

Bandh paralyzes normal life



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Normal life comes to a grinding halt on Friday following the 12 hour statewide [bandh](#) in protest [against](#) Adivasi [carnage](#) and police firing in Sonitpur district.

Roads across the state are deserted as the vehicles are refusing to ply. [Schools](#) and colleges, shops and markets, banks and offices are remaining closed under the impact of the total [bandh](#) called by the various Adivasi organizations.

The [bandh](#) began from [6](#) in the morning which would end at [6](#) in the evening. Security forces the Adivasi dominated areas are patrolling on the streets to thwart any trouble mongering attempts.

The Adivasi organizations called the [bandh](#) in protest [against](#) the serial attack by NDFB-S [carnage](#) where over 70 people were killed in Kokrajhar and Sonitpur districts on Tuesday evening.

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KOKRAJHAR, September 22, 2026 — The All Bodo Students' Union (ABSU) on Tuesday burnt copies of a book titled *Hamkoshar Parishista* during protests held at several locations across Assam, including Gauhati University, objecting to what it described as the use of the Assamese script to represent the Bodo language.

Hamkoshar Parishista is a multilingual appendix containing learning resources for indigenous languages of Assam, including Bodo, Rabha, Mising and Karbi.

During the protests, ABSU members alleged that Bodo has been represented in the publication using the Assamese script instead of Devanagari, the script used for Bodo.

The organisation asserted that Bodo is recognised under the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution of India and is an Associate Official Language of Assam. ABSU demanded that Bodo be represented in its recognised script in educational and learning resources.

ABSU president Khwrmmdao Wary said the use of the Assamese script to represent Bodo in the publication was disrespectful to the Bodo language and literature.

He said Bodo is an Associate Official Language of Assam and a language recognised under the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution.

Wary demanded the immediate withdrawal of the publication in its present form and called for the use of the Devanagari script for Bodo in the book.

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