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Drug abuse is a major public health concern in the Northeastern region of India. The HIV epidemic of this region is mainly driven by non-medical use of drug. However, recent HIV surveillance reports indicate that HIV prevalence among drug users have declined significantly, but increased sharply among female sex workers (FSW). Recent research indicates that drug involvement is the main reason for such sudden rise of HIV among FSWs. To date, very little is known about the characteristics of FSWs who use illicit drugs in this region. It is, therefore, important to identify the factors associated with drug use among FSWs so that effective HIV prevention strategies can be appropriately targeted.