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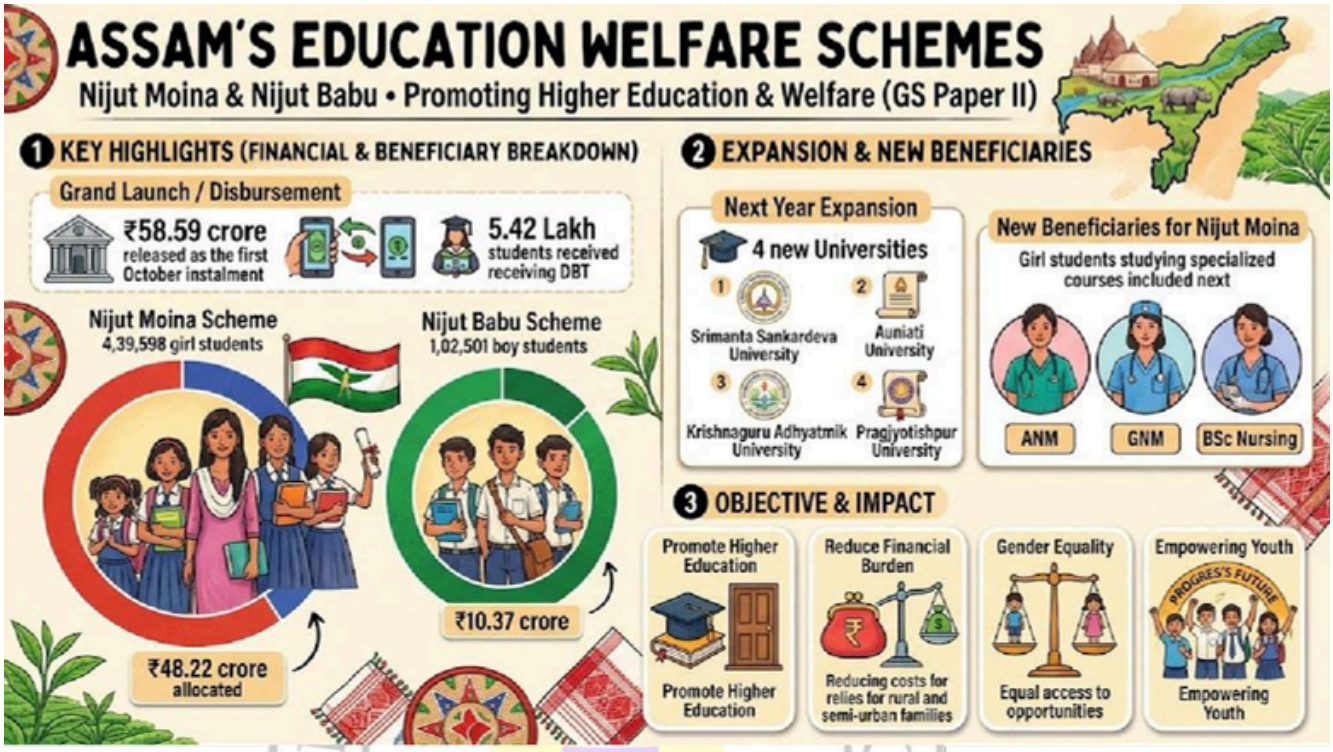
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Assam Current Affairs: Nijut Moina and Nijut Babu Schemes



Key Highlights

- Financial assistance: ₹58.59 crore released as the first October instalment to 5.42 lakh students.
- **Nijut Moina Scheme: Covers 4,39,598 girl students, with ₹48.22 crore allocated.**
- **Nijut Babu Scheme: Covers 1,02,501 boy students, with ₹10.37 crore allocated.**
- **Expansion: Four universities—Srimanta Sankardeva University, Auniati University, Krishnaguru Adhyatmik University and Pragjyotishpur University—will be included next year.**
- **New beneficiaries: ANM, GNM and BSc Nursing female students will be included under Nijut Moina.**
- **Objective: Promote higher education, reduce financial burdens on families and encourage gender equality in education**.

Prelims Question

Q. Consider the following statements regarding Assam's Nijut Moina and Nijut Babu schemes:

1. Nijut Moina aims to encourage girls to pursue higher education.

2. Nijut Babu provides financial assistance to boys pursuing higher education.

3. Nursing students will be included under Nijut Babu.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

A) 1 only

B) 1 and 2 only

C) 2 and 3 only

D) 1, 2 and 3

Answer: B) 1 and 2 only

Explanation: Nursing students pursuing ANM, GNM and BSc Nursing courses will be included under Nijut Moina, not Nijut Babu.

Mains Practice Question

Q. How can educational welfare schemes such as Nijut Moina and Nijut Babu contribute to human capital development in Assam? (150 words)

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