

Ripun dead oppose to dissidents



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Amid simmering [dissidence](#) within the [Congress](#) Legislative [party](#), a senior [party](#) leader has slammed a section of ministers and MLAs for demanding removal of Tarun [Gogoi](#) as chief minister saying that the [party](#) won't allow them to do it.

In an exclusive interview with [Assam](#) Times, senior [Congress](#) leader [Ripun](#) Bora said that the [party](#) high command should not favour the [dissident](#) ministers ad MLAs.

The former education minister said that the [demand](#) for [Gogoi](#)'s removal as chief minister is not justified and that he should be allowed to continue as chief minister till the next assembly [polls](#).

"A real Congressman can never think of floating a [new party](#) only for becoming the chief minister," Bora told [Assam Times](#) in the sidelines of a function in [Bajali](#) on [Thursday](#).

He said the [dissident](#) camp would not be able to dethrone [Gogoi](#) as chief minister who enjoys a separate degree of veneration in [AICC](#).

"He commands respect as the three time chief minister and his fate cannot be decided by a handful of ministers and MLAs," said the former education minister.

Bora's comment assumes significance hours after the [dissident](#) ministers and MLAs threaten to take a drastic step if [party](#) high command fails to dislodge Tarun [Gogoi](#) as chief minister by [Saturday](#).

Addressing a press conference in [Dispur](#) on [Thursday](#), they said that they have been waiting for the [party](#) high command's response to their demands. They claimed that they have support of 40 legislators against Tarun [Gogoi](#) as chief minister.

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