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ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY SECRETARIAT

NOTIFICATION

The 3rd March, 2018

No. LARC.19/2018/451.- In exercise of power conferred by Rules 260(3) and (4) of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Assam Legislative Assembly, the following Interim Report of the Rules Committee is published for information of General Public.

COMPOSITION OF THE COMMITTEE

Ex-Officio Chairman

1. Shri Hitendra Nath Goswami,
Speaker,
Assam Legislative Assembly

Members

2. Shri Chandra Mohan Patowary,
Minister, Parliamentary Affairs etc., Assam
3. Shri Atul Bora,
Minister, Agriculture etc., Assam
4. Shri Ranjit Dutta,
Minister, Irrigation etc., Assam
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13. Shri Mamun Imdadul Haque Chowdhury, MLA

Secretariat.

1. Shri M.K. Deka, Principal Secretary,
2. Shri A.N. Deka, Additional Secretary,
3. Shri M.K. Sarma, Deputy Secretary,
4. Shri H. Mushahary, Under Secretary.

Interim Report

On receipt of the proposal from the Finance Department, Government of Assam (copy appended at annexure-I) for presentation of the budget for the financial year 2018-19 in electronic format, the Rules Committee, Assam Legislative Assembly in its first meeting on 15th December, 2017 discussed the pros and cons of the matter of presentation of budget in electronic format. The Committee unanimously opined that amendment in the relevant rules would be required enabling the Hon. Members to carry the multimedia device inside the House. In this connection, the Committee expressed its desire to have expressed to have more thorough indepth study on necessary amendment of relevant rules in the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Assam Legislative Assembly. The Committee accordingly formed a Study Group by nominating Hon'ble Members Shri Siddhartha Bhattachrjya and Dr. Mansing Rongpi.

The Study Group of the Rules Committee, Assam Legislative Assembly has held two sittings with the Information Technology experts and submitted a report to the Hon'ble Speaker, Assam Legislative Assembly on 21st February, 2018 with recommendations.

The report has been placed before the Rules Committee, Assam Legislative Assembly in its meeting held on 23rd February, 2018 for its consideration and same day the Rules Committee decided to present an Interim Report to the House with recommendations on amendments to be incorporated in the Rule 275 of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Assam Legislative Assembly enabling presentation of budget in e-format and Hon'ble Members to carry the multimedia device inside the House for their use.

In the meantime, the Committee on Ethics, Assam Legislative Assembly also examined the matter of presentation of budget in e-format for the year 2018-19. The Committee is also of the opinion that there should be amendment in the relevant rules of the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Assam Legislative Assembly facilitating presentation of budget in e-format.

Taking into consideration the recommendations made by the Study Group and the opinion of the Committee on Ethics, the Rules Committee adopted the recommendations to be inserted after the Rule 275(xxii) the Rules of Procedure and Conduct of Business in Assam Legislative Assembly as Rule 275(1) & (2).

HITENDRA NATH GOSWAMI,
Speaker & Ex-Officio Chairman,
Rules Committee,
Assam Legislative Assembly.

**RULES OF PROCEDURE AND CONDUCT OF BUSINESS IN
ASSAM LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY**

After the Sub-Rule (xxvii) of Rule 275 a new Rule shall be inserted as follows:

“275(1)(i) Members shall bring only officially assigned multimedia device inside the Assembly during the period of discussion on budget till passing of the Appropriation Bill. All devices shall be given Unique Identification Number (UIN).

(ii). The device being used inside the Assembly shall not have access directly to the internet and shall be kept in ‘Flight Mode’.

Any wired or wireless connection shall only be accessed if provided by the Rules Committee.

(iii). The device officially allowed inside the Assembly shall not be used for any other purposes except as defined by the Rules Committee.

(2) Exempted digital devices:

- (i) Any device related to the monitoring and assistance of life support and health care;
- (ii) Any physical activity Monitoring Device;
- (iii) Smart watch;
- (iv) Hearing aids devices.”

M. K. DEKA,
Principal Secretary,
Assam Legislative Assembly.