

# AASU's Appeal To Join 'Path Bandh' Programme

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GUWAHATI, Nov. 26 — The All Assam Students Union has called upon the people of Assam, specially the student community, workers, employees, teachers and farmers, to make the proposed 12-hour 'Path Bandh' programme from 5 a.m. to 5 p.m. on November 30 a success.

In a statement, Sri Prafulla Kumar Mahanta, AASU President and Sri Bhriagu Kumar Phukan, its General Secretary have appealed to the people and particularly the private, Government and semi-Government transport associations not to ply their vehicles on that day. The employees and drivers of the Assam State Transport Corporation have also been requested to cooperate with the programme.

## EXEMPTIONS

Several exemptions have been made from the purview of the programme. These included the vehicles engaged in water supply, milk supply, fire services, news services, and also the vehicles used by the officers to enforce law and order, Army and Police.

The students will boycott their classes on that day but all examinations will be held as schedule.

The business establishments, shops and markets will remain open. People from all walks of life under the leadership of different AASU units, will come out on the streets and give the slogan—"Deport Foreigners", the statement said.

The new phase of movement demanding the solution to the foreigners issue resumed on November 19 last with the observance of the 36-hour Assam Bandh to be followed by rallies all over the State from November 22--29.

Earlier, several rallies were held all over the Greater Guwahati on November 10, when the proposed central rally at Judges Field was not allowed to be held by the authorities.

The All Guwahati Students Union and All Mangoldoi Students Union, in a separate statements, have appealed to the people of Assam, to come out in the streets to make the programme a grand success.

Meanwhile in a separate statement the Asom Yuvak Samaj has appealed to the people of Assam in general and

the workers of the Yuvak Samaj, to hold protest rallies in different parts of the State and to join the 'Path Bandh' programme of the current movement on foreigners issue on November 30.

## FOR NEXT COURSE

The Executive Committee of the All Assam Students Union is likely to meet here next week to decide its next course of action.

The current phase of the resumed agitation on foreigners issue will end with the 'Path Bandh' programme on November 30.

The executive is also expected to discuss the letter of the Union Home Secretary on November 17 asking the movement leaders to go to Delhi for talks, an AASU spokesman here said.

The AASU and All Assam Gana Sangram Parishad have not yet sent any reply to the letter.

The movement leaders have been holding regional level rallies in different parts of the State since November 22 to explain the people the latest position of the movement.

Mass-rallies were held today at the Pragiyotish College auditorium and the Pragati Sangha's auditorium at Santipur inspite of all-out effort of the Police and CRP to foil it. Sri Lalit Rajkhowa, Adviser, All Assam Students Union and Md. Matiuw Rahman, Convenor All Guwahati Students Union spoke at the meeting, an AGSU statement said.

A mass rally will be held near the Girls High School at Gandhibasti at 2 p.m. on November 28, it is learnt.

Meanwhile, Sri Srinivash Bhattacharyya, and Sri Munindra Nabis, Student activists, who were arrested on November 19 last, have been released on bail, here today.

According to our Nalbari Correspondent Sri Ramani Mohan Gayan, and Sri Naren Talukdar, President, Nalbari Zila Karmachari Parishad who were arrested under the Essential Services Maintenance Act, 1980, have been released on bail.

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