

# AASU, AAGSP To Join Tripartite Talks

## Next Phase Of Agitation Announced

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—THE ALL ASSAM STUDENTS UNION AND ALL ASSAM GANA SANGRAM PARISHAD TODAY DECIDED TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PROPOSED TRIPARTITE TALKS AND AT THE SAME TIME ANNOUNCED THEIR AGITATIONAL PROGRAMME, IN BETWEEN DECEMBER 27 AND JANUARY 26, 1982, OF POSTER CAMPAIGN, 36-HOUR ROAD BLOCKADE, 36-HOUR CIVIL DISOBEDIENCE AND "ASSAM CURFEW" ON REPUBLIC DAY.

The crucial joint meeting of the AASU and AAGSP was held this evening at an undisclosed venue as the formal venue was raided by the police and CRP at about 2-30 p.m. There were three/four members, who made good their escape, when the venue was raided. Sri Prafulla Kumar Mahanta, President, AASU, presided over the meeting.

Briefing the waiting newsmen immediately after the joint meeting, Sri Atul Bora one of the AAGSP conveners and Sri Nagen Sarma, Adviser AASU said that AASU and AAGSP will join the tripartite meeting and hold talks on the basis of their 17-point draft proposals regarding the detection, deletion of names from voters lists and dispersal or deportation of the detected

foreigners. A seven-member team of the AASU and AAGSP headed by Sri Bhriku Kumar Phukan, AASU General Secretary, will leave for Delhi tomorrow or the day after to meet the opposition leaders and National Press to explain the revised the 17-point proposals and also 12-point proposals of the Government. Besides Sri Phukan, the other members of the team are Sri Digen Bora, Sri Arun Sarma and Sri Nurul Hussain (AASU) and Sri Biraj Sarma, Sri Arup Bardoloi and Sri Chandra Mohan Patowary (AAGSP).

The poster campaign for two days, Sri Bora and Sri Sarma said, will start on December 27. During the two days of postering on December 27 and 28, efforts will be made to boost the morale of the people all over State. On December 28, people caused disabled due to police and CRP action will be given public reception locally in all places in keeping with the International year for the disabled persons. According to Sri Sarma, about 700 people were maimed or crippled as a result of police and CRP beating, torture and firings during the two years movement for defending the socio-cultural and political identity of the indigenous people from being swamped by lakhs of foreign nationals.

The Road blockade programme for 36 hours will be

launched on December 31 at 5 a.m. and end at five in the evening of the New Year's day. During the last 12 hours of the blockade, train will be covered, besides the Government buses and water transports.

The road blockade will be followed by a Dispur March by the AASU and AAGSP Executive members on January 4 defying prohibitory orders under Section 144 Cr PC now in force for indefinite period. A memorandum will be submitted to the Chief Secretary to the Government of Assam demanding stoppage of police and CRP atrocities on innocent people, release of the arrested Government employees and solution to the problems of the State.

The 36-hour Civil Disobedience will began at 5 a.m. on January 10 and end at 5 p.m. of January 11. During this phase of civil disobedience, people will come out in strength violating the 144 and will travel in Government buses and water transport without tickets. The people will be asked not to buy postal stamps and not to make any financial transactions in post offices. They will also enter cinema houses without paying Amuse-

ment taxes on those two days.

As decided by the AASU and AAGSP this afternoon, the resumed phase of agitational programme will be rounded off by imposition of "Assam Curfew" on January 26, the Republic Day. This curfew will be promulgated by the AASU and AAGSP prohibiting people coming out of their houses from early morning till late in evening on that day.

Sri Biraj Sarma, who was also present at the time of Press briefing, said that the AASU and AAGSP took serious exception to the raid in the venue of the joint meeting and have condemned in unequivocal terms the "unwarranted" action of the police and CRP.

PTI adds: Sri Bora said the next phase of the agitation would be launched with a State-wide poster campaign with six slogans on December 27 and 28.

The executive's decision to participate in the talks would be formally communicated to the Centre through the State's Chief Secretary or through the delegation of the AASU and the AAGSP, which would leave here for Delhi tomorrow on a publicity campaign.

The movement leaders have also decided to celebrate 'Silpi Divas' (Day of Artists) at a centrally sponsored function at Tezpur on January 17 in memory of Jyoti Prasad Agarwala, the revolutionary artiste of Assam.

The new phase of the agitation will conclude on January 26 when the sponsors of the movement would declare dawn dusk 'Assam Curfew' prohibiting the people from coming out the volunteers of AASU and AAGSP would 'arrest' those, who violate 'The Assam Curfew' barring those exempted, Sri Bora said.

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