

Chaudhury New DGP for Assam



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Jayanta Narayan Choudhury will join as new Assam director general of police as Shankar Barua retired on Saturday.

The name of Chaudhury was confirmed by Chief Minister Tarun Gogoi hours before Barua demitted on Saturday. Barua handed over charge to Home Guards and Civil Defence DGP Rajendra Kumar in the police headquarters here pending Choudhury taking over charge. Choudhury, Additional Director in the Intelligence Bureau (IB), is an 1978-IPS officer of the Assam-Meghalaya cadre. His appointment is expected to be helpful in dealing with insurgent outfits who have been mongering trouble for years. Chaudhury is expected to join the new assignment after Magh Bihu.

Purabi Bormudoi to get Assam valley literary award

Assam Valley Literary Award goes to noted writer Purobi Bormudoi for 2011. The announcement was made for her contribution to literature through her short stories and novels.

The Sahitya Akademi Award winning authoresses have managed to catch the myriad aspects of humanity through her fiction. She began her writing career in her late teens when she won the second prize in an all-Assam story writing competition, for her short story "Eta Sapor Palayan" (The Escape of a Serpent). Her novels 'Gajraj' (Elephant), 'Prem Aru Banditva' (Love and Friendship), and 'Param Pujania' (The Most Revered) gave her instant fame.

Purobi's forte is her reflective tone which captivates the readers' mind at once. Her recent short story "Eta Ali Bator Itikotha" is based on the devastating affects of the World War II. She is the recipient of the Lekhia Bota (authoress award) conferred by the Soudou Asom Lekhika Somaroh, and also the Prabin Saikia Sahitya Bota. She will receive the award in coming March.

Meanwhile, Jiten Hazarika, a painter based in Delhi, has been named for the 2011 Pranab Barua Award winner for his contribution to visual art.

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