

ADBU cleans canal



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The power of one. The sight of clogged Kalmuni canal in front of the Assam [Don Bosco](#) University ([ADBU](#)) boys hostel with plastic garbage from local shops, stagnant and pollutant water giving out methane [gas](#) is nauseous. People protested, locals threatened to take action and gave ultimatum before media. Several rounds of discussions were carried out by university administration and hostel authorities at [ADBU](#), Azara campus.

[As](#) no one stepped in to do anything, one Master of [Social](#) Science [student](#) borrowed a rake from the owner of Nurjahan store, one of the [chief](#) polluting agents who dump plastic and tetra pack waste from his [shop](#), [as](#) well [as](#) cow dung from his cowshed into the canal.

The lone [student](#) started [clean](#) up operations by pulling ashore floating plastic water and juice bottles, plastic bags, cups, and other garbage items [as](#) passersbywatched.

On the following days teams of [ADBU](#) students joined after class hours in the evening to [clean](#) up garbage from the canal.

Following day some faculty members too joined [clean](#) up operations of the clogged canal which collected bath water from the boys' hostel, and waste from neighbouring shops.

The university authorities employed staff to remove the polluting garbage heaped on the canal banks and help make the environment [clean](#).

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