

Congress merged into regional party in Arunachal Pradesh



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In a significant political development and also a major setback for the [Congress](#) party in Centre the newly formed [congress](#) government under the leadership of Kalikho Pul along with all other 29 [congress](#) legislators merged into lone regional political party of the [Arunachal](#) pradesh 'People Party of [Arunachal](#)' (PPA) here today.

After all formalities with Speaker and the Chairman PPA, Kameng Ringu at [State](#) Assembly CM Pul congratulated the people of the [state](#) for having a second time regional political party under PPA. 'No more pressure of Party high command or have to run Delhi for every decision, people have mandate us and we have to work and listen to them said Pul while assuring to carry on all the development activities in the [state](#).

While responding to the query on what made him to take such bold decision to join PPA having an option to join BJP, Pul divulged that during last 13 months of tug of [war](#) for change in leadership and [fight against](#) corruption he met most of the big Central [Congress leaders](#) from Gulam Nabi Azad and Narayanasami to AICC Vice [President](#) Rahul [Gandhi](#) but they never heard the grievances instead supported those who illegitimately suspend, expelled and disqualify own [congress workers](#), he reasoned.

Moreover, Cong Vice [President](#), Rahul [Gandhi](#) said that with Mrs Sonia [Gandhi](#), he will take decision on leadership, whereas [as](#) per norms CM is been choose by the legislators of the party, he added while informing that BJP may continue their outside support or also can be part of the government.

Speaking on the occasion, Chairman PPA K Ringu welcomed the new move and expecting new development in the [state](#) under Kalikho Pul leadership. 'I have always been [against](#) High Command culture so I welcome this empowering decision of Pul & new PPA members and this govt must ensure equitable growth of all tribes and regions without any caste creed or religion' added Ringu.

Meanwhile, BJP legislature Party welcomes political merger of [Congress](#) MLAs led by Chief Minister Pul into PPA and also resolved to form an alliance with the newly formed PPA government. 'Since it's a non-[Congress](#) govt, we will join the government, however we will not bargain [as](#) the idea is only to work for betterment of the masses said BJP legislature Party [leader](#), Tamlyo Taga.

With this development, 'Maize (PPA symbol) replaced Hand' (congress symbol) once again in the frontier [state](#) of [Arunachal](#) Pradesh. This is the second time that lone regional party formed its government in the [state](#) after 1989.

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