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Blockade disrupts rail services



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Train services along north eastern frontier railway was disrupted for five hours due to rail blockade at Kokrajhar station on Monday called by Adivasi [National](#) [Convention Comommittee](#). However, blockade has lifted after 5 hours after getting assurance from government to hold tripartite peace talk on December 23 next over [the issue and problems of Adivasis](#).

The ANCC, a united organization of Adivasi (/taxonomy/term/2018) community (/taxonomy/term/2084) blockade the rail track with banner, placards, demanded ST (/taxonomy/term/1997) status to the Adivasi (/taxonomy/term/2018) community (/taxonomy/term/2084), solve the problems of Adivasi (/taxonomy/term/2018) ceasefire militant outfits, allot land pattas under Forest dwellers act as (/taxonomy/term/2291) well tea garden areas in the state (/taxonomy/term/2332).

Thousands of Adivasis thronged the rail track since (/taxonomy/term/2015) 6 (/taxonomy/term/2015) am to blockade shouted slogans demanding early solution of issue and demands (/taxonomy/term/2467) of various grievances, which included granting of ST (/taxonomy/term/1997) status, solve problems of Adivasi (/taxonomy/term/2018) ceasefire outfits issues, allot land pattas to the Adivasis. The blockade was lifted by 11 am after 5 hours as (/taxonomy/term/2291) government gave assurance to hold peace talk. The ANCC submitted a memorandum to PM and Chief Minister through Kokrajhar DC seeking early solution of Adivasi (/taxonomy/term/2018) issues.

Birshing Munda (/taxonomy/term/1730), commander in chief (/taxonomy/term/2020) of Birsa Munda (/taxonomy/term/1730) commando force and ANCC leader (/taxonomy/term/1820) told that the blockade was lifted by 11 am as (/taxonomy/term/2291) government promised to hold peace talk on December 23 in Guwahati. He said that we respect the invitation from govt and lift our agitation for the day after 5 hours. He expresses his hope that government will give final shape of the issue and demands (/taxonomy/term/2467) on that talk. He also warn to take vigorous movement if their demand and issues are not meet by January next.

Prem Hasda, AASAA leader (/taxonomy/term/1820) and Ambrit Beck, ANLA (/taxonomy/term/1741) leader (/taxonomy/term/1820) said that government has been delayed to solve issue and problems of the Adivasis. They said that the agitation would be continued in the state (/taxonomy/term/2332) if their demand and issues are not meet by January next.

'Strong vigorous movement would be launched (/taxonomy/term/1637) by February of their demands (/taxonomy/term/2467) are not solved', the ANCC leaders (/taxonomy/term/2082) said.

Bibekananda Choudhury, Kokrajhar DC said that government has kept promised to hold tripartite talk in Guwahati on December 23 next. Agitated groups submitted a memorandum to the PM, CM over (/taxonomy/term/2166) the issue and problems, Choudhury said.

Train services were disrupted for hours along the NFR dud to the blockade at Kokrajhar station. Several trains stranded ag different stations,whic included Down Rajdhani at New Bongaigaon, Saraighat Up, Okha express at New Coochbehar, Rajendra Nagar at New Coach Behar station.



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