

ULFA(I) questions asylum move



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The anti-talk faction of the United Liberation Front of Asom has made it plain and simple that under no circumstances they would allow the authorities to provide asylum to foreigners who had fled religious persecution in Bangladesh.

In its editorial column of the *Swadhinata*, they equally castigated Chief minister Tarun [Gogoi](#) and state BJP president Sarbananda [Sonowal](#) with harsh words for trying to retain the Bangladeshi vote banks.

[ULFA](#) (I) said that both [Gogoi](#) and [Sonowal](#) would be responsible if anybody from Bangladesh, [Nepal](#), [Bhutan](#) or Burma is given asylum.

The statement assumes significance a few couple of days after the [Assam](#) government announced that it would move the [Centre](#) to frame a policy to grant asylum to persons who fled religious persecution and discrimination and took refuge in India on humanitarian grounds.

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Statue of first Bodo engineer Haliram Brahma installed at Bodoland University



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KOKRAJHAR, September 19, 2026 — A statue of late Haliram Brahma, regarded as the first engineer from the Bodo community, was installed at the Bodoland University campus here on Thursday to mark his birth anniversary.

The statue was formally inaugurated by former president of the Bodo Sahitya Sabha, Surath Narzary, with the stated aim of inspiring the younger generation and commemorating Brahma's contribution.

A memorial meeting was subsequently held at the Jouhlao Nileswar Brahma Auditorium of Bodoland University in memory of Haliram Brahma.

The meeting was attended by Bodoland University Registrar Prahlad Basumatary, Head of the Department of Chemistry Professor Sanjay Basumatary, Professor Jatin Sharma, Bodo Sahitya Sabha president Gopinath Bargaoyary, Kokrajhar Girls' College Principal Dr Adaram Basumatary, Kokrajhar University Vice-Chancellor Dr Ganesh Chandra Owari, BB Engineering College Principal Kamal Kumar Brahma, Sahitya Akademi Award winner Indira Boro and Anjali Basumatary.

Haliram Brahma's two sons, Dr Ganesh Brahma and Girish Chandra Brahma, along with other dignitaries and family members, were also present at the memorial programme.

Haliram Brahma was born on September 17, 1928, at Simbargaon in present-day Kokrajhar district. Regarded as the first engineer from the Bodo community, he died on August 13, 1971.

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