

Ex-BLT welfare Society welcome ST status



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The ex-BLT Welfare Society expressed gratitude [over](#) the Union Cabinet decision to granting [ST](#)(Hills) status to the Bodo people living in Karbi Anglong and [Dima Hasao](#) district and the Karbis living in plains of Assam.

Speaking the Reporters in Kokrajhar today, Chairman of ex-BLT Welfare Society Janamahan Moshahary said we welcome the decision of the Union Cabinet of [ST](#) status to the Bodos(Hills) and Karbis(Plain) in Assam which is the long standing [demands](#) and part of the Bodo [Accord](#) signed in 2003 between the Govt of [India](#), Assam govt and the BLT.

‘We are very much thankful to the Prime Minister Narendra Modiji and also the [chief](#) minister of Assam Sarbananda Sonowal for implementation of the Clauses of Bodo accord, Moshahary said adding that the accord were not implemented during the UPA regime both in the Centre and State despite repeated request by various organisations. The [Congress](#) never took step in implementing the clauses part of the Bodo accord.

He said the NDA government which was accidentally was the govt in Delhi when the accord was signed stepped up in implementing the clauses of the accord and fulfilled the commitment made.

The Union Cabinet yesterday cleared [ST](#) status to two tribal communities in Assam. According to official sources, the Union Cabinet meeting, chaired by Prime Minister [Narendra Modi](#), cleared introduction of two Bills in [Parliament](#) for certain amendments in the Constitution (Scheduled Tribes) Order, 1950, so [as](#) to modify the list of Scheduled Tribes in the States of Assam, Chhattisgarh, Jharkhand, Tamil Nadu, [Tripura](#) and identification of new communities in the Union Territory of Puducherry. The communities, according to approved modalities, were [found](#) to be eligible for their inclusion in, exclusion from and other modifications in the list of Scheduled Tribes. In Assam, Boro, Boro Kachari and Karbi (Mikir) were granted [ST](#) status. The Bodos have for long been fighting for [ST](#) status to Bodos living in the hill districts of [Dima Hasao](#) and Karbi Anglong. He also assured full corporation to the new govt in Assam.

Ex-BLT Welfare Society on pending cases

The ex-BLT Welfare Society also urged the government both in the Delhi and Assam to take immediate measures for the withdrawal of all the Bodoland movement related pending cases lying with different courts of law [against](#) the Bodo people including the former cadres of erstwhile BLT with immediate effect.

Moshahary said cases [against](#) the people associated with Bodoland movemnegt are still pending at various courts. He said [as](#) per the Bodo [Accord](#) signed in 2003, all pending cases related to Bodoland movement would be withdrawn but even after 13 years many cases are still pending at various court. We [demands](#) that the govt ensure withdrawal of these cases at the earliest, he said.

Moshahary also called upon the BJP led NDA government in Delhi to held negotiation with all the militants groups in Assam, including the NDFB, [ULFA](#), KLO for a peaceful and lasting solution.

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