

11 Dissidents Resign From Assam Janata

GAUHATI, Aug. 7.—Eleven dissident Janata MLAs in Assam today resigned from the primary membership of the party, reports PTI.

Announcing this soon after the two-day meeting of the Assam Janata Legislative Party meeting here, a spokesman of the dissident group said that Mr Tarini Mohan Baruah, three former Ministers and a former parliamentary secretary were among those who resigned.

The spokesman said the decision was being communicated to the Governor, Mr L. Singh, the Speaker, Mr J. N. Hazarika, and the Chief Minister, Mr Golap Borbor.

Last month, four Janata legislators, including two former Ministers, resigned from the primary membership of the party and formed Janata (S). This was reduced the strength of Janata to 46 in 126-member Assam Assembly.

The ruling Janata Party has, however, been supported by 11 CPI(M), 4 Plain Tribal Council of Assam and some Independent members.

The Statement.

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