

Impending danger: Landslide menace



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An unprecedented landslide is posing a serious threat to the [National Highway No 37](#) just before the entry into Guwahati. A huge hillock is waiting to collapse in the 13th Mile area which could block the vital road leading to the gateway to the north eastern region.

Local residents in the area [fear](#) more such incidents of landslide in near future. Apprehending an impending [danger](#) many people residing the hill top are leaving for safe areas in the side of Meghalaya.

The [fear](#) gripped the local residents when the [landslip](#) began on Sunday forcing hundreds of vehicles to remain stranded for several hours. Hours after the incessant rains that lashed the [city](#) and its adjacent areas on Saturday, it was a hillock which collapsed on the highway resulting in an hour long traffic snarl in the afternoon.

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GUWAHATI, October 2, 2026 — A two-day People's Consultation on Agroecology & Climate Adaptation concluded here on Wednesday, bringing together more than 20 NGOs and civil society organisations from across Assam, besides farmers, women's groups, indigenous community representatives, environmentalists, academics and development practitioners.

Organised by Jorhat-based grassroots organisation North-East Affected Area Development Society (NEADS) at Hotel Skyline, the consultation focused on agroecology, biodiversity, sustainable food systems, climate risks, disaster preparedness, indigenous knowledge and community-led adaptation.

Technical sessions, panel discussions and community-level sharing examined climate vulnerability in Assam, flood management, locally led humanitarian response, water governance, indigenous seed conservation and sustainable livelihoods.

Participants also shared experiences of changing climate conditions, traditional farming, biodiversity conservation and the role of women and youth in building resilient communities.

NEADS Director Tirtha Prasad Saikia said climate solutions must involve communities and recognise the knowledge already held by Assam's farmers and indigenous communities.

“Our task is to recognise and strengthen this knowledge through science, policy and institutional support, and put communities at the centre of climate action.”

The consultation also discussed Government-NGO coordination and Joint Rapid Needs Assessment (JRNA) to strengthen disaster preparedness and response.

Participants proposed a **Civil Society Declaration on Agroecology & Climate Adaptation** and a policy brief to consolidate recommendations on climate-resilient livelihoods, biodiversity, indigenous seed systems, community-led adaptation and stronger collaboration among civil society, communities, researchers and government institutions.

The consultation concluded with a call for continued collective action towards farmer-led, biodiversity-rich and climate-resilient food systems in Assam.

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