

'BJP government gave lolipop of fake promises to Adivasi community' : MP Kujur



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UDALGURI: The last wage agreement signed between Assam Chah Mazdoor Sangha ([ACMS](#)) and the Consultative Committee of [Plantation Associations \(CCPA\)](#), Assam Valley branch, expired on December 31 last year and till date the new wage agreement has not been signed. The government has formed a committee but it has not taken any decision. The tea garden labourers should have got a hike of wages to Rs.350 from January 1. But contrary to that the government has notified that the wages were hiked to Rs.167 from existing Rs.130 that to applicable from March 1. Where will the amount of Rs.30 increment for previous two months vanish? Will the sum of money amounting nearly 450 crores go for electoral expenses of the saffron party in the forthcoming Parliamentary election. This were the questions and apprehensions expressed by Rajya Sabha, Member of [Parliament](#) and Organizing Secretary of [ACMS](#) cum Secretary of Mangaldai Branch [ACMS](#), Santiuse Kujur at a press conference here in the office of Mangaldai Branch [ACMS](#) in [Tangla](#) of [Udalguri](#) district on Thursday. Addressing the media persons Kujur lamented that the State, Labour minister should have voiced towards the apathy of tea garden labourers but contrary he is acting as an agent of the tea garden management. "The saffron party had promised of hiking the daily wages to Rs.350 if voted to power, but the government has betrayed the [Adivasi](#) community by failing to keep up to their words. The BJP had given a lollipop of fake promises to the [Adivasi](#) community" alleged Kujur. The parliamentarian raising the tempo of 2019 Parliamentary election said that the [Adivasi](#) community will give the government a befitting reply in polls. "The [state](#) government should [sign](#) a fresh wage agreement within August next and make the tea garden labourers get their due wages. We demand the government to address the issue immediately" Kujur added. Of the 792 registered tea gardens in the [state](#), 685 are in the [Brahmaputra](#) Valley and the rest 107 are in [Barak](#) Valley. The [ACMS](#) the registered body under the Indian Trade Union Act has control [over](#) 685 gardens throughout [Brahmaputra](#) Valley.

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