

JFA condoles scribe's death



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The [Journalists'](#) Forum Assam ([JFA](#)) expressed grief at the demise of Sukhendu Bhattacharya. Bhattacharya breathed his last on Sunday. The former PTI scribe was suffering from various ailments for some time. He was cremated on Monday afternoon.

Bhattacharya, 52, left behind his mother, wife, two children and a host of friends. He worked for PTI from Guwahati and Kolkata since 1988. Lately he took voluntary retirement from the news agency and started living in the [city](#) permanently.

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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 Khwrrwmdao 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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