

15-man cabinet likely for Assam

NEW DELHI, March 9: The Janata party high command today cleared the size and personnel of Assam's council of ministers to be sworn in on Sunday under the leadership of Mr. Golap Borbora.

Mr. Borbora had a long discussion with the party president, Mr. Chandra Shekhar, on the formation of the ministry. Mr. Borbora also met the home minister, Mr. Charan Singh, and the defence minister, Mr. Jagjivan Ram.

The council of ministers is not likely to exceed 15 and would be of a representative character, including tribals, plains tribals and Muslims.

One representative of the plains tribal council of Assam, an ally of the Janata party in the state, is likely to be inducted in the ministry.

Mr. Borbora said as there was no woman Janata member of the assembly, he would be unable to give representation to women in the ministry.—Samachar.

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