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<u>Title: Back to the past: In Assam polls identity and citizenship are in front, development theme</u> falls behind.

The article at hand talks about the political campaigns of BJP and Congress for the upcoming Assam assembly elections as the author highlights a glaring issue in this. BJP was well-poised to win the Assam elections after some good work during the pandemic.

However, when Congress started cornering BJP on the CAA, things took a turn for the worst. Suddenly, BJP too started laying accusations on Congress and even offered to redo the whole NRC thing if any discrepancies are found in this.

BJP remains focused on retaining the core of voters who voted heavily for it in the previous elections. All these people were of Assamese descent the idea behind NRC was to reinforce this identity.

However, faults started emerging in this strategy, which shifted the focus on the election campaign on the unresolved issues of citizenship and identity crisis instead of development and economic growth.

Words to look out for

Fissures:

- Synonyms: crack, rupture, fracture
- Antonyms: closing, solid, sealing
- Word usage: Rohit's contract was challenged because of various legal fissures.

Vow:

- Synonyms: oath, pledge, promise
- Antonyms: breach, violation, betrayal
- Word usage: He vowed to never eat junk food after a horrible food poisoning incident.

Simultaneously:

- **Synonyms**: instantly, concurrently, coincidently
- **Antonyms**: apart, independently, individually
- Word usage: Rahul was simultaneously working as well as listening to music.

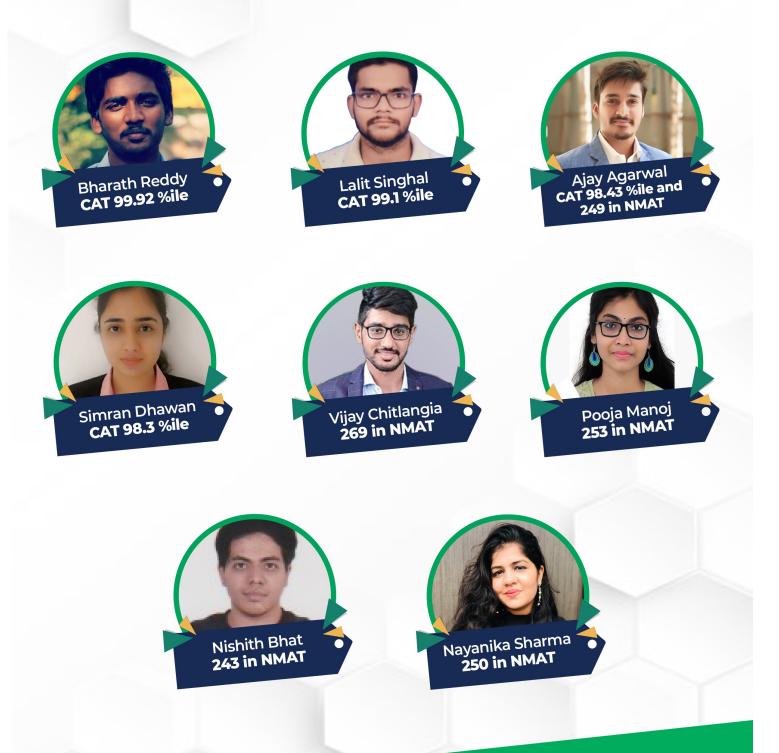
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