

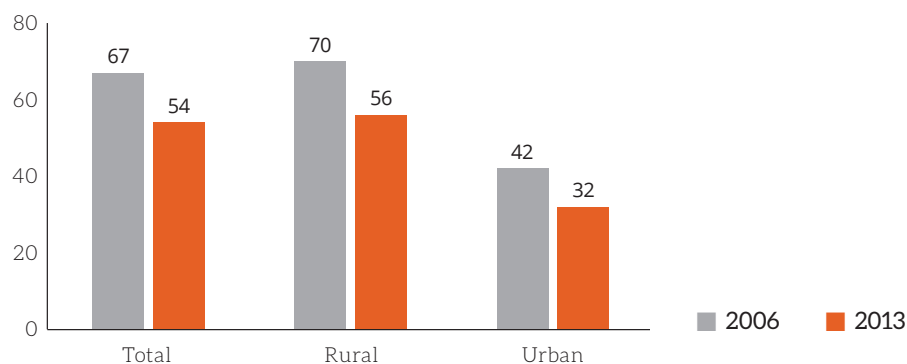
# Assam

## Health and Education

Assam has recorded slow progress on health and education. On the positive side, infant mortality, which is among the highest in the country, is falling. And, open defecation is lower than in other states. On the other hand, malnutrition levels in Assam are higher than the national average and are more acute among the poor. Moreover, most adults only have a few years of schooling. While there are gains in schooling for the young, learning outcomes are among the lowest in the country, and worse still, are deteriorating. Enrollment in public schools remains high.

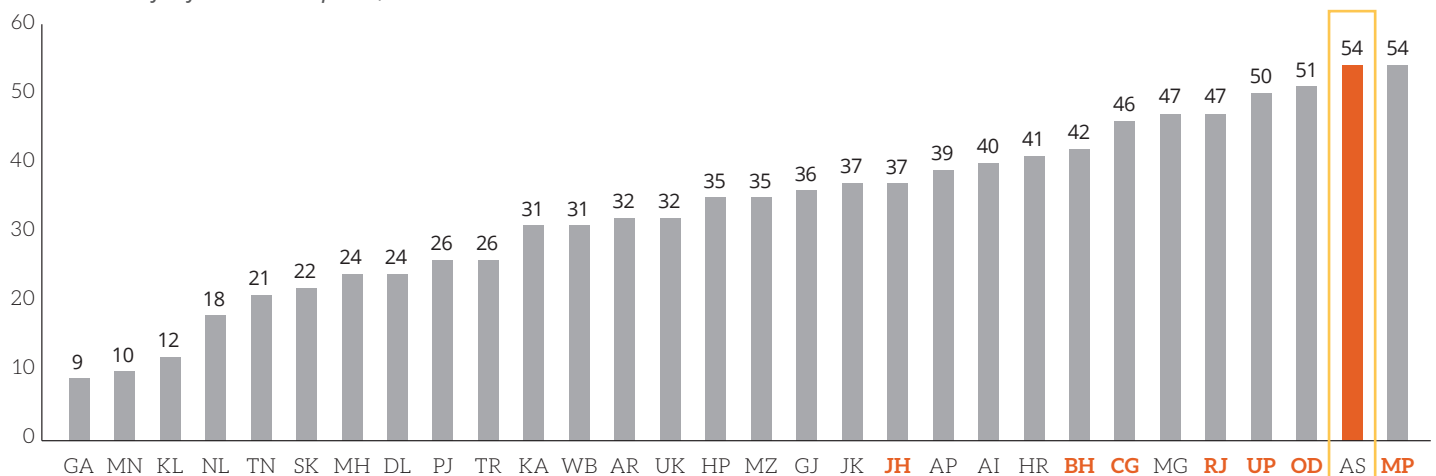
### Infant mortality rate is declining in Assam

Infant mortality rate  
Number of infant deaths per 1,000 live births



### Assam has one of the highest infant mortality rates in the country

Infant mortality rate, 2013  
Number of infant deaths per 1,000 live births



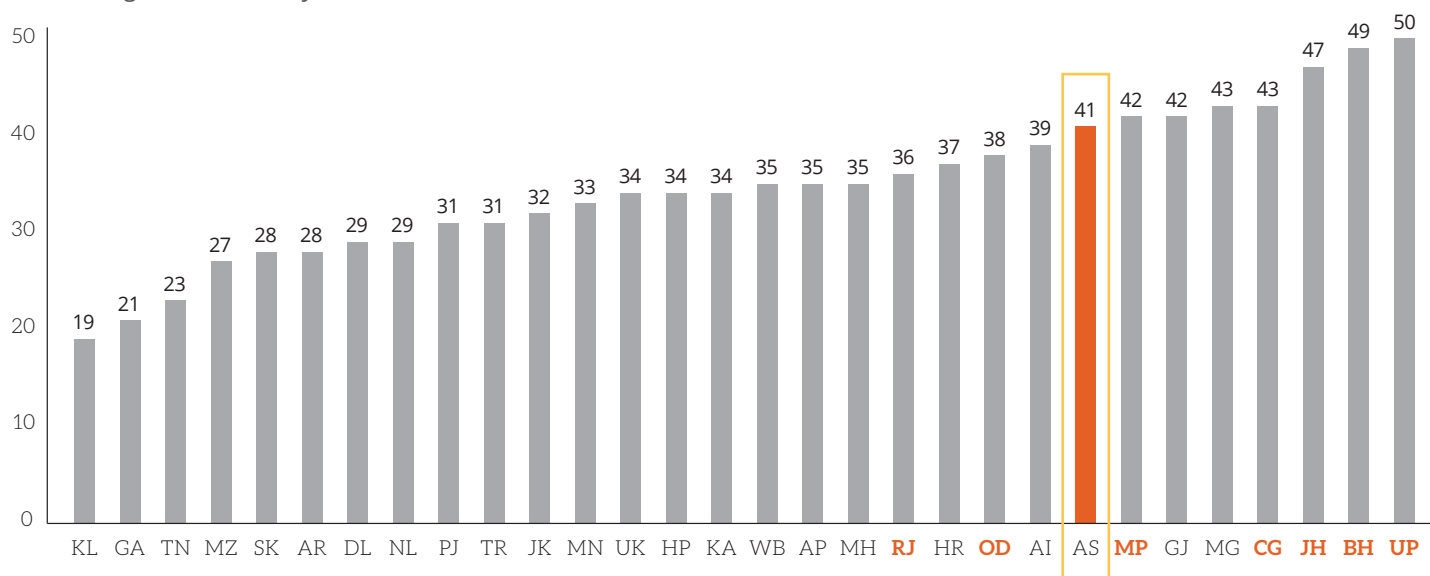
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### Malnutrition in Assam is higher than the national average

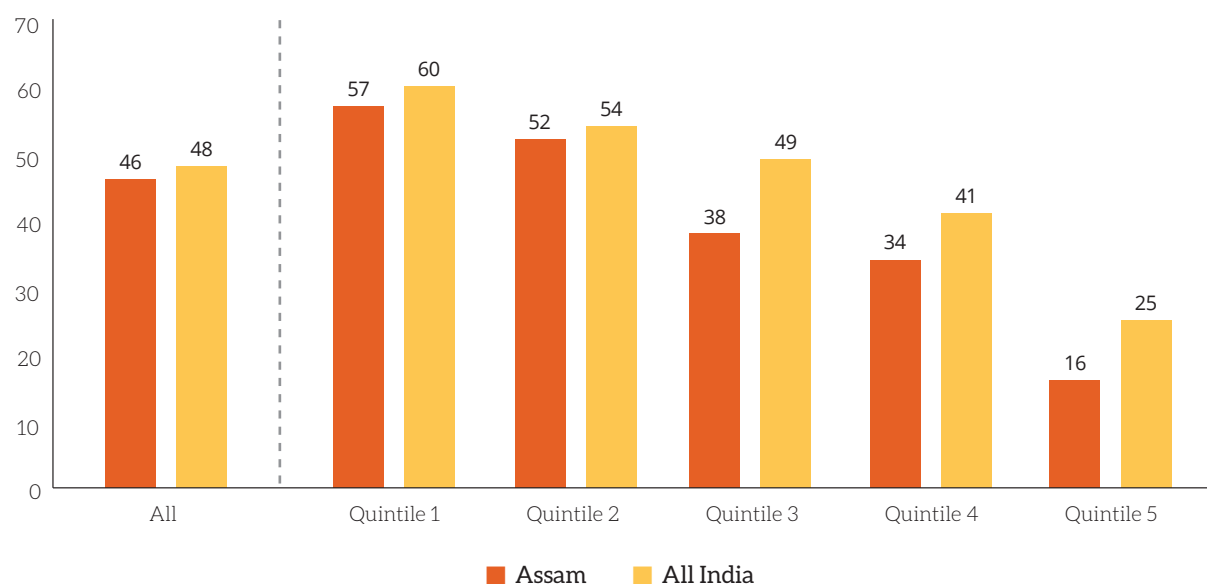
Stunting in children <5 years, 2014 (%)



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### Malnutrition is higher among the low income households than the rich in Assam

Stunting in children <5 years, 2006 (%)



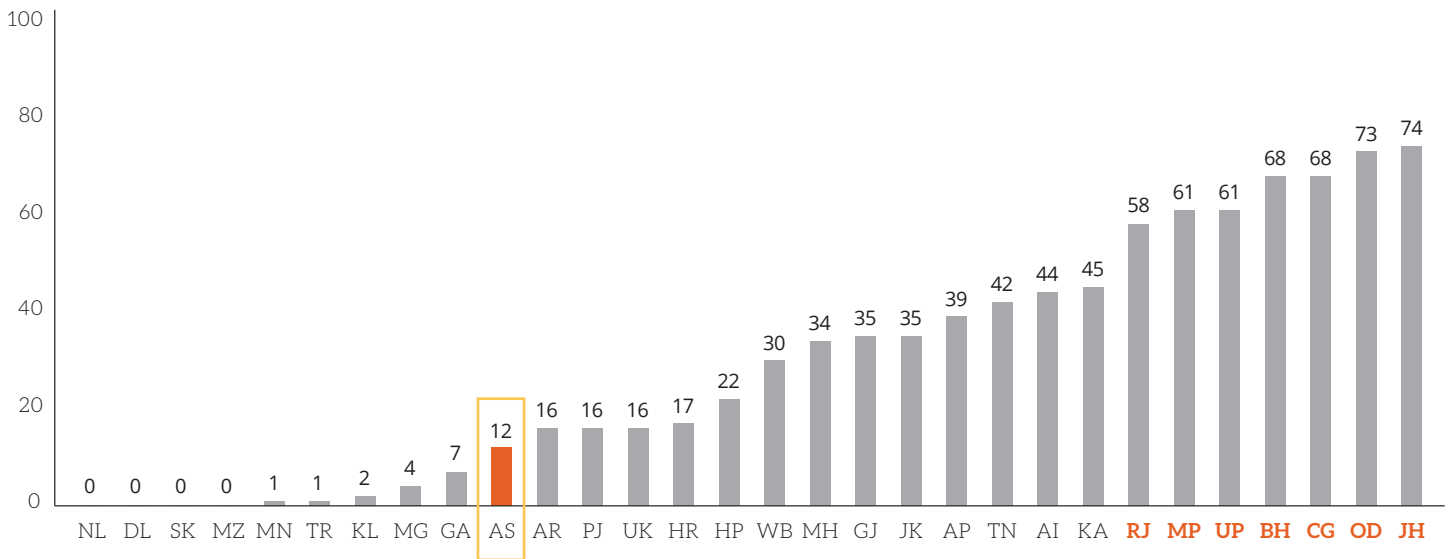
Latest stunting data by wealth class available for 2006.

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There is less open defecation in Assam when compared to other states

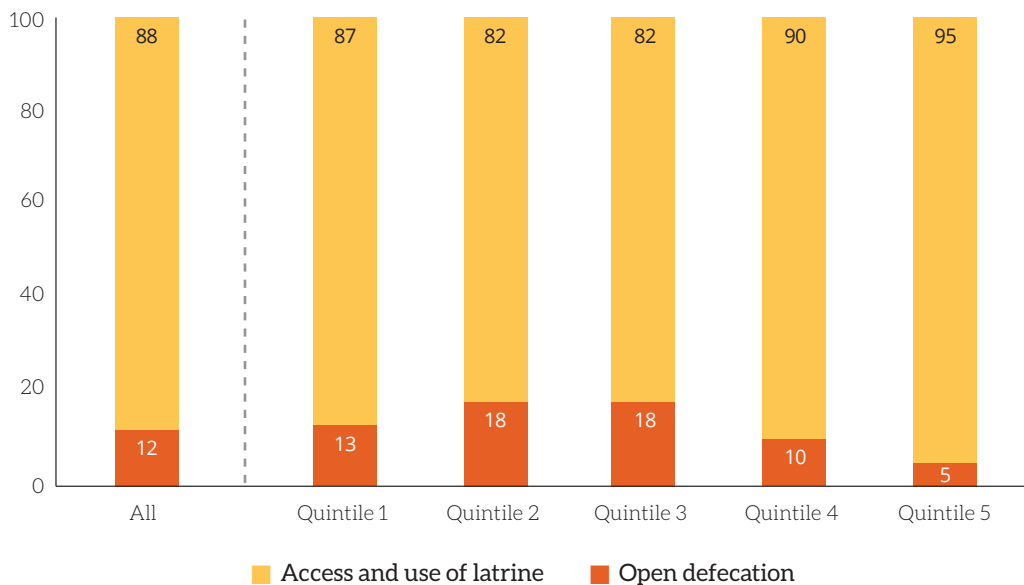
Households practicing open defecation, 2012 (%)



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Barring the very rich, open defecation does not vary much by income in Assam

Households practicing open defecation, 2012(%)

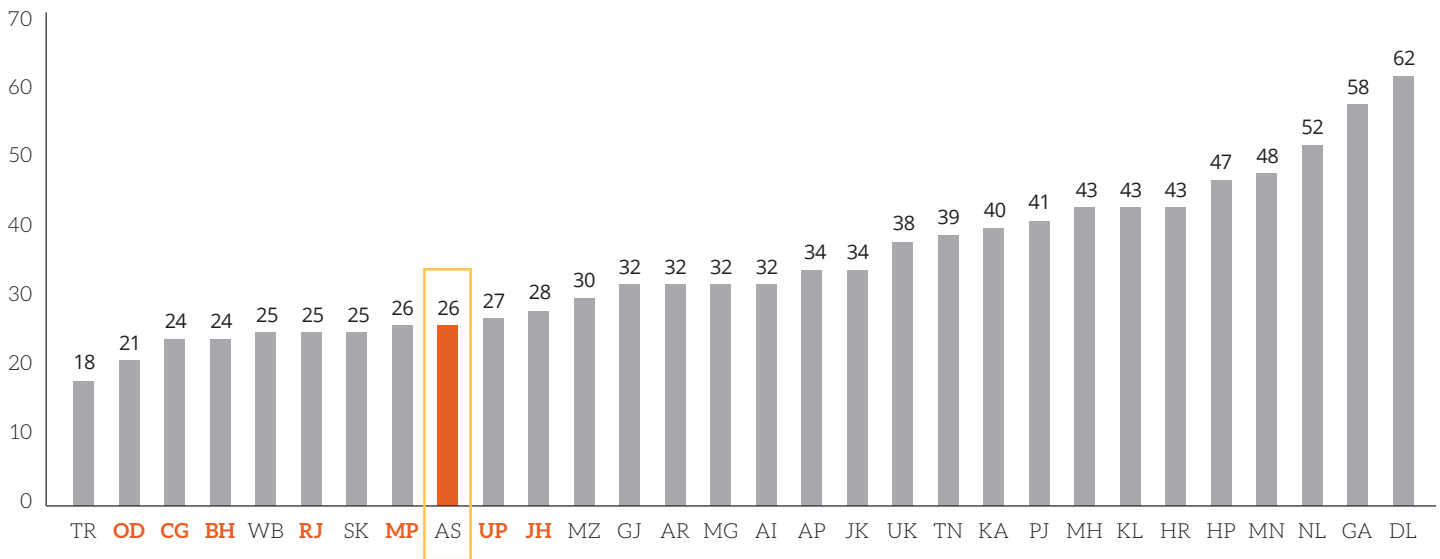


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### Fewer adults in Assam have completed secondary school when compared to other states

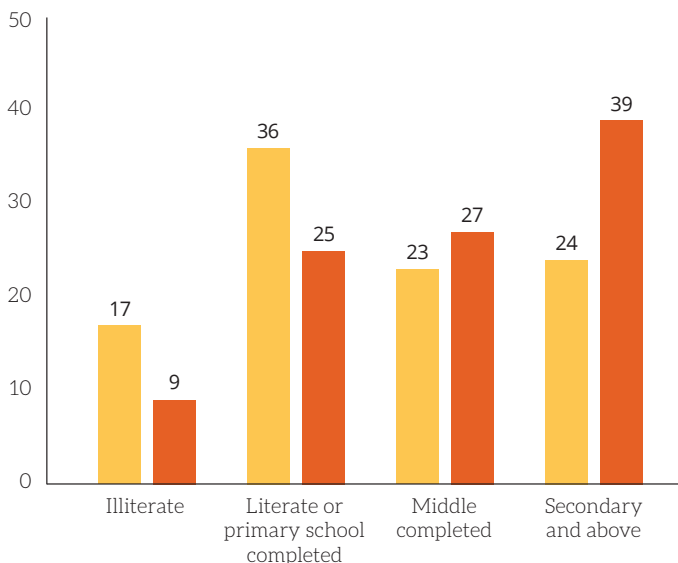
Secondary education attainment, 2012 (% adults)



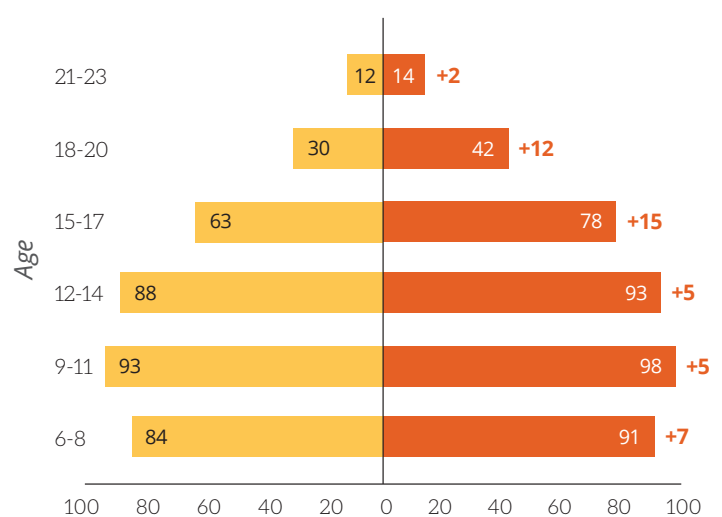
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### There are gains in schooling for the young in Assam

Education attainment, (% age 18-30)



Enrollment by age cohort, (%)

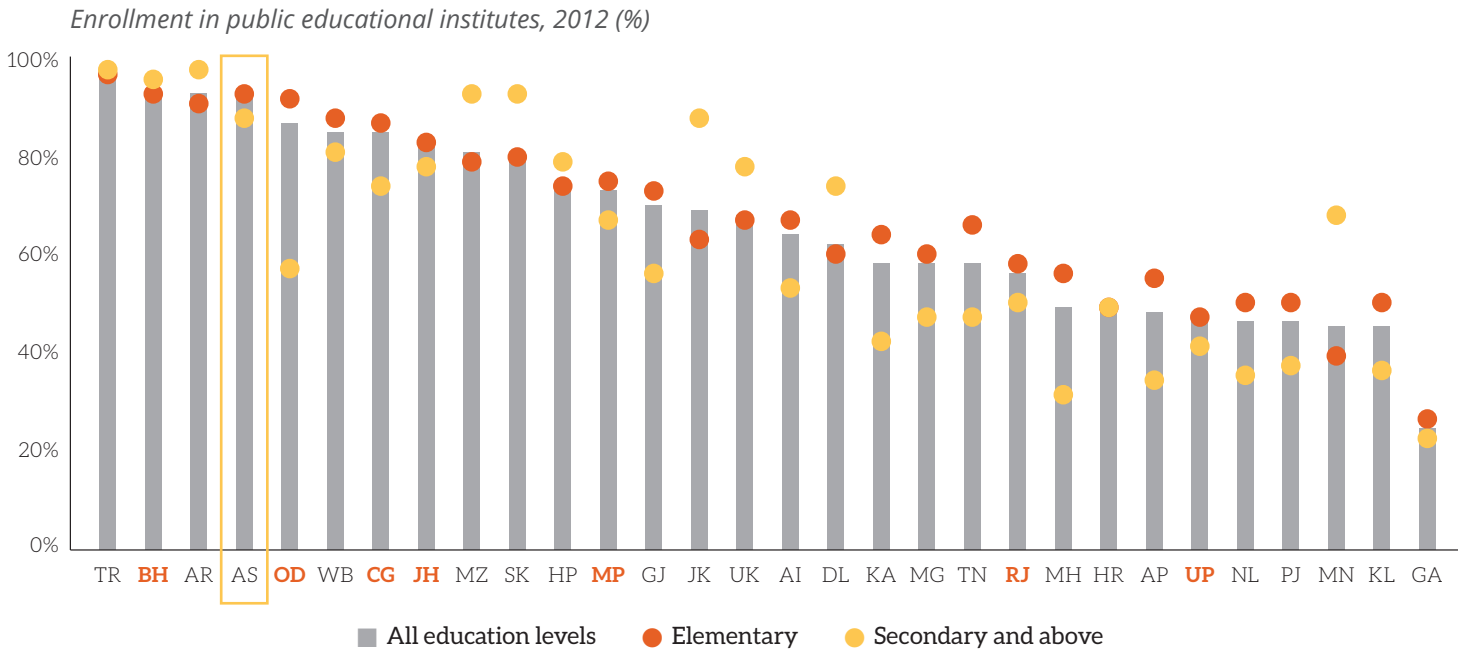


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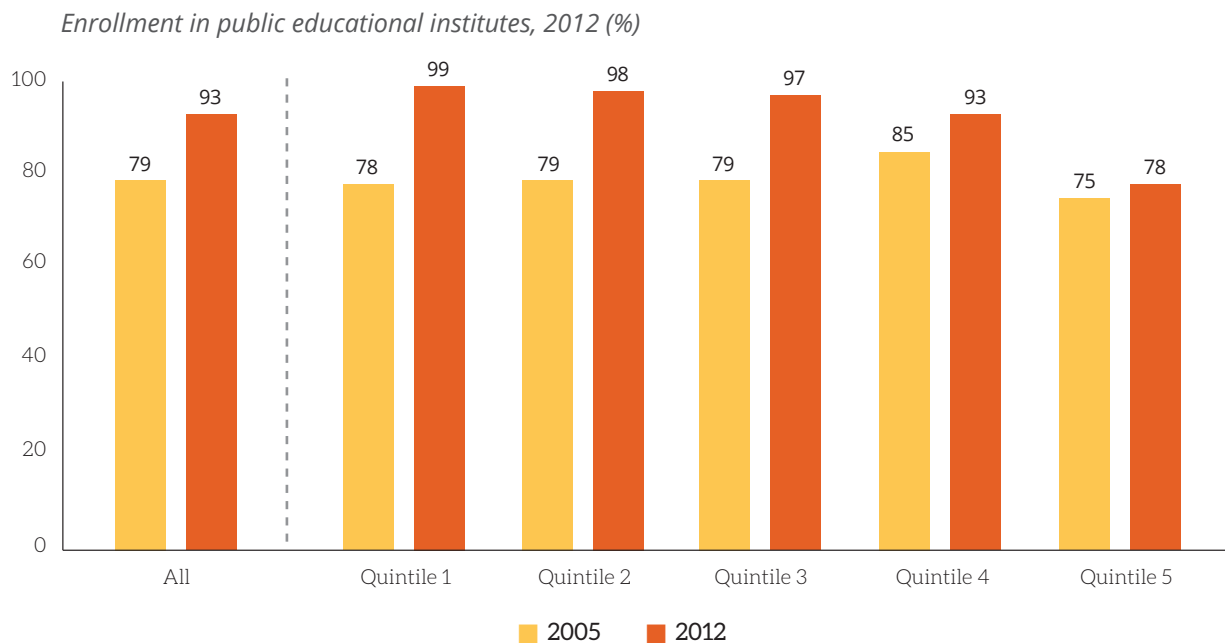
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### Public school enrollment in Assam is among the highest in India



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### Enrollment in public schools has increased across all income groups in Assam after 2005

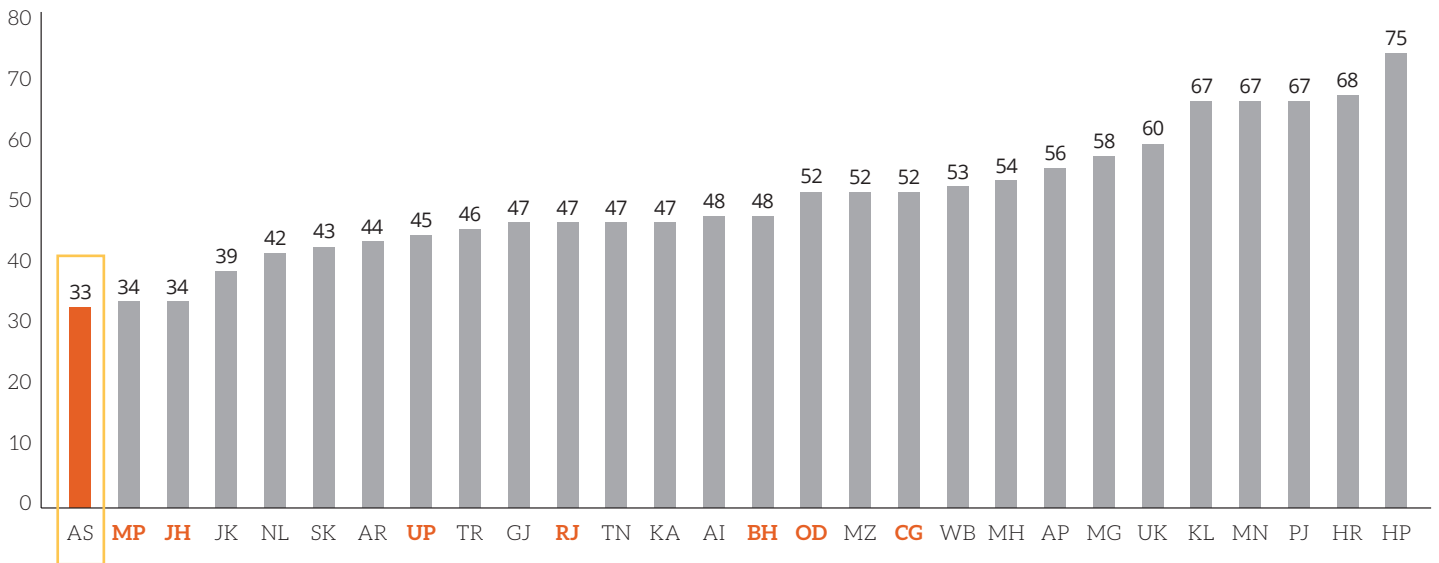


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### Assam ranks below all states on learning outcomes

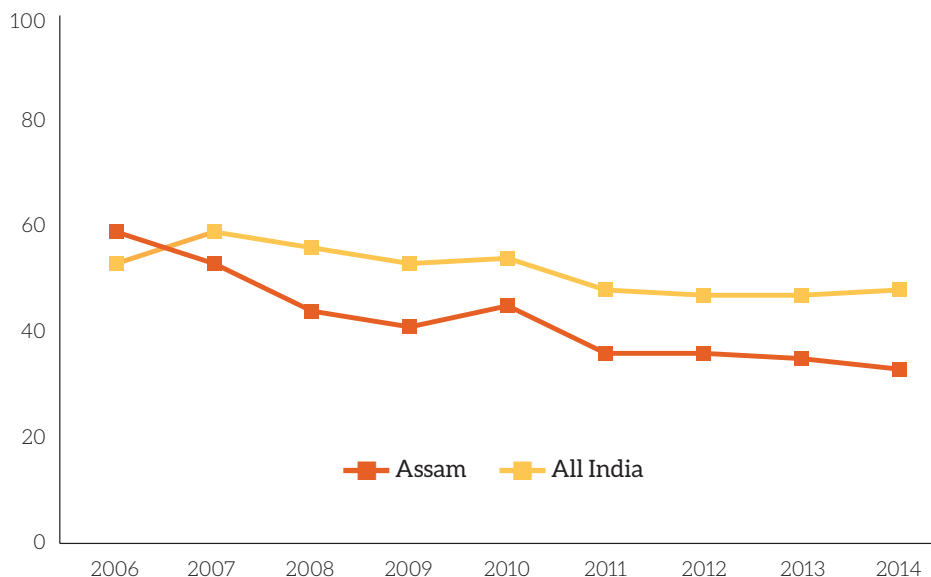
Children in Std V who can read Std II level text\*, 2014 (%)



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### Learning outcomes have been deteriorating in Assam

Children in Std V who can read Std II level text\*, (%)



\*Data on learning outcomes available for rural areas only.