.

[10]

Koch kingdom was founded by Bisnu Singha but its glory was formed by Narayan Singha with his able general and commander Gilarai Chilarai

The Koch Architectural contribution in the medieval period are as follows:-

→ Narayan rebuilt the Kamakhya temple with bricks, and help to renovate the temple

→ Narayan was known as Asam Vikramaditya as he had many learned personnel in his court.

For example: Ram Saraswati,
Gilarai by Kayastha.

- He gave refuge to Swamanta
Sankandaras' when he had to flee
from Ahom kingdom
- Temples were formed in the Nagara
style and had a tint of Gupta
Architecture.

Thus, Koch architectural contribution
left a place in Assam history which
enriched the cultural heritage of
Assam for years to come.



3. Discuss the contribution of Baptist missionaries in the growth of Assamese literature in the 19th century. [10]

The Baptist missionaries wanted to spread their religion and for that they encourage adoption of Assamese literature for better reaching to the masses.

The contribution of Baptist Missionaries in the growth of Assam literature in the 19th century are as follows:-

- The converted the New Testament and published it through the Sibsagar press.
- The full translation was known as "Dharmapakhatak".
- Arundaram Dhekial Phukan also started publishing around this time

His main contributions were Anand
Assomiyā Mitrā era with pen name
Anand

→ The Saduram puth wrote the first
Assamese dictionary.

→ Baptist missionaries were able to spread
the Assamese literature with the
help of local educated intelligentsia

Thus, their contribution lead to the
percolation of Assamese literature with
new era to comes from Chandra kumar
Agarwala — to Jonaki era.

4. Briefly discuss the origin and main features of Sattriya dance.

[10]

Sattriya dance is given the classical status in 2000 by Sangeet Natak Academic. It contains features from Mithali and Ojah of Goa, which were modified by Sankardeva.

The main features of sattriya dance are as follows:-

- The dance form started as male person and the costume was white dhoti.
- Borgeets are formed which are sung by disciple known as Botkols.
- The instrument were also created by Sankardeva which were

dhol, chambals etc.

→ Ankita Nat is used for the
dance

It has importance to understand the
social, cultural tradition that existed
during Sankardeva times and how
changes have occurred in due course
of time.



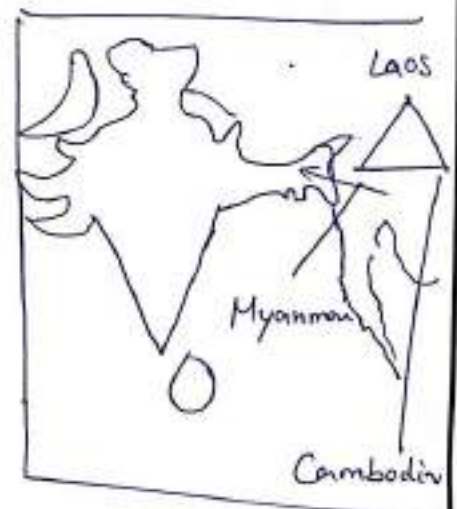
5. Give an overview of drug menace prevalent in Assam.

[10]

Drug consumption have increase in Assam as Assam is getting more economic-ally inclined. The main reason for cause of drug consumption is due to close proximity to the drug Triangle

The reasons for drug menace in Assam are:-

→ The youths are early getting involved due to lack of economic opportunities, lack of employment.



→ The porous borders allows the drug business to prosper and tracking becomes difficult.

⇒ No effective training of personnel to tackle the cause of drugs menace

Steps required to tackle drug menace are :-

⇒ Awareness among people about the harmful effects.

⇒ Training of Personnel to detect the drug before it enters its country

⇒ Surveillance through Drone technology

Thus, drug menace needs to be curb because it is creating a new mafia group and taking potential youth of their active years.

6. Highlight the objectives of Assam Climate Change Management Society. [10]

Assam Climate Change Management Society looks into the changes that are occurring due to the increase in Greenhouse Gases in the atmosphere and encouraging people to be more Pro planet.

The main objectives of Assam Climate Change Management Society are :-

- To build awareness about the Climate Change among people of Assam
- Provide seminar where they discuss about the harmful impact it will have on the surroundings.
- It also aspires and encourage

people to be more pro planet and
reduce the carbon emissions as
much as possible.

→ Funding are collected to do voluntary
work for betterment of society.

Thus, Assam Climate change Management
Society is working for a progressive
society for sustainable future for
present and future generations.



7. Briefly discuss the contribution of Upendranath Brahma towards the development of Bodo Community [10]

Upendranath Brahma also known as Bodofer is instrumental in leading the right of Bodo community which lead to incorporation of Provision for Bodo people with formation of Bodo Community Autonomous Council.

The contribution of Upendranath Brahma towards development of Bodo community are :-

- He put up for the inclusion of Bodo language for the government job which was later incorporated with devnagi devanagari script
- He also lead the formation of Bodo Sahitya Sabha.

→ He was instrumental in the formation of Bodo Community Territorial Autonomous Council.

The significance of Bodha contribution in present society :-

→ Youth inspired were ready to take new challenges for the betterment of Bodo community.

→ Bodo Literature remain a integral part of Assam's culture.

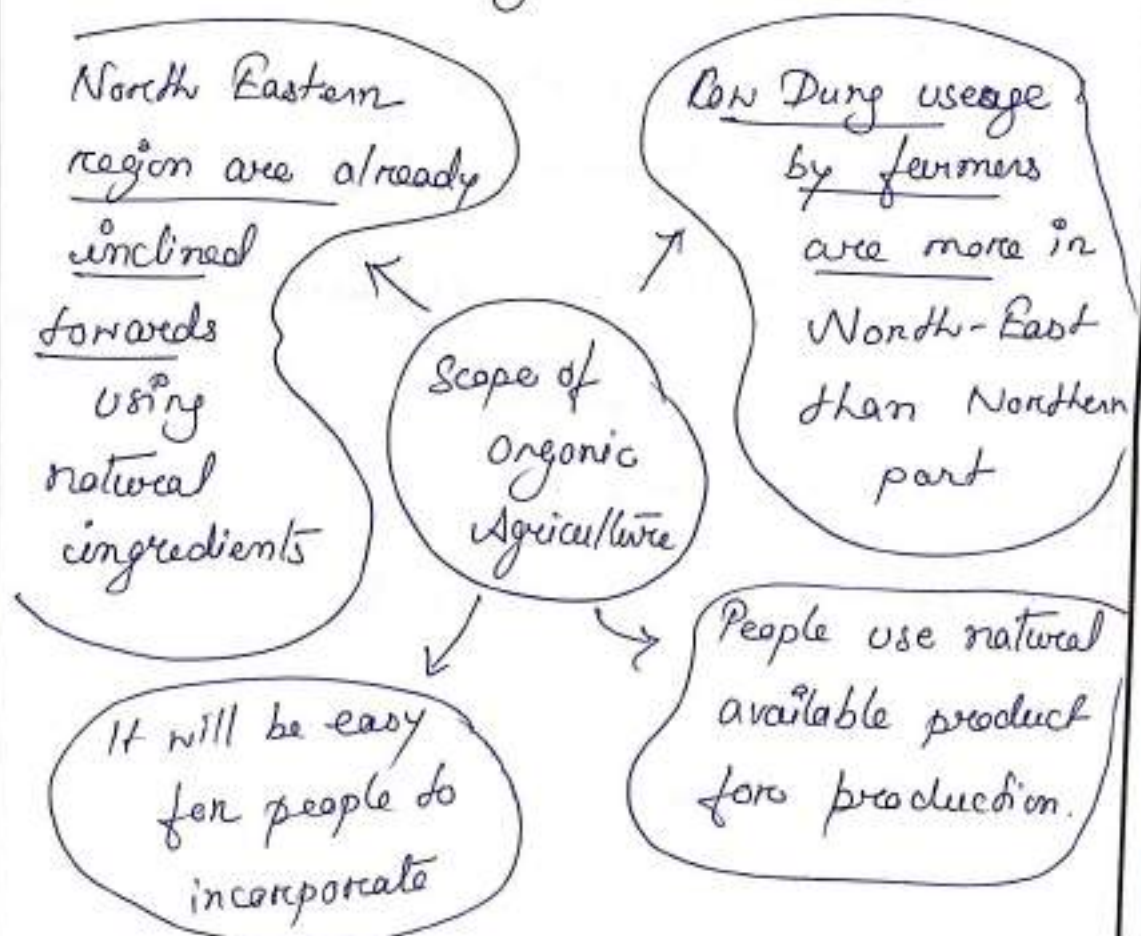
→ Bodo and other communities celebrate each other festivals.

Thus, Opendranath Brahma is remembered as the father of Bodo Community who work for his people and community

8. Discuss the scope of organic agriculture in the North East with reference to Assam. [10]

Organic Agriculture means using only the organic materials available around surrounding and not using any fertilizers pesticides for crop production

The scope of organic Agriculture in North East along with Assam are:-



Concerns associated with Organic Agriculture
are:-

- Required more funding than regular in initial stage
- The yield is low compared to high yield varieties
- Lack of awareness about certification for export.

Thus, scope exist for Organic Agriculture in North East and Assam. However, due consideration is required for effective implementation,

9. Highlight some of the important reasons behind the closure of the Paper Mill Industries in Assam. [10]

Paper Mill Industries in Assam are one of oldest industries build during colonial time and it has recruit many people to increase their economic presence

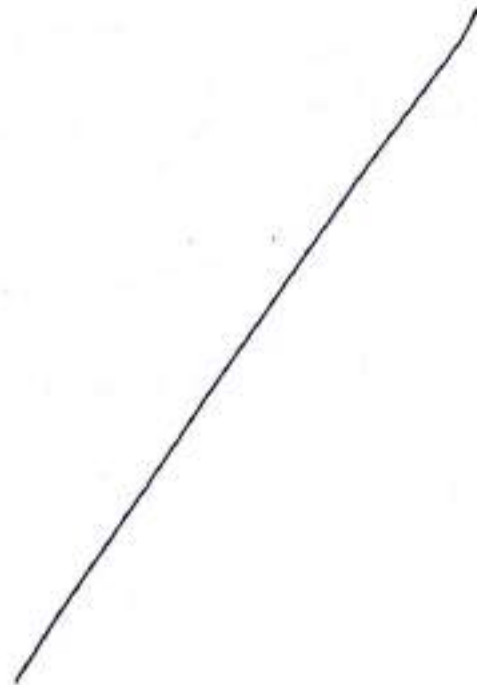
The important reasons behind the closure of Paper Mill Industries in Assam are:-

→ It has served its purpose and now it is not generating enough revenue for continuance of functioning.

→ The area occupied is quite large which could be used for various new renewable energy projects and generate more employment

* Assam Government is spending more funds to maintain its production so, disclosure will help in balance sheet.

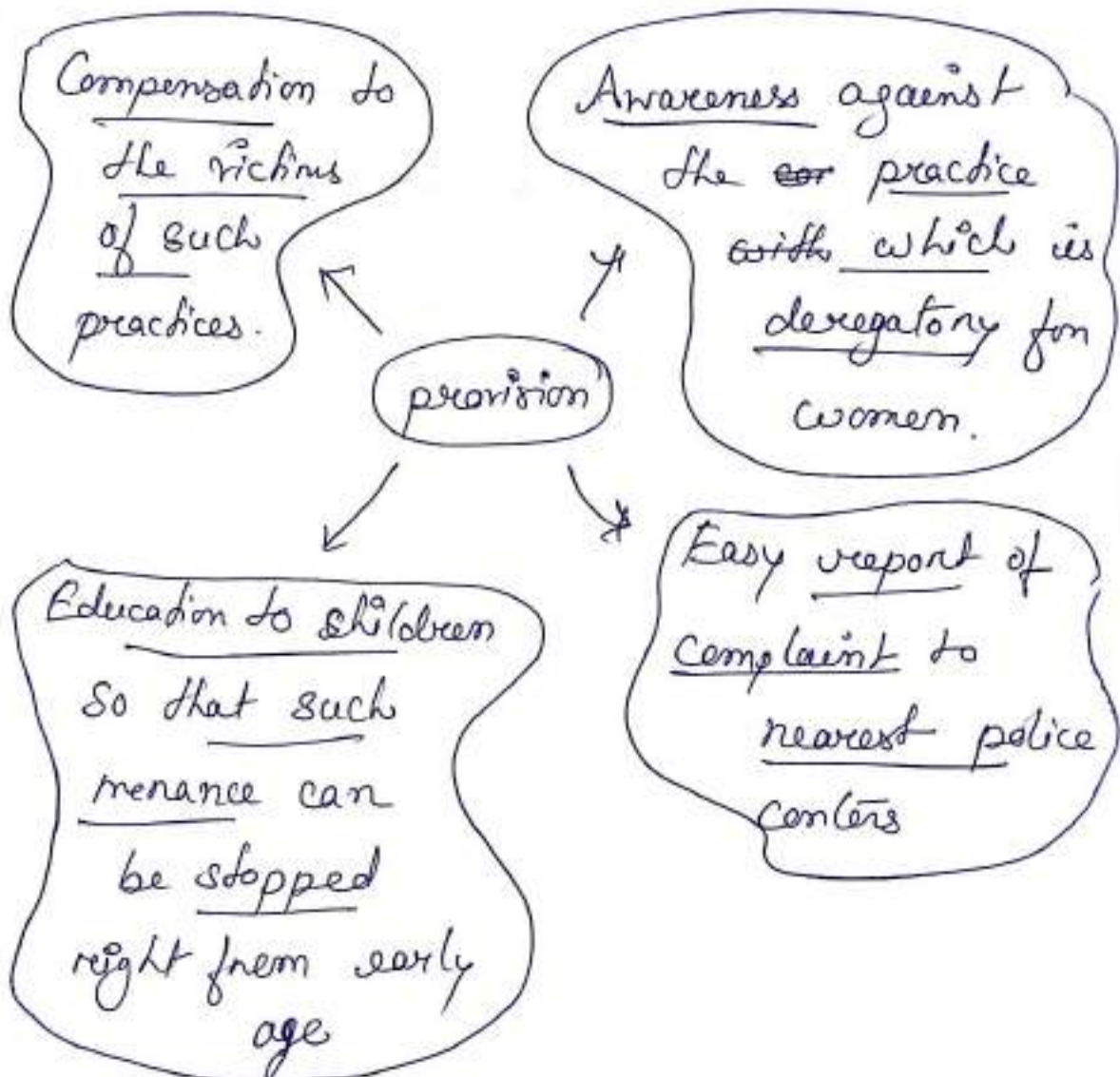
Thus, closure is valid however, due steps needs to be taken so that the people employed and not left with job and provide them with some compensation to maintain Article 21



10. What is "Mission Birubala"? Enumerate the provisions of Assam witch hunting (Prohibition, Prevention and Protection) Act 2015 [10]

Mission Birubala is launched to stopped the practice of witch hunting which is still prevalent in main many remote areas of Assam.

The provision of Mission Birubala are:-



The provision of Assam witch hunting
(Prohibition, Prevention and Protection)

Act 2015 are :-

- Prohibition in witch hunting and
any ^{such} act can lead to penalization
with fine and jail terms
- Protection of ~~poor~~ women who
are targeted in dedicated cells.
- Prevention through education,
curbing misinformation and
discussion in gram sabha.

Thus, Mission Birbala and Assam
witch hunting Act 2015 is right
approach to reduce the problem
face by women in society.

11. Give an account of the epigraphic source of Ancient Assam.

[15]

Assam formation and the way it came about is filled with various theories starting from mythological sources to the history written by them.

Ancient Sources of Assam :-

Mythological

→ It is said that Kamadeva was burnt here and was given life thus, the named Kamrupa

→ Santhali lesser divinity is known as Kama

→ Brahma written the Kalipuram in Kam Pragjyotshpur

Ancient Sources

- Bodo ~~some~~ said the plain field to refers to Assam
- Tai Ahom gave the name Assam which generally meant the un-defeated
- In China's script the India was divided into Uttar Zuthis, Madhya Zuthis and Prag zuthis
- The inscription in Prakashi refers the name of Kamrup and dhavaka.
- The anidings of Hein Sang can also throw light on the area of Kamrupa.
- The linkage of kashmir with Assam through Ameita and monks Stupa.

Thus, various epigraphic sources provide a account of Assam though may be distorted due to no written evidence and only few mentioned are there with certainty.

12. When it comes to courage and sacrifice, women of the Ahom nobility were no less than their male counterparts. Elucidate with reference to sacrifice of Mula Gabhoru and Joymoti Konwari. [15]

Courage and Sacrifice of women of Ahom nobility were no less than their male counterparts and their impacts have left a huge cultural tradition in Assam with Mula Gabhoru day celebrated on 29th May every year.

The courage and contribution of Mula Gabhoru.

→ She was a strong woman who had the capability to encourage her army.

→ She forced an attack on Miv Jumla where Miv Jumla killed her husband Prasengmung.

→ Her courage inspired the army
and her army fought bravely
to tackle Mir Juma's Army.

→ She died while fight for her
husband and land.

The courage and contribution of Joymai
Konwari :-

→ She was ready to sacrifice herself
for her husband Goodhadhar
Singha who was searched by
Ahoms Army

→ She was pregnant when she was
tortured in Joranga Pathar and
she ~~do~~ did not utter a word
about her husband whereabouts.

→ She died and her sacrifice is
remembered through construction

of Joydhol by Rudra Singha.

The contribution of Ahom women left
huge impacts which encourage the
women in future struggle in Assam.
Even Now, Ahom women contribution
are remembered and each women
aspired to be as courage as them.

13. Discuss the contribution of Momai Tamuli Barbarua in reconstructing Assamese village life on a sound and secure economic footing. [15]

Momai Tamuli Barbarua was a executive under the command of Pratap Singha. He was instrumental in the reformation of Army and also the expansion of them power.

Reconstructing of Assamese life on a
sound and secure economic footing
are :-

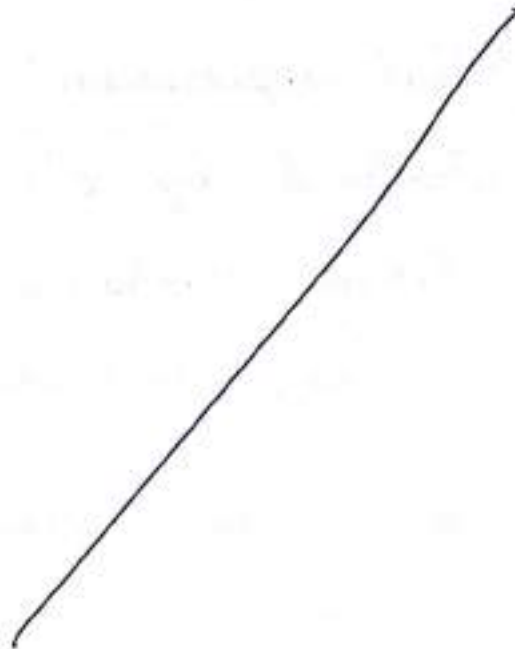
→ Momai Tamuli Barbarua introduced the Paiks System where gots of 4 (later 3) were provided Ga mahi for cultivation of crops.

→ These lead to stable supply of production of crop and revenue.

- Each paik were also engaged in some some special khel for example construction of boats.
- The paik were under control of administratore and according to the paiks there were assigned rank for example 1000 → Lazarikas, 100 - Sairikas etc
- The Tribal appeasement Policy was also introduced by the help of Mamui Tamuli Barbarua which lead to stable hill tribe relations.
- His daughter was married to Jayshaj Singha and their daughter was sent to mughal harem to maintain Ahom dynasty

→ His son Lachit Barphukan lead to destruction of Mughal advances and also glory for Ahom.

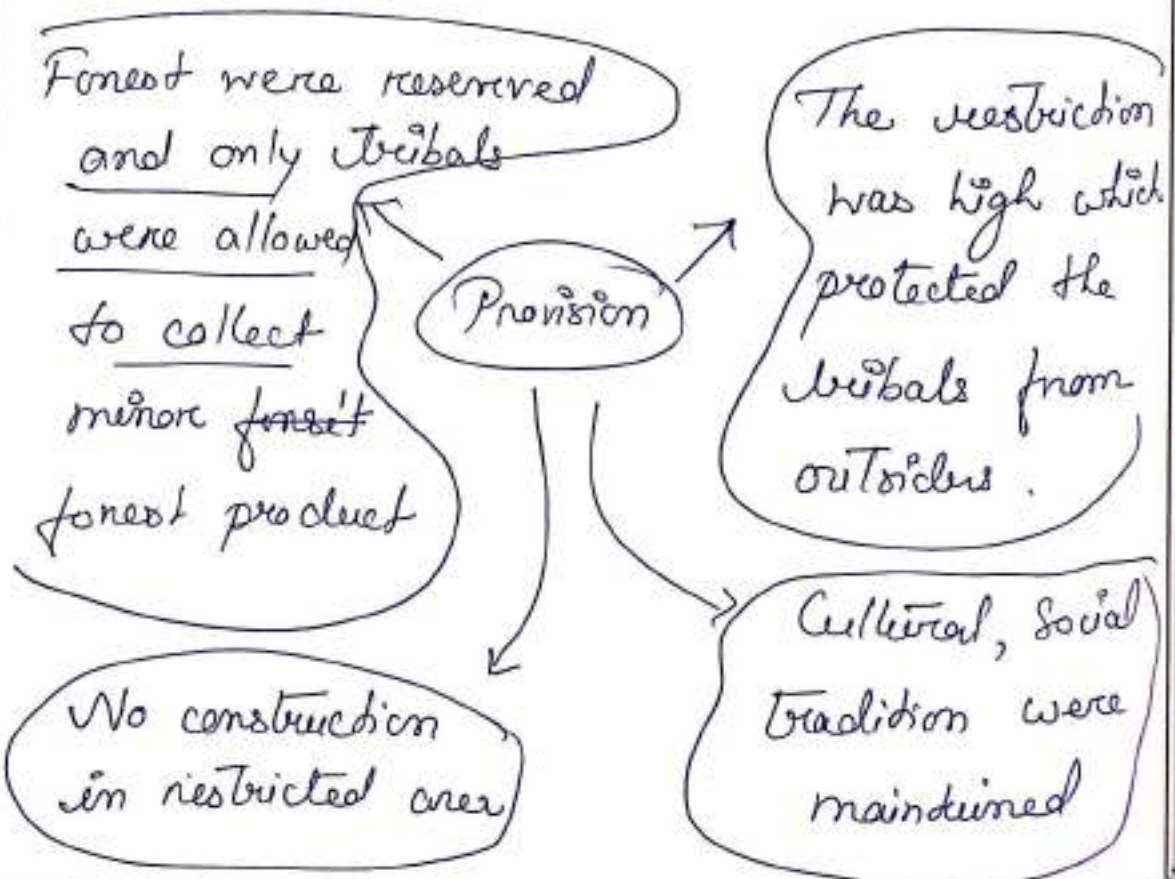
Thus, his (Mamni Tamuli Barbarua) Contribution cannot be forget as he was one of the most able administrator of that time.



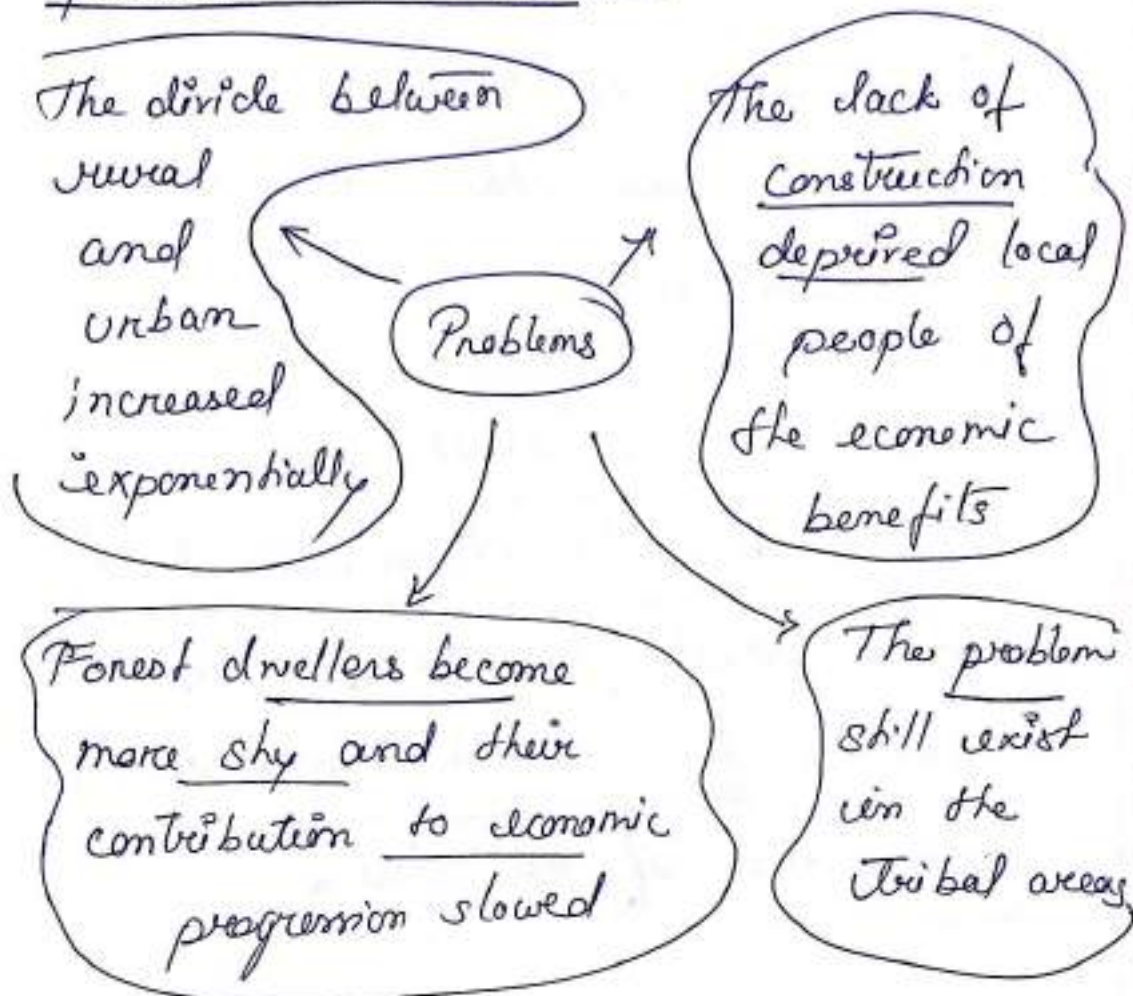
14. Critically discuss the inner line regulation introduced by the British in Assam in 1873. [15]

Inner line regulation introduced by British in Assam for its own convenience. It wanted to delineate the resourceful forest and stop encroachment from people into the area.

The provision of inner line regulation of 1873 are /:-



However, Inner Line Regulation lead to problems which are:-



Inner line permit of Independent India :-

→ The Inner line permit is required to visit few places in Arunachal, Manipur and Mizoram.

→ It help to stable Mainland relation
with tribals.

→ The people of Tribal areas were
able to save their tradition and
cultural values.

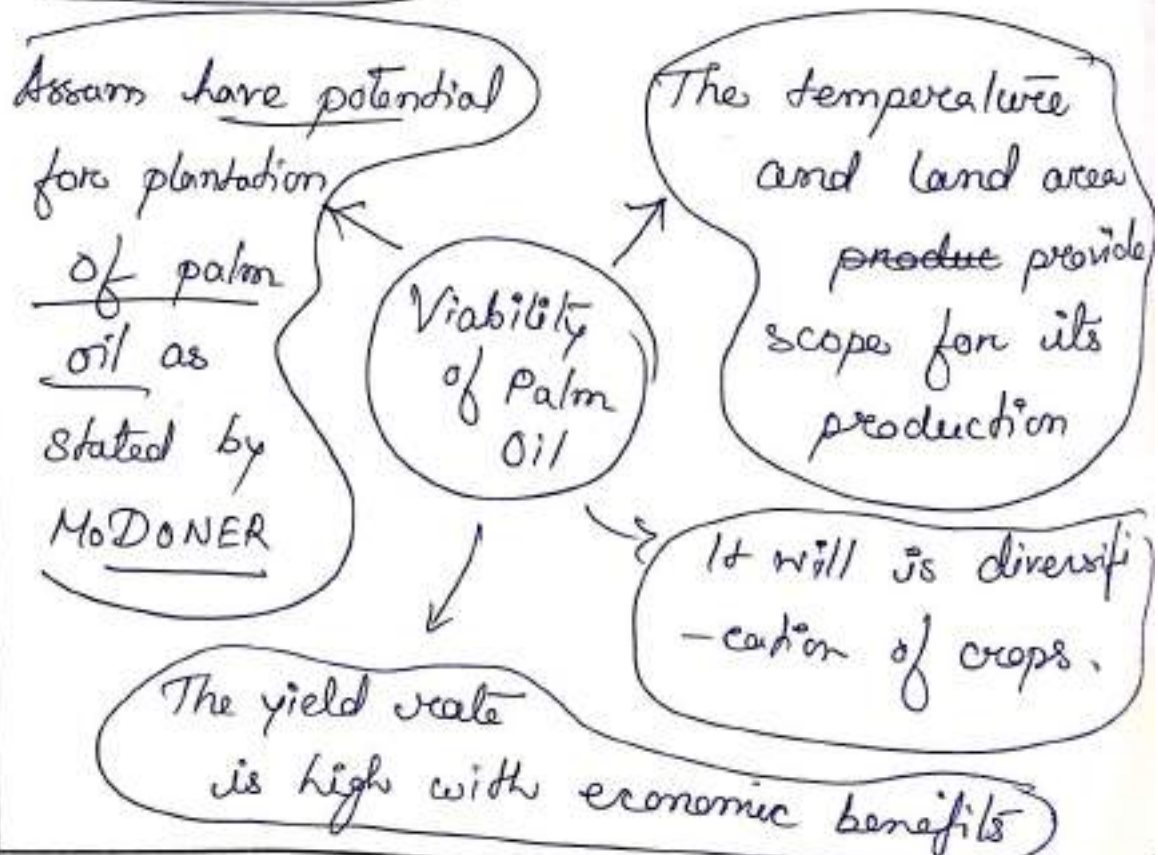
Thus, Inner Line Permit was is a
colonial legislation have served its
purpose and few modification is
required for assimilation and
accommodation of India.

15. Explain the viability of Palm oil production in Assam

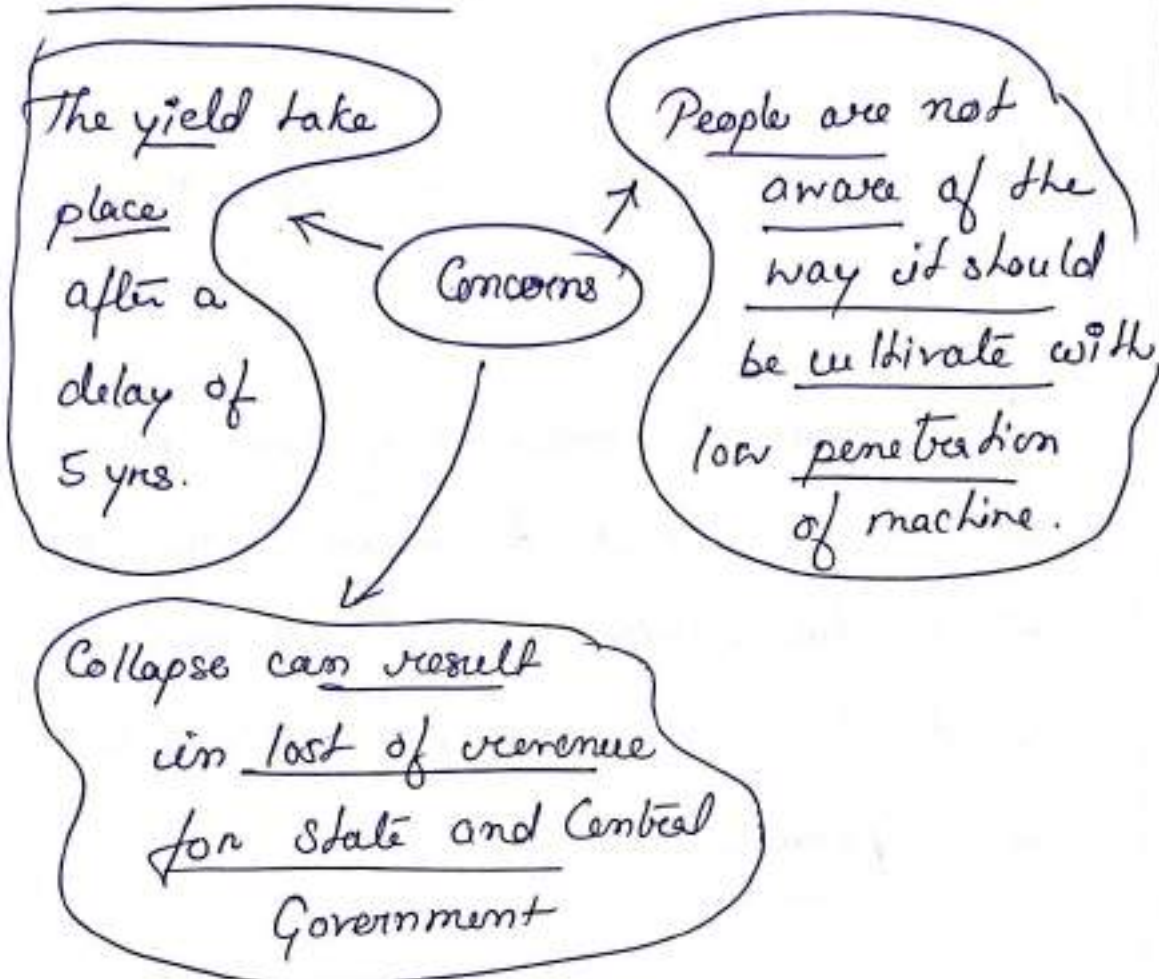
[15]

Palm oil is important source of vegetable oil and India import more than 90% from Indonesia, Malaysia and also from few Ukraine. It has increase the import dependence and India is looking for self sufficiency.

The viability of Palm oil Production in Assam are:-



Concerns associated with oil palm produc- tion in Assam



The steps required for effective implementation of Palm oil production

→ The know-how should be taught through having a collaboration with major Palm oil producing countries

→ The financial incentive should be available early for its penetration in rural area.

→ Compensation for collapse of crops after 5 year duration

Thus, palm oil production in North eastern part and Andaman provide scope for reduction of import cost and also a viable option for income for farmers.



16. Assam ranks first in India in the statistics of crimes committed against women. Highlight some of the important preventive measures that the government can implement in curbing the issue. [15]

Assam ranks first in India in statistics of crimes committed against women and this is a cause of concerns and as Assam target to reduce gender oriented violence and aspire for equal representation of women.

Assam ranks 1st in crimes ^(against women) because of the following :-

→ People are still stereotypical and consider women as part of problem.

For example : Witch hunting.

→ The rank of Maternal Mortality is high because of low level of penetration of affirmative

action.

- Cyber crime against women is rising and Assam government doesn't have dedicated Cyber cell.
- The preference for boy child is still prevalent in Assam

The important preventive measures that the government can implement in curbing the issue are :-

- Project ^{Birubala} Ambala for reduction of witch hunting is in right direction.
- The project of Cyberdome to affectively create a dedicated department is also in right direction.
- The release of folic acid tablets, and well implementation of NFSA

for extra colonies for women would
provide strengthen for anaemic women

→ Encouragement to contest for local
elections.

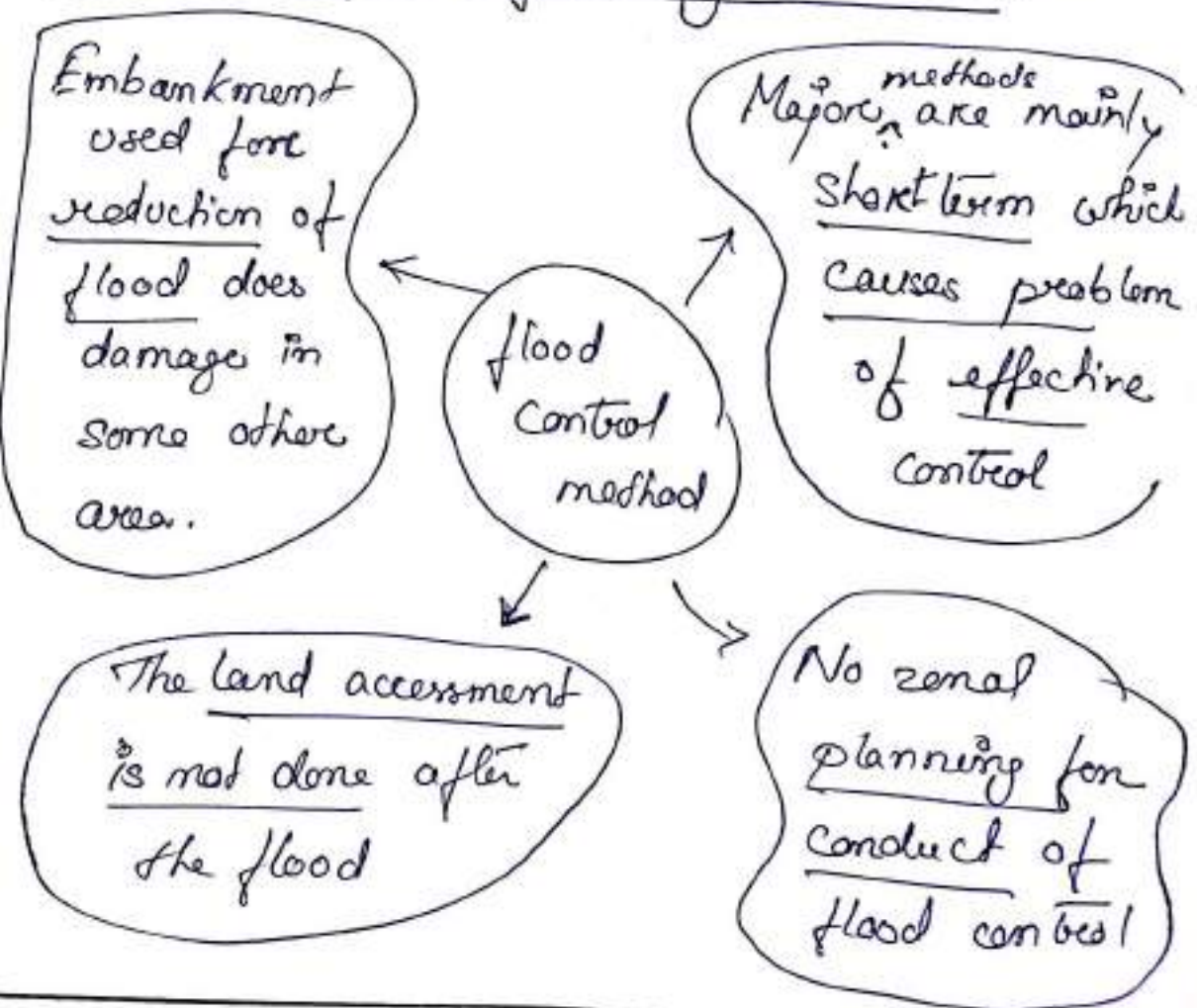
→ Proper education material free of
cost in initial years.

Thus, women are most vital part of
society and women makes up half
of the economic demographic dividend
so, it is important that right of
women are not taken away and
provide them with space for personal
growth.

17. How have the major flood control methods actually worsened the situation in Assam? What is the way forward? [15]

Flood is a major calamity in Assam, around 40% of land area of Assam is affected by flood every year. It causes huge loss of life and Property.

The major flood control methods actually worsened the situation in Assam because of the following reasons :-



The steps Required for control of flood effective are as follows :-



The concerns related to the flooding issue are as follows :-

- ↳ No adequate financial resources for long term plan

of ~~desired~~ desired reduction formation of
high impact structure etc

- Long-term planned will require a lot of time and resources whereas flood occurs every year with no option but for short term engagement.
- The guidelines provide are general in orientation and provide no special inclusion of Assam related problem.

Thus, the best planned forwarded will be to have a coordinated plan in a time bound manner and the zonal planning should be carried out with no time to spare.

18. Mention some of the salient points found in Srimanta Sankardeva's extensive writings which have philosophical bearings. [15]

Srimanta Sankardeva was one of the eminent person who contributed immensely in the literature, cultural and social life of people of Assam.

The salient points found in Srimanta Sankardeva's extensive writings which have philosophical bearings are :-

→ His main teaching was based on Bhakti movement and his literature include Kavya, Ankidya Nat, Rupini Haran etc

→ His main theoretical concept of religion was Ek saran, ek dharam.

→ His main theory was about

selfless devotion to Vishnu.

→ The contribution led to formation of Neo-Vaishnavite period in Assam

→ He also created Sattriya dance form which include abstract from other dance.

→ Sankardeva's Borgeets and the disciple known as Bakots are main is the progression of his teachings.

Contribution in the social life of people of Assam

→ As it accommodative it help different types of people to adopt his teachings.

→ The recognition of sattriya

as classical dance is of immense
significance for Assam

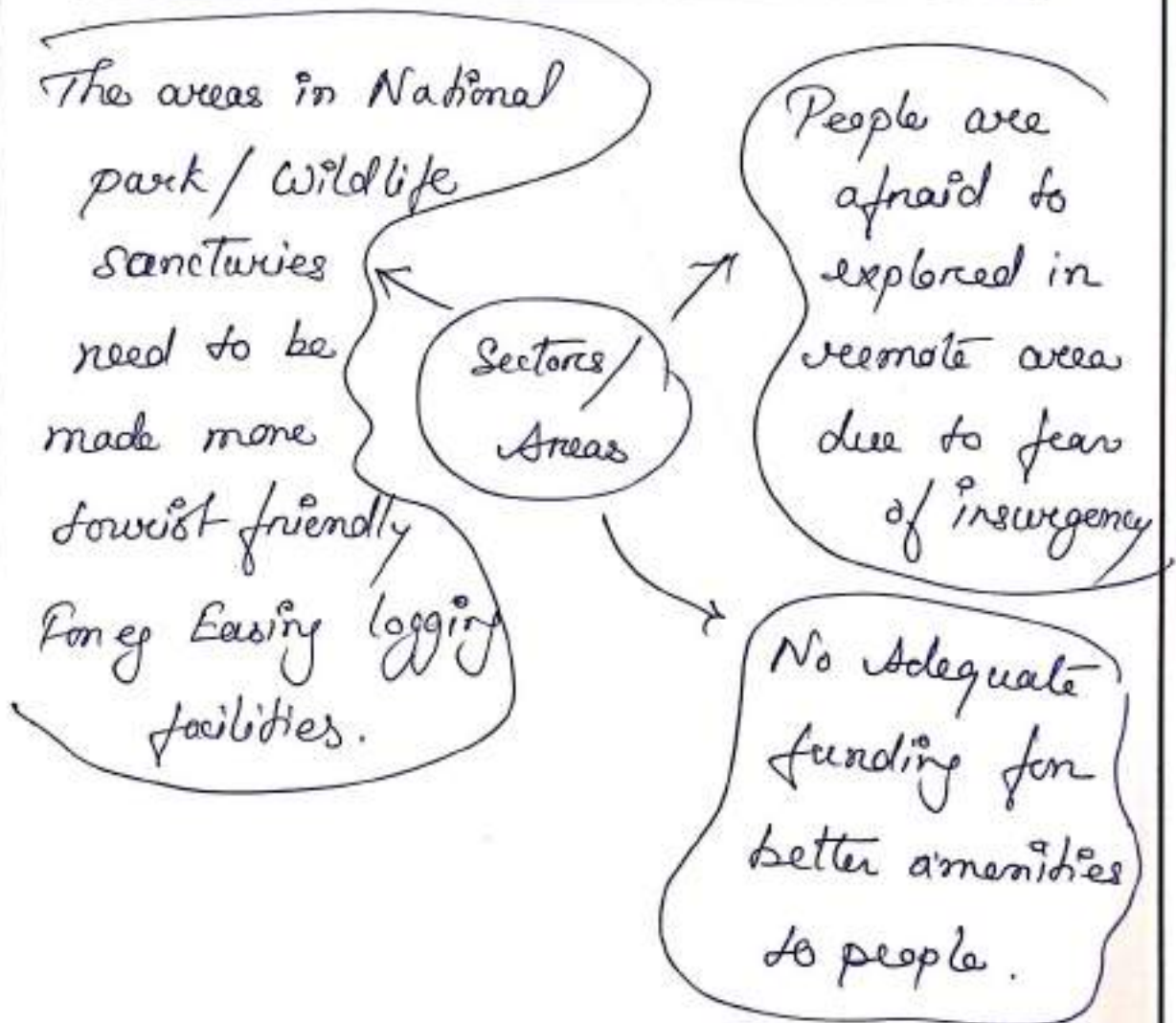
Thus, we can say that Sankardev's
teachings were influential for a
transformational society with high
regards to cultural and moral values

19. Comment on the unexplored areas of tourism in Assam.

[15]

Tourism of Assam is unexplored as revenue generated is minimal compared to other states where such potential does not exist.

The main areas to be changed for a better Tourism in Assam are :-



Steps taken by Government and steps required for better tourism sector are :-

- Government of Assam has accorded infrastructural status to tourism for better availability of fund.
- Financial incentive are provided to indigenous local people to setup resort and food centers
- More Awareness is required for better utilization of youth potential in tourism sectors.
- Biological biodiversity should be maintain while building infrastructure in eco-sensitive zone.

Concerns :-

→ Delay in infrastructural development is due to ecological sensitivity.

→ The delay in EIA (category B and category A projects) report

→ Construction without proper planning might cause disaster.

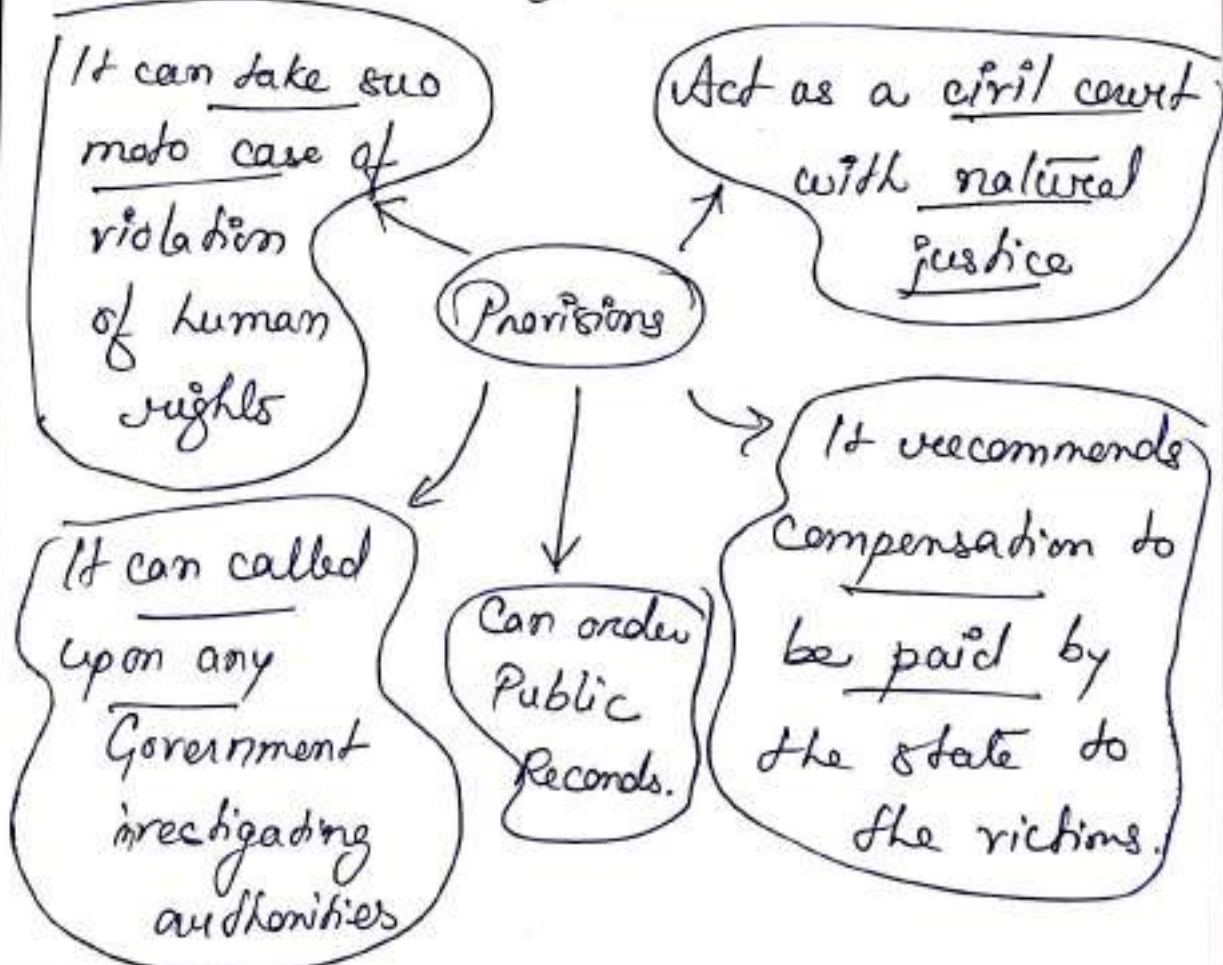
Thus, the right approach is required for effective tourism exploration to realise it's potential, the coordination between different departments to reduce cost of project and maintain balance of ecosystem is need of hour.

20. Write short notes on [15]

1. Assam state Human Rights Commission
2. Nagara Naam
3. Project Sadbhavana

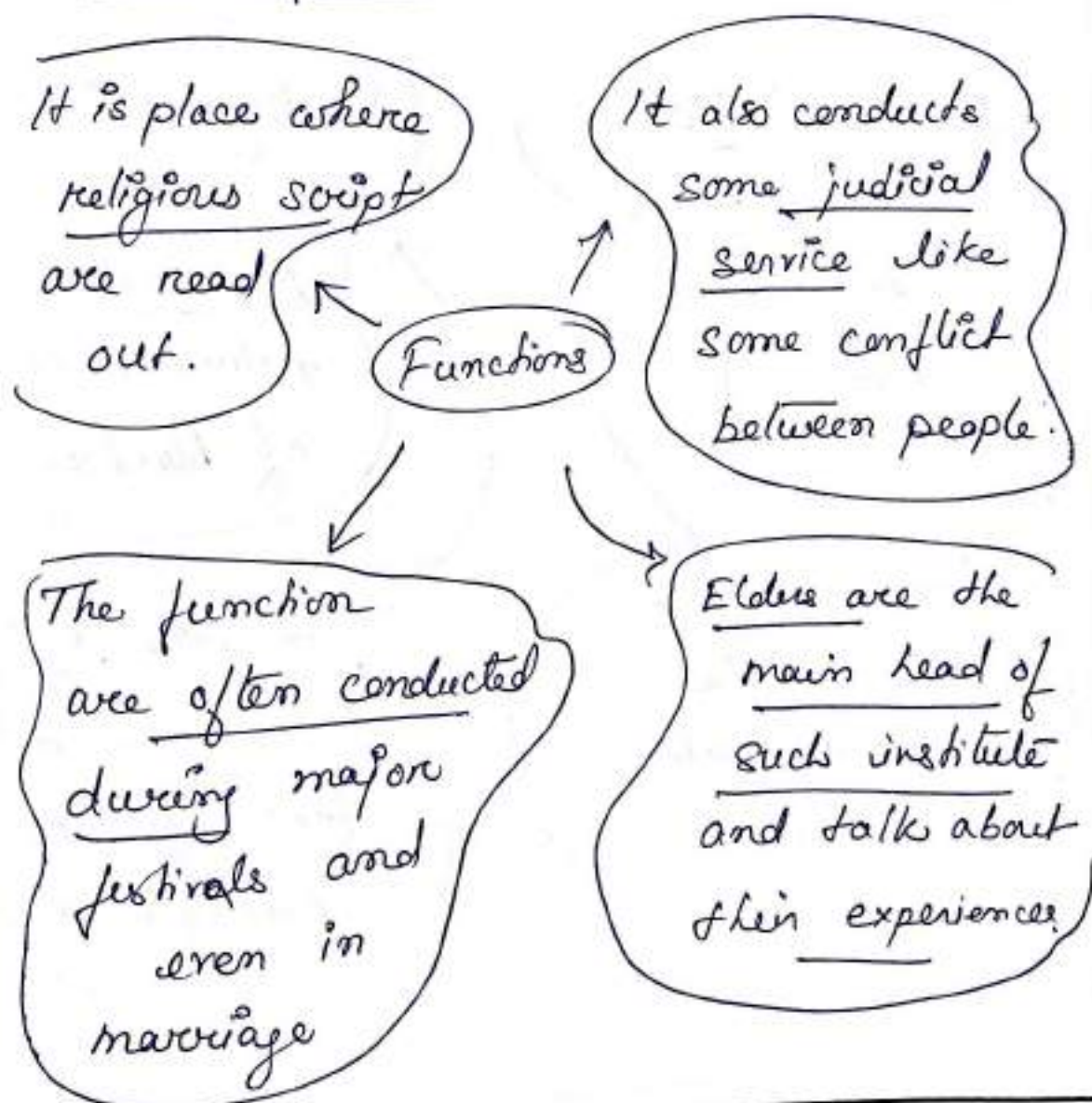
Assam state Human Rights Commission is a statutory body established to look after the human right violation at the state level.

The main provision of the Assam state Human Rights Commission are :-



Nagara Naam is a cultural, social institute which is known for conducting religious ceremonies and distributing prashad.

The main functions of Nagara Naam are as follows :-



Project Sadbharana was streamlined
by Government of Assam for better
delivery of services to the people.
The main area is Assam secretariat

The main provision of the Project
Sadbharana are :-

