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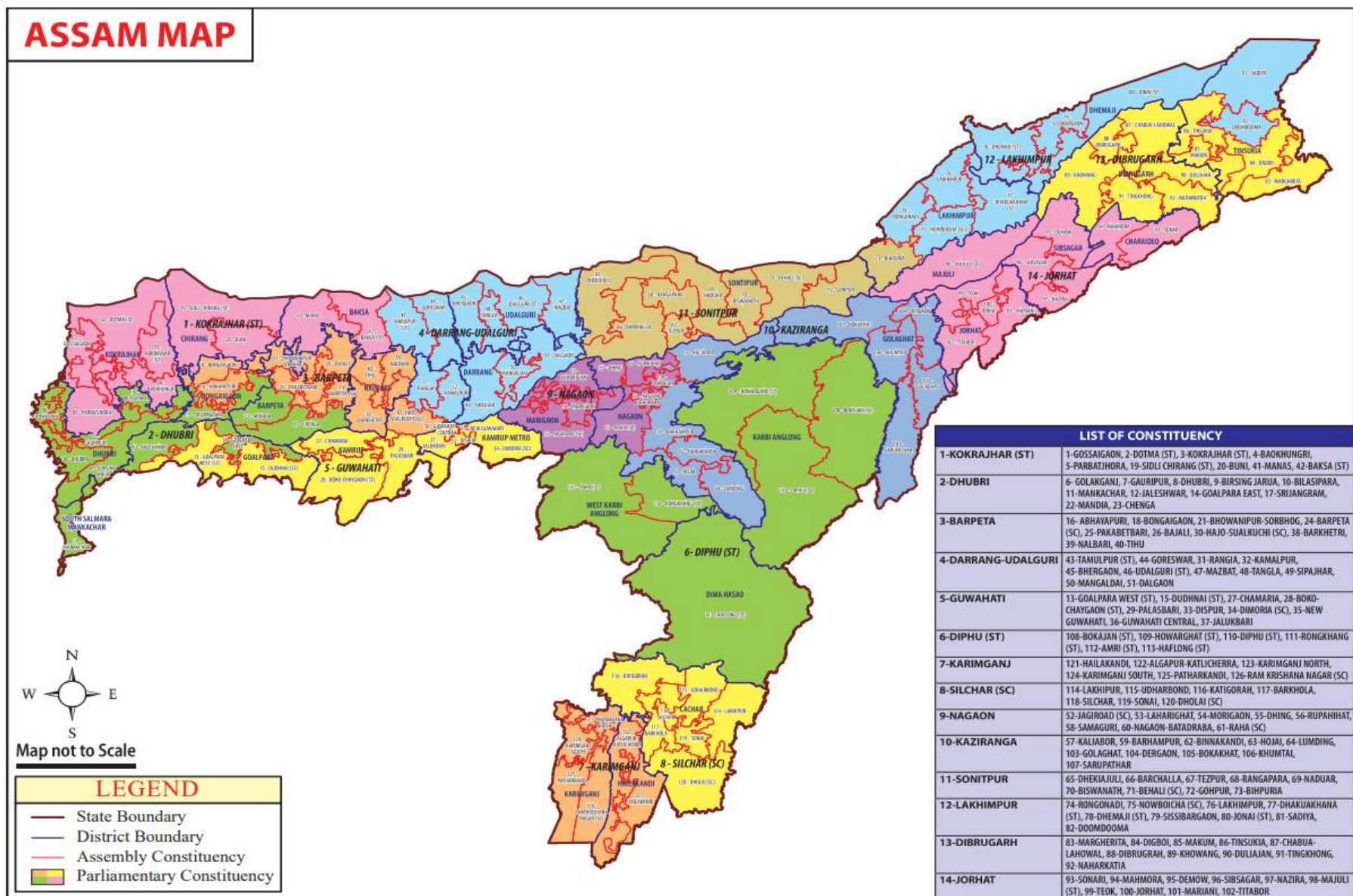
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Abbreviation

BJP	Bharatiya Janata Party
INC	Indian National Congress
AGP	Asom Gana Parishad
AJP	Asom Jatiya Parishad
AIUDF	All India United Democratic Front
CPI (M)	Communist Party of India(Marxist)
RSS	Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh
AASU	All Assam Student Union
ABVP	Akhil Bharatiya Vidyarthi Parishad
AAMSU	All Assam Minority Students' Union
KMSS	Krishak Mukti Sangram Samiti
MP	Member of Parliament
MLA	Member of Legislative Assembly
NSA	National Security Act
UAPA	The Unlawful Activities Prevention Act
IMDT	Illegal Migrants Determination by Tribunal
SC	Schedule Caste
ST	Schedule Tribe

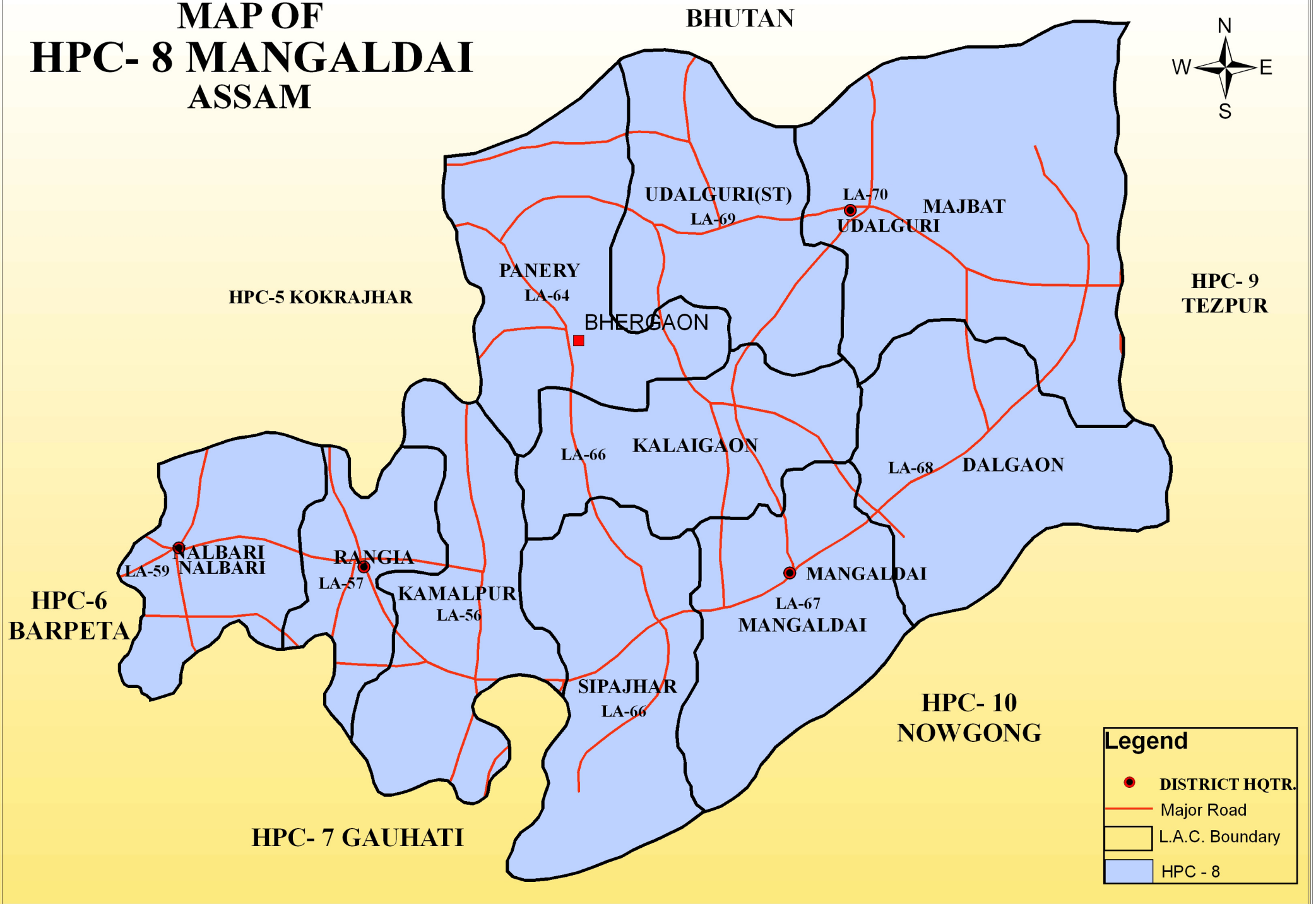
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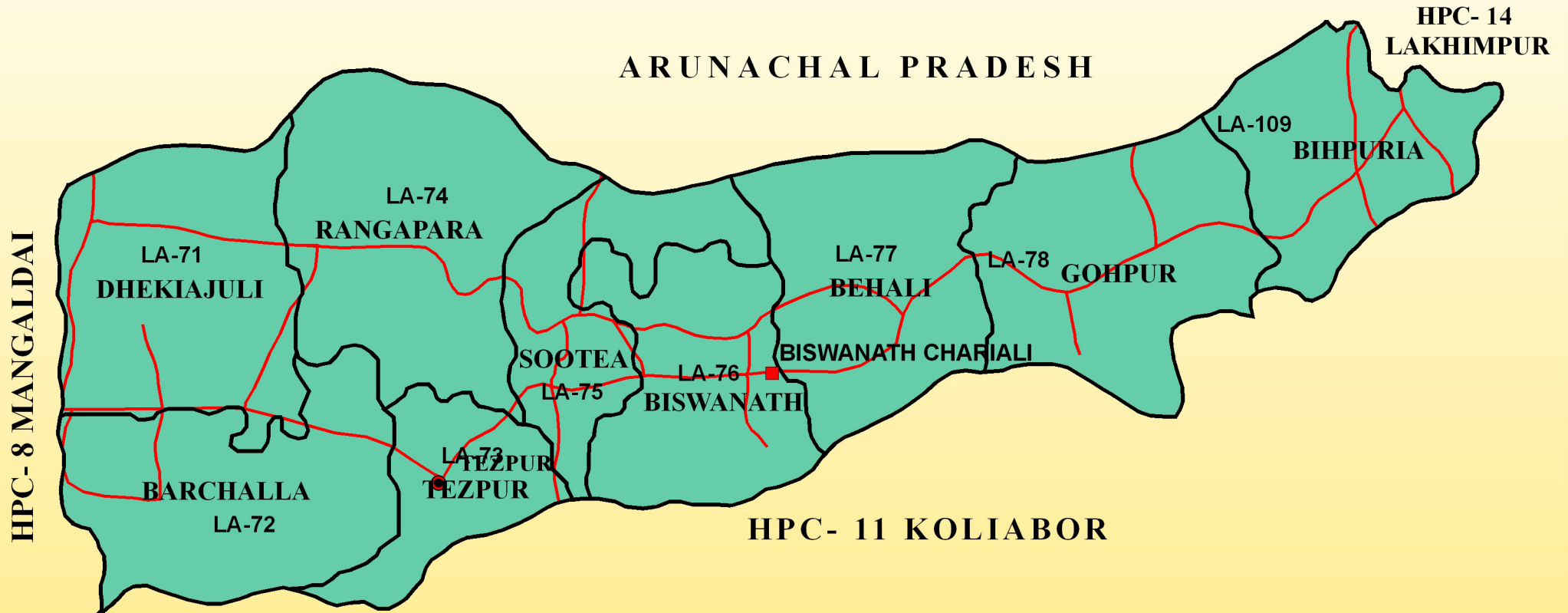
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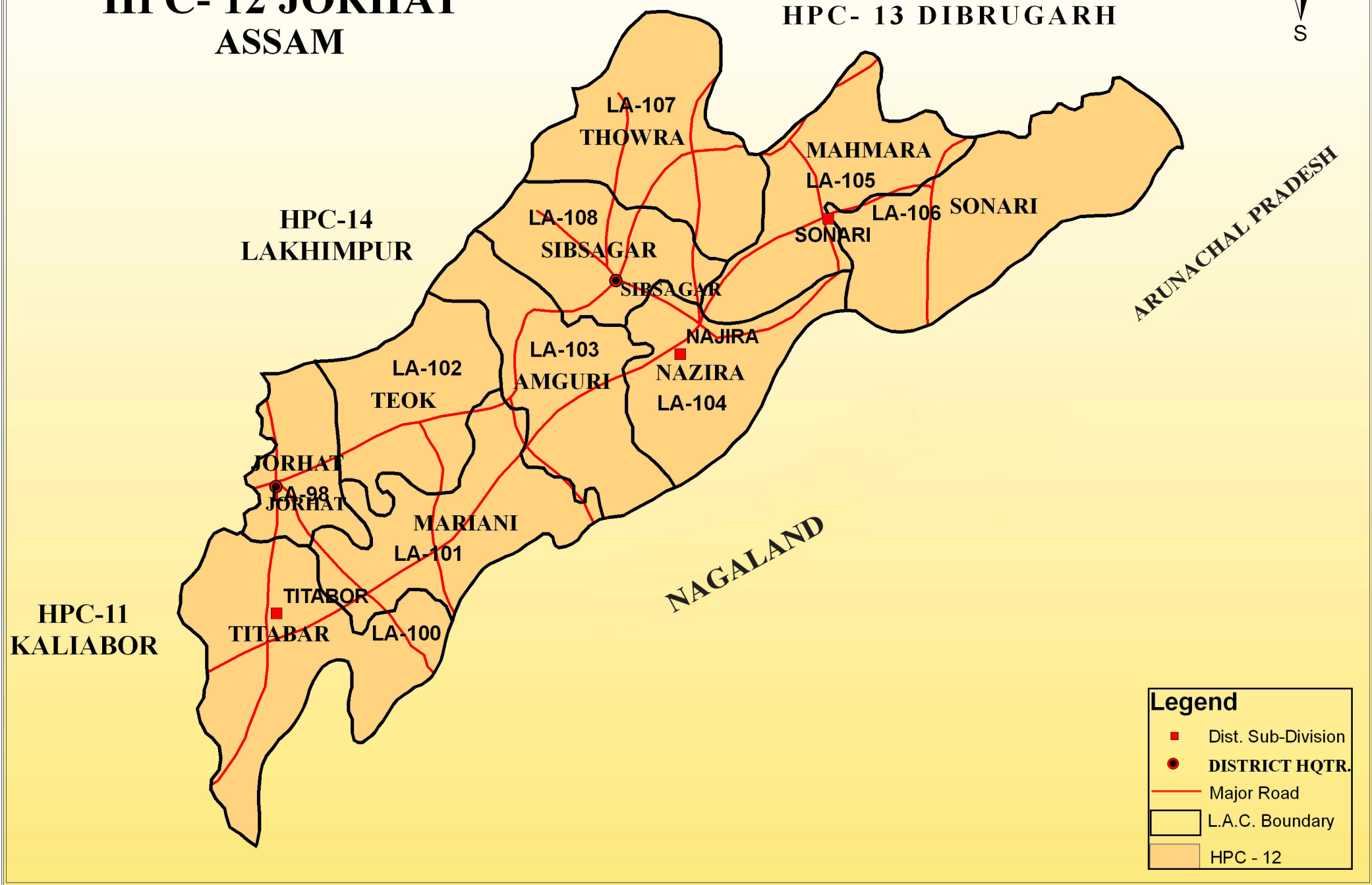
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