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The Adharxila Trust, a non-profit organization dedicated to preserving and promoting Assam and Northeast India's literary and cultural heritage, is thrilled to announce the Brahmaputra Literature Festival 2026. Scheduled for February 6 to 8, 2026, in the historic town of Sivasagar, the event will foster dialogue, creativity and community to bridge local traditions with global perspectives. It will be formally inaugurated on 5th February 2026.

This year's theme, *A confluence of Rhythm, Word & Spirit – Celebrating the voice of Humanity*, reflects the commitment towards honoring the region's artistic soul while building bridges across nations, languages and cultures.

Under the visionary direction of eminent author Dr Rita Chowdhury, the chief Trustee of Adharxila and the Festival Director, the upcoming Brahmaputra Literature Festival 2026 promises an immersive three-day experience uniting Music, Poetry, Cinema and Oral Traditions of Art and Culture.

Key highlights:

1. The curtain raiser at Gauripur will celebrate the legacy of Raja Prabhat Chandra Baruah, Pramathesh Barua and the renowned ladies of Rajbari for their contribution to Art, Culture and Tradition.
2. Celebration of birth centenary of Dr Bhupen Hazarika- the bard of Brahmaputra.
3. Tribute to Zubeen Garg: The voice that refused to whisper.
4. The festival will feature speakers and performers from different parts of the country and also across the globe.
5. A dynamic blend of panel discussions, musical dialogues, youth sessions and folk performances across iconic venues.
6. This edition highlights the Bodo and Mishing communities, showcasing culture, their distinctive traditions, artistry, and cultural identity.



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7. This edition of the Brahmaputra Literature Festival will put a spotlight on tribal heritage, multi-ethnic, multilingual, culturally united identities and indigenous storytelling traditions.
8. The festival will hold an award ceremony, constituting five awards to felicitate icons from diverse genres.
9. The revenue generated from the Zubeen Garg's special Uncut Interview in Dr Rita Chowdhury Podcast channel will be fixed for twenty years to fund for the budding artists. This initiative honours Zubeen Garg who made significant efforts during his lifetime to promote budding artists

The festival is open to all and will be held across multiple locations in Sivasagar.

The Festival Director Dr Rita Chowdhury states: “The Brahmaputra is not merely a river; it is a metaphor for humanity—vast, inclusive, timeless and musical.”

Expressing great hope for this festival, Dr. Rita Chowdhury, Festival Director, states, “Through the rhythm of our hills and rivers, this festival becomes a meeting ground for humanity—where words find melody, and silence becomes song.”

For information, interested individuals can visit the official website or contact the team directly.

Festival Dates and Details

Date of inauguration: 5th February 2026

Dates: February 6–8, 2026

Venue: Sibsagar Girls College, Sivasagar, Assam

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