

Dharna demanding 33 months arrears pay



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The Assam government employs roughly 500,000 people in its administrative structure that includes state run education institutions, public distribution system, health care and other departments. The workers association Sadao Asom Karamchari Parishad (SAKP) Dima Hasao district branch staged a dharna from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on December 17 in front of the Deputy Commissioner office at Haflong demanding the State Government for immediate release of 33 months revised arrears pay. A recent status issued by SAKP activists said that their employees have not received the arrears pay for the past 33 months and SAKP have been raising these issues with the government but the government has turned a blind eye to their demands. The large turnout at the protest outside the Deputy Commissioner office have witnessed against the light of these circumstances. Though the exact reason for delay in payment of arrears was yet to be ascertained.

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KOKRAJHAR, September 22, 2026 — The All Bodo Students' Union (ABSU) on Tuesday burnt copies of a book titled *Hamkoshar Parishista* during protests held at several locations across Assam, including Gauhati University, objecting to what it described as the use of the Assamese script to represent the Bodo language.

Hamkoshar Parishista is a multilingual appendix containing learning resources for indigenous languages of Assam, including Bodo, Rabha, Mising and Karbi.

During the protests, ABSU members alleged that Bodo has been represented in the publication using the Assamese script instead of Devanagari, the script used for Bodo.

The organisation asserted that Bodo is recognised under the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution of India and is an Associate Official Language of Assam. ABSU demanded that Bodo be represented in its recognised script in educational and learning resources.

ABSU president Khwrmmdao Wary said the use of the Assamese script to represent Bodo in the publication was disrespectful to the Bodo language and literature.

He said Bodo is an Associate Official Language of Assam and a language recognised under the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution.

Wary demanded the immediate withdrawal of the publication in its present form and called for the use of the Devanagari script for Bodo in the book.



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