

Students' protest for textbooks



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School and college students thronged in thousands in the district and sub divisional headquarters across the [state](#) demanding immediate distribution of textbooks in the schools.

With play cards in their hands, the students on Wednesday staged demonstration in front of the offices of the [inspector](#) of schools, deputy inspectors and block elementary education officers under the banner of All Assam Students Association raising the demand.

The protestors alleged that even after the end of the first month the government has not stepped up textbook distribution in the lower primary and high schools.

AASU [leaders](#) and students also joined the demonstration along with other parts of the states. The primary and high school students staged demonstrations in front of the office of the block elementary education officer demanding text books immediately.

Talking to Assam Times, local AASU [leader Hazarika](#) said, “the students must have got the text books on the day one of the calendar year. But the entire month is about to end and yet the government has failed to complete the distribution of text book. Isn't it a [failure](#)?”

Another local AASU [leader](#) Panjaj [Hazarika](#) blamed it all on education minister Himanta Biswa Sarma for the [failure](#). “Sarma is known for his lips service. He can only talk and does precious little. His education portfolio should be handed [over](#) to an efficient one,” said [Hazarika](#).

“We have not received all textbooks. We [don't](#) want explanation and want only textbooks,” said Samudra Jyoti [Bora](#), a Class IV [student](#) at a local lower primary school.

The [state](#)'s influential students' body sent memorandums to [chief](#) minister Sarbananda Sonowal and his education minister Himanta Biswa Sarma outlining the [demands](#).

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