

Ahom era road in shambles, erupts protest



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A dilapidated condition of a vital historic road in Assam has forced hundreds of local residents in Dibrugarh to hit the streets demanding immediate steps to repair it.

Led by local AASU [leaders](#), hundreds of people at APL Main Gate in Namrup blocked the Ahom era road connecting Kamargaon in Golaghat and Jeipore in Dibrugarh on Monday causing immense traffic snarl with a period of two hours.

With banners and posters, the protesters thronged the Dhodar Ali to block it for two hours allowing many common commuters to suffer. Raising slogans against the department, the protestors threatened to go for more intensive stir if the authority refuses to listen to their voice.

“We have blocked the road for two hours since the government has not been doing the needful to repair this portion of the vital historic road. See how this portion is languishing. The government is in the know. But sitting idle. We the common people have been bearing the brunt,” said Kalpajit Gogoi, local AASU president in Namrup.

Another AASU [leader](#) Jayanta Duwarah said, “we kept waiting for the government. But much to our utter disappointment we have seen that the authority had done precious little. That’s why, we have come out. Without agitation, stir, the government won't act.”

“This is an irony. The road built by the lazy lots in the Ahom era has been remaining dilapidated in the age of science and technology.

“The political [leaders](#) and the rulers have no dearth of amenities' to avoid the road. But we [don't](#) have the access. We need government intervention to repair the road,” said Amiya [Chutia](#), a local resident.

The protesters later sent a memorandum to the authority demanding immediate steps to repair the [roads](#) failing which they would resume to more stir.

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