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### **Posco: villagers to intensify stir**

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Villagers, led by Posco Pratirodh Sangram Samiti Avay Sahoo, on their way to a rally against Chakrabarthi

Tension prevailed in the area selected for the proposed mega steel plant of Posco as villagers opposing the project came out to vent their anger against the Orissa Union Ministry of Environment Forests about implementation of the Forest R

Participating in a public rally at Balitutha, entry point to the site demarcated for the project, villagers intensify their agitation against land acquisition if the government submitted the plan. The rally lived or depended on the hundreds of acres of forest land that came under the

The rally, organised by the Posco Pratirodh Sangram Samiti (PPSS), was attended by the Congress (M), the CPI, the Forward Bloc, the Samajwadi Party, the Rashtriya Janata Dal and the Democracy. Leaders of several mass movements also took part in the rally.

PPSS leader Abhay Sahu blamed the State government and the district administration among the agitating villagers and creating a sense of fear among the protesters armed policemen. A PPSS activist was arrested on Saturday without any reason.

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