

In grip of Rongali Bihu



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The wait is over. Rongali bihu is back. The much -vaunted festival begins across the state on Monday with goru bihu.

Cattles were bathed and worshiped in the rural riversides or open fields full of water in the morning which marks the beginning of the seven day long festival.

Rongali Bihu wishes are pouring in from Sunday. Prime Minister Dr Manmohan Singh, chief minister Tarun Gogoi and his Arunachal Pradesh counterpart Nabam Tuki have greeted the people on the occasion.

People of all walks of life are welcoming the new years day of the Assamese calendar on Tuesday.

Bihu functions are lined up across the state to mark the occasion. Guwahati alone have over 500 bihu functions to be held during the next couple of days.

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KOKRAJHAR, September 22, 2026 — The All Bodo Students' Union (ABSU) on Tuesday burnt copies of a book titled *Hamkoshar Parishista* during protests held at several locations across Assam, including Gauhati University, objecting to what it described as the use of the Assamese script to represent the Bodo language.

Hamkoshar Parishista is a multilingual appendix containing learning resources for indigenous languages of Assam, including Bodo, Rabha, Mising and Karbi.

During the protests, ABSU members alleged that Bodo has been represented in the publication using the Assamese script instead of Devanagari, the script used for Bodo.

The organisation asserted that Bodo is recognised under the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution of India and is an Associate Official Language of Assam. ABSU demanded that Bodo be represented in its recognised script in educational and learning resources.

ABSU president Khwrmmdao Wary said the use of the Assamese script to represent Bodo in the publication was disrespectful to the Bodo language and literature.

He said Bodo is an Associate Official Language of Assam and a language recognised under the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution.

Wary demanded the immediate withdrawal of the publication in its present form and called for the use of the Devanagari script for Bodo in the book.



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