

Talks on with rebels to restore peace: Mukhi



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GUWAHATI: Amid an unprecedented security arrangement Assam celebrated the 69th Republic Day defying the rebel diktat to boycott the red letter day.

[Governor](#) Jagdish Mukhi unfurled the tricolour and took salute of the march pass by army, police, para military forces and NCC boys at the [Khanapara](#) Veterinary Playground in the morning.

In his address, the governor said the government has been holding talks with [ten](#) rebel outfits to restore peace and normalcy. He said an updated NRC will be a huge help to save the north eastern [state](#) from the decade old problem of illegal settlers.

DHUBRI: Dhubri joined the nation to celebrate the Republic Day with much pomp and gaiety. Forest minister [Pramila](#) Rani Brahma hoisted the tricolour and took salute of the security forces and NCC boys.

NAMRUP: Defying [ULFA](#)-I boycott call Namrup celebrated the red letter day with an elaborate security arrangement on Friday. BVFCL chief managing director Shyam Deo Singh unfurled the tri colour and took salute of [CISF](#) jawans and NCC boys at [Gandhi](#) Maidan in the morning. In his speech, Singh announced a slew of measures to benefit the employees.

HOJAI: Hojai also joined the red letter day celebrations amid much enthusiasm on Friday. Deputy Commissioner MP Singh hoisted the flag and took salute of the march pass by police and NCC boys at [Sankar](#) Nagar.

The tricolour was fluttering in all school and college premises while some prominent NGOs joined the celebration.

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