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# 14 Assam Ministers To Be Sworn In Today

NEW DELHI, Jan. 21.—Fourteen Ministers of Assam will be sworn in tomorrow, the Chief Minister, Mr Keshab Chandra Gogoi, said here today, report PTI and UNI.

Mr Gogoi, who is leaving for Dispur tomorrow morning, told reporters that his would be a three-tier composite Ministry, representing all sections.

He said the names of the new incumbents would be announced at Dispur.

Mr Gogoi was sworn in as the Chief Minister on January 13. No other Ministers were sworn in with him.

The Assam Left and Democratic Alliance Legislature Party today urged—President Sanjiva Reddy to dismiss the State Governor, Mr Prakash Mehrotra, for alleged failure to discharge his duty enshrined in the Constitution.

The party in a resolution adopted at its general body meeting, criticized the Governor saying that he had acted as an "instrument" of the Congress (I) and "exceeded his constitutional power" to install the Congress (I) "minority Ministry" in the State.

Despite the Alliance having the support of 65 members, substantiated before him, the Governor had installed a "minority Congress (I) Ministry", they said.

In a statement, the party said when the representatives of the alliance had called on the President at Kaziranga on October 24 last year, the Governor, who was present there, gave the alliance a "solemn assurance" that the minority Ministry would never be installed. Subsequently, on a number of occasions, he reiterated his assurance.

"But suddenly throwing to the winds all his assurance, decency and decorum of the office he holds and violating all constitutional and parliamentary practices norms and conventions he install-

ed the minority Ministry at the dictates of the Central Ministers, who were deputed here for the purpose by the Congress (I) leadership", it said.

According to Mr Dulai Chandra Barua, deputy leader of the Assam Janata Legislature Party, President Reddy has said that he will inquire from the Prime Minister about the complaint that Mr Mehrotra is playing a "partisan role". Mr Barua said this on his return from New Delhi today.

Meanwhile, sources close to the Assam movement leaders said in New Delhi today that an agreement on the "foreign nationals" issue might be reached at the next round of tripartite talks in February. An official spokesman expressed similar sentiments at a Press briefing last night.

Assam movement sources said the presence of the Opposition representatives had given a certain status to the talks. Once a fool-proof formula for the detection of foreigners was found, deletion of their names from electoral rolls would be easy, the sources said.

The movement leaders will leave for Gauhati tomorrow morning.

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