

CPI Demands Immediate Halt to Evictions, Blasts Govt on Land, Drought, and ULFA Policy



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The **Communist Party of India (CPI)** has strongly condemned the ongoing eviction drives in Assam, calling them "**inhumane and arbitrary**", and demanded their immediate halt. Speaking at a press conference in **Nazira**, CPI State Secretary **Kanak Gogoi** lashed out at the **Himanta Biswa Sarma-led government**, accusing it of violating Supreme Court guidelines and failing to provide adequate rehabilitation to displaced families.

"Eviction without rehabilitation is inhumane"

Gogoi asserted that eviction operations are being carried out without due process and reflect the government's **pro-corporate agenda**.

“Offering 1.5 kathas of land and ₹50,000 is a smokescreen. The real aim is to transfer land to corporate giants like **Adani, Ambani, and Ramdev**,” he claimed.

He emphasized that the **land rights of indigenous people** must be protected and urged the government to regularize encroached lands held by indigenous farmers through proper land laws and **issuance of pattas**. “If ministers like Ashok Singhal, Jayantamala Baruah, and Atul Bora can acquire land in family names, why are ordinary indigenous people being denied the same rights?” Gogoi questioned.

Calls for Opposition Unity

Gogoi called upon all opposition parties to **unite against the BJP-led government**, warning that no single party can defeat the BJP alliance alone. He urged opposition leaders to move beyond election-centric politics and build a **people’s movement on the streets** to challenge “the BJP’s divisive and anti-democratic agenda.”

He emphasized the need for a **credible policy alternative** rooted in secularism, equity, and federalism to win public trust.

ULFA, ST Status & State Autonomy

The CPI leader also criticized the government for **launching military operations against ULFA (Independent)** camps in Myanmar, stating it undermines the peace process. “The ULFA issue is a **political problem**, not a law-and-order one. The root causes must be addressed through dialogue,” he said.

To preserve the **greater Assamese national identity**, Gogoi reiterated CPI's demand for:

- **ST status** for six indigenous communities.
- **Special state status for Assam** under **Articles 370 and 371(A)**.
- Support from existing ST communities to ensure that **no outsider can claim land ownership in Assam**.

Government Failure on Drought and Corruption

CPI also accused the government of failing to respond effectively to the **drought-like situation** across several districts. Gogoi demanded the implementation of a **statewide irrigation policy** to facilitate multiple cropping cycles and ensure agricultural resilience.

Additionally, the CPI called for a **high-level probe into the alleged cattle smuggling and cow sale scam** at **Goru Khuti's agricultural farm**, demanding accountability and punishment for those involved.

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