

Succour for small tea growers



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Just a year ahead of the assembly polls, Chief minister Tarun Gogoi seems to have targeted the small tea growers when he presented the state budget for 2015-16 on the floor of the House on Tuesday.

Gooi has proposed to amend the [welfare](#) policy for these tea growers apart from promising funds to self-help groups of small tea growers to set up small tea factories. Small cold storage units for storing [green](#) leaf during the peak cropping season is another proposal that would bring the small tea grower a succour.

The state has over 80,000 small tea growers who produce about 30 per cent of the state's tea.

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