

Scam accused may be freed soon



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The Dima Hasao Autonomous Council (DHAC) scam accused RH Khan and Mohet Hojai may be freed soon from Guwahati Central Jail as the National Investigative Agency (NIA) has submitted its NOC to the court for their release. If the court permits, then they may be released next week. The Centre handed over the probe into the multi-crore DHAC scam to the NIA in 2009 after Assam Police arrested Dima Halam Daogah (Jewel) rebels with huge cash. The NIA, in its final charge sheet, said that some members of the DHAC helped the outlawed DHD-J to siphon government funds. The NIA accused 14 people including DHD-J leaders Jewel Garlosa and Niranjana Hojai who were already granted bail and are out of jail for nearly two years now. However NIA could not bail the two Accused RH Khan and Mohet Hojai. RH Khan is former deputy director of Social Welfare and Mohet Hojai is former CEM of Dima Hasao. They along with some others are the main accused of Rs. 100 crore scam. Both of them are likely to walk out free from jail where they have spent nearly 5 years.

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GUWAHATI, October 5, 2026 — he North-East Affected Area Development Society (NEADS), a grassroots development organisation based in Jorhat district, has partnered with Change Alliance, a social impact development agency, to strengthen climate-resilient livelihoods and community action in Assam.

Titled “Strengthening Climate-Resilient Livelihoods and Community Action in Assam,” the initiative will be implemented across 10 villages in Jorhat and Golaghat districts. It will work with local communities to strengthen their capacity to cope with growing climate and disaster-related challenges.

The programme will promote locally led solutions, climate-resilient livelihoods and community action, with a focus on strengthening community capacities and supporting vulnerable households to adapt to a changing climate.

Communities in Assam, particularly those dependent on agriculture and natural resources, are increasingly exposed to floods, erratic weather patterns, environmental degradation and other climate-related risks. The initiative will support communities in identifying and adopting locally appropriate adaptation measures and sustainable livelihood strategies.

Tirtha Prasad Saikia, Director of NEADS, said, “Climate change is increasingly affecting livelihoods, food security and the resilience of communities across Assam. Our partnership with Change Alliance will strengthen community-led solutions, build local capacities and promote practical approaches that enable vulnerable communities to adapt while protecting and improving their livelihoods.”

The initiative builds on NEADS’ experience in disaster risk reduction, climate change adaptation, humanitarian response, sustainable livelihoods and community-led development. It will place communities at the centre of resilience-building by recognising local knowledge, strengthening collective action and promoting sustainable livelihood practices.

The partnership will also emphasise community participation, accountability, safeguarding, learning and evidence-based approaches to ensure that the programme remains responsive to the priorities and realities of the communities involved.

Through the initiative, NEADS and Change Alliance aim to contribute to stronger and more resilient communities in Jorhat and Golaghat by advancing climate adaptation, sustainable livelihoods and locally led community action.

The partnership marks another step in NEADS' efforts to connect climate resilience, sustainable livelihoods and community leadership towards building a more resilient, inclusive and sustainable Assam.

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