

Undying anger hovering around Magh Bihu



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The protest [over](#) the Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 2016 refuses to die down even in the run up to the much vaunted festival of Magh Bihu. Many organizations and individuals have staged dharna on Sunday across the [state](#) warning of dire consequences if the government fails to listen to the voice of protest.

“We won’t let this to happen. I would like to throw an open challenge to BJP and RSS [leaders](#): Get the Bill passed in Rajya Sabha and face the consequences. Don’t allow Assam---its people of ethnic diversity to be eclipsed in Hindutva politics,” said Kriskak Mukti Sangram Samity adviser Akhil Gogoi.

Gogoi, the influential peasant [leader](#) said he would be on a fast on Monday on the day of Uruka in protest against the Bill that promises Indian citizenship for the non [Muslim](#) immigrants from Bangladeshi, Pakistan and Afghanistan who intruded till December 2014 to escape religious persecution.

Dear Sarbananda Sonowal Da,

Wrote a letter to you few days back. Guess you are too busy counting the black flags to respond.

So, can I get the votes back that you earned using my voice in 2016?

I am ready to refund the remuneration.

— [Zubeen](#) Garg (@zubeengarg1) [January 13, 2019](#)

Youth [heart](#)-throb [Zubeen](#) Garg, who has been dead opposed to the Bill since inception claimed his preparedness to pay back the amount to Chief Minister Sarbananda Sonowal he received in 2016 for performing on behalf of the saffron party. “Scrap the Bill or face my wrath. Don’t know how I will vent my ire as I came back to the [state](#). Why should we take the name of religion?,” said the Genx baritone voice of northeastern region. AASU and 36 other organizations have been staging protest in many places. Same sentiment echoes in KMSS who along with 70 organizations of many ethnic groups have been holding protest across the [state](#).

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