

# Assam Speaker Resigns from Janata

GAUHATI, Aug. 28.

Mr. Jogendranath Hazarika, Speaker of the Assam Legislative Assembly, to-day resigned from the Janata Legislature Party.

Mr. Hazarika said here that he had sent his resignation letter to the leader of the Janata Legislature Party, Mr. Golap Borbora.

With his resignation the strength of the JLP has been reduced to 40 in the 126-member Assam Assembly.

Earlier, 20 Janata MLAs, had resigned from the party.—PTI.

UNI reports:

Mr. Hazarika however, has not resigned from the post of Speaker.

Mr. Hazarika said that he had not joined any other party.

The Janata Legislature Party would meet on Aug. 30 to discuss the latest political situation in the State and the Centre.

The State Assembly has been summoned by the Governor on September 3 and most probably a no-confidence motion against the present Ministry would be moved by the dissident Janata members who had formed the "Dal" if the Chief Minister did not ring in a motion to seek a vote of confidence as demanded by them.

Three left political parties—the CPI (M), the CPI and the RCPI—and the Janata (S) have arrived at a consensus that "the Borbora

Ministry as its stands cannot be supported if the question of expressing confidence on it comes on the floor of the House."

In a joint statement representatives of the parties said that under no circumstances, they would extend support to any party or force which had got in touch with authoritarian or communal forces.

The CPI-M which has eleven members in the Assembly and RCPI with 4 MLAs, have been supporting the Borbora Ministry from outside.

The CPI and the Janata (S) have six and four members respectively while the RSP has none.

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