

Clause VI panel feels let down, report sent to department



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New Delhi: In a major setback for the BJP-led coalition government in the state, the Centre is unlikely to endorse the recommendations of the panel set up to suggest the implementation of the Clause VI of the Assam Accord, 1985.

This has forced the committee to hand over the report in the Assam Accord implementation department on Wednesday.

According to information, Union home minister Amit Shah is not prepared to endorse these recommendations by the Justice (Rtd) BK Sarma panel which completed its task last week.

Despite repeated contact from the panel, it has not received any response from MHA. Even MHA joint secretary Satendra Garg, the member secretary has not signed the report.

Apart from defining the indigenous definition in Assam, the panel recommendation ILP, upper house in the legislative set up along with many other suggestions to safeguard the interest of the indigenous people.

This was BJP's major game plan for 2021 assembly polls to retain power. According to sources, Chief minister Sarbananda Sonowal also maintained stoic silence.

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