

Sabha's 4th Executive Committee Meeting of 2020-22 session at Duliajan State Govt. heavily criticised for apathy towards Assamese language in APSC course



Sabha president, vice-president and others on the dais of the executive meeting

To oppose heavily the Assam State Government's apathetic attitude towards the Assamese language in Assam Public Service Commission course, to submit memorandum in this regard to the State Government and APSC Reforms Committee, to accord institutional congratulation to eminent poet Nilmoni Phukan for being nominated for the this year's prestigious Jnanpeeth Award were some other significant resolutions adopted in the Sabha's fourth executive committee meeting held on last December 11, 2021, at Duliayan Club organised by Duliayan Sahitya Sabha under the auspices of Dibrugarh Zila Sahitya Sabha.

The meeting, attended by almost all the executive members and the working presidents and convenors of the Sabha's various sub-committees, and chaired by the Sabha president Dr Kuladhar Saikia, dwelt at length the said burning issue of the state and decided that the formal agenda for protest against the State Government will be finalised after a meeting with all the student and academic bodies of Assam including various tribal Sahitya Sabhas and socio-cultural organisations. Moreover, it was also resolved in the meeting that the Sabha's all the zila samities will submit memorandum to the respective DCs opposing such move by the State Government and the Sabha will issue necessary circular to the zila samities in this connection.

With regards to the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA), the meeting clearly endorsed the Sabha's earlier stand of heavy opposition to the CAA. While offering warm and heartfelt congratulations to eminent poet, fine art connoisseur Nilmoni Phukan for being announced to receive the coveted Jnanpeeth Award (the third from Assam so far after Dr Birendra Kumar Bhattacharyya and Dr Indira Goswami alias Mamoni Roysom Goswami), the members present at the meeting recalled that the poet was already honoured by the Sabha as 'Jatiya Kobi' (Assam's 'National Poet') and 'Sahityacharyya' - the Sabha's second most prestigious honour after 'Sadashya Mohiyani'.

In another important resolution, a five-member body was formed to sort out the anomalies appeared in the formation of the reception committee of the Sabha's next biennial session in Narayanpur and the members are: Dr Girish Handique, Mrinal Hazarika, Anup Borthakur, Rana Bashistha and Prabhat Burhabhakat. The body has been instructed by the meeting to submit its report regarding the formation of the reception committee and also with regards to the exact time of holding the session at Narayanpur.

In two other resolutions adopted in the meeting, IIT, Guwahati, was hailed for introducing a communicative course of Assamese language and a new centre of the Sabha's ongoing Assamese language communicative course under 'Mukta Shiksha Sangsad' was declared open in Dhemaji.