

Change in Act to safeguard immigrants!



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The Centre is believed to have been clearing the decks to [grant](#) refugee status to the Hindu Bangladeshi immigrants. According to highly placed sources the home [ministry](#) is finetuning some changes in the vital clauses of the Indian Citizenship [Act](#) 1955 to enable these migrants to stay in the country. The entire task is expected to end before August 15. If the amended [Act](#) is cleared in [Parliament](#) the [refugees](#) from [Bangladesh](#) and Pakistan would be able to stay in the [state](#).

AASU is planning a massive movement across the [state](#) while [Congress](#) opposes the move to [grant citizenship](#) to these immigrants.

AAS [leaders](#) told Assam Times [over](#) telephone that they won't allow it to happen. "We want the government to ensure that not even a single immigrant who came after March 24, 1971 allowed to stay. If the [Narendra Modi](#) Government refuses to halt, we have no option but to hit the streets," said a senior AASU [leader](#).

Talking to Assam Times, Assam [Congress leaders](#) said that the urgency is unwanted. “We [don](#)’t have anything to oppose the mover for refugee status. But we would oppose the [citizenship](#) move tooth and nail.”

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