

Idols immersed as Durga puja over



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Durga puja is over. Puja pandels have fallen silent. The idols of the goddess of strength, mostly, have been immersed in rivers and water bodies across the state on Friday evening after the Mahanavami and Dasami on the same day. But a section of the puja organizers are set to immerse the idols only on Saturday morning. Guwahati also falls silent after soaking in the festivities for a week. The idols were immersed on the river Brahmaputra while city district administration has asked the remaining organizers to complete the [immersion](#) of the idols by Saturday noon.

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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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