

Khagen Sarma vs Paresh Baruah



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War of words between Khagen Sarma and Paresh Baruah refuses to die down. The [ULFA](#) commander in [chief](#) took on the state director general of police on Thursday a day after Sarma brushed aside any fresh peace process with any militant outfit. In a telephonic conversation, the [ULFA boss](#) contradicted said that if the Centre proceeds to talk to them then Sarma will have no say. Baruah further said that the DGP himself is not aware of what he is doing adding that [ULFA](#)-I is fully prepared for unconditional talks with the government.

DGP on Wednesday straightly denied any fresh move for peace process with the militant outfit.

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GUWAHATI, October 1, 2026 — The Department of Applied Biology, University of Science & Technology Meghalaya (USTM), in association with the Microbiologists Society, India (MBSI) and the Federation of European Microbiological Societies (FEMS), concluded International Microorganisms Day 2026 and a national workshop on “Academic Writing and Scholarly Publications” on Thursday.

The programme, held from September 17, focused on strengthening academic writing, research communication and scholarly publishing skills among Master's students, research scholars and early-career researchers.

USTM Vice Chancellor Prof G D Sharma inaugurated the programme. Prof Kumananda Tayung, Dean, Faculty of Sciences, Gauhati University, and Dr Niraj Singh, State President, MBSI (Assam & Meghalaya), attended as Chief Guest-cum-Resource Person and Guest of Honour respectively.

Experts from India and Saudi Arabia conducted sessions on scientific writing, manuscript preparation, publication ethics, scholarly communication and journal selection. Participants from USTM, The Assam Royal Global University and Cotton University attended the programme.

A Poster and Model Competition was also organised, with prizes distributed to the winners.

The programme was organised under the chairpersonship of Dr Sony Kumari, Head, Department of Applied Biology, with Dr Yugal Kishore Mohanta as Convener and Dr Tamanna Bhuyan as coordinator.

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