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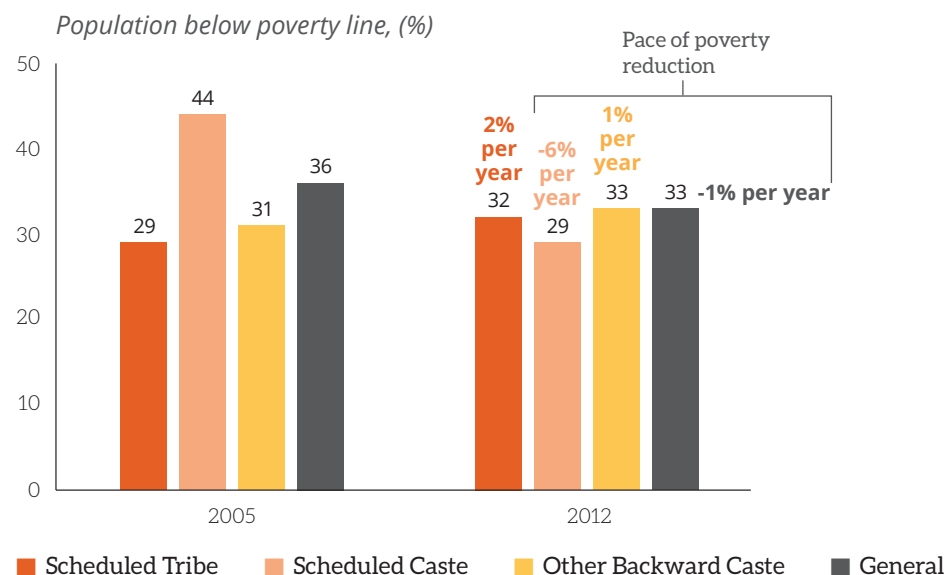
Social Inclusion

Social groups in Assam record uneven progress. While Scheduled Castes saw a sharp decline in poverty after 2005, Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Castes saw a rise in poverty levels. As a result, today, social groups across the state face similar levels of poverty. While there is hardly any difference in open defecation, access to drinking water and schooling between social groups, some groups have lower access to salaried jobs than others.

Households by Social Group, 2012 (%)

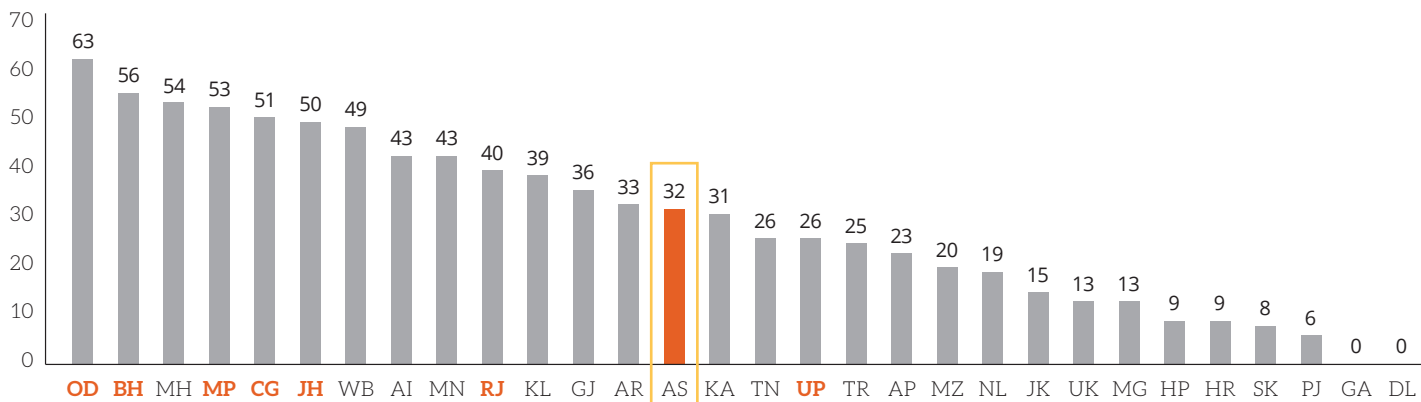
	All India	Assam
Scheduled Tribe	9	15
Scheduled Caste	19	10
Other Backward Caste	43	29
General	29	45

Poverty declined sharply for Scheduled Castes in Assam after 2005, but increased for Scheduled Tribes and Other Backward Castes



Poverty among the Scheduled Tribes in Assam is lower than the national average

ST population below the poverty line, 2012 (%)

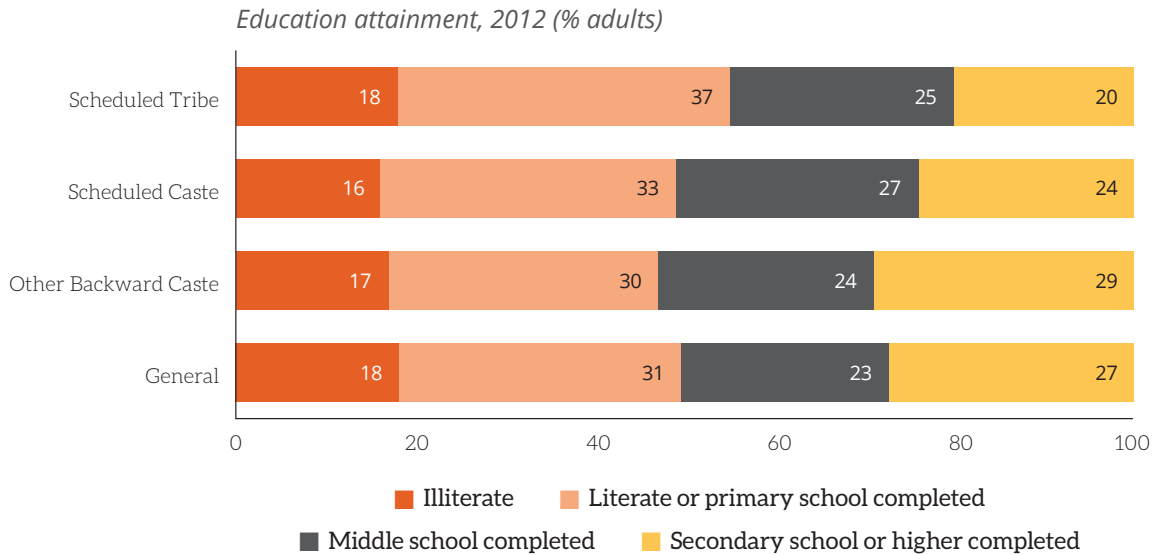


Low Income States are highlighted in orange, AI is All India.

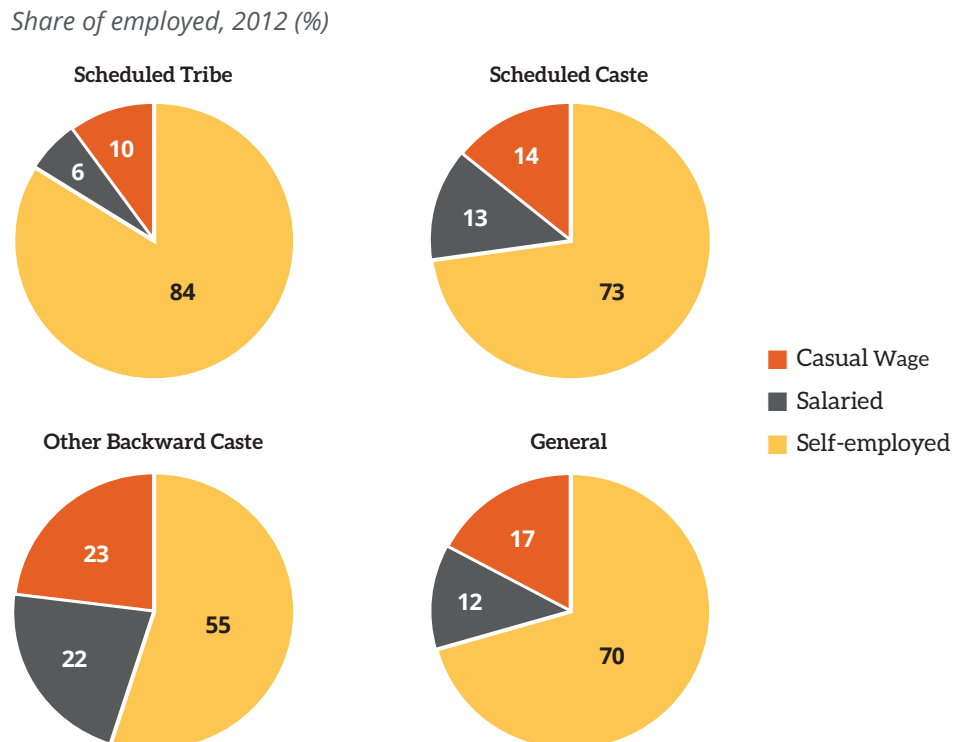
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Little variation in education attainment by social groups in Assam



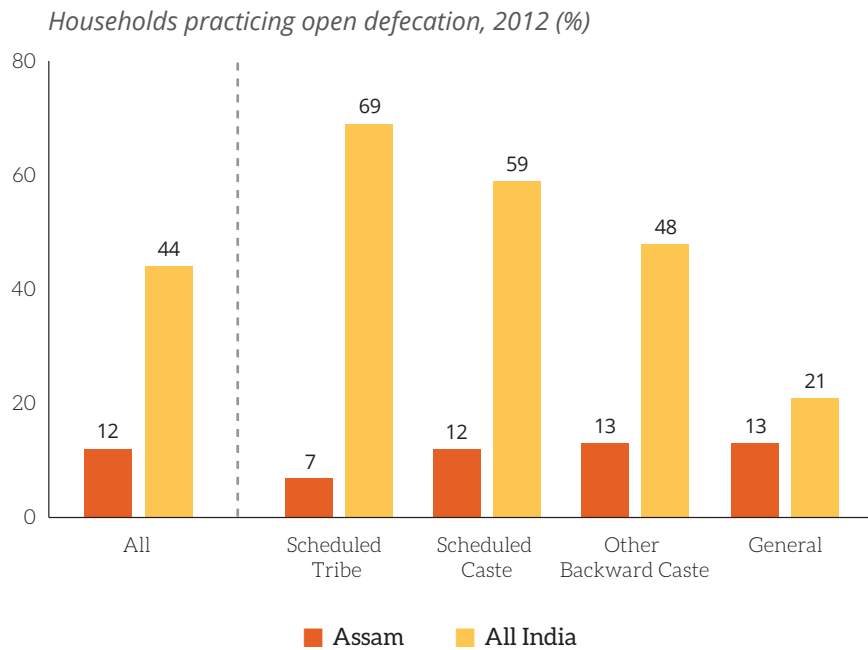
Other Backward Castes in Assam have more salaried jobs and less self-employment than other groups



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Households, across all social groups, in Assam have significantly lower levels of open defecation than the rest of the country



Households in Assam have similar access to drinking water across social groups

