

Sonowal meets Modi, seeks more help



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Assam Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal called on Prime Minister [Narendra Modi](#) on Saturday in [New Delhi](#) a day after he reached the capital. CMO sources told Assam Times that Sonowal apprised Modi of the [state](#)'s grim financial health and sought immediate help in the form of fund to concentrate on development. He further apprised Modi of the slew of his government's initiative for overall development. During the 20 minute long meeting, Sonowal handed [over](#) to the Prime Minister the white paper on the [state](#)'s financial condition justifying his help to salvage the chapter.

Same subject dominated his discussion with Union finance minister Arun Jaitley who assured him of help to end the logjam. Earlier, the Chief Minister called on Vice [President](#) Hamid Ansari, who is also the Chairman of Rajya Sabha, and Lok Sabha Speaker Sumitra Mahajan.

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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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