

NE states step up security to block Assam's 'illegals'

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GUWAHATI: The publication of the final draft of Assam's National Register of Citizens (NRC), which left out four million applicants, has put many north-eastern states on the edge and prompted them to reinforce security on the borders to prevent infiltration.

While Manipur has taken measures to prevent the entry of those deemed illegal, Nagaland, Tripura and Meghalaya are demanding their own versions of NRC to identify and deport illegal immigrants. The North-East Students Organisation, the region's biggest student body, wants NRC to be extended to all N-E states. In Arunachal Pradesh, apex student body All Arunachal Pradesh Students Union plans 'Operative Clean Drive' from August 17. »P10