

First Assamese to be conferred with Renault Free The Music Award



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Songdew in association with Renault on April 23, 2015 presented the 'Free The [Music](#) Awards' to some of the musicians and bands of Bangalore in recognition of their outstanding contribution to indie [music](#). Jim Ankan Deka, the director of Eastern Fare [Music](#) Foundation and a musician is the first Assamese to be conferred with this prestigious [award](#).

Among others Brodha V (rapper/producer), Lagori (folk rock fusion band), Aathma (rock band), Until We Last (ambient/post-rock band) and Karthik Gubbi (rapper/songwriter) received the 2015 'Renault Free The [Music](#)' award. Also, commencing the award ceremony, performances by BIG DEAL and G'nie Fanai entertained the audience at the Hard Rock Cafe Bengaluru.

Deka has been a part of the Kannada music industry since 2007. He has won numerous national and international awards for his collaborative music projects including a Delhi Rape Incident based music video - Aawaz-speak up [against](#) sexual violence. So far, he has released five albums which include albums in Goalporia, [Mizo](#), Hindi and English languages. He has been working towards promoting the North East India region and has released two documentaries on [Nagaland](#) and Shillong under the Eastern Fare Production House, Bangalore.

Renault Free The [Music](#) is a unique initiative by Songdew wherein not only some of the most talented artists are discovered but more importantly their [music](#) is promoted globally and they are given opportunities to perform live at some of the best venues in the country. Baiju Dharmajan, renowned musician and brand ambassador for this initiative, says, "It is very heartening to see that Songdew and Renault are providing such opportunities to upcoming artists."

Songdew has emerged as one of the largest music networks in India, providing innovative features to artists to promote their music and connecting them with their fans.

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