Geographical Location of Assam

Assam is situated between the latitudes of 24.8° and 28° North and longitude 88.5° and 95° East with a total area of 78,523(1) Square Kilo metres, a population of 146(2) lakhs with 10 Districts.

Assam is bounded on the North and North East by a range of lofty mountains, rising abruptly to the height of from five to six thousand feet above the level of the adjacent plains(3) on the North, the Bhutan, the Aka, the Dafla, the Miri, the Abor and the Mishmis mountains of the Himalayan ranges, on the east is situated the Patkai, Naga Hills, Manipur and the mountains of Burma. The south is abounded by the Union Territory of Mizoram and on the west lies Tripura State, Bangladesh proper, Meghalaya and Cooch Behar of West Bengal.

As per the list of Orphanages and home for the destitutes, their location is indicated in the map.

(2) Census of India, General Population Table, 1971.
(3) W. Robinson : A Descriptive Account of Assam, P. 12, 1975.
Chart shows area, districts, towns, villages, population, literacy, expenditure on Social & Community Services in Assam.

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Chart shows Distribution of population by Religion, Assam, 1971.

Hindu

- No.: 1,06,04,618
- P.C.: 72.51

Christians

- No.: 3,81,010
- P.C.: 2.61

Buddhists

- No.: 22,565
- P.C.: 0.15

Muslims

- No.: 35,92,124
- P.C.: 24.56

Sikhs

- No.: 11,920
- P.C.: 0.28

Jains

- No.: 12,914
- P.C.: 0.09

Other religious communities

- No.: 1
- P.C.: 1