

Raha water supply schemes in shambles



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A number of water supply schemes in the potable water [crisis](#)-hit Raha has been languishing in dying agony thanks to the lackadaisical attitude of the public health [engineering](#) department.

The schemes, mostly, started a couple of years back. But the things refused to progress beyond a stage much to the utter disappointment of the local residents who have been struggling for a drop of potable water for years.

Mention may made of the deplorable condition of the water supply scheme at Lauphulaborhi under the Dighaliati [Panchayat](#).

“We heaved a sigh of relief [as](#) we came to see the stepped up works to lay the foundation stone of the project by MLA Piyush Hazarika on November 20, 2014. But now it is lying on a shamble,” said Mridul Hazarika, AASU [leader](#).

Local residents and organizations here have blamed it all on the public health [engineering](#) department for allowing these to happen.

The AASU [leader](#) said, “Where is the PHE department? We hoped a lot. But only to be disappointed.”

According to information, during the last couple of years the department allocated funds for 16 water supply schemes. Four close associates of Piyush Hazarika got the award of contracts after the government released the fund in the name of the projects. But most of them have yet to see the light of the day.

Now what went wrong with these project? Who is to be blamed? How long will these projects remain in this utter dilapidated condition? Will the new government blink?



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