

Opposition also invited

Assam talks on Jan 18

NEW DELHI, Jan. 6 (UNI): The Government today formally invited leaders of six Opposition parties to a combined meeting with representatives of the All-Assam Students Union (AASU) and the All-Assam Gana Sangram Parishad (AAGSP) on January 18 to discuss the foreigners' issue.

The decision to have tripartite talks was taken on December 10, when Prime Minister Indira Gandhi had a meeting with leaders of Opposition parties in Parliament.

The leaders invited are: Mr Indrajit Gupta (CPD), Mr H. K. Surjeet (CPM), Mr Charan Singh (Lok Dal), Mr Ravindra Varma (Janata), Mr A. B. Vajpayee (BJP) and Mr Bhela Paswan Shastri (Congress-S).

Parliamentary Affairs Minister Bhishma Narain Singh told newsmen that the names were decided following informal consultations with Opposition parties.

The Government will be represented at the meeting by Mr Zail Singh, Mr P. K. Mukherjee, Mr P. Shiv Shankar and Mr Bhishma Narain Singh, are ministers.

Mr Bhishma Narain Singh's letter to Opposition leaders inviting them for discussions says that the time for a meeting with

organisations representing minorities in Assam and other groups will be intimated separately.

Gauhati: Meanwhile, the overall situation in Assam continued to be peaceful with no untoward incident reported during the last twentyfour hours.

Gauhati bandh call

GAUHATI, Jan 6 (UNI):

The local units of Students Union and the Gana Sangram Parishad have given a call for a 12-hour Gauhati bandh from 6 a.m. tomorrow in protest against CRP's "brutal and indiscriminate beating" up of people on Monday last, in which several persons were injured.