Globalization and liberalization in the economy demand proficiency in applying human resource input. The quantity and quality of highly specialized human capital determine their competence in the global market. During the last two decades higher education system, policies and institutions have transformed leading to an ever widening role in interconnecting the world. Hence the higher educational institutions of the nation are facing challenge in this respect.

Now as the entrepreneur of all round development of the state, government needs to take pivotal role for paving the progress of higher education. Thus, a study of the role of state government in providing assistance to higher education is very relevant. It needs mentioning that economic reform packages were introduced in India in the beginning of the year 1991. These reform packages imposed a heavy compression on the public budgets on education sector, more particularly on higher education. As a result the higher educational institutions have been experiencing severe resource crunch. Through an interpretation of the financial records, the investigator wanted to enquire the financial position of the higher educational institutions of Assam and to answer the question of internal
resource generation of the institutions. Moreover through the research study, the researcher wanted to enquire the linkage between government fund and academic performance of the colleges. These issues have vital importance particularly in a less developed state like Assam. As a result of financial crunch government’s plans fails to be executed successfully.

The efficiency of the college authorities in meeting the resource crunch and utilizing the adequate resources needs to be addressed properly. The present research work also attempts to draw the picture of existing infrastructural position of the colleges. Further the study attempts to suggest few reform measures to upgrade the standard of higher educational institutions of the state.

I shall be glad enough if the research findings and suggestions could contribute to the planning and development of higher education of the state.

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