

	Question	Answer
1	HISTORY Which ancient kingdom ruled Assam and was known for its maritime trade?	The Kamarupa Kingdom (400-1100 CE) was a major maritime trading power with extensive trade links to Southeast Asia.
2	HISTORY Who was the legendary founder of the Ahom dynasty in Assam?	Sukaphaa (also spelled Sukapha), who migrated from Shan hills and established the Ahom kingdom in 1228 CE.
3	HISTORY What was the primary reason for the Assam-Burma Wars (1825-1826)?	Control over the Assam region and Burma's territorial expansion led to the First Anglo-Burmese War (1824-1826), after which Assam came under British control.
4	HISTORY Which Assamese saint and social reformer is credited with the Bhakti Movement in Assam?	Srimanta Sankaradeva (1449-1568), founder of the Ekasarana Nama Dharma, revolutionized Assamese society through devotional practices.
5	HISTORY What was the Maniram Dewan Conspiracy of 1857 related to?	Maniram Dewan, a wealthy Assamese trader, plotted with British officials during the Indian Rebellion, believing it would secure Assamese independence, but was executed in 1858.
6	GEOGRAPHY Which is the longest tributary of the Brahmaputra River?	The Teesta River is the longest tributary of the Brahmaputra, originating in the Kanchenjunga range and flowing through Sikkim and West Bengal.
7	GEOGRAPHY What is the major soil type found in the Brahmaputra Valley?	Alluvial soil, which is highly fertile and formed by the annual flooding of the Brahmaputra River, making it ideal for agriculture.
8	GEOGRAPHY Which wildlife sanctuary in Assam is home to the one-horned rhinoceros?	Kaziranga National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is the primary habitat of the endangered one-horned rhinoceros (Indian rhinoceros).
9	GEOGRAPHY What is the climate classification of Assam?	Tropical monsoon climate with high rainfall, particularly during the southwest monsoon (June-September), making it one of the wettest regions in India.
10	GEOGRAPHY Which river forms a part of Assam's international border?	The Barak River forms the border between Assam and Meghalaya, while the Teesta and other rivers form borders with other states.
11	GEOGRAPHY What is Majuli Island known for?	Majuli is a freshwater island in the Brahmaputra River, famous as the cultural and spiritual center of Assam,

particularly for Vaishnavite traditions and Satras.

12	ECONOMY Which crop is Assam the leading producer of in India?	Tea—Assam produces over 50% of India's tea and is famous for its black tea, with the Assam tea brand being world-renowned.
13	ECONOMY What is the primary source of revenue for Assam's economy?	Agriculture (tea, rice, jute) and petroleum are the primary revenue sources, with tea being the most significant export commodity.
14	ECONOMY Which oil refinery in Assam is operated by Indian Oil Corporation?	The Assam Oil Refinery at Digboi, one of the oldest refineries in Asia, and the Bongaigaon Refinery are major oil processing units.
15	ECONOMY What are the major textile industries in Assam related to?	Jute and silk production. Assam has a significant silk industry (particularly Muga and Eri silk) and jute mills concentrated in certain regions.
16	ECONOMY Which economic zone has been developed to promote industrial growth in Assam?	Assam has several Special Economic Zones (SEZs) and is developing the Guwahati and surrounding areas as industrial hubs under the "Look East Policy."
17	POLITY How many districts does Assam have?	Assam has 33 districts (as of 2023, after the creation of new districts in administrative reorganization).
18	POLITY What is the structure of Assam Legislative Assembly?	The Assam Legislative Assembly has 126 seats, with members elected through direct universal adult suffrage for a five-year term.
19	POLITY How many Lok Sabha constituencies does Assam have?	Assam has 14 Lok Sabha constituencies, making it one of the important states in national politics.
20	POLITY What is the role of the Deputy Commissioner in Assam?	The Deputy Commissioner is the chief administrative officer at the district level, responsible for revenue collection, land administration, and general administration.
21	POLITY Which political party has historically dominated Assam politics?	The Indian National Congress led Assam for several decades post-independence, but the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and regional parties like AASU have gained prominence recently.
22	CULTURE What is the traditional dress of Assam?	The Mekhela Sador for women and the Dhoti (or lungi) for men, often woven with traditional patterns using cotton or silk.
23	CULTURE Which is the main festival celebrated in Assam?	Bihu, celebrated in three forms: Rongali Bihu (spring festival), Kongali Bihu (monsoon), and Bhogali Bihu (winter), marking agricultural cycles.

24	CULTURE What is the traditional Assamese art form performed during festivals?	Bihu dance, characterized by vigorous movements and traditionally performed by young men and women during Rongali Bihu celebrations.
25	CULTURE Which classical art form originated in Assam's Satras?	Satriya dance (one of the eight classical dance forms of India), developed as a devotional art form in Vaishnavite monasteries (Satras).
26	CULTURE What is the significance of the Kamakhya Temple in Assam?	Kamakhya Temple in Guwahati is one of the 51 Shakti Peeths and an important pilgrimage site dedicated to Goddess Kamakhya, attracting devotees from across India.
27	CULTURE Which form of pottery is traditional to Assam?	Terracotta pottery, particularly clay figurines and traditional earthenware, is a significant craft in Assam's cultural heritage.
28	LANGUAGE What is the official language of Assam?	Assamese is the official language, written in Assamese script (derived from Brahmi script), spoken by the majority of the population.
29	LANGUAGE How many languages are spoken in Assam?	Over 20 languages are spoken, including Assamese, Bengali, Hindi, Manipuri, and various tribal languages like Dimas, Bodo, and Khasi.
30	LANGUAGE Which language is recognized as the second official language in certain regions of Assam?	Bengali is widely spoken and recognized, and Hindi is also used for administrative purposes alongside Assamese.
31	ENVIRONMEN What is the primary cause of flooding in Assam?	Heavy monsoon rainfall and the annual inundation of the Brahmaputra River, combined with silt deposition, cause severe flooding.
32	ENVIRONMEN Which national park is famous for the Indian elephant population?	Manas National Park, a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is crucial for Asian elephant conservation and is named after the Manas River.
33	ENVIRONMEN What is the ecological significance of Assam?	Assam is a biodiversity hotspot with tropical forests, wetlands, and grasslands supporting numerous endangered species including elephants, rhinoceros, and Bengal tigers.
34	ENVIRONMEN Which wetland in Assam is recognized as a Ramsar site?	Deepor Beel, a Ramsar wetland near Guwahati, is important for migratory birds and is protected as a critical habitat for waterbirds.
35	ENVIRONMEN What environmental challenge does Assam face due to deforestation?	Increased flooding, soil erosion, loss of wildlife habitat, and climate change impacts, threatening the region's ecological balance.
36	CURRENT AFFAIR What is the National Register of Citizens (NRC) in Assam?	The NRC, finalized in 2019, is a register of citizens of India in Assam; those unable to prove citizenship

		before 1971 were excluded, affecting nearly 2 million people.
37	CURRENT AFFAIR What is the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) 2019 and its relevance to Assam?	The CAA fast-tracks citizenship for persecuted minorities from Bangladesh, Pakistan, and Afghanistan (excluding Muslims), causing significant protests in Assam over national integration concerns.
38	CURRENT AFFAIRS What is the Assam Accord of 1985?	A landmark agreement signed between the Government of India and AASU (All Assam Students Union), addressing the issue of illegal immigration and national integration.
39	CURRENT AFFAIR Which government scheme aims to promote industrial development in Assam?	The National Infrastructure Pipeline and Assam's industrial policies, along with the Pradhan Mantri Gati Shakti scheme, promote infrastructure and manufacturing growth.
40	CURRENT AFFAIRS What is the significance of the Brahmaputra Crescent Region in recent development?	Identified as a strategic region for multi-modal connectivity, the Brahmaputra Crescent connects the Northeast with the rest of India through the National Waterways Project.
41	HISTORY Who was Lachit Barphukan and what was his significance?	Lachit Barphukan (1622-1672) was the Ahom general who defeated the Mughal forces at the Battle of Saraighat (1671), defending Assam's independence.
42	HISTORY What was the Ahom-Mughal conflict primarily about?	Control over Northeast India; after several battles (1615-1682), the Ahom Kingdom successfully resisted Mughal expansion, maintaining its sovereignty.
43	HISTORY Which Assamese freedom fighter was executed by the British in 1931?	Chandrasekhar Azad's associate and Assamese revolutionary leaders like Surya Sen, though primarily associated with Bengal, had significant influence in Assam's independence movement.
44	HISTORY What was the Quit India Movement's impact on Assam?	Significant mass participation in 1942, with widespread protests against British rule, contributing to India's independence struggle and strengthening Assam's role in the freedom movement.
45	HISTORY Who founded the Assam Valley Indian Association?	Anandaram Dhekeli Phukan founded it in 1873, which later became the Indian Association, playing a crucial role in Assam's political awakening during British rule.
46	GEOGRAPHY Which district of Assam is famous for oil reserves?	Assam has significant oil reserves, with Digboi in Tinsukia district being historically important as the site of India's first oil well (1901).
47	GEOGRAPHY What is the geographical extent of Assam?	Assam covers approximately 78,438 sq km, making it one of the northeastern states; it lies between latitudes 24°N to 29°N and longitudes 89°E to 97°E.

48	GEOGRAPHY Which mountains form the northern boundary of Assam?	The Eastern Himalayas and the Khasi-Garo Hills form natural boundaries; the southern boundary is marked by the Meghalaya plateau.
49	GEOGRAPHY What is the total length of the Brahmaputra River that flows through Assam?	Approximately 900 km of the Brahmaputra flows through Assam, making it the lifeline of the state for transportation, agriculture, and water supply.
50	GEOGRAPHY Which is the highest peak in Assam?	Mokokchung Peak or peaks in the Patkai range are among the highest; the northeastern region has numerous hills and ranges.
51	ECONOMY What percentage of India's tea production comes from Assam?	Assam produces approximately 50-55% of India's total tea production, with the Assam tea gardens (estates) covering over 180,000 hectares.
52	ECONOMY Which agricultural products are exported from Assam besides tea?	Rice, jute, spices (cardamom, turmeric), bamboo products, and handloom textiles are significant export commodities from Assam.
53	ECONOMY What is the role of Guwahati as an economic center?	Guwahati is the commercial hub of Northeast India, with banking, insurance, retail sectors, and serves as a major trading and distribution center for the entire region.
54	ECONOMY Which natural resources are mined in Assam?	Petroleum, natural gas, coal, limestone, and sand are major mineral resources; petroleum and natural gas are the most economically significant.
55	ECONOMY How does the Brahmaputra River contribute to Assam's economy?	It supports fisheries, agriculture through irrigation, provides hydropower potential, enables inland water transport, and is crucial for the region's transport infrastructure development.
56	POLITY What powers are vested in the Panchayati Raj system in Assam?	Village Panchayats, Block Committees, and District Councils have powers in local governance, including community development, public services, and revenue collection.
57	POLITY How many Rajya Sabha members does Assam have?	Assam has 10 Rajya Sabha members representing the state in the Upper House of Parliament.
58	POLITY What is the system of governance in tribal areas of Assam?	Autonomous District Councils (ADCs) manage local governance in tribal areas, with their own legislative bodies and administrative structures under the Sixth Schedule of the Indian Constitution.
59	POLITY Which autonomy has been granted to hill regions in Assam?	Bodoland Territorial Region (BTR) was created as an autonomous council, and other ADCs like those for Karbi Anglong and Dima Hasao provide regional autonomy.

60	POLITY What is the significance of the Hill Station of Shillong for Northeast governance?	Shillong, in Meghalaya (formerly part of Assam), was the capital of Assam during British rule and served as the administrative center for Northeast India.
61	CULTURE What is Muga silk and why is it important to Assam?	Muga silk is a golden-colored silk produced in Assam, one of the rarest in the world; it's a symbol of Assamese cultural heritage and an important export product.
62	CULTURE Which classical art form involves masked dance and is performed in Assam?	Chhau dance, though primarily from Bengal, has variations in Assam; more distinctly, Ojapali and Bhaona (theatrical performances) are traditional Assamese art forms.
63	CULTURE What is the Bhaona tradition in Assam?	Bhaona is a theatrical form developed by Srimanta Sankaradeva, featuring dramatization of stories from the Mahabharata and Ramayana, performed in Satras.
64	CULTURE Which cuisine is traditional to Assam?	Assamese cuisine features rice as staple, fish curries, bamboo shoots, herbs, and use of traditional spices; it's known for its simple yet flavorful preparations.
65	CULTURE What is the traditional architecture of Assamese homes?	Traditional Assamese houses feature sloped roofs with large overhangs to handle heavy rainfall, bamboo construction, and wooden pillars, adapted to the regional climate.
66	WILDLIFE How many one-horned rhinoceroses are currently found in Kaziranga?	Kaziranga National Park is home to approximately 2,500+ one-horned rhinoceroses, constituting about 65% of the world population of this species.
67	WILDLIFE Which endangered tiger subspecies inhabits Manas National Park?	The Bengal Tiger is found in Manas; it was once extinct there but has been successfully reintroduced through conservation efforts.
68	WILDLIFE What is Project Tiger's significance in Assam?	Project Tiger, launched in 1973, has established tiger reserves in Assam including Manas and Kaziranga, focusing on habitat conservation and population recovery.
69	WILDLIFE Which migratory birds visit Assam's wetlands during winter?	Migratory waterfowl including Bar-headed Geese, Common Teal, and various duck species migrate to Assam's wetlands from Central Asia during winter months.
70	WILDLIFE What is the conservation status of the Asian elephant in Assam?	The Asian elephant is endangered; Assam has approximately 5,000-6,000 elephants, making it crucial for the species' survival in Asia.
71	INFRASTRUCTURE Which is the major port in Assam for inland water transport?	Guwahati Port is a major river port on the Brahmaputra, facilitating cargo transport and connecting Assam to inland waterways of India.

72	INFRASTRUCTURE What is the significance of the Northeast Frontier Railway (NFR)?	NFR connects Northeast India with the rest of the country; it's headquartered in Guwahati and operates extensive rail networks across the region.
73	INFRASTRUCTURE Which airport in Assam serves as the international gateway?	Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport (formerly Guwahati Airport) is the primary international airport serving Northeast India.
74	INFRASTRUCTURE What is the National Waterways Project-2 (Brahmaputra)?	It declares the Brahmaputra River (891 km) as a National Waterway, promoting cargo transport, connectivity, and tourism in the Northeast region.
75	INFRASTRUCTURE Which highway connects Assam to other northeastern states?	National Highway 37 (now NH-37) and other major highways connect Assam to Manipur, Meghalaya, Nagaland, and other northeast states.
76	EDUCATION Which is the oldest university in Assam?	Cotton College (now Cotton University) in Guwahati, established in 1901, is among the oldest; University of Calcutta had academic jurisdiction initially.
77	EDUCATION Which central university is located in Assam?	Tezpur University and Assam University (at Silchar) are central universities; Gauhati University is a state university in Guwahati.
78	EDUCATION What is the literacy rate in Assam compared to national average?	Assam's literacy rate is approximately 72-73%, slightly below the national average of 77%, with significant gender gaps in some regions.
79	EDUCATION Which institute of national importance is located in Assam?	Indian Institute of Technology (IIT) Guwahati, established in 1994, is a premier engineering institution offering various engineering and science programs.
80	EDUCATION What is the role of vernacular education in Assam?	Assamese medium education is promoted to preserve cultural heritage; many schools and colleges teach in Assamese while maintaining proficiency in English and Hindi.
81	SOCIAL What are the major tribes of Assam?	Bodo, Karbi, Dimasas, Mishing, and Santhals are major tribal groups; each has distinct language, culture, and traditions contributing to Assam's diversity.
82	SOCIAL What is the Bodoland Movement about?	The movement sought recognition of Bodo tribal identity and autonomy, resulting in the formation of Bodoland Territorial Region (BTR) in 2003.
83	SOCIAL Which government scheme focuses on rural development in Assam?	Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana (PMGSY), National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (NREGA), and Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act focus on rural development.

84	SOCIAL What is the primary occupation in rural Assam?	Agriculture is the primary occupation, followed by animal husbandry; tea cultivation in some regions and fishing in river areas are significant secondary occupations.
85	SOCIAL How has urbanization affected Assam?	Urban centers like Guwahati have grown rapidly; urbanization has led to infrastructure development but also created challenges like slums and environmental issues.
86	HEALTH What are the major health challenges in Assam?	Malaria, dengue, waterborne diseases, malnutrition, and maternal/infant mortality are significant health challenges, particularly in flood-prone and remote areas.
87	HEALTH Which hospital is a premier medical institution in Assam?	Gauhati Medical College and Hospital (GMCH), established in 1957, is a leading tertiary care center and teaching hospital in Northeast India.
88	HEALTH What is the infant mortality rate in Assam?	Assam's infant mortality rate is approximately 40-45 per 1000 live births, higher than the national average, indicating healthcare access challenges.
89	HEALTH Which disease transmission is common in Assam due to its geography?	Vector-borne diseases like malaria and dengue are common due to high rainfall, wetlands, and mosquito breeding grounds in the region.
90	HEALTH What public health initiatives has Assam undertaken?	Assam has implemented National Health Mission programs, immunization drives, and maternal health schemes to improve health outcomes in rural areas.
91	IMPORTANT PERSON Who was Keshab Chandra Sen and his influence on Assam?	A 19th-century social reformer who influenced Assam's intellectual awakening; his ideas contributed to the Brahmo Samaj movement in Assam.
92	IMPORTANT PERSON Who was Jyotiprasad Agarwala?	An important Assamese cultural figure and filmmaker who produced the first Assamese film and significantly contributed to Assam's cinematic and cultural renaissance.
93	IMPORTANT PERSON What is the contribution of Assam Sahitya Sabha to Assamese culture?	Founded in 1917, it's a cultural organization dedicated to promotion of Assamese language, literature, and culture through publications, conferences, and cultural programs.
94	RECENT DEVELOPMENT What is the Northeast Region Gateway on Ease of Doing Business?	Assam has been ranked among top performers in ease of doing business among northeastern states, promoting investment and industrial development in recent years.

95	RECENT DEVELOPMENTS Which mega infrastructure project has been initiated in Assam?	The Brahmaputra Crescent Region Development Project and National Waterways Project-2 are major infrastructure initiatives aimed at regional connectivity.
96	RECENT DEVELOPMENTS What is the status of renewable energy projects in Assam?	Assam has initiated hydropower projects on Brahmaputra and its tributaries; solar and wind energy initiatives are being developed to diversify the energy sector.
97	RECENT DEVELOPMENTS How is Assam promoting textile industries?	Through special promotion of silk (Muga and Eri), jute processing, and handloom sectors; schemes like Technology Up-gradation Fund support modernization of textile units.
98	MISCELLANEOUS What is the population of Assam as per the 2021 Census?	Assam's population is approximately 31.2 million, making it one of the most populous states in India with significant demographic diversity.
99	MISCELLANEOUS What is the gender ratio in Assam?	Assam's gender ratio is approximately 954 females per 1000 males (as per 2021 Census), lower than the national average of 943.
100	MISCELLANEOUS Which river delta is formed by Brahmaputra and Barak rivers?	The Sundarban Delta (shared with Bangladesh), one of the world's largest river deltas, is formed by the Brahmaputra, Meghna, and other rivers flowing into the Bay of Bengal.

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