

Minister asks for early completion of projects



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Assam Minister for Information and Public Relations Basanta Das has asked the concerned department to pull up its sock for early completion of various projects which includes Dr Bhupen Hazarika Photo and Film Archive, Lakshminath Bezbaruah Institute of Mass Communication and Printing Technology and Mukhya Mantrir Sabdajyoti Asoni after a review meeting on Tuesday in Guwahati.

The minister also asked the officials to take immediate steps to fill up the various vacant posts in the department and also pursue the matter of promotion.

Moreover, he asked the officials to submit a proposal to increase the corpus fund under the Journalists' Medical Welfare Scheme to Rs 10 crore as announced by Chief Minister Tarun Gogoi recently and also to submit a proposal for implementation of the Journalists' Pension Scheme as early as possible.

Secretary of I&PR, Dr AK Roy, Director of Information and Public Relations Ranjit Gogoi, Deputy Secretary Bandana Choudhury, Additional Director Prasanta K Saikia, Joint Director Shekhar Engti and officers and staff of the department were also present at the meeting.

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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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