

## Dutta's date with Sonia



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Amid resurfacing dissidence APCC president Anjan Dutta is scheduled to meet Sonia [Gandhi](#) to discuss some crucial issues on Tuesday.

Sources told Assam Times that Dutta is likely to seek the party high command's seal of approval for stern action [against](#) the dissident [leaders](#).

Apart from poll strategies, dissidence by Dr Himanta Biswa Sarma, Balin Kuli, [Hiranya Bora](#) are expected to figure in the discussion scheduled at the [10<sup>th</sup>](#) Janpath on Tuesday afternoon.

Dutta along with [chief](#) minister arrived in [New Delhi](#) on Monday and attended Sonia [Gandhi](#)'s iftar party in the evening.

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## Koch-Rajbongshis reiterates demand for Kamatapur, ST status



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**UDALGURI:** Reiterating its demand of Kamatapur statehood and Scheduled Tribe ([ST](#)) categorization of the Koch-Rajbongshi community, the [Udalguri](#) district committee All Koch-Rajbongshi Students' Union (AKRSU) along with All Koch-Rajbongshi Sanmilani(AKRS) staged sit-in-protest at the DC office premises here in [Udalguri](#) on Monday. The organizations, staged the protest for three hours starting from 11 pm. The protestors came down heavily on the alleged statement made by [Tribal](#) Affairs Minister, Juel Oram , that it takes four decades to [grant ST](#) status to a community, and hence there's little hope for fulfilling the [demands](#) for [ST](#) status. The activists holding placards raised high pitched slogans and rented the air with 'No [ST](#) no rest', 'BJP go back'. [President](#) of [Udalguri](#), AKRSU, Atul Barman alleged that the government has turned deaf ears to the genuine [demands](#) of the community for years.

He also criticized the government for making false promises regarding fulfillment of their [demands](#) within six months from coming into power. The [student leader](#) also alleged that [indigenous](#) Koch-Rajbongshi people have been meted out harassment at various places of [state](#) in the ongoing verification of [National](#) Register of Citizens(NRC). He further stated that if the government doesn't [grant ST](#) status to the community before 2019 Lok Sabha polls, the people will be forced to vote the alternative parties. [President](#) of All Koch Rajbongshi Sanmilani (AKRS), Sunil Kumar Barman also criticized the saffron party and PM Modi for false pre-poll promises. The two organizations also submitted separate memorandums to Prime Minister, [Narendra Modi](#) and Chief Minister, Sarbananda Sonowal through the office of Deputy Commissioner, [Udalguri](#).

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