

### Office of the

# BODO SAHITYA SABHA

बर' थुनलाइ आफाद

Registration No. 94 of 1972

Website: www.bodosahityasabha.org

Head Office R.N. Brahma Bhawar Kokrajhar, BTAD (Assam) Pin - 783370 Ph. & Fax : 03661-276528

Sub-Office
J.B. Hagjer Bhawan
Nayanpur Road, Ganeshguri
Guwahati • 781006
Ph.& Fax : 0361-2203522

E-mail: bssjb@rediffmail.com

### A MEMORANDUM TO

SJT. PRAKASH JAVADEKAR HON'BLE MINISTER OF INFORMATION & BROADCASTING, PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS, ENVIRONMENT, FOREST AND CLIMATE CHANGE, GOVT. OF INDIA, NEW DELHI

> SUBMITTED BY-BODO SAHITYA SABHA DATED ......16<sup>th</sup> JULY, 2014

Camp- Bodoland House, 29 A, Kailash Colony, New Delhi-48

#### Respected Sir,

We, the undersigned, on behalf of the Bodo Sahitya Sabha, the Apex Body of the Bodos in the field of language, literature and culture would like to take this privilege to congratulate you on your historic victory in the last Lok Sabha Election and sworn in as the Union Minister of Information & Broadcasting, Parliamentary Affairs, Environment, Forest And Climate Change, Govt. of India. We wish you a sound health and long life enabling you to lead the Nation as a most successful Union Minister of India.

That Sir, the Bodo people are the most aboriginal plains tribal people of India constituting the largest group among them in Assam. Yet, they have been suppressed, exploited, dominated in all spheres of social life, be it in the matter of flourishing their language and literature, protecting their lands traditionally inherited to them, growing according to their own distinctive tradition and genius by the successive State Govt. of Assam since independence. The problems they are facing now are multifarious and even non-redressal of these problems may lead to complete extinction of the Bodo Community itself.

Hence, we, take our privilege to draw your kind attention on the problems as follows-

# 1. Proper Implementation of "The Scheduled Tribes and other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006".

The Bodo people belonging to Scheduled Tribes, have been dwelling in different forest areas of Assam since long year. To provide education to their inculcate children through Mother Tongue, they have established Educational Institutions of various categories i.e. Lower Primary, Upper Primary, & Secondary School etc. in those forest areas. But these Educational Institutions have been deprived of Government permission and recognition due to non-receipt of land allotment in the name of institutions though as per the chapter–II clause 3(2) of the Schedule Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 of India, they are entitled to receive land allotment. Thereby injustices have been done to the Bodo Tribal people of Assam by violating "the Schedule Tribe and other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Rights) Act, 2006 which is also contrary to the right of Children to Free and Compulsory Education Act, 2009. Because of such injustice, in Sonitpur district alone as many as 128 Nos. of Lower Primary Schools, 17 Nos. of Upper Primary Schools and 16 Nos. of High Schools (Total-161) have been dropped out from the process of provincialization and also deprived from getting financial assistance provided earlier by the Govt. of Assam.



## Office of the

# **BODO SAHITYA SABHA**

बर' थुनलाइ आफाद

Registration No. 94 of 1972

Website: www.bodosahityasabha.org

Head Office R.N. Brahma Bhawai Kokrajhar, BTAD (Assam)

Kokrajhar, BTAD (Assam) Pin - 783370 Ph. & Fax : 03661-276528

Sub-Office

J.B. Hagjer Bhawan
Nayanpur Road, Ganeshguri
Guwahati - 781006
Ph.& Fax: 0361-2203522

E-mail: bssjb@rediffmail.com

-2-

We, therefore, earnestly request your honour to issue necessary directives to the State Govt. of Assam for allotting land to the educational institutions set up at forest areas and thereby accord Govt. permission, recognition and provincialization of service to these Educational Institutions, so that they can provide proper education to the pupils.

We remain ever yours, Sir.

Yours faithfully, For and on behalf of the Bodo Sahitya Sabha

(Dr. Kameswar Brahma)

President

(Bisweswar Basumatary) Vice-President.

110

(Dipak Kr. Basumatary) Vice-President, (Karnala Kt. Mushahary) General Secretary

> (Nila Kt. Goyary) Secretary.

(Prasanta Boro) Secretary.

(Rajendra Nath Brahma)

Secretary.

## Copy forwarded to:

- Sjt. Sarbananda Sonowal, Hon'ble Union Minister of State, Sports & Youth Affairs (Independent Charge), Govt. of India, Shastri Bhawan, New Delhi-110 001.
- 2. All M.P.s of Assam (both Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha).

(Kamafa Kt. Mushahary) General Secretary, Bodo Sahitya Sabha

094351-90874