



Wrapped in Tricolour, wreaths laid, Lamka Police pays last respect to SI Onkhomang



The Lamka Police on Thursday paid their last respect to the fallen hero Onkhomang Haokip, Sub-Inspector, Manipur Police, who was shot dead by the Meitei terrorists' sniper at N. Chingphei under Lamka (Churachandpur) district yesterday.

To pay homage to the supreme sacrifice of the Kuki policeman, who laid down his life in the line of duty on Wednesday, a wreath laying ceremony was organised at Lamka Police Station with full honours.

Senior Police personnel, civil administration officers and Kuki legislators were present during the solemn ceremony. Christopher Doungel, DG (Prisons), belonging to the Kuki community was the senior most Police officer present during the event.

Taking to X (formerly Twitter), Churachandpur constituency MLA, LM Khaute said, "Paying a floral tribute to Sub-Inspector Onkhomang Haokip, who made the supreme sacrifice in the line of duty while protecting N. Chingphei Village and its people on September 13, 2023."

The MLA expressed his heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family members of the brave martyr.

Onkhomang Haokip was a sincere and hardworking policeman who had saved his people from a violent mob in Moirang on the day the ethnic violence broke out on May 3. The following day, he and his colleague (another Police Sub-Inspector) were attacked by a mob and damaged their vehicle. He then fled Moirang, Meitei inhabited town, and came to Lamka (Churachandpur). Haokip was an honest police officer, who did not even have his own house and lived on rent, and was allotted a police quarter recently.




ITLF met Judicial Commission led by Justice Ajay Lamba

The Indigenous Tribal Leaders' Forum (ITLF) on Wednesday met the Judicial Commission constituted to enquire the ethnic violence which broke out between the majority Meitei and minority Kuki communities on May 3.

The meeting took place in the Deputy Commissioner's Office Chamber at Mini-Secretariat, Tuibong, wherein the tribal leaders met the Commission of Inquiry team led by Justice Ajay Lamba, who came all the way from New Delhi. Among the ITLF leaders, George Munluo, Convenor Legal Cell; Nangzakai Suante, Co-Convenor Legal Cell and Ginza Vualzong, Spokesperson, were the representatives who met the Commission.

During the meeting, Justice Ajay Lamba informed that an Inquiry Commission office should be set up in Lamka, which was one of the demands made by the tribal leaders to the Union Home Minister, Amit Shah, when they met him in New Delhi the previous month. Justice Lamba also handed over "The Regulation of Procedure of Commission of Inquiry (Manipur Violence) 2023" booklet to the tribal leaders. Justice Ajay Lamba also detailed the procedures for inquiry to the ITLF leaders and cleared all doubts raised by the leaders. He informed that a public notice in that regard would be published shortly.

KUKI VICTIMS UPDATE

 Deaths	- 142
 Churches Burnt	- 359
 Villages Burnt	- 200
 Displaced Persons	- 41,425+

Data as on 14.09.2023

Meitei attack on EGI Fact Finding Team continues

Not contented with the FIRs lodged against the EGI Fact Finding Team by the Meitei Manipur government, the Meitei group filled with anger and shame after the Fact Finding Team were given protection by the Supreme Court till September 16, the International Meeteis Forum (IMF) today resorted to filing Public Interest Litigation (PIL) against the members of Editors Guild of India (EGI) Fact Finding Team. The move seen by many, as a nefarious design to subdue the truth.

The Petitioner Thangjam Rolivin, Secretary General IMF from Khurai Ahongei Leikai, Imphal East, moved the Manipur High Court, seeking action against the Fact Finding team for biased reporting allegedly based on hearsay.

Notably, the Editors Guild of India, in a report published on September 2, criticised the internet ban in Manipur for hindering media reporting, accused some media outlets of one-sided reporting, and claimed that there were indications of the state leadership displaying partisan behaviour during the conflict. The EGI report also dubbed Imphal based media houses as "Meitei Media" for their partisanship reporting.





Unchecked rise of the Meitei Terrorists

After severely injuring a Major ranked officer of the Assam Rifles and killing one Kuki civilian while attacking the Kuki town of Pallen on 8th September, the Meitei terrorists have gone on an attacking spree by killing 3 Kuki civilians in Kangpokpi district on 12th September, and 01 Kuki Sub Inspector of the Manipur Police in Churachandpur District on 13th September 2023.

Various media outlets, including The Hindu, India Today, The Caravan, The Print, Scroll etc. have highlighted the resurgence of the Meitei terrorist groups such as UNLF, PLA, KYKL, KCP and PREPAK, which are banned by the Govt of India (under UAPA list). These terror groups are reported to be mingling with the Meitei crowds, and are actively supported by the Meira Paibis, whenever the Meitei crowds attack Kuki Villages or hinder the movement of Indian security forces, whenever the forces rush to nab the Meitei terrorists.

The role of the biased Meira Paibis in instigating the Meiteis to attack the Kukis, and in shielding the Meitei Terrorists, have become so notorious that the Frontline fortnightly has termed them "Agents Provocateur".

Prime example of the role of the Agents Provocateur Meira Paibis in working against the sovereignty of India, and in helping the Meitei terrorists, is forcing the Indian Army and Assam Rifles to release 12 members of KYKL in East Imphal including self-styled 'Lt Colonel' Moirangthem Tamba alias Uttam, on June 2023 who were nabbed by the security forces after a long struggle.

It is very disturbing to note that Uttam was one of the masterminds of the ambush on 6 Dogra Regiment in 2015 that left 18 army soldiers dead. Despite this fact the whereabouts of Meitei terrorists Uttam and his fellow 11 Meitei terrorists is not known, and it is suspected that they may be intermingling with the Meitei police commandos and attacking the Kuki villages. It is also suspected that Retd. Colonel Nectar, SSP (Combat), may have been appointed exactly for the reason that he has a very good relationship with the Meitei terrorists, and that he could act as the point-man who gives instructions to the Meitei terrorists for any kind of attack on the Kuki people.

The Meitei terrorists are not only protected by the Agents Provocateur Meira Paibis, but also have the blessings of the Meitei Politicians. The Print has reported that, "KYKL commanders Thoudam Thoiba and S Mangal are protected by powerful local politicians" (Meitei Politicians).

It appears that the Meitei Politicians, the agent provocateur Meira Paibis, and the Meitei police have been openly supporting the Meitei Terrorists in attacking the Kuki people, and providing a safe haven to kill the innocent Kuki people and the Kuki Policeman.

It is a high time that the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India and the Union Home Ministry understand the gravity of the situation, and rein in the Meitei terrorists before they become uncontrollable, and again resorted to killing the Indian Army personnel and their Colonel as they have done without any impunity in 2015 and in 2021; and that helping the Kuki people in protecting them against the Meitei Terrorists is in the interest of the unity and integrity of India.

No Home to Stay, SAFF U-16 Winning Captain prays for peace in Manipur



When Ngamgouhou Mate from the strife-torn Manipur's Tengnoupal District, who led the proud Indian football team clinched the South Asian Football Federation SAFF under 16 Champion at Thimphu as a captain, returned home his parent had to welcome him in a relief camp in Kangpokpi district as his home in Khongsai veng Imphal had been already burnt down in the initial stage of the ethnic violence.

However, the young Indian captain, despite "no home to stay" looked forward to peace in Manipur.

Three young talented footballers from the Kuki community, namely, Ngamgouhou Mate (15), son of Jamkholal Mate of Pallel (Tengnoupal District), Vumlental Hangshing (15), son of Kamkhomang Hangshing of Lhungtin village in Saikul Kangpokpi District, and Levis Jangminlun Haokip (15), son of Ngamminthang Haokip from Churachandpur District participated in the 23 strong Indian squad in the 8th edition of the SAFF U-16 championship at Thimphu in Bhutan.

After clinching the defending champion title for the fifth time, the Kuki Students Organization Sadar Hills under the aegis of the Kuki Students' Organization General Headquarters organized a reception ceremony for the Blue Colts Captain and another two players from the Kuki community at KSO Sadar Hills Administrative Office building today at 3:00 pm in the presence of the Kuki Inpi Manipur.

However, Levis Jangminlun Haokip could not manage to attend the reception ceremony as he is already engaged in a pre-season training at Hyderabad with I-League Club Sreenidi Deccan FC .

(Excerpts from *The Hills Journal*)

Tah Chanu shines at PG exam



Tah Chanu **Annie Boichong Haokip** secured the first position (Gold Medal) in MA English (Honours) under the North-Eastern Hill University (NEHU), securing a CGPA of 4.57.

Thingkho Leh 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.





Debunking COCOMI's Baseless Allegations

In contrast to the allegation made by the Meitei civil outfit- COCOMI, with respect to the law and order in the Hills, rule of law prevails and peace and normalcy is being returned in tribal areas since the signing of Suspension of Operation (SoO) with the Kuki insurgent groups by the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, in 2008.

There was no violation of ground rules by the Kuki insurgent groups, no extortion or any other unlawful activities from the part of Kuki outfits. According to the rules, the surrendered weapons are kept in locked trunks and compartments and are to be checked by security forces every week, with a key available with the militant groups also. Even after the ethnic violence in the State, weapons audit was done in all the designated camps frequently.

In response to the demand made by ITLF and CoTU for reimposition of AFSPA in Imphal valley, COCOMI had stated that the demand was just like 'beating against bush and illogical.'

"For the last 40 years there is no rule of laws in hill areas most particularly in Kuki dominated areas, whereas there is reasonable peace in all AFSPA lifted areas of Manipur Valley since long time back," COCOMI had said.

The COCOMI, however, must realised that the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) was set to finalise a peace accord with Kuki insurgent groups on May 8, but the Meiteis' thirst for illogical ethnic cleansing against the Kukis put paid to the proposed peace accord. The proposed peace accord is a testament to the prevalence of 'law and order' in the Hills.

Enough evidences of complete breakdown of law and order in the Imphal valley have been surfacing since the violence broke out on May 3. Sophisticated weapons are looted from police battalions and are used against the hill people- most of them were just defending themselves by their licensed weapons. Reports also stated that dormant terrorist groups become active in the valley, apart from the Meira Paibis who pose a challenge for the security forces to maintain law and order in the valley areas.

Mentioned may be made that as per MHA, there are eight terrorist or unlawful associations in Manipur, all of which are Meitei groups: the People's Liberation Army (PLA) and its political wing, the Revolutionary People's Front (RPF); United National Liberation Front (UNLF) and its armed wing, the Manipur People's Army (MPA); People's Revolutionary Party of Kangleipak (PREPAK) and its armed wing, the Red Army; Kangleipak Communist Party (KCP) and its armed wing, also called the Red Army; Kanglei Yaol Kanba Lup (KYKL), Coordination Committee (Cor-Com), Alliance for Socialist Unity Kangleipak (ASUK), and Manipur People's Liberation Front (MPLF).

There have been reports that the terrorists groups become particularly active since the ongoing ethnic violence broke out in the State, and that they have been gaining greater support from the radicalized and secessionist sections of Meitei society. These terrorist outfits indulge in extortion, illicit taxation, drug smuggling, and trafficking activities to finance their terror activities. Thousands of sophisticated weapons, explosives, rocket launchers and other warlike stores are bought from the proceeds of these illegal revenues.

Dr J Guite selected as Professor in NU



Dr. Jangkhomang Guite, Co-Author of the book "Anglo-Kuki War, 1917-1919: A Frontier Uprising Against Imperialism During The First World War" was recently selected for the post of professor in the department of History & Archaeology at Nagaland University. The names of selected candidates were released on 11th September, 2023.

It may be noted here that, Dr. Guite served as Associate Professor in the Department of History, Manipur University, Canchipur from 2020 until the present crisis unfold in the state of Manipur. Dr. Guite including many Kuki students of Manipur University faced perturbation from the Meiteis when the crisis first broke out.

Dr. Guite alongwith his Co-Author Dr. Thongkholal Haokip was slapped with an FIR for their book on the "Anglo-Kuki war". The FIR was filed on August 7 by The Federation of Haomee, which identifies itself as an organisation for indigenous people.

Threat of division of Manipur by state govt itself, not from foreigners says former Nagaland minister K. Therie

Former minister of Nagaland K. Therie has said that the threat of division of Manipur is by state government of Manipur itself and not from any neighbours or foreigners. As per local dailies in Nagaland, Therie issued a statement on wednesday and alleged that the government of Manipur had completely failed to calculate or read the impact of launching ethnic cleansing of Kuki-Zo and Christians.

As the Manipur government has refuse to own moral responsibility, coupled with having no formula to restore peace and understanding, the only option left to thinkers is to oblige the demand of the Kuki-Zo community for a separate administration, which meant either Union Territory or Statehood, Therie stated.

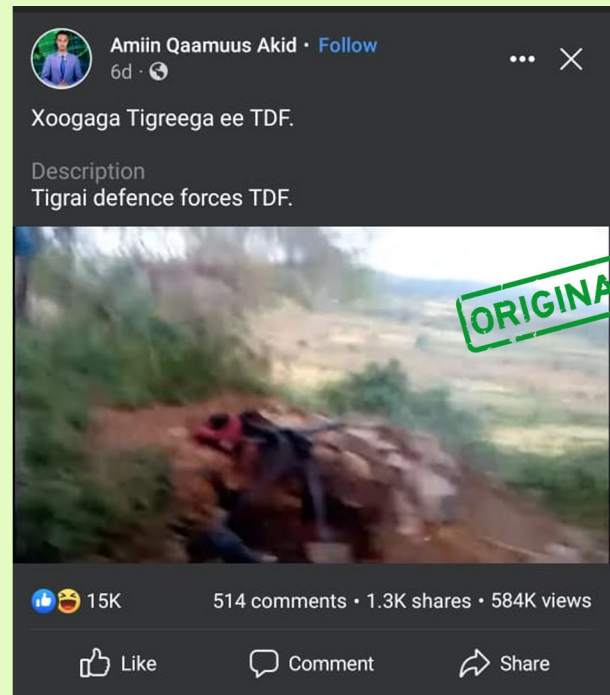




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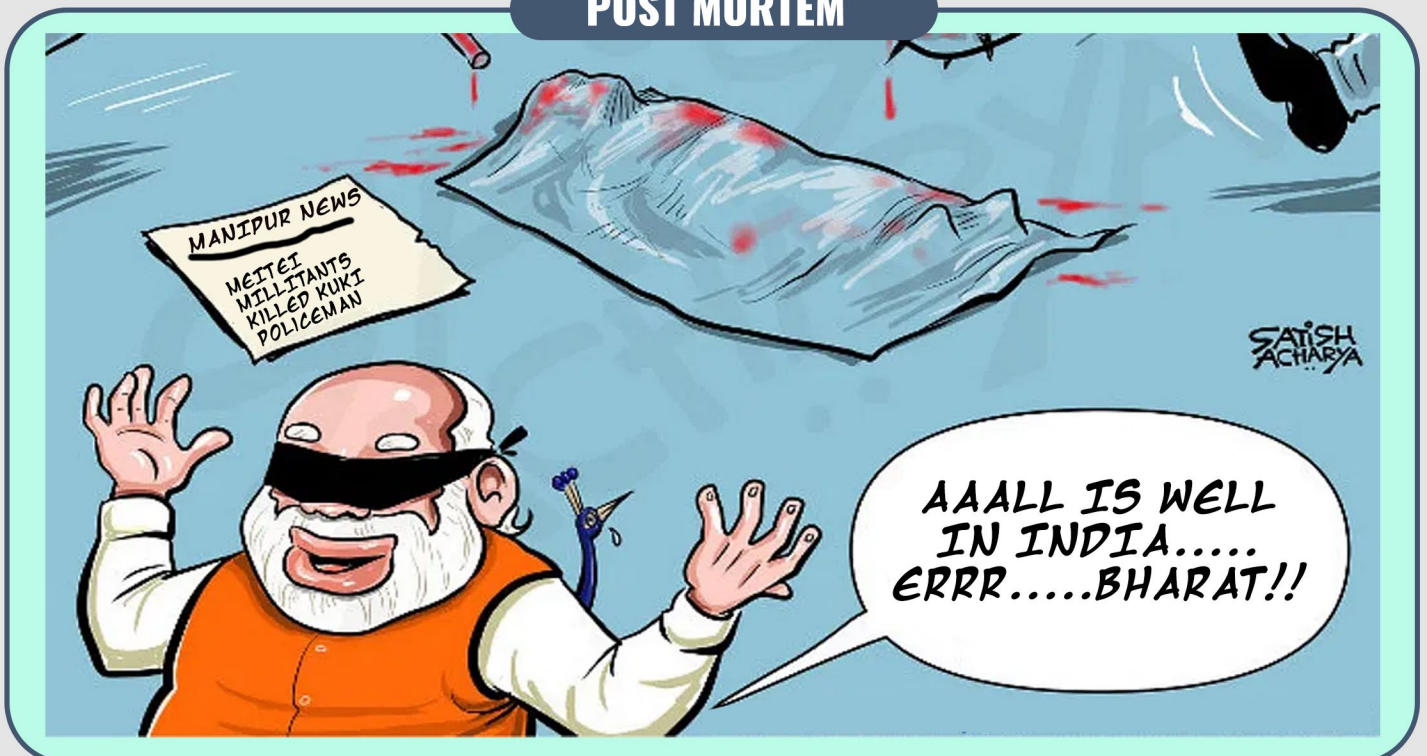
CLAIM:
Meitei Facebook users widely shared a video 2 days ago claiming 'Kuki Militants with wooden slingshot shooting at Meitei villagers'. One user even tagged PM, HM and media houses with a caption "MEITEI civilians suffered alot from Kuki militants...pliz pray for Meitei."



FACT:
The original video was posted by a Facebook user Amiin Qaamuus Akid with a caption "Tigrai defence forces TDF" 6 days ago i.e., on 8th September, 2023.

FACT CHECK RESULT:
FALSE-Meitei Lies Exposed

POST MORTEM





POETRY

A mother, a son, an aunt

A mother, a son, an aunt
a burning coffin, the back of an ambulance
except, they were still alive.

They wouldn't have been there, if that bullet hadn't struck him.
They wouldn't have been there, if that bullet had killed him.
That would have been mercy.

How does a mother comfort her bullet-ridden son as inflammables splattered and trickled on their bodies?
What words of courage or curse would a son utter of the last nightmare at the sight and cry of his mother and aunt's skin blistering and catching fire?

It didn't seem long ago scents of infancy lingered when the mother nurtured him
But now, the last scent of them was of their own bodies burning.

Her identification said she was 'meetei' but her son bore a tribal name.

Which god did she turn to for comfort in the growing wails and screams when their bodies were set afire by people who carried the same blood as hers?
All because she married and birthed tribal blood. The lowly status they once abhorred but now seek as a privilege.

For some, there is peace and closure in burning the dead, a cremation when final goodbyes are uttered with trembling lips.
But how does one say goodbye to those burned while still alive?

- George K Mate

