

Thingkho Le Maleha

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General Headquarters (KKL GHQ)

Total Inmates Registered: 287*

Male: 141

Female: 146

*As on 1st August, 2023



KUKI VICTIMS' UPDATE

As on 25.11.2023



153
DEATHS



200+
VILLAGES BURNT



7000+
HOUSES BURNT



360
CHURCHES &
SYNAGOGUES BURNT



41,425
DISPLACED
PERSONS

Thingkho Le Malcha (charred wood tied with chilli): A war symbol; a pre-arranged secret code agreed upon by the Kukis to inform the people about the commencement of war and on receiving this, one has to remain alert and be ready for the battle.

NEGATIVELY AFFECTS ACCESS TO JUSTICE: MANIPUR HIGH COURT SAYS STATEWIDE MOBILE INTERNET BAN CANNOT BE CONTINUED

The Manipur High Court on Friday reiterated that the government could not continue with the ongoing mobile internet ban in the entire State, since internet services formed a part of the right to free speech of residents, under Article 21 of the Constitution. The Court was hearing a PIL challenging the ongoing statewide internet ban.

Notably, the Court was told that the State had extended its mobile internet ban till December 3rd, except for areas where it had been previously lifted.

A division bench of Chief Justice Siddharth Mridul and Justice Golmei Gaiphulshillu Kabui hauled up the state government for not entirely complying with earlier orders for the restoration of internet services in areas which had not been affected by the prevalent ethnic violence in the state. It said:

“We are permitting you to impose reasonable restrictions in accordance with law but you can’t obliterate the right. Except for a few areas, the State is by and large peaceful. Why should the services not be restored? Why does the State have to say that the situation is not normal? The situation is normal according to the State [in most areas]. So let everybody know that the situation is normal, except in [the affected] areas.”

The bench further observed that while it was cognizant of the national security implications of restoring internet services in affected areas, the rights of those living in other areas of the State would have to be considered as well. It opined that nobody could deny that internet services today were a part of freedom of speech, albeit with reasonable restrictions.

Earlier, a coordinate bench had directed the State to begin operationalising the State’s mobile towers, on a trial basis, in all districts, which had not been affected by the ethnic violence. It had also ordered the State to consider and inform the Court about the possibility of restoring internet services to the Greater Imphal area.



In underscoring its concerns, the Court highlighted that the absence of internet services was negatively affecting the dispensation of justice in the State. It observed that video conferencing facilities existed in such cases to allow litigants to appear before court and alert it of areas which needed the court’s intervention.

“If a person in a violence affected area needs to file a complaint, where will he go and who will he approach? How else are people going to access justice from areas where you say they are affected by violence? How will they access justice? Access to justice is not just a slogan. We have to make sure every citizen has access to justice. How else will they access it?”, the Court remarked.

The Court, in conclusion, held that the present litigation was not adversarial and that the petitioners did not want to undermine national security, but that the concerns over the rights of the Manipuri people had to be taken into account.

Accordingly, it sought a detailed status report from the State on its orders pertaining to the restoration of internet services in areas of Manipur which were unaffected by violence.

Source: [Live Law](#)

KUKI-ZO NURSING STUDENTS STAGE PROTEST IN LAMKA

To make their voices heard by the concerned authorities, as many as 30 displaced BSc Nursing students belonging to the Kuki-Zo community from RIMS, Imphal, and Directorate of Medical Institution, Imphal, on Friday staged a democratic agitation in Lamka (Churachandpur).

The agitating nursing students pressed upon the authorities to transfer them to any government institutions outside Imphal valley.

A letter in this regard was also submitted to the Commissioner (Health & Family Welfare), Government of Manipur, through Deputy Commissioner, Churachandpur, for urgent necessary action.

The letter informed that the nursing students had been forced to flee Imphal, where their College of Nursing, Medical Directorate and College of Nursing, RIMS, Lamphelpat, Imphal West, are situated, due to their ethnicity that is different from the dominant Meitei community in the area. "It has become perilous for us to return to our present College in Imphal, as the safety of our well-being and pursuit of education are compromised in the current circumstances. Consequently, our academic and professional future is in jeopardy," the students said.

To safeguard their education and career prospects, the nursing students requested the concerned authority for facilitating a transfer of their enrollment to another suitable Government



College located in a more secure environment.

"Our current college, College of Nursing, Medical Directorate and College of Nursing, RIMS, Lamphelpat, Imphal West is government and we believe a seamless transfer to another Government Institution will ensure a smooth continuation of our education," the letter stated.

"This is our urgent plea as we do not want our education to be lost. Our recent college, College of Nursing, Medical Directorate and College of Nursing, RIMS, Lamphelpat, Imphal West is aware of our situation and supports our request for urgent action to facilitate this transfer," the letter added.

MEITEIS RESUME GUNFIRINGS TOWARDS KUKIS IN PERIPHERAL AREAS

From the day of proscribed UNLF militants signing "ceasefire agreement" with the Government of India, the Meiteis continued attacking Kuki ancestral lands situated in fringe areas adjoining the Imphal valley.

Yesterday, the Meitei militia groups of Arambai Tenggol, Meitei Leepun and proscribed Meitei militants unsuccessfully attacked a Kuki village of Lambung, near Leimakhong, and the nearby villages under Kanggui district at about 3:00 pm. The village volunteers repelled back the assailants in a short time and no casualty has been reported.

Today, the Meitei armed groups resumed their attacks on Kuki village of Twitchin under Island Block,

Kanggui district, which was already burnt down by the Meitei mob in the initial stage of the ethnic cleansing pogrom. The attack was reported at about 6:25 pm and the gun firing continues till the filing of this report.

At around 8:30 pm on Friday, the Meiteis resumed their attacks on Lambung, near Leimakhong, and cross-firing ensued between the village volunteers and the Meitei militants. Tensions are still high till the filing of this report.

Indiscriminate gun firing towards Kuki areas in Kangchup was also reported at 8:20 pm tonight. It is reported that the Meiteis gathered in large numbers at Phayeng Meitei locality and planned a devastating attack in the Kuki areas. Firing continues till the filing of this report.

LIQUOR-FREE TOWN CAMPAIGN SOLIDIFIED KUKI'S WAR ON DRUGS MOVEMENT

The joint initiative of Anti-Drug Cell Kanggui Police and Kanggui Town Churches Fellowship, the "Liquor-Free Kanggui Town" campaign kicked off successfully this morning with a huge seizure of liquor.

The campaign was supported and assisted by the Kanggui Women Welfare Organization (KWWO), Kanggui Youth Union, or the KYU under the aegis of the Kanggui Town Committee, or the KTC.

Earlier, the Anti-Drug Cell Kanggui Police and the Kanggui Town Churches Fellowship had on several occasions made a public announcement notifying that the "Liquor-Free Kanggui Town" campaign will begin on December 1 and served strict ultimatum to all wine vendors in the town to switch their liquor business to other healthier livelihood business on or before December 1.

Around 247 litres of Indian Made Foreign Liquor worth approximately Rs. 1, 37,500/- were seized during the joint anti-liquor drive this morning by the Anti-Drug Cell Kanggui Police, Kanggui Town Churches Fellowship, and the Kanggui Women Welfare Organization. Later, the seized liquors were destroyed in public at downtown I.T. Road Bazar, Kanggui.

The Kukis have been wrongly labeled by the majority Meiteis as Narco-Terrorists, Poppy planters and drug peddlers demeaning the whole community because of one or two petty drug peddlers. The Meitei community



enthusiastically take the name of the whole community as drug agents to suit their personal agenda to defame the whole Kuki community. However, the geographical data of Poppy plantation in the state of Manipur shows otherwise. The percentage of poppy cultivation in Kuki areas has been lesser than that of other districts. The NCB data also shows the number of drug peddlers arrested in the state of Manipur for the past few years has not put the Kukis in top position.

The Kukis, including the SoO groups, have been fighting against drugs menace in the state. The Kuki National Organisation has also released a statement in the past, banning any form of drugs and poppy cultivation in their operational areas.

The mere labeling of Kukis as synonymous with drugs is a hogwash and whitewashing itself of the majority players from the Imphal valley and the Meitei community.

CADRE OF MANIPUR REBEL GROUP 'PREPAK' ARRESTED IN ASSAM'S DIBRUGARH

A cadre linked to the People's Revolutionary Party of Kangleipak (PREPAK), a proscribed insurgent outfit of Manipur, was apprehended in Assam's Dibrugarh district on Friday, reports said.

As per information, the Lahowal Police nabbed the terrorist from the Mohanbari Airport in Dibrugarh earlier today after receiving specific inputs about his presence.

The apprehended cadre has been identified as Nongthombam Kabichandram Singh, reports said.

In this regard, the Lahowal Police have started an investigation. Reportedly, several unscrupulous documents have been seized from the cadre's possession.



It is suspected that Singh had come to complete some work related to the insurgent group, sources said.

BIREN'S "SUMMER CAPITAL" OF MANIPUR UNDER SECURITY THREAT

In the biggest ever bank robbery in Manipur's history, a group of 8-10 masked men carrying sophisticated weapons, dressed in camouflage stormed into the Punjab National Bank (PNB) Ukhrul Branch and looted Rs. 18.85 Crore at gunpoint on Thursday evening. The incident happened at around 5:40 PM.

The fact that miscreants stormed into the bank located in the busy locality of Viewland, and at a time when shops were still open, and there was a lot of hustle and bustle in the area and decamped with the booty in just 10 minutes, has raised a lot of questions such as – who are these armed men? Do they belong to any militant outfit or are they part of an armed gang operating in Ukhrul? What made them carry out such a daring bank robbery? Where did they get the weapons from?

The incident has also raised questions about the security situation in the state. Biren remains silent on the matter unlike other crimes which had happened in other districts. His continued silence in his proposed "summer capital" has raised doubts about his intention on crimes suspected to be committed by criminals belonging to another community other than the Kukis.

The CCTV footage that has gone viral on social media shows that all of them were carrying assault rifles. It's been more than 20 hours since the robbery took place, but the state Police have not yet been able to make any breakthrough in the case. The viral CCTV footage has provided enough evidence to nab the culprits.

However, at the time of filing this report, no arrest has been made so far. No press briefing about the looted money has been made by the CM and the inaction of Police personnel concerned is also baffling. Had it been occurring in some particular community dominance, the state government in their attempt to tarnish that community would have pulled up all their might to nab the perpetrators within an hour. The state government's response to even crime related activities also highlights their communal stance.

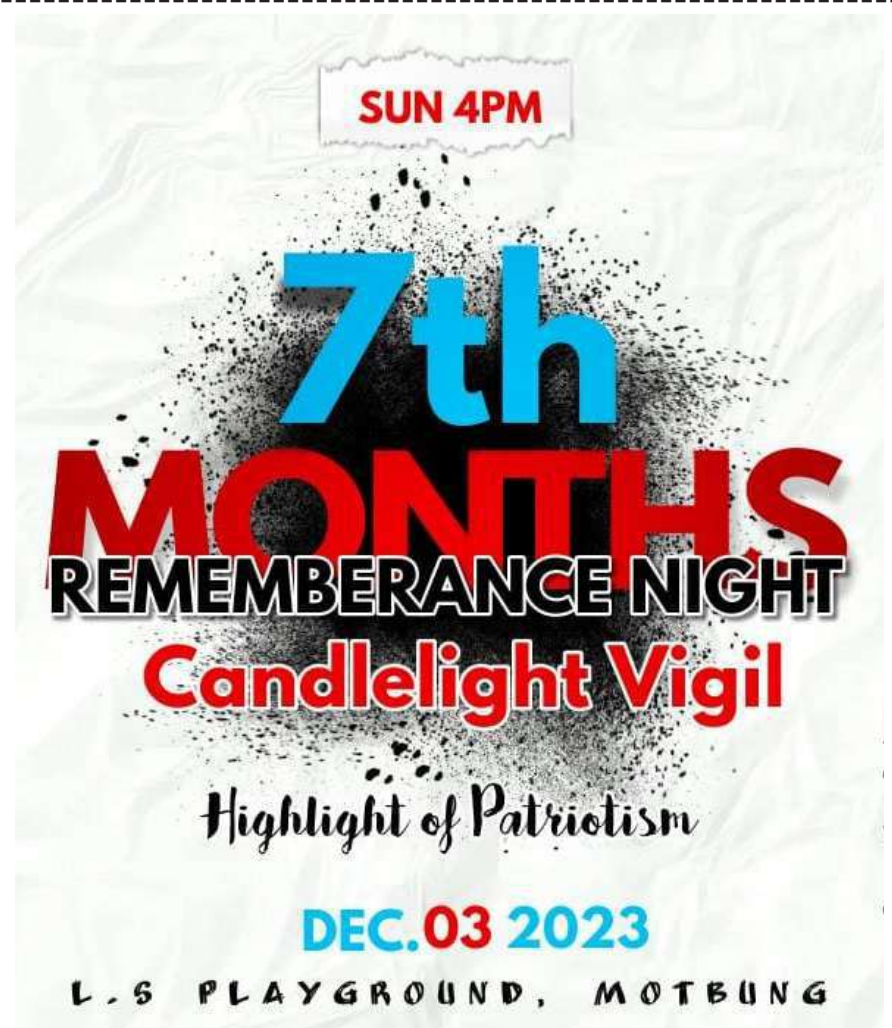
As per inputs, as many as 8 personnel of the 6th Manipur Rifles were guarding the bank. If security personnel were guarding the bank, how did the gang of robbers rob the bank in front of these Manipur Rifles? Have they been suspended? Are the new contingents stationed there? These questions will be answered only after Chief



Minister N Biren Singh or his security adviser responds.

Ukhrul town was proposed as the summer capital of Manipur on 19th October by the Chief Minister N. Biren Singh, when he and his cabinet, sans Kuki Ministers, held a cabinet meeting at the district headquarter.

This incident undoubtedly raises concerns and incites fear among the public, bankers, associates and workers. The instance also raises serious questions about the law and order situation in the state.



“16 DAYS ACTIVISM ON VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN” UNDERWAY IN LAMKA



The first day observation of the “16 Days Activism on Violence Against Women” has begun on Friday at Peace ground, Tuibong, Lamka, from 11: 00 am to 2:00 pm under the theme: “Unite, Invest to prevent Violence Against Women and Girls.” Hundreds of women of Lamka town participated in the event.

The programme was attended by leaders from various women’s organisations in Lamka such as the Zomi Mothers’ Association (ZMA), Kuki Women Organisation for Human Rights (KWOHR) and Hmar Women Union (HWU).

During the program, leaders of the women organisations gave lectures on the hardships faced by the Kuki-Zo women in the aftermath of the present violence. Every year since 1991, 25th November to 10th December has always been observed as 16 days Activism on Violence Against Women across the world.

The campaign called on citizens to show how much they care about ending violence against women and girls by sharing ways forward for a world free from violence against women. In the present Manipur crisis, tribal communities belonging to Kuki-Zos have been subjected to most horrific mob violence, sexually assaulted, gang raped and even murdered.

According to Annie Raja, “women have been used as instruments to exact revenge

on the other communities and all these are happening in modern society and that has to stop.

The Women of Lamka, which is a conglomerate of various women groups, also submitted a memorandum to the Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi seeking justice for women victims of violence during the Manipur crisis. Emphasizing on 2023’s theme, “Invest to Prevent Violence against Women and Girls”, the Women of Lamka sought the attention and necessary action of the concerned authority.

The memorandum also mentioned the numerous assaults, attacks, rapes, murders and shaming by the Meitei mob, which are more than enough proof of how their sisters and mothers were being subjected to extreme inhumane forms of violence in the on-going conflict between the ethnic communities in the state of Manipur.

The Women of Lamka highlighted the numerous atrocities committed against the Kuki-Zo women by the majority Meitei community in the past. Notable mention here is that of 21 girls who were sexually assaulted by the VBIGs in Pherzawl in 2016.

The memorandum was jointly signed by the Presidents of the Kuki Women Organization for Human Rights, Kuki Women Union, Hmar Women Association, Zomi Mothers’ Association, Mizo Peoples’ Convention Women Wing and the Convenor of ITLF Women Wing.

ELECTION COMMISSION CHANGES COUNTING DATE FOR MIZORAM ASSEMBLY POLLS TO DECEMBER 4

The Election Commission on Friday revised the counting date for Mizoram election to December 4.

“The Commission has received several representations from various quarters requesting for change in date of counting from 3rd December, 2023 (Sunday) to some other week day, on the ground that 3rd December, 2023 being Sunday a special significance for the people of Mizoram,” the poll panel said in a statement.

“The Commission, having considered these representations, has decided to revise the date of counting for the General Election to the Legislative Assembly of Mizoram from 3rd December, 2023 (Sunday) to 4th December, 2023 (Monday),” the Election Commission added.

The poll panel had stuck to December 3 as the scheduled day for counting of votes in Mizoram, along with other states including Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Rajasthan and Telangana. Major political parties, civil societies organisation and others had urged the poll panel to change the counting date as it falls on Sunday, coinciding with church programmes.

Mizoram’s Chief Electoral Officer Madhup Vyas had told PTI that counting of votes does not involve common people and they are free to do what they like on December 3 as only the designated staff who work directly under the EC would be involved in the counting of votes.

ELECTION COMMISSION OF INDIA

NIRVACHAN SADAN, ASHOKA ROAD, NEW DELHI-110001

No. ECI/PN/70/2023

Dated: 01.12.2023

PRESS NOTE

Subject: Change of Schedule for General Election to the Legislative Assembly of Mizoram- Reg.

The Election Commission of India had announced the schedule for General Election to the Legislative Assemblies of Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Mizoram, Rajasthan and Telangana vide Press Note No. ECI/PN/57/2023 dated 9th October, 2023.

2. In the said Press Note the date of counting for all these elections was fixed on 3rd December, 2023 (Sunday).

3. The Commission has received several representations from various quarters requesting for change in date of counting from 3rd December, 2023 (Sunday) to some other week day, on the ground that 3rd December, 2023 being Sunday a special significance for the people of Mizoram.

4. The Commission, having considered these representations, has decided to revise the date of counting for the General Election to the Legislative Assembly of Mizoram from 3rd December, 2023 (Sunday) to 4th December, 2023 (Monday).

5. No change has been made in any event of schedule of General Election to Legislative Assembly of Mizoram or some other state.

Anuj Chandak

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Joint Director (Media)

Polling for the 40-member Mizoram assembly was held on November 7. More than 80 per cent of over 8.57 lakh voters cast their votes to decide the fate of 174 candidates.



The worst form of injustice is pretended justice.

— Plato



NEWS ANALYSIS

BJP GOVERNMENTS' DIVERSIONARY TACTICS WILL NOT SOLVE MANIPUR VIOLENCE

The UN Secretary-General, Antonio Guterres, has called for an investigation into allegations of sexual violence committed during the October 7 Hamas massacres. "There are numerous accounts of sexual violence during the abhorrent acts of terror by Hamas on 7 October that must be vigorously investigated and prosecuted. Gender-based violence must be condemned. Anytime. Anywhere," Guterres said on his official X account.

On the ethnic violence in Manipur, the Special Rapporteurs of the United Nations had also raised concerns about "serious human rights violations and abuses" in the Northeast state of Manipur, including alleged acts of "sexual violence, extrajudicial killings, home destruction, forced displacement, torture and ill-treatment". Stating that there was an "inadequate humanitarian response" in the wake of ethnic violence in Manipur, the UN experts, who work independently, said that they were "appalled" by the reports and images of gender-based violence targeting hundreds of women and girls of all ages, and predominantly of the Kuki ethnic minority. "The alleged violence includes gang rape, parading women naked in the street, severe beatings causing death, and burning them alive or dead," they had said.

However, there is no progress or little progress in the delivery of justice to the minority Kuki people even after seven months of riots under the BJP governments at the Centre and State. All the

perpetrators of the heinous crimes still walk free and the State-sponsored ethnic cleansing pogrom on the minority tribal community continues unabated.

Instead of solving the core issues at hand, the "double-engine" government is still playing diversionary tactics to escape the responsibility for what has happened in the state since May 3 under its watch. There is no accountability fixed till date on the series of human rights violations by the Meitei criminals.

The signing of "peace pact" with the notorious Meitei militant group UNLF yesterday by the BJP governments is a clear example of covering up of their serious shortcomings in the strife-torn Manipur. Lest the Kukis forget the militant groups' heinous crimes against the Kuki-Zo women and various atrocities meted out to the tribal community in the past. Any attempt to cover up the serious shortcomings of the governments could rather undermine peace in the long run.

While the minority Kuki-Zo community has been crying foul over the alleged partisan attitude of the state government, the ruling BJP government at the centre still lacks the trust of the tribal community. Instead of seeking ways to build bridges between the two estranged communities in the state and forge ways for lasting peace, the government appears to be travelling in the opposite direction.

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Will the “peace pact” bring peace to the hill areas of Manipur and the Kuki-Zo community which have suffered for more than 200 days?

It seems that a de facto agreement was already in place between the Meitei terrorist groups and BJP government. The understanding was that Meitei terrorists would operate freely in Manipur and carry out dirty tasks: terrorising the minorities and also helping BJP win elections. The official peace agreement now with the Meitei terrorist group is to provide them a more legal protection/cover and a safe haven to operate freely in Manipur. The deal was necessary because the safe haven for Meitei terrorists group in Myanmar have been destroyed by the PDF.

While the Meiteis might wholeheartedly welcome this friendly attitude of BJP towards the Meitei terrorists groups but it is a deal with devil, making the Meitei politicians beholden to BJP - the same

deal BJP has with radical Meitei groups like the Arambai Tengol and Meitei Leepun. They are allowed to operate freely as long they are willing to be useful to the BJP.

It is to be noted that the sound of the gunfirings and screams of violence still continue in the state. Lakhs of arms and ammunitions stolen from the state armouries are still in the hands of the radicised Meitei militia groups. The state government, however, has never taken the issue with the seriousness it warrants, and security experts would blame those arms for the continued gunfight in the state’s villages now.

It is time the Union government should strive beyond party politics and tell the rulers in state that peace is not a target that can be achieved in a piecemeal way; a government must be able to look at the problem in its entirety. Without such a vision, and action that follows it, talks of peace agreements should be seen as nothing but diversionary tactics.

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Stand alone cross is a Threat
But destroying church & flying salai taret is fine?



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N. Biren Singh @NBirenSingh · Nov 29

The oldest armed group of Manipur has chosen the path of peace, renouncing violence to join the mainstream and embrace democracy. The United National Liberation Front (UNLF) has signed a peace agreement in New Delhi, marking a significant milestone in our relentless pursuit of...

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EXCLUSIVE

Understanding Biren – BJP Nexus: Political Chess in Kuki-Meitei Conflict Unveiled

The Irony – Paradox – call it whatever you want.

Most rational Indians and those with basic moral principle will question the series of actions the Union Government/BJP has taken in the ongoing Kuki-Meitei Conflict. The silence of Prime Minister Modi; the scapegoating of Kukis as illegal immigrants and blaming this as the reason for the conflict by Amit Shah in the Parliament; reluctance to brand Arambai Tenggol and Meitei Leepun as terrorist organisations under UAPA; reluctance to disband Manipur Police Commandos (instigator and perpetuator of violence); and the recent sheltering of UNLF from the wrath of KNA-B and PDF by hastefully agreeing to a peace talk are clear evidences of the nexus between N. Biren Singh, Chief Agent of Violence and the incumbent government of India.

There is a simple explanation to this boiling cauldron of confusion. To the centre govt. and in particular to the BJP and perhaps for Amit Shah personally, N. Biren Singh is a hero - an astute politician whose politics benefits the rhetoric of the times.

Electoral Politics – 2024 Lok Sabha election:

BJP is losing ground in most states; it has negligible presence in South India. Telangana goes to poll today. It is expected that BJP will only be a minor player.

Election results in Mizoram are yet to be declared but it is highly unlikely for BJP to wield any significant power there. The same is expected in other states which are yet to go to polls or those which are waiting for the result. BJP is losing ground. As a last-ditch effort, BJP will try to galvanise the public by portraying itself as the government who brought in significant changes to the polity. This is where the recent UNLF peace accord gains significance. N. Biren Singh acted as the broker between the Union government and UNLF. BJP will use this in their election campaign. The tagline is clear as day, 'BJP – the government which brought about an end to the 6 decade long separatist movement in Manipur'. By sheltering UNLF in Manipur, BJP now and other governments in the future will utilise UNLF in democratic elections. 'UNLF In - Free and Fair Election Out'.

Moreover, Biren was able to bring in the current MP of Manipur Leisemba Sanajaoba into mainstream politics. Leisemba has associations with a Meitei group based in London called 'Manipur Government in Exile' (MGE). When Leisemba's associates Yambem Biren (Chief Minister of MGE) and Narengbam Samarjit (Minister of External affairs and Defence, MGE) were arrested by NIA, in order to save him, Biren brought him into mainstream politics by electing him as MP of Manipur. Thus began the tale of Arambai Tenggol and the rest is history as we all know it.

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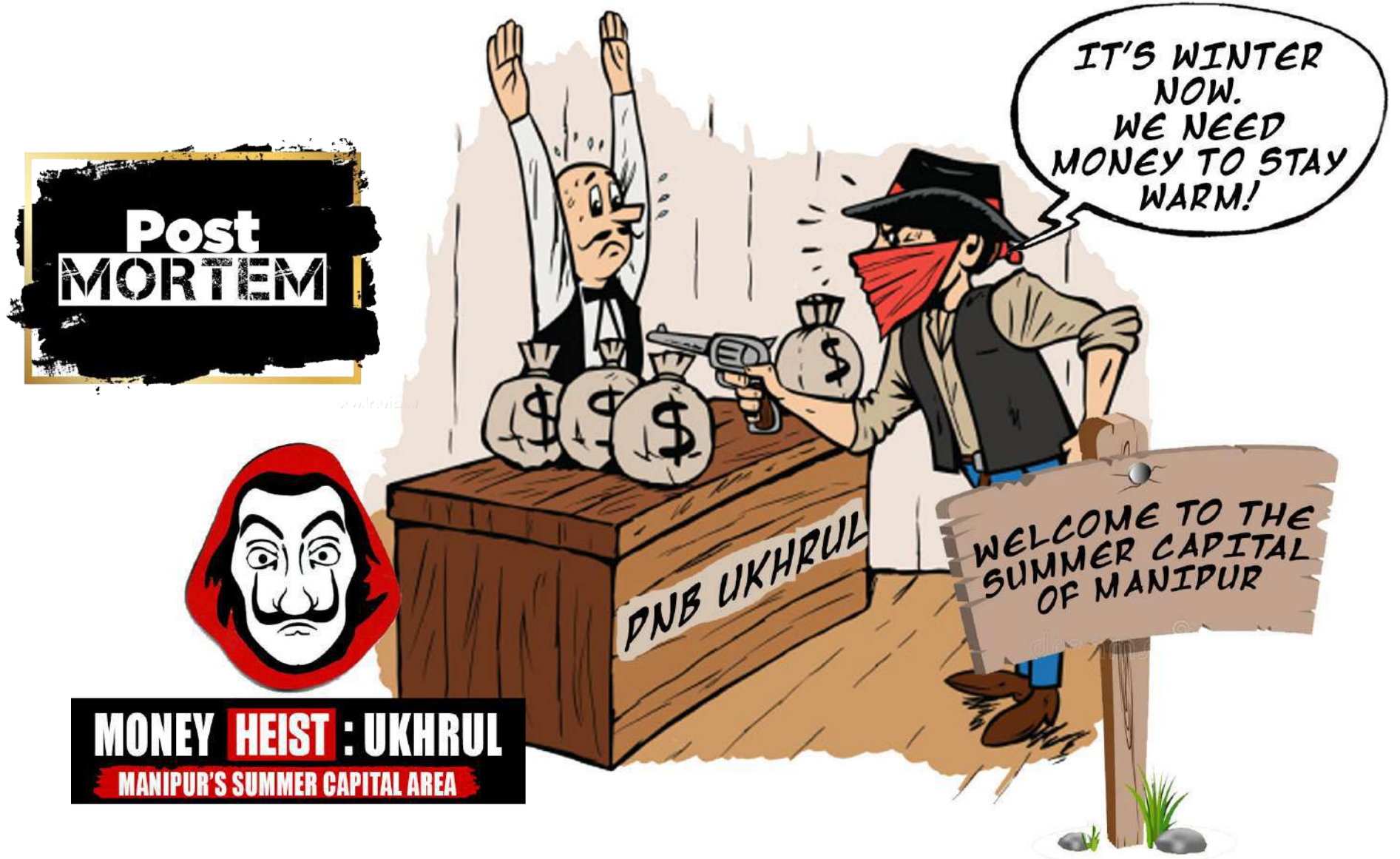
Give and Take policy

It has been learned that three other camps are to be set up for UNLF. Apart from Kakching, the govt. plans to setup camps in Moreh, Kwatha and Jiribam. The MHA has clearly specified that UNLF is a VBIG belonging to the Meitei community. Moreh and Kwatha are from the hill districts. Jiribam is dominated by tribal population of mostly Kukis and few Nagas. Moreover, the UNLF cadres who surrendered just number in 400. Do you need four designated SoO camps for only 400 cadres? The answer is a big 'NO'. We can safely conclude that the other three designated camps are unnecessary. Jiribam has a railway station. Moreh is and will be an international busy trading hub. The Centre govt. must appease the Meiteis in some way or the other if we are to get Separate Administration. Is the govt. of India/ the BJP planning to accept our demand for Union Territory on the condition that the above given areas remain in the hands of the

Manipur government? Is this too much of a stretch or could this become a reality? Only time will tell.

Added to this, the UNLF have operated in Pherzawl, Henglep and Jiribam areas in the past. They have created havoc and turmoil for the Kukis there. Their presence in camps besides Kakching will pose a direct threat to the existence of the Kukis.

In conclusion, BJP will keep listening to N. Biren Singh at the cost of Kukis' Ancestral Land. When will the BJP and the Union government of India realise that we the Kukis are its true allies? The Indian government should be weary of the situation developing in Myanmar. Meiteis, be it UGs or the people - also known as Kathe in Myanmar - support the Tatmadaw. If and when the NUG comes to power, will India be able hold moral authority as the largest democracy in the world? It's time to wake up! Arise from your slumber! UNLF and Meiteis have taken many lives of our Jawans. Long Live India! Long Live our Samvidhan.



MONEY HEIST : UKHRUL
MANIPUR'S SUMMER CAPITAL AREA

A lament for My Tribe

- Benjamin Haskip

This day I'll remember and forget not,
For a tremendous hatred I begot,
For the people of the valley, the tyrants;
The brethens who ignored the call of sirens.

E'en the traveling lamp refused to shine;
Clouds of black smoke rose from the shrine.
The Church bells rang no more,
For loud was the evils' roar.

The sky wailed and turned dark;
The voices of the tribes it hark.
Bloods and heads of the innocents on the soil,
Homes and Villages set aflame with oil.

Nowhere to go , nowhere to run;
Hunted down with shells and gun,
By their friends who were actually a foe.
What should they do? where should they go?

The hills have witness our fears;
The mountains have seen our tears .
Forgiveness is a paragon of virtue,
But burnt away by fire in this issue.

