

Assam, Meghalaya mired in boundary dispute



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It's once again the boundary dispute which is bound to embitter relationship between Assam and its neighbouring Meghalaya with both states mired in accusations and counter accusations. Meghalaya Home Minister H S Lyngdoh on Wednesday said he would soon go to New Delhi seeking an amicable solution to the vexed issue adding that Assam has been illegally a vast plot of Meghalaya land in the Ri Bhoi district. He said retrieving the "encroached tracts" will his government's top priority..

He further said he is not averse to talk to Assam Chief Minister Tarun Gogoi on the disputed Block I and II areas of the state.

On the contrary, the Assam Government was cornered on the floor of the House recently when the Opposition parties blamed it for alleged encroachment by Meghalaya. This had forced Minister Bhumidhar Barman to inform the state assembly that the neighbouring state has been illegally occupying over 314 bighas of land in Guwahati. He said efforts were on to free the land in accordance with the Assam Land Revenue Rules 1886.

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