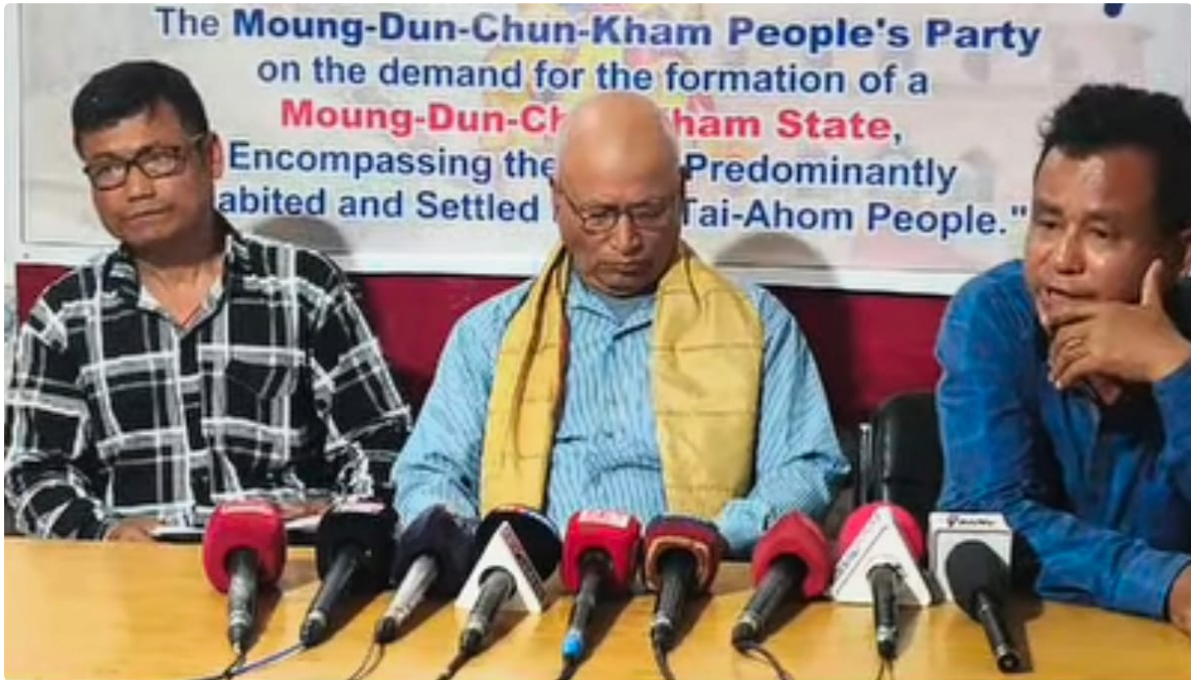


Tai-Ahom Organisations Renew Autonomy Demand, Hold Press Meet in Dispur



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Guwahati, April 3, 2026: The MOUNG-DUN-CHUN-KHAM State Demand Committee and the MOUNG-DUN-CHUN-KHAM People's Party on Friday held a press conference at the Dispur Press Club, reiterating their demand for permanent political rights and autonomy for the Tai-Ahom community in Assam.

Addressing the media, representatives of the organisations stated that despite the Tai-Ahom community's historical and demographic significance, successive governments have failed to provide meaningful constitutional safeguards.

"At present, almost all indigenous communities of Assam... have been raising demands for autonomy or self-determination under the Indian Constitution," the press release noted, adding that "various governments... have already provided full or partial autonomy arrangements to several indigenous communities."

However, the organisations expressed dissatisfaction over what they described as differential treatment. "In contrast, instead of providing permanent political rights or autonomy to the nearly 40 lakh strong Tai community, the governments have merely fulfilled their responsibility by granting them a Development Council," the statement said.

The groups also underlined the historical contribution of the Tai-Ahom community, stating that it "holds a significant place in the history of Northeast India," with a legacy of nearly 600 years since the establishment of the Ahom Kingdom. They further asserted that the community has played a key role in shaping Assamese identity and participating in major political movements.

Raising concerns over declining political representation, the organisations claimed that Tai-Ahom people are "gradually losing their political rights" in districts such as Dhemaji and North Lakhimpur. They also pointed to administrative changes involving Golaghat and Karbi Anglong as factors contributing to the erosion of political representation.

“The ongoing political struggles, self-determination movements, and autonomy movements of various ethnic groups in Assam have compelled the people of this community to think independently about their own political, economic, and land rights,” the statement added.

The press meet was addressed by Priyobor Konwar and Anup Arandhara of the MOUNG-DUN-CHUN-KHAM People’s Party, along with Nilambor Gogoi and Girin Buragohain of the State Demand Committee, who indicated that further steps would be announced in the coming days.

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