

Bid To Ensure Leftist Parties' Support To Barбора

By A Staff Reporter

GAUHATI, August 30—The Assam Janata Legislature party tonight requested the State Committee of the Janata Party to initiate dialogue with the leftist parties and fronts for continuance and strengthening of their support to maintain the stability of the Janata Government in the State.

The Janata Legislature Party which met here today to review the current political situation in the State after prolonged discussion in two sessions expressed the hope that the leftist parties, fronts and progressive members of the legislature who extended their support to the formation of Janata Government in the State would continue their support to the Barбора Ministry in the present critical situation.

Altogether 44 members of the JLP including three associate members of the PTCA participated in the meeting, according to Sri Jibon Bora, Secretary of the Janata Legislature Party. The Chief Minister, Sri Golap Barбора, presided over the meeting.

The meeting by a resolution called upon those members who left the Janata Party to return to the party fold and requested the State unit of the party to take initiative in this regard.

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The meeting observed that in view of the present political situation in the country and particularly due to the ensuing mid-term poll, the stability of the State Government should be maintained to fulfil the hopes and aspirations of the people of Assam.

Among those who participated in the discussion were—Sri Kiron Bezbaruah, Sri Dulal Chandra Baruah, Sri Nagen Sarma, Sri Bhubaneswar Barman, Sri Umesh Das, Sri Golak Kakati, Sri Anil Das, Sri Debananda Bora and Sri Ajoy Dutta.

The JLP will meet again on September 2 to discuss the situation.

Sri Biswa Goswami, General Secretary, Janata Party, Assam, in a statement, said today that the Janata Party in the State "is committed to fight against authoritarianism and communal and other sectarian forces and "it will continue to fight against these evil forces". He said forces which were responsible for creating the present political situation at the national level

are practically absent in Assam and therefore "politics in Assam need not take the shape of all-India pattern".

He said "Janata Party and other progressive, leftist democratic parties in Assam would come closer and unitedly fight against communal and other forces and the vested interests. He hoped that the left democratic, progressive forces would continue their support to the Janata Government in Assam.

Meanwhile, the Congress (I) Legislature Party is stated to have decided to move a no-confidence motion against the Barбора Ministry. Three other parties—Congress, CPI, Assam Janata Dal and PDF have already decided in an information meeting to a vote of non-confidence against the Barбора Ministry.

Dr. Tarini Mohon Barooh, Chairman of the Assam Janata Dal, in a statement said the strength of the Dal would increase to 30 within September 3. He said some Ministers are also likely to join the Dal by resigning from the Cabinet and the strength of the Dal would increase further to 40 to 45.

Dr. Barooh claimed that the Janata Legislature Party meeting held today was attended by 22 members including three PTCA MLAs in the morning and 32 in the evening session which showed, he added, that the Barбора Ministry had been reduced to a minority Government.

Assam Chief Minister Sri Golap Barбора told PTI yesterday that there was no question of his bowing out of office on the eve of the ensuing State Assembly session.

The Chief Minister said that there was no threat of his Ministry as he still commanded comfortable majority in the House, although several members of the ruling Janata resigned from the party.

Sri Barбора emphatically declared that he was confident that he would be able to prove his actual strength in the floor of the House. He expressed

his robust optimism and maintained that the Janata Party, the largest single political party in Assam, will remain in power.

Sri Barбора appealed to the Janata MLAs who resigned from the party to come back to the party to strengthen his hands at this critical juncture so that the Janata Party could fulfil the election pledges for the benefit of all sections of the people. He said that there might be some misunderstanding among a section of the Janata MLAs which forced them to leave the party. He felt that the differences could be sorted out to create conditions so that unity and integrity of the ruling Janata Party could be maintained.

GU Administration Paralysed

GAUHATI, Aug 30—The Gauhati University administration remained paralysed for the third successive day today as a result of the agitation launched by the Post-Graduate Students' Union against the failure of the authorities to punish those found guilty by the GU Enquiry Commission, 1978, agitation will continue indefinitely without hampering the tabulation works of B.A and B.Com examinations so as not to delay the publication of the results, says PGSU press communique.

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