

Pasighat a smartcity!



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East [Siang](#) DC Isha Khosla asked DDF consultants to prepare action plans to be developed [Pasighat](#) into smart [city](#) having core infrastructure needed to enhance urban living. She said when she was chairing a consultative body meeting of DDF Consultants in [Pasighat](#) Municipal Council and Head of Offices in the [Siang](#) on Saturday.

Twenty cities will be selected in the first lot through competition to be developed [as](#) Smart Cities. The consultants have conducted field visits this morning with the PMC Chief Councilor Denong Tamuk and his associates. She asked the executives of DDF Consultants ([New Delhi](#)) to take up the Smart City project with their best knowledge and abilities. The DC has appealed them to review the previous plans and interventions undertaken so far by the administration. The place has tremendous scopes in tourism, power generation, education and health sectors.

Loksabha MP Ninong Ering, Director, TP &ULB Amoy Morang, MEO Deepak Shinde, ZPC Kaling Dai, PMC Chief Councilor Denong Tamuk and his deputy Kaling Darang and HoOs were present on the occasion.

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Statue of first Bodo engineer Haliram Brahma installed at Bodoland University



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KOKRAJHAR, September 19, 2026 — A statue of late Haliram Brahma, regarded as the first engineer from the Bodo community, was installed at the Bodoland University campus here on Thursday to mark his birth anniversary.

The statue was formally inaugurated by former president of the Bodo Sahitya Sabha, Surath Narzary, with the stated aim of inspiring the younger generation and commemorating Brahma's contribution.

A memorial meeting was subsequently held at the Jouhlao Nileswar Brahma Auditorium of Bodoland University in memory of Haliram Brahma.

The meeting was attended by Bodoland University Registrar Prahlad Basumatary, Head of the Department of Chemistry Professor Sanjay Basumatary, Professor Jatin Sharma, Bodo Sahitya Sabha president Gopinath Bargaoyary, Kokrajhar Girls' College Principal Dr Adaram Basumatary, Kokrajhar University Vice-Chancellor Dr Ganesh Chandra Owari, BB Engineering College Principal Kamal Kumar Brahma, Sahitya Akademi Award winner Indira Boro and Anjali Basumatary.

Haliram Brahma's two sons, Dr Ganesh Brahma and Girish Chandra Brahma, along with other dignitaries and family members, were also present at the memorial programme.

Haliram Brahma was born on September 17, 1928, at Simbargaon in present-day Kokrajhar district. Regarded as the first engineer from the Bodo community, he died on August 13, 1971.

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