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Curfew continues in Chirang



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A 12-hour BTAD bandh call by the Rabiram faction of the BPPF is paralyzing the normal life in the BTAD area on Saturday. All markets, shops, offices, educational institutions and banks are remaining closed. Vehicles are also remaining off the roads with only a few moving on National Highway 31(c) with police escort.

All markets, shops, offices, educational institutions and banks remained closed while vehicles remained off the roads with only a few moving on National Highway 31(c) with police escort, the sources said.

The curfew was imposed in areas falling in the Runikata police station area and under Bengtol police outpost.

The camp along the Indo-Bhutan border was dismantled as the militant outfit was provided with designated camps as per the ceasefire guidelines. Kokrajhar Deputy Commissioner J Gogoi and Superintendent of Police have been monitoring the situation.

The police firing took place as some 2000 people thronged in Runikata police station area and under Bengtol police and tried to prevent the camp from being dismantled, claiming the camp was necessary in the interest of peace when the NDFB was on ceasefire with the Centre.

The chairman of the Bodoland Territorial Council, under which Chirang falls, Hagrama Mohilary describing the situation as "unfortunate" and a "political conspiracy" offered to provide jobs to the next of kin of the victims under the BTC.

Deputy Commissioner of Kokrajhar district falling under the BTAD, has convened a peace meeting today with various political parties, students organisations, NGOs, prominent citizens and other stake-holders for maintaining peace in the area.



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