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### Violence mars Arunachal Pradesh bandh



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An orgy of violence marred the 12 hour Arunachal ([/taxonomy/term/2194](#)) Pradesh on Tuesday called in protest against the Centre’s move to accord citizenship to the Chakma ([/taxonomy/term/2481](#)) and Hajong refugees ([/taxonomy/term/2450](#)) in the north eastern state ([/taxonomy/term/2332](#)).

Tension started escalating in the capital city of Itanagar (/taxonomy/term/2394) where a section of the bandh (/taxonomy/term/100) supporters vandalized the state (/taxonomy/term/2332) BJP office apart from setting afire a few vehicles on the roads (/taxonomy/term/2454). At least four vehicles, including a state (/taxonomy/term/2332) transport corporation bus were set on fire.

Normal life remained heavily disrupted under the impact of the bandh (/taxonomy/term/100) called by the All Arunachal (/taxonomy/term/2194) Pradesh Students' Union (AAPSU (/taxonomy/term/2363)) supported by all tribal students unions across the north eastern state (/taxonomy/term/2332).

Roads from early in the morning wore a desert look. Shops and markets, schools and colleges, banks and offices remained closed while security forces were deployed in the public places to deal (/taxonomy/term/1922) with the orgy of violence.

Talking to Assam Times, AAPS leaders (/taxonomy/term/2082) said, “Our message is simple and clear. The indigenous (/taxonomy/term/2124) lot will never tolerate arbitrary decisions of the centre. Beyond doubt (/taxonomy/term/2213) the move would could change demography.”

Another bandh (/taxonomy/term/100) supporter said, “we are facing the threat of being outnumbered by refugees (/taxonomy/term/2450) in certain areas, we are fully prepared to make Delhi realise the rights (/taxonomy/term/1990) of the indigenous (/taxonomy/term/2124).”

The Centre cleared its position in the light of the Supreme Court order a coupe of days. Union minister for home Kiren Rijiju who himself hails from the state (/taxonomy/term/2332) tried to convince the people that the move won't dilute the indigenous (/taxonomy/term/2124) rights (/taxonomy/term/1990) since the new citizens wont have the land rights (/taxonomy/term/1990).



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