

BTR

The Bodoland Territorial Region (BTR) is an autonomous region administered by an elected body known as the Bodoland Territorial Council. The BTC consists of five contiguous districts — Kokrajhar, Baksa, Udalguri, Chirang & Tamulpur.

The region covers an area of over 9000 square kilometres and is predominantly inhabited by the Bodo people and other indigenous communities of Assam. The region's economy is largely based on agriculture and tourism. It has a population of about 3,151,047. BTR is blessed with beautiful forests full of flora and fauna.

While Kokrajhar, Udalguri, and Chirang districts fall under Phase I implementation of PMKSY-HKPP, Tamulpur & Baksa fall under Phase II.



Chirang

Sukumar Barman of Dailanjhar Village in Chirang district, Assam was struggling to make ends meet until the launch of PMKSY scheme in his village. Lack of regular water for irrigation created serious hurdles in his farming. Now with PMKSY, Sukumar started mustard cultivation in his 17 bigha land and has produced around 35 quintals of mustard. "Things are better now. It feels good when your hard work pays off. A good produce will mean a good return," says Sukumar appreciating PMKSY.



Dark days are over for Biren Ray, a vegetable farmer from Borpathar village in Chirang, Assam as his production has more than doubled from around 250 kg per bigha to 600 kg per bigha in 12 bighas land. This has been possible after receiving a proper irrigation system and solar tubewell under PMKSY in his village. "Water scarcity had affected my agriculture production and income too. It was getting tougher to survive in the farming profession if not for the PMKSY scheme. Now, along with vegetable, I cultivate rice too," says Biren Ray.

