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AGSU's Call To Observe Protest Day Today

GUWAHATI, Dec. 15—The All Guwahati Student Union has given a call for observing Protest Day in the city tomorrow to register indignation at the indiscriminate arrests of students and atrocities on peaceful masses by police and CRP.

While condemning the strong-arm methods of the Government, the AGSU said in a statement that during 36 hours of civil disobedience police and CRP meted out inhuman treatment to peaceful agitators in different parts of the State. The statement requested the students of Guwahati to stay away from their class and demand immediate and unconditional release of the arrested students.

The statement said that Sri Anil Daimari, of B Barooah College and Sri Mamani Talukdar, Sri Bina Devi and Sri Nilotpala Barmari of Gandhi Girls College were arrested by Guwahati police.

Employees To Stage Demonstrations On Dec 18

GUWAHATI, Dec 15—The officers, employees, workers and teachers of Assam will stage demonstrations in their work-places before and after duty hours on December 18 in protest against the continued Government repressions perpetrated on them.

Meanwhile the Sadou Asom Karmachari Parishad has renewed its call to the workers, employees, officers and teachers of Assam to make the demonstration a success.

Youth Arrested Under Arms Act

By A Staff Reporter
GUWAHATI, Dec. 15—A youth hailing from West Dinajpur District of West Bengal was arrested here on December 12 last under the Arms Act for carrying arms and ammunitions without license, it is reliably learnt.

The youth is stated to have been travelling from Siliguri to Jorhat by the 3 up Assam Mail, when he was challenged by the Excise Department at the Guwahati Railway Station. On checking, a 4"-5" long barrel and few other iron parts were found in his satchel. The Excise officials suspecting the items to be components of fire-arms handed him over to the Railway Police who confirmed their suspicions. The components when joined together turned out to be a pistol. Later, two bullets were found in the waist band of his pants. On interrogation, the youth admitted that he himself could manufacture such pistols. Police interrogations are continuing.

Bomb Explosion In North Lakhimpur

GUWAHATI, Dec. 15—A private car parked in a centre of North Lakhimpur town was damaged when a bomb, planted inside by some miscreants, exploded this afternoon. Official sources here said there was no occupant in the car at the time of explosion. One person has been arrested.—PTI.

AASU And AAGSP Congratulate People

By A Staff Reporter
GUWAHATI, Dec. 15—The AASU and AAGSP today congratulated the people of Assam for making this travel-without-ticket phase of Civil Disobedience programme a success. The sponsors of the movement on foreign nationals issue in two separate statements have appealed to the people to remain prepared for the next phase of agitation.

In one statement, the AASU President Sri Prafulla Kumar Mahanta and General Secretary, Sri Bhriku Kumar Phukan said that many people breaking the human barriers of police, CRP and security forces did travel without ticket in Government buses and trains and thus made this phase of civil disobedience a success. In many places of the State and more particularly at Nowgong, Senshowa and Salmara, thousands of people turned up to board in trains and S. T. buses without ticket, the authorities dared not to arrest those people and

instead resorted to lathi-charge to disperse them. Sri Mahanta and Sri Phukan described this as an instance of undemocratic and indiscipline act. They said that in this movement for freeing the motherland from the grip of foreigners, many people lost their precious lives, many Government employees were dismissed, suspended and transferred and many people got crippled for life and yet they will not rest till the goal is achieved.

In the other statement signed by two conveners of the AAGSP Sri Atul Bora and Sri Biraj Sarma said in spite of deployment of CRP, police and security forces, the Government failed to run the normal fleet of vehicles. People in thousands travelled without ticket in Government buses, ferries and trains, they asserted.

The President of the Asom Jatiyatabadi Yuba-Chatra Parishad, Sri Probin Kumar Gogoi has in a statement congratulated the people for making the first phase of the Civil Disobedience movement a 'total success'. Sri Gogoi said that the stoppage of ferry and bus services by the Government was a defeat for the Government itself.

Sri Gogoi also condemned the arrest of Sri Bipul Mahanta, Joint Secretary of the Parishad. He charged the Government of letting-loose atrocities upon the peace loving people in the name of maintaining law and order.

The Asom Yuvak Samaj also congratulated people for making this phase of civil disobedience programme a success.