

JFA endorsement for The Assam Tribune



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Guwahati: Journalists' Forum Assam (JFA), while expressing surprise over a media report narrating the 'directive' of Directorate of Advertising and Visual Publicity (DAVP) for not issuing advertisement to The Assam Tribune since February last because of 'its anti-citizenship amendment bill stand', urges the Union government in New Delhi to clarify its position.

"It is unfortunate that a pioneer newspaper of northeast India has been subjected to such unwanted situation even though The Assam Tribune has played practically a neutral role while reporting the CAB issues since last year," said a statement issued by JFA president Rupam Barua and secretary Nava Thakuria.

The forum also appeals to Assam chief minister Sarbananda Sonowal (also in charge of IPR portfolio) to pursue with the Centre for an early resolution to the matter so that the acclaimed English daily does not face any unnecessary annoyance because of misinformed inputs which would finally affect its esteemed readership.

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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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