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### PPFA mourns at SK Sinha's demise



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Patriotic People's Front Assam (PPFA) expressed profound grief at the demise of former Assam Governor (</taxonomy/term/2435>) Lieutenant General (retired) Srinivas Kumar Sinha, who breathed his last on Thursday in New Delhi (</taxonomy/term/1868>) and termed him as (</taxonomy/term/2291>) a patriot and a true friend of Assam.

As (/taxonomy/term/2291) the constitutional head of Assam (1997 to 2003), Sinha contributed immensely for the Assamese (/taxonomy/term/2159) society in particular. It was his report on millions of illegal Bangladeshi migrants in the State, which emerged as (/taxonomy/term/2291) an important reference in the apex court's verdict on scrapping of the Illegal Migration Detection By Tribunal (IMDT) Act (/taxonomy/term/1974).

Param Vishist Sewa Medal winner Sinha (1926– (/taxonomy/term/1961)2016 (/taxonomy/term/1961)) was instrumental in projecting three great personalities of Assam namely Mahapurush Shrimanta Shankardev, legendary hero Lachit Borphukan and Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi as (/taxonomy/term/2291) national icons.

Sinha installed a huge portrait of Shankardev in the Drabar hall of Raj Bhawan, Guwahati. A statue of General Lachit was installed at National (/taxonomy/term/1874) Defence Academy, Pune and a gold medal instituted in his name with Sinha's sole initiative.

Even Sinha's bid to rename Guwahati airport as (/taxonomy/term/2291) Lokpriya Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport (/taxonomy/term/2134) and posthumously honour Lokpriya with Bharat Ratna, besides installing a life size bronze statue of the great statesman in the premises of Lok Sabha in New Delhi (/taxonomy/term/1868), is well recognized.

People of Assam will always remember Sinha as (/taxonomy/term/2291) Asom Bandhu because of his significant contributions in the time of enormous crisis (/taxonomy/term/2355), said a statement issued by Rupam Barua and Nava Thakuria on behalf of PPF.



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