

Itanagar political drama shifts to New Delhi



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The high [level](#) political drama in [Itanagar](#) seems to have shifted to [New Delhi](#) where [Congress](#) and BJP are heading for a huge show down.

JP [Rajkhowa](#) is camping in the capital to meet Union home minister Rajnath Singh on Sunday where the [Arunachal](#) Pradesh [Governor](#) is expected to apprise him of the entire political logjam. [Rajkhowa](#) is also believed to have been waiting to seek the help of legal luminaries to challenge the Gauhati High Court order which stayed his order preponing the assembly session. But the real solution is unlikely during his rendezvous with Rajnath Singh since the ruling party at the Centre is divided [over](#) the legal aspect of the logjam.

On the other hand, Chief Minister [Nabam](#) Tuki has arrived in the capital on Saturday. Tuki, who got a respite from the Gauhati High Court recently is scheduled to call on Ghulam Nabi Azad later on Sunday to discuss the political impasse. The legal experts in the Opposition party at the Centre are all set to come to his rescue.

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UDALGURI: Reiterating its demand of Kamatapur statehood and Scheduled Tribe ([ST](#)) categorization of the Koch-Rajbongshi community, the [Udalguri](#) district committee All Koch-Rajbongshi Students' Union (AKRSU) along with All Koch-Rajbongshi Sanmilani(AKRS) staged sit-in-protest at the DC office premises here in [Udalguri](#) on Monday. The organizations, staged the protest for three hours starting from 11 pm. The protestors came down heavily on the alleged statement made by [Tribal](#) Affairs Minister, Juel Oram , that it takes four decades to [grant ST](#) status to a community, and hence there's little hope for fulfilling the [demands](#) for [ST](#) status. The activists holding placards raised high pitched slogans and rented the air with 'No [ST](#) no rest', 'BJP go back'. [President](#) of [Udalguri](#), AKRSU, Atul Barman alleged that the government has turned deaf ears to the genuine [demands](#) of the community for years.

He also criticized the government for making false promises regarding fulfillment of their [demands](#) within six months from coming into power. The [student leader](#) also alleged that [indigenous](#) Koch-Rajbongshi people have been meted out harassment at various places of [state](#) in the ongoing verification of [National](#) Register of Citizens(NRC). He further stated that if the government doesn't [grant ST](#) status to the community before 2019 Lok Sabha polls, the people will be forced to vote the alternative parties. [President](#) of All Koch Rajbongshi Sanmilani (AKRS), Sunil Kumar Barman also criticized the saffron party and PM Modi for false pre-poll promises. The two organizations also submitted separate memorandums to Prime Minister, [Narendra Modi](#) and Chief Minister, Sarbananda Sonowal through the office of Deputy Commissioner, [Udalguri](#).

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