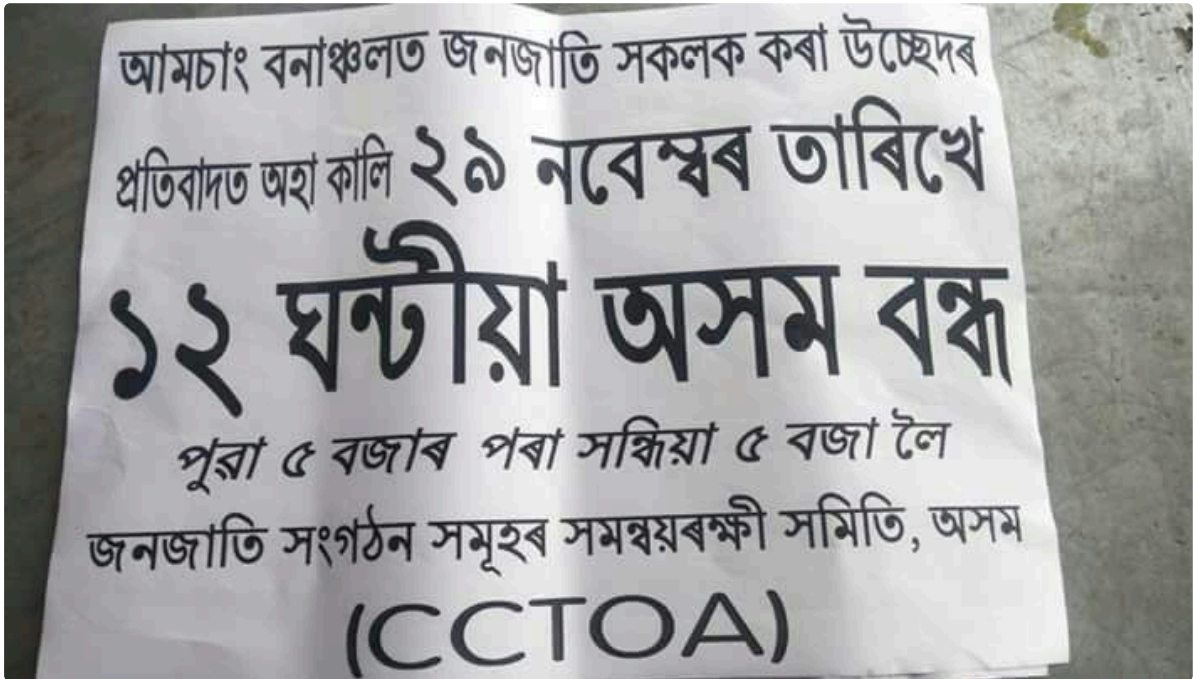


12 hour Assam bandh disrupts normal life



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GUWAHATI: Normal life comes to a grinding halt on Wednesday following the 12 hour statewide Assam [bandh](#) call by the [Tribal](#) Coordination Committee, a conglomeration of many [tribal](#) bodies who are dead opposed to the ongoing eviction drive at the Amchang wildlife sanctuary.

Roads, mostly, are remaining deserted with no vehicles plying from early in the morning. Shops and markets, schools and colleges, banks and offices are not opening under the impact of the [bandh](#).

A section of the schools is holding examinations after the [bandh](#) supporters have announced exemption.

The [bandh](#) is total in Guwahati since the massive eviction drive is going on in the outskirts of the city. However, train and flight services are running smoothly.

Bandh supporters in many places have been trying to enforce the call by burning tyres on the road.

Security forces are fanning in the sensitive areas to avert any untoward incident during the [bandh](#) hours.

Talking to Assam Times [over](#) telephone, the tribal [leaders](#) said the [bandh](#) would come into force from 5 in the morning which would end at 5 in the evening.

They alleged that instead of listening to the landless lot, the BJP led Sonowal government had been evicting these [indigenous](#) people without any mercy. They said more massive agitation would [follow soon](#).

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