

Hurdle in ST status for 6 communities



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The move for [ST](#) status to six communities is set to hit a major road block with a circle of tribal organization leaders deciding to oppose it tooth and nail.

The Kokrajhar unit of the All Assam [Tribal](#) Sangha threatens to openly oppose the move saying that they won't sit idle if the government endorses the demand.

The issue came up for discussion when the new executive body of the Kokrajhar unit of the organization met at the Serfanguri High School ground on Sunday.

The decision to oppose the [ST](#) status to 6 communities was taken during the 3rd triennial conference of Kokrajhar district unit of the Sangha held at Serfanguri High School ground on Sunday.

The tribal body further discussed the core issues of the tribal communities and illegal encroachment in tribal belt and blocks by non tribal communities and suspected nationalities.

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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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