

BJP not to vote in RS polls



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Its final. Bharatiya Janata Party will not participate in the upcoming Rajya Sabbha polls slated for February 7.

Disclosing this, BJP senior leaders told reporters on Monday that they are averse to participate in the vote with only 5 seats in the assembly.

They admitted that they have ideological differences with AIUDF and they have no pact with AGP to contest the polls for three seats.

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Statue of first Bodo engineer Haliram Brahma installed at Bodoland University



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KOKRAJHAR, September 19, 2026 — A statue of late Haliram Brahma, regarded as the first engineer from the Bodo community, was installed at the Bodoland University campus here on Thursday to mark his birth anniversary.

The statue was formally inaugurated by former president of the Bodo Sahitya Sabha, Surath Narzary, with the stated aim of inspiring the younger generation and commemorating Brahma's contribution.

A memorial meeting was subsequently held at the Jouhlao Nileswar Brahma Auditorium of Bodoland University in memory of Haliram Brahma.

The meeting was attended by Bodoland University Registrar Prahlad Basumatary, Head of the Department of Chemistry Professor Sanjay Basumatary, Professor Jatin Sharma, Bodo Sahitya Sabha president Gopinath Bargaoyary, Kokrajhar Girls' College Principal Dr Adaram Basumatary, Kokrajhar University Vice-Chancellor Dr Ganesh Chandra Owari, BB Engineering College Principal Kamal Kumar Brahma, Sahitya Akademi Award winner Indira Boro and Anjali Basumatary.

Haliram Brahma's two sons, Dr Ganesh Brahma and Girish Chandra Brahma, along with other dignitaries and family members, were also present at the memorial programme.

Haliram Brahma was born on September 17, 1928, at Simbargaon in present-day Kokrajhar district. Regarded as the first engineer from the Bodo community, he died on August 13, 1971.

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