Darjeeling Pulbazar C.D. Block lies in the north-west part of Darjiling district. It is under Police Stations Darjiling, Pulbazar and Lodhama. The Block is located at a distance of 45 kms. from district headquarters (Darjiling). There are 46 villages in the block with the total population of 115837 persons. Area of the C.D. Block is 416.00 sq. km. It is bounded on the north by Sikkim on the east by Police Station Rangli Rangliot on the west by Nepal and on the south by Police Stations Jore Bungalow and Sukhiapokri.

Communications:
Roadways: SH-12A : Direction- Jore Banglow to Gangtok, Nearest Villages- Rangli Forest, Badamtam Tea Garden, Ging Tea Garden, Banockburn Tea Garden, Phubsering Tea Garden, Sum Forest, Singtam Tea Garden, Happy Valley Tea Garden, Bloomfield Tea Garden, Darjiling (P).
Annual Rainfall : Average Rainfall 2983 mm.
Ground Water: Lower Himalayas and foothills parts of the eastern Himalayas. Depth to water level varies from 2 to 10 meter below the ground. Soil: Sandy Loam.
Natural Division : North-Eastern Himalays.
Administration:


Border Villages: (Nepal)- Nearest Villages-Majua. (Sikkim) Nearest Villages-Rimbick, Kankibong, Kolbong, Murmidong, Karmi, Singla Tea Garden, Rangli Forest.

Villages: 46 Inhabited: 45 Uninhabited: 1

Ranking District State National
Area 2 26 1856
Population 4 280 3025
Sex Ratio 4 18 1913
Child Sex Ratio 3 21 724
Literacy Rate 4 70 885
Density 6 169 3794
Work Participation Rate 7 331 4677

Gram Panchayats:

Amenities:
Education: Primary School in 41 villages, Middle school in 17 villages, Matriculation or Secondary School in 7 villages, namely Singalila Forest, Relling, Goke, Bijanbari, Chongtong Tea Garden, Tukvar Tea Garden, Darjiling (P).

Higher Secondary or Pre University Courses or Intermediate or Junior College in 1 village of the CD Block, namely Bijanbari.

College in 1 village, Adult Literacy Center in 4 villages, College is in village, namely Kajialia.

Medical: Hospital in 2 villages, Dispensary in 19 villages, Health Center in 2 villages, Sub Center in 10 villages.
Maternity and Child Welfare Center in 5 villages, Community health workers in 27 villages. The villages having hospital or Dispensary or Health Center are Singalila Forest, Rimbick, Kankibong, Kaijalia, Samalbong, Goke, Bijanbari, Chongtong Tea Garden, Barnesbeg Tea Garden, Singla Tea Garden, Badamtam Tea Garden, Banockburn Tea Garden, Tukvar Tea Garden, Soom Tea Garden, Sum Forest, Singtam Tea Garden, Rishihat Tea Garden, Bloomfield Tea Garden, Lebong & Mineral Spring Tea Garden, Alubari Basty.

**Drinking Water:** Tap water in 45 villages, Tank water in 45 villages, Well water in 45 villages, Tubewell in 45 villages and more than one source in 45 villages.

**Bank:** Banking facility in 7 villages, namely, Rimbick, Lodhama, Hatta, Kaijalia, Samalbong Bijanbari, Badamtam Tea Garden.

Credit Society in 10 villages Agricultural Credit Society in 8 Non-Agricultural Credit Society in 3 villages.

**Others:** Power supply in 36 villages, Cinema hall in 6 villages, sport club in 14 villages, Stadium or Auditorium or Community Hall in 0 village, Post Office in 18 villages. There are 10 villages having bus facilities.

**Villages with most of facilities:** Lodhama Samalbong, Bijanbari.

**Villages without amenities (Education):** Liza Hill Tea Garden, Patliabas Forest, Sum Forest, Alubari Tea Garden.

**Scheduled Castes:** Out of the total population of 114204 persons, 4778 persons (4.18%) belong to Scheduled Castes. The villages having less than 10% SC population are Singalila Forest, Rimbick, Namla, Lodhama, Hatta Dangia, Singhbumhera, Majua, Kankibong, Jhepi Lamagaon, Relling, Kaijalia, Samalbong, Kolbong Murmidong, Karmi, Goke, Bijanbari Chongtong Tea Garden, Liza Hill Tea Garden Barnesbeg Tea Garden, Singla Tea Garden Badamtam Tea Garden, Ging Tea Garden Banockburn Tea Garden, Phubsering Tea Garden Rungneet Tea Garden, Tukvar Tea Garden Lebong Tea Garden, Soom Tea Garden, Sum Forest Singtam Tea Garden, Happy Valley Tea Garden Arya Tea Garden, Rishihat Tea Garden Barbatia Khasmahal, Bloomfield Tea Garden Darjiling (P), Alubari Tea Garden Lebong & Mineral Spring Tea Garden Pandam Tea Garden.

The villages having more than 50% ST population are None.

Sex ratio of Scheduled tribe population is 495.

**Scheduled Tribes Literates and Illiterates by Sex:**

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**Scheduled Tribes (Dominant):** Bhutia etc., Lepcha, Generic Tribes etc., Bedia etc. Lodha etc.

**For their cultural identity please see Appendix-I**

**Villages without Scheduled Tribes:** There are 7 villages without any scheduled caste population.

**Scheduled Tribes:** Out of the total population of 114204 persons, 8970 persons (7.85%) belong to Scheduled Tribes. The villages having less than 10% ST population are Singibhumhera, Kaijalia, Samalbong, Kolbong, Goke Bijanbari, Chongtong Tea Garden Liza Hill Tea Garden, Barnesbeg Tea Garden Singla Tea Garden, Badamtam Tea Garden Ging Tea Garden, Banockburn Tea Garden Phubsering Tea Garden, Rungneet Tea Garden Patliabas Forest, Tukvar Tea Garden Lebong Tea Garden, Soom Tea Garden, Sum Forest Singtam Tea Garden, Happy Valley Tea Garden Arya Tea Garden, Rishihat Tea Garden Barbatia Khasmahal, Bloomfield Tea Garden Darjiling (P), Alubari Tea Garden Lebong & Mineral Spring Tea Garden Pandam Tea Garden.

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