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I have seen, experienced and studied the selfless way in which the communities often come forward to assist the flood victims in different parts of the Assam. In spite of several constraints, communities reach the affected people after a flood promptly, help in the establishment of temporary relief camps, and contribute to building community resilience to face disasters. They explore innovative ideas in preparing the community and mitigating the flood risks. The communities are increasingly advocating for the cause of marginalized and vulnerable section of the society to ensure that their rights are safeguarded before, during and after floods.

The study have been carried out to facilitate greater coordination amongst Communities, NGOs and Government institutions during various phases of the flood management cycle and within the framework of the Community Based Flood Management(CBFM). I have tried my level best to study and record the flood coping mechanisms innovated by the community people of Cachar District. I have explored the scope, potential and opportunities for the communities to mainstream flood risk reduction into their developmental activities. I hope that the study will immensely benefit the NGOs, Government Organisations, Academician, Research Scholars to further work in the field of Community Based Flood Management (CBFM) which will further improve the efficacy of flood management in India.

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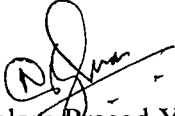
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