

Mahanta meets former MLA to beat rival in Bokakhat



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Golaghat: AGP leader and former Chief Minister Prafulla Kumar Mahanta held a closed-door meeting with former Bokakhat independent MLA Jiten Gogoi on Saturday amid speculations of a ventricle split in the regional party before 2021 assembly polls.

Accompanied by local AGP Balobhadra Tamuly, Mahanta visited the rebel turned party less politician at the latter's residence in Bokakhat where they held a closed-door meeting for more than one hour.

According to sources, Gogoi agreed to contest the polls independently to ensure the defeat of minister and AGP president Atul Bora who is known to be Mahanta's main rival in the regional party.

Both Mahanta and Gogoi said that it was a courtesy visit. But the sources have informed otherwise.

Mahanta's meeting with a popular party less politician in Atul Bora 's home turf has given rise to no less speculations of a slew of strategies to beat a section of powerful AGP leaders who played a pivotal role in unseating Mahanta from party presidentship.

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