

# **An Analysis of Development Status quo and Convergence of Spatial Imbalance in North eastern Region of India**

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**Abstract:** Ideally, a country's development should be evaluated in terms of whether the development process generates the benefits and opportunities for its people and improves the level of well-being. Since all socio-economic policies and programmes are ultimately aimed at improving the quality of people's lives, therefore, evaluation of all such policies should be done on the basis of their ability to generate human capabilities. Inclusive development goals can be achieved only by bridging the different divisions that plague the economy like differences between regions and states; rural urban divide; divide between the sexes and between social groups. North East India has been confronting the challenge of accessing economic growth opportunities and transmitting economic growth to social capabilities. It is in this context the present study tries to analyze spatial inequalities that exist across the states of North east India so far as human development is concerned. Data collected from secondary sources on relevant indicators and using UNDP methodology, the study analyses the status of human development across North eastern states. Moreover, the study uses descriptive statistics,  $\beta$  convergence and concludes that the region witnesses unequal distribution pattern in terms of human development accessibility along with the evidences of convergence over successive time frame.

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