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GLOSSARY

<i>Adhyapak</i>	:	A teacher
<i>Amavashya</i>	:	A night of no moon
<i>Amlah</i>	:	A clerk or an officer in the bureaucracy in colonial India
<i>Andolan</i>	:	Social Movement
<i>Baki</i>	:	Credit
<i>Barpetiya</i>	:	A language version spoken in Barpeta in western Assam
<i>Basti</i>	:	Settlement or colony
<i>Bhasa</i>	:	Language
<i>Bidyalay</i>	:	School
<i>Borgeet</i>	:	Devotional songs composed by Shankardev and Madhabdev in medieval Assam
<i>Bojar</i>	:	Marketplace
<i>Bongal</i>	:	Outsider
<i>Caryapadas</i>	:	Collection of mystical poems and songs in the Buddhist Tantric tradition in eastern India (8-12 th century)
<i>Catuspathi</i>	:	School for Brahmins where the Vedas are taught
<i>Diwas</i>	:	Day
<i>Gelamaal</i>	:	A grocery shop
<i>Guru</i>	:	Master
<i>Jati</i>	:	A politically conscious community, a nationality
<i>Jatiya</i>	:	National
<i>Jatiyataabaad</i>	:	Sub-nationalism or nationalism
<i>Kamrupi</i>	:	A language spoken in western parts of Assam
<i>Katha</i>	:	Unit of measurement of land. In Assam, 1 katha = 2880 sq ft.

<i>Kendriya</i>		
<i>Vidyalaya</i>	:	Central School
<i>Lipi</i>	:	Script
<i>Mandir</i>	:	Temple
<i>Maktab</i>	:	Elementary schools for basic literacy in Islamic knowledge
<i>Matri-bhasa</i>	:	Mother-tongue
<i>Matribhoomi</i>	:	Mother-land
<i>Mojiya</i>	:	Floor
<i>Na-Asamiya</i>	:	Neo-Assamese
<i>Nalbaria</i>	:	A language version spoken in Nalbari in western Assam
<i>Namghar</i>	:	Village prayer hall
<i>Padjatra</i>	:	A walking rally
<i>Pathshala</i>	:	An indigenous school
<i>Patta</i>	:	Land title
<i>Prakrit</i>	:	Group of languages spoken by the commoners in the Indian subcontinent as opposed to the language of the elite
<i>Purnima</i>	:	A night of full moon
<i>Sangeet</i>	:	Music
<i>Sanskar</i>	:	Upbringing
<i>Satra</i>	:	A Vaishnavite monastery
<i>Tol</i>	:	An educational institution for basic learning where emphasis is on the teaching of Sanskrit
<i>Utsav</i>	:	Festival
<i>Vandana</i>	:	Reverence
<i>Xaak</i>	:	Leafy green vegetables

ABBREVIATIONS

AASU	:	All Assam Students Union
AJB	:	Assam Jatiya Bidyalay
AJBEC	:	Assam Jatiya Bidyalay Education Council
AMS	:	Adivasi Munnetra Sangam
ASS	:	Assam Sahitya Sabha
BPL	:	Below Poverty Line
CAA	:	Citizenship Amendment Act
CBSE	:	Central Board of Secondary Education
GMC	:	Guwahati Municipal Corporation
IIT	:	Indian Institute of Technology
JB	:	Jatiya Bidyalay
KV	:	Kendriya Vidyalaya
NSSO	:	National Sample Survey Office
PWD	:	Public Works Department
RSS	:	Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh
TET	:	Teacher Eligibility Test
TLF	:	Three Language Formula
SEBA	:	Secondary Education Board of Assam
SSN	:	Sankardev Sishu Niketan
UDISE	:	Unified District Information System for Education
ULFA	:	United Liberation Front of Assam
SULFA	:	Surrendered United Liberation Front of Assam

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