

Memorandum to CM on Bengali Hindu refugees



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A team of activists of All BTC Bengali Youth Students' Federation headed by its [chief](#) advisor Shymal Sarkar accompanied by [President](#) Montu Dey, Secretary Sujan [Paul](#) called on CM Sonowal and submitted a memorandum for solving the issues, Bengali [Hindus](#) are facing in the [state](#) on June 28 last.

The memorandum addressing Sonowal stated that the BJP election manifesto mentioned that if voted to power the saffron party would [grant citizenship](#) to Bengali Hindu [refugees](#) and also solve the D-voter issue faced by native Bengali [Hindus](#) residing in the [state](#) whose population counts near about one-fourth of [state](#) population.

The memorandum firstly demanded solving issues like D-Voters to native Bengalis,abolishment of various detention [camps](#) in the [state](#).

Secondly it stated that though the deadline of 1971 for updatation of NRC is accepted ,it demanded special privileges for granting of [citizenship](#) to refugee Hindu Bengalis who came to Assam post 1971 on humanitarian and religious ground.

Thirdly the memorandum alleged that a step mother treatment is meted out when it comes to formation of development council in [Brahmaputra](#) valley,unlike Bengali [Development](#) Council and Linguistic Minority Board in [Barak](#) valley.

It also sought protection to Hindu minorities in neighbouring [Bangladesh](#) through PM Modi.

The memorandum expressed great hopes on the Sonowal led alliance government, in solving the issues of Bengali [Hindus](#).

The memorandum also urged the [state](#) alliance government to give a cabinet [ministry](#) to legislator from [Brahmaputra](#) valley who could represent the 60 Lac Hindu Bengali of the valley .

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