

# Assam Ministry To Be Reconstituted

GAUHATI, June 24.—The Assam Chief Minister, Mr Golap Borbora, said here today that he had been given a free hand by the Janata leadership to reconstitute his Ministry, reports UNI.

Mr Borbora, on his return from Delhi, said at his official residence in Dispur, the temporary capital, that he would prepare his list of Ministers and submit it at to the party president, Mr Chandra Shekhar, before finalizing it. Replying to a question, he said he was not in favour of creating a post of Deputy Chief Minister.

The Chief Minister said he would ask all Ministers, including State Ministers, to submit their resignations after the Cabinet meeting to be held tomorrow morning. They would, however, be asked to continue till the new list was finalized. After that the resignation letters would be sent to the Governor.

During his stay in Delhi, Mr Borbora said he had called on the Prime Minister, the Home Minister, Mr H. M. Patel, several Central Ministers and Mr Chandra Shekhar, says PTI.

Mr Borbora apprised the Central leaders of the "explosive" situation in Mizoram and requested the Centre to take steps so that the non-Mizos could live peacefully. The Centre had promised all help to ensure peace.

A Staff Reporter adds: Mr Golap Borbora told reporters at Calcutta airport on Sunday that any change in his Cabinet would be subject to the approval of the Central party leaders. Asked whether the Cabinet would be expanded, he said that this was likely but could not say whether the number of Cabinet Ministers and State Ministers would be increased.

Mr Borbora said that about 200 people had come to Silchar from Mizoram. There were no fresh incidents of violence along the Assam-Mizoram border, but tension was prevailing, he added.

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