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GUWAHATI: Prominent citizens and social activists in Guwahati staged a sit in on Thursday opposing the decision of the Joint Parliamentary Committee on Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 2016 to institute public hearing in [New Delhi](#).

Led by Dr Hiren Gohian, around 200 people participated in the sit in asking the House panel to listen to the voice in the [state](#).

They further have asked the invitee organizations to skip the hearing in [New Delhi](#) saying that nobody have given them the right to determine the future of Assam in the distant Delhi.

The Joint Parliamentary Committee set up to study the issues centering around the Citizenship (Amendment) Bill, 2016 has rescheduled the April 12 hearing for the organizations from Assam in [New Delhi](#) to April 17.

According to information, the House panel headed by Rajendra Agarwal has rescheduled the hearing acting on the suggestions to avoid the clash with the Rongali Bihu.

The panel has dozens of applications and memorandums but has figured out only 28 of these to be invited for hearing in the capital which runs into a hail of controversy. These include the All Assam Students' Union (AASU).

Many organizations have opposed the hearing in Delhi and [demands](#) it in Guwahati instead. Some other organizations and individuals want the hearing to be boycotted in the capital.

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