

UGC Major Research Project for the session 2011-2013

*State, Good Governance and Social Security: A Study on Institutionalization and Outcome of NREGA in Assam*

### **Objectives in brief**

The study has a set of theoretical-cum-empirical objectives.

At the theoretical level, the study proposes to examine what are the conducive and obstructive components of governance.

It also proposes to examine how in a setting of overlapping structures of governance the state maintains a coherent and consistent approach towards delivering goods to the people.

At the empirical level, the study proposes to investigate the process of institutionalization of NREGA in Assam. More particularly it will endeavour to understand the linkage between institutionalization, governance and social security being perceived and delivered through NREGS in the state of Assam.

It will very particularly examine the impact of NREGA on rural livelihood in the state.

It also proposes to examine the role of social movements towards putting checks and balance in the domain of governance. As a case of reference it will examine the role played by KMSS towards exposing the weaknesses of governance in implementing NREGA in the state.