

Gogoi seeks Rs 1,450 cr central fund



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Chief Minister Tarun [Gogoi](#) pins hopes on a Rs 1,450 crore central [fund](#) for infrastructure development in 10 state universities.

The [fund](#) would also be utilized to set up the proposed [women](#) varsity in the state. [Gogoi](#) raised the demands when he met Union Human Resource Development Minister Smriti Irani in New Delhi on Tuesday.

According to official sources, [Gogoi](#) sought a special incentive package for development of higher education and adequate funding for promotion of literacy and education in the state.

Apart from seeking a special incentive package to boost the higher education sector by attracting private investments, [Gogoi](#) underlined the need of central funding for filling up of vacant posts of teachers in the schools to maintain the student-teacher ratio in the state.

[Gogoi](#) also urged Irani to facilitate establishment of an Indian Institute of Management (IIM) in [Guwahati](#).

He further stressed importance of cooperative management education in the state and underscored the need of support of the Central government to develop [Assam](#) Rajiv Gandhi University of Cooperative Management.

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