

Polling ends in Silchar



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Polling ended in Silchar Lok Sabha constituency on a brisk note on Saturday. Now the fate of altogether 17 candidates are sealed in the ballot boxes.

The turn out is a huge 70 per cent in Silchar. Voters---both male and female were waiting in long queues in front of the polling stations from 7 in the morning. Long queues were seen till 4.30 in the evening---just before the end.

Polling in this Barak Valley constituency took place at 1233 stations. These include 209 hyper sensitive while 611 others comparatively safe.

BJP MP and former Union minister Kabindra Purkayastha is facing a keen contest with her nearest rival Congress candidate Sushmita Dev, who is also the Silchar MLA.

AIUDF has fielded Kutubuddin Ahmed Mazumdar who is no less popular in some minority dominated areas.

Counting will take place along with the rest of the country on May 16.

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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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