

# Bid to Solve Janata Tangle in Assam

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Fresh efforts are under way to settle the differences between the two warring groups of the Assam Janata Legislature Party and to resolve the crisis facing the 11-day-old reconstituted Assam Ministry.

The Chief Minister, Mr. Golap Borbora, called upon Janata Party-men in the State to remain united so that they could fulfil the election pledges to the people.

He said the Janata Party must remain united at all cost to meet the democratic aspirations of the people and to avoid a possible spell of President's rule.

Mr. Borbora said the dissidents could discuss with him and sort out the differences.

Mr. Golok Kakaty, Chief Whip of the Janata Legislature Party, continued his efforts to bring together the JLP factions. He said he had met several members from both sides and had succeeded in removing the misunderstanding to some extent.

Mr. Kakaty said that the dissidents also desired that the party should remain united for the sake of a stable Government.

A section of the dissidents feels that withdrawal of support to the leader of the Janata Legislature Party is tantamount to deserting the party.

It also feels that the dissidents should desist from the move as it might help the opposition parties to take advantage of the situation.

Dr. Tarani Mohan Baruah, leader of the dissident group, however, reiterated that the Chief Minister should step down as he had lost majority support.

He said 21 Janata MLAs out of 61 had already withdrawn their

support to Mr. Borbora and more were likely to do so in a few days.

This had been communicated to the Governor, Mr. L. P. Singh, and the Speaker of the Assembly, Mr. J. N. Hazarika, he added.—PTT.

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