

Assam students rescued from hostage



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The [Meghalaya](#) police on Wednesday [rescued](#) two students from Assam 3 days after they were kidnapped from West Garo hills.

Identified [as](#) Liakat Ali and Mosassar Hossain, the minors were [rescued](#) from Balapara village near Ampati in South West Garo Hills.

“They were [rescued](#) from Balapara village on Wednesday”, said Aditya Goenka, superintendent of police from South West Garo Hills. He said that the abductors left the [victims as](#) police had intensified their combing operations along the area.

The abduction of the duo led to widespread protest in Kalapani with public mounting pressure on the Assam police. The Assam police initiated [follow](#) up with its counter part in South West Garo Hills and managed to rescue Ali and Hossain.

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Statue of first Bodo engineer Haliram Brahma installed at Bodoland University



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KOKRAJHAR, September 19, 2026 — A statue of late Haliram Brahma, regarded as the first engineer from the Bodo community, was installed at the Bodoland University campus here on Thursday to mark his birth anniversary.

The statue was formally inaugurated by former president of the Bodo Sahitya Sabha, Surath Narzary, with the stated aim of inspiring the younger generation and commemorating Brahma's contribution.

A memorial meeting was subsequently held at the Jouhlao Nileswar Brahma Auditorium of Bodoland University in memory of Haliram Brahma.

The meeting was attended by Bodoland University Registrar Prahlad Basumatary, Head of the Department of Chemistry Professor Sanjay Basumatary, Professor Jatin Sharma, Bodo Sahitya Sabha president Gopinath Bargaoyary, Kokrajhar Girls' College Principal Dr Adaram Basumatary, Kokrajhar University Vice-Chancellor Dr Ganesh Chandra Owari, BB Engineering College Principal Kamal Kumar Brahma, Sahitya Akademi Award winner Indira Boro and Anjali Basumatary.

Haliram Brahma's two sons, Dr Ganesh Brahma and Girish Chandra Brahma, along with other dignitaries and family members, were also present at the memorial programme.

Haliram Brahma was born on September 17, 1928, at Simbargaon in present-day Kokrajhar district. Regarded as the first engineer from the Bodo community, he died on August 13, 1971.

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