

Bihali: Govt faces wrath



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The Assam government comes in for sharp criticism for the bloodbath in Bihali a day after at least 10 people were shot dead by Arunachalese militants.

Local residents told Assam Times that for the last several years they have been demanding security forces to prevent unabated encroachment by a section of the people from the neighbouring state. But only to go unheard. “We won’t allow it to happen. We will stop this encroachment. But government won’t help us,” rued Akhilesh Munda who was also present at the camp when the firing took place in Chauldhuwa.

AGP, BJP squarely condemned the incident and in the same breath the opposition parties criticized the government for remaining a mute spectator which was why, the gory incident took place.

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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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