

War like situation in Guwahati outskirts



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GUWAHATI:Guwahati and its adjacent areas have turned into a [war](#) zone when a mammoth security arrangement is in place to evict the illegal settlers inside a reserve forest in the outskirts of the city on Monday.

Defying an escalating protest across the [state](#) by dozens of organizations the forest department and Kamrup district district administration have jointly resumed the eviction drive in the Anchang reserve forest areas on Monday.

A huge team of forest and district administration officials has reached the area where they started evicting the settlers who hit the streets in Guwahati on Sunday.

Apart from 300 police men and CRPF jawans are positioning in different locations to prevent the protestors from disrupting the massive eviction drive which will continue for three days.

Several bull dozers, excavators and elephants are being deployed to evict the illegal settlers who are mostly tribal forcing them to sit in strike.

"This is Gauhati High Court order. We will do whatever needs to be done. Sufficient police, CRPF and forest [guards](#) are being deployed to smoothly conduct the eviction drive on Monday and Tuesday," said a district administration official.

Dozens of tribal organizations have enforced a 12 hour Assam [bandh](#) from early in the morning in protest against the eviction drive.

The eviction hit people in large number have come out to the streets alleging conspiracy to evict them instead of the Bangladeshi settlers.

"Never does the government evict the Bangladeshi immigrants fearing setback in the election. But we are smartly evicted. Where will we go now?," said Rumi Deka, minutes after their hut was dismantled.



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