

60-hour bandh demanding bifurcation of North Cachar Hills



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Normal life was totally paralysed during the 60-hour 'Dima Hasao bandh' called by North Cachar Hills Indigenous Students' Forum demanding bifurcation of the district, Monday, officials said. The bandh began at 5 AM today and is scheduled to end on May 19.

The protesters blockade train service at Mahur and Lower Haflong railway station. All shops, educational institutions, business establishments and financial institutions remained closed while attendance in government offices was thin.

There was no report of any law and order situation create during the bandh reported from any other parts of the district.

North Cachar Hills Indigenous Students' Forum's leaders said, bandh has been called to demand the bifurcation of North Cachar Hills district which was recently renamed as Dima Hasao district by Assam State Government, and causing resentment among the non-Dimasas of the district. The bandh has been also supported by North Cachar Hills Indigenous Womens Forum.

More than 70 people killed and hundreds of villages burnt during the clash between Dimasas and zeme nagas in last year in different parts of the district.

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