

NPF, Cong to follow suit if BJP contests



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KOHIMA: [Nagaland Congress](#) and NPF have said they would contest the upcoming assembly polls if BJP does it.

Talking to www.assamtimes.org in [Kohima](#), senior [Congress leaders](#) said that since BJP is all set to defy the consensus in the recent all party meeting then boycotting polls on February 27 does not make any sense. "We want to make it plain and simple that if BJP contests the polls we are ready to [follow](#) the suit," said the senior [Congress leader](#).

Same sentiment grips NPF where the ruling party [leaders](#) say in [Kohima](#) on Friday that they will also contest the polls in all seats. "If BJP can pull out of the decision why should we stick to it? We are talking to the civil society organizations to look into it," said the NPF [leader](#).

BJP has reaffirmed that they will contest the polls calling that election is a constitutional obligation. The [state](#) BJP unit are bound to go by the central leadership who are dead opposed to the boycott call.

The civil society organizations last week convened an all party meeting in [Dimapur](#) where they got a joint declaration signed that they would boycott the polls without solving the decade old Naga political issue. The next day BJP pulled out of it.

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