

Deplorable condition of Assam-Nagaland border area



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The government has claimed to be spending huge amount of money for development of the Assam-Nagaland border areas. But the real development is far away. People in the remote area of Gelakey border areas are living in a deplorable condition; Lahdoigarh, Sunapur, Borhollah, Singibill etc. of Gelakey border areas under Nazira sub-division are facing a lot of problems due to the lack of proper road, bridge, water, electricity etc. The so called Rajiv Gandhi Rural Electrification Scheme is not able to reach these areas till today.

Nagaland has already occupied over 1000 Bighas of forest land of Assam. They have set-up one polling station at Borhollah in their recently held general election. According to the villagers of these areas, till today there is no any clear distinction or sign between the cadastral revenue village and forest-land in the border areas.

To prevent the Naga aggression in Gelakey border the state govt. set-up 3 nos. of BOPs (Border Out Post) at Singibill, Borhollah and Sunapur in 2007, but till today the quantity of battalions in these three BOPs are not adequate and the battalions who deployed here are facing a lot of problems due to the lack of basic amenities like drinking water, light and infrastructure. The tube-well of Borhollah BOP is the only source of drinking water of entire Borhollah Village.

Two broken wooden bridge of Lahdoigarh, which are connecting the 3 BOPs of Gelakey border area shows and reflect the govt's apathy and negligence towards Gelakey border.

Photo of the broken wooden and bamboo bridges and tube-well in the Assam-Nagaland border area near Gelakey reflect the real picture of border development.





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