

Stormy note in Assembly



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The Assam Assembly's brief session gets underway on Monday with a stormy note.

As Governor JB Patnaik endorsed the government measures to restore peace in the state efficiently dealing with the law and order situation, the Opposition members stood up in protest against it.

The Opposition legislators said that the Government has failed on the law and order front. The ruling party members equally countered the Opposition resulting in an uproar situation. Amid the defeaning din, Patnaik stopped his speech within a minute.

A set of news legislation is lined up to be moved on Monday.

Chief minister Tarun Gogoi, who holds the finance portfolio will table the vote on account for four months on February 13 in lieu of a full fledged budget in view of the upcoming Lok Sabha polls.

The government will be able to run the proceedings smoothly because of the disunity among the Opposition parties in the wake of the Rajya Sabha polls.

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UDALGURI: Reiterating its demand of Kamatapur statehood and Scheduled Tribe ([ST](#)) categorization of the Koch-Rajbongshi community, the [Udalguri](#) district committee All Koch-Rajbongshi Students' Union (AKRSU) along with All Koch-Rajbongshi Sanmilani(AKRS) staged sit-in-protest at the DC office premises here in [Udalguri](#) on Monday. The organizations, staged the protest for three hours starting from 11 pm. The protestors came down heavily on the alleged statement made by [Tribal](#) Affairs Minister, Juel Oram , that it takes four decades to [grant ST](#) status to a community, and hence there's little hope for fulfilling the [demands](#) for [ST](#) status. The activists holding placards raised high pitched slogans and rented the air with 'No [ST](#) no rest', 'BJP go back'. [President](#) of [Udalguri](#), AKRSU, Atul Barman alleged that the government has turned deaf ears to the genuine [demands](#) of the community for years.

He also criticized the government for making false promises regarding fulfillment of their [demands](#) within six months from coming into power. The [student leader](#) also alleged that [indigenous](#) Koch-Rajbongshi people have been meted out harassment at various places of [state](#) in the ongoing verification of [National](#) Register of Citizens(NRC). He further stated that if the government doesn't [grant ST](#) status to the community before 2019 Lok Sabha polls, the people will be forced to vote the alternative parties. [President](#) of All Koch Rajbongshi Sanmilani (AKRS), Sunil Kumar Barman also criticized the saffron party and PM Modi for false pre-poll promises. The two organizations also submitted separate memorandums to Prime Minister, [Narendra Modi](#) and Chief Minister, Sarbananda Sonowal through the office of Deputy Commissioner, [Udalguri](#).

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