

Govt not to tolerate harassment of indigenous people: Gogoi



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Assam Chief Minister Tarun Gogoi says his government will not remain a mute spectator if some parties, organizations and individuals take laws into their own hands to detect and deport the illegal Bangladeshi migrants.

Unfurling the national tricolour at the Latashil Playground in the city on Friday morning, the Chief Minister said some vested interested circles have been trying to stymie the process for resolving the illegal Bangladeshi problem. According to him, it was the duty of his government to ensure that not even a single indigenous Indian citizen is not harassed in the name of detecting and deporting the immigrants.

Gogoi said the government has set up a coordination committees comprising police, administration and local citizens to avoid any harassment of indigenous people.

In his address 16-page address, the Chief Minister elaborated the steps to resolve the vexed infiltration problem, and informed that 21 additional foreigners' tribunal have been set up to deal with the case besides setting up more police outpost in border areas to check infiltration from across the Indo-Bangla border.

The state's flood problem also figured in his address. The Chief Minister said his government has set up an expert committee to study the flood and erosion problems confronting the state for decades and that a new project to check flood and erosion with Rs 1600 crore Asian Development Bank fund is under consideration.

Gogoi said the UP government's package for the farmers will benefit as many as 1,120 farmers whose loans to the tune of Rs 324 crore has been waived.

He claimed that the state's economy has made a giant leap during his regime. According to the Chief Minister, the state's per capital income has reached a comfortable 22,081 in 2007-2008 from 10,718 in 2000-01.

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