

Guwahati to honour Don Bosco with a statue



Comments 1



CM Paul 26 July 2015 Updated 26 Jul 22603 views

The month of August will see several celebrations in the [city](#) of Guwahati, the gateway of northeast India, to mark the conclusion of the bi-centenary of the [birth](#) of St John Bosco.

The state of Assam and the [city](#) of Guwahati will honour the saint of youth Don Bosco and in recognition of the work done by his sons and daughters (Salesian fathers, brothers and sisters, alumni and co-operators) for [over](#) 90 years in northeast India since 1922, will install a life size state of the saint at Nabin Chandra Bordoloi Library junction.

Don Bosco was born in Becchi, in the Piedmont province of northern Italy, 16 August 1815.

Provincial of Guwahati Salesian Province Fr V.M. Thomas and Vice-Chancellor of Assam Don Bosco University Dr Stephen Mavely, met with the Chief Minister Shri [Tarun Gogoi](#) at his residence office at Kainadhara Hillock, 23 July to invite him for the concluding ceremony of the [birth](#) Centenary of Don Bosco, 16 August.

The same day, 16th August also marks the inauguration of the first Salesian University in India and the first Don Bosco University in the English speaking world at its permanent campus at Tapesia near Sonapur, some 17 kms off the state capital Dispur.

Mr Allen Brooks, the chairperson of the Assam State Commission for Minorities accompanied Fr. VM Thomas, and Dr. Stephen Mavely who presented Shri Gogoi with the replica of the statue of St. John Bosco.

Other cities in northeast India which have honoured Don Bosco with life size statue are Shillong, Meghalaya (Don Bosco Road and Square), [Dimapur](#), [Nagaland](#), and Agartala, [Tripura](#).

CM Paul

Former HoD, Dept of Mass Communications at Assam Don Bosco University, Guwahati, C.M. Paul was editor of The Herald weekly in Kolkata and director of Don Bosco International News Agency (ANS) based in Rome. He did MA in Journalism & Mass Communication from FORDHAM University, New York.

BY CM PAUL

TIST 2026 Marks Decennial Edition at Salesian College

Educationist's Autobiography blends faith, leadership, and youth empowerment

Student Wellness Takes Center Stage at North East Educational Leaders' Conference

'eComPhyMathix 2025' Inspires Young Innovators Across North Bengal

Darjeeling's First-Ever 'Doko Trail Run' Scheduled

ON THIS DAY

Justice Ajay Lamba sworn in as Chief Justice of the Gauhati High Court

Players feted

Musician Kishor Giri passes away

United Bank of India officials march against bad loans at Daboka

Deplorable power supply situation in Silchar

RELATED

Rongmei Community Holds 8th Cultural and Freshers' Meet in Guwahati

GPS Study Maps Elephant Movement Across Assam, Highlights Key Corridors

UPPL Accuses BPF of Failing to Fulfil Poll Promises

NEADS, Change Alliance Partner to Strengthen Climate-Resilient Livelihoods in Assam

Indigenous Peoples' Group Marks Foundation Day in Mariani
