

Escalating protest in Lakhimpur



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Five days have passed since a woman was brutally attacked and dumped on the roadside in Lakhimpur who succumbed injuries at the GMCH. But police have yet to arrest the perpetrators which runs into a hail of protest accross the state. Thousands of people have been staging dharna in Lakhimpur demanding immediate arrest of the culprits.

The protestors made it clear that they would remain calm only after the examplary punishment of the perpetrators. The incident took place in Boginadi when the mother of 8 year old child was brutally attacked after she got into a tempo on her way to take her child back from school.

Hours after, she was dumped on the roadside. On Saturday she was rushed to the GMCH where succumbed to injury on Monday.

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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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