

BORDER AREAS DEVELOPMENT WEST JAINTIA HILLS

The main function of the Department of Border Area Development is implementation of border area schemes. A border area is a territory extending 10 km crowfly distance from the international border with Bangladesh as well as from the interstate border with Assam. The length of the border which West Jaintia Hills District shares with Bangladesh is 31 km and also shares 98.86 km border length with Assam.

The Department of Border Areas Development Department is having 2(Two) offices in the District, one at Jowai and the other at Dawki to look after the implementation of border area schemes in villages along the international border as well as interstate border. The office at Jowai is manned only by 1(One) Asstt. Director, 1(One) Junior Engineer, 1(One) Sectional Assistant, 1(One) L.D.A., 1(One) Peon, 1(One) Driver, 1(One) Data Entry Operator (DEO) and 1 (One) Chowkidar.

The office at Dawki is manned by 1(One) Border Areas Development Officer (BADO), 1(One) L.D.A., 1(One) Peon, and 1(One) Chowkidar.

The Border Areas Development Department is implementing the following schemes:-

1. The Special Central Assistance (SCA) under Border Areas Development Programme (BADP) sponsored by the Government of India on 90:10 basis and implemented in villages bordering Bangladesh.
2. The Inter State Border Areas Development Programme (ISBADP) fully funded by the State Government implemented in villages bordering Assam.
3. Providing border scholarships to the border students funded by the State Government to students residing in the villages along the international border.