

Encounter: ULFA cadre killed in Sivasagar



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A hardcore ULFA cadre was killed at an encounter with police and army in Sivasagar district in the wee hours on Saturday.

According to information, acting on a tip off, Army's 318 Field Regiment and Charaideo police launched a joint operation at Mahmora area in the upper Assam district where ULFA cadre Sonti Panika alias Ashim Panika was caught in a heavy exchange of firing and died later on the spot.

Sonti is a hardcore ULFA cadre who belongs to the B company of ULFA's 28th Battalion which has not announced unilateral ceasefire with the government. Later police recovered a revolver from the ULFA rebel. Investigation is on.

In yet another incident, Basistha police have arrested two youths on Friday charging them with demanding cash from Dr Harsha Bhatta and businessman Jabul Rabha. Acting on a specific input, that the two youths have served extortion notices signed by ULFA's 709 battalion commander Hira Sarania, police was looking for them and arrested them. Interrogation is on.

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