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CM denies gag order, Pipersenia silent



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Caught in a barrage of criticism Chief Minister Sarbanabda Sonowal makes it plain that never his government has issued any instruction to skip any story on the rebel outfit.

Talking to reporters in the sidelines of a function on Sunday he said, “ simply incorrect. We have not issues ant such order.”

Former chief (/taxonomy/term/2020) minister Tarun Gogoi (/taxonomy/term/2150) thrashed the government alleging it an attempt to gag the media. “When BJP was at the Centre and AGP was in Dispur, journalists were arrested. Media no less criticised me and our government. Never we did anything to disrupt the freedom of Press.”

I spoke to Chief Secretary & he told me no instructions were given for media censorship (/taxonomy/term/2095). All such news are incorrect and out of context/1

— Himanta Biswa Sarma (@himantabiswa) May 14, 2017

(<https://twitter.com/himantabiswa/status/863722068654800896>)

In his tweet, education minister Himanta Biswa Sarma said his government won't make any attempt to censor the media, the fourth estate of democracy.

Our govt is committed to upholding freedom of press and at no point shall we allow Fourth Pillar of Democracy to be affected in any way/ (/taxonomy/term/1690)2 (/taxonomy/term/1690)

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Notably, participating at the security forces meeting in Tezpur, chief (/taxonomy/term/2020) secretary VK Pipersenia verbally asked the police top guns to attest editor and owner of a news paper, journal or channel if statement, interview, photograph or footage of rebel leader (/taxonomy/term/1820) outfit is allowed to publish or broadcast.



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