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#### Arrested Meitei Militants Released on Bail, One Taken to Delhi

The five Meitei militants who were arrested with sophisticated weapons impersonating Manipur Police were released on bail today by the Special Court NIA in Cheirap Court Complex, Imphal.

The arrested persons are identified as Moirangthem Anand Singh of Singjamei Sorokhaibam Leikai, Athokpam Kajit of Kongba Nongthombam Leikai, Loukrakpam Michael Mangangcha @ Tolomu of Khurai Ahongei, Konthoujam Romojit Meitei of Sagolband Sayan, and Keisham Johnson, of Singjamei Sorokhaibam Leikai.

The five accused men were arrested on September 16 and charged under the stringent Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, as well as under sections of the Indian Penal Code.

The judge said the prosecution has not been able to provide strong prima facie evidence of the accused being involved in terror activities.



However, one among the five accused, Moirangthem Anand Singh, was formally arrested by the National Investigating Agency (NIA) and taken to Delhi for his alleged involvement in criminal activities in the past.

Anand, a trained PLA cadre, was arrested six times in 1997, 2001, 2002, 2004, 2005 and 2009. After joining the KCP (Noyon) Group in 2010, he was arrested again in 2010 for a case of extortion from government office and was detained under NSA. The notorious Anand was allegedly involved in the looting of government armouries at MPTC, Pangei.

#### **Meiteis' Nefarious Designs Exposed Yet Again**

HQ 27 Sector Assam Rifles has wrote to the Superintendent of Police, Churachandpur, informing the Metei terrorists' nefarious intention to turnish the image of Assam Rifles, a security threat for the Nation.

Enough evidences are already available in public sphere wherein the Meitei militants are often spotted in camouflage uniforms with sophisticated weaponry in waging war against the Kuki people. Their nefarious intention has been exposed once again that they converted civil TATA 407 vehicles into Assam Rifles vehicle pattern by putting ASSAM RIFLES insignia.

In its letter written to Lamka SP on September 18, HQ 27 Sector AR stated that few Meitei miscreants with the help of valley based insurgent groups (VBIGs) have acquired many used TATA 407 feom civil market and have converted them to resembled like TATA 407 vehicle being used by Assam Rifles by painting and putting the ASSAM RIFLES insignia.

The Assam Rifles stated that the modified or painted vehicles are learnt to have been located the general area of Kakching.



"Conversion of civil vehicle to lookalike of ASSAM RIFLES vehicle clearly shows the nefarious intention of VBIGs to tamish the image of ASSAM RIFLES or to utilize the same vehicle for anti-national activities," Assam Rifles stated.

The central security force requested Churachandpur SP to disseminate the input to the SP, Kakching and to the higher authorities so that a preemptive action can be taken to avert any kind of adverse incident.



On Saturday, a Meitei terrorist possessing Manipur Police Identity Card has been viral on social media. Social media users alleged that one hardcore UNLF Insurgent, Gurumayum Ingocha Sharma S/O G. Kirtichandra Sharma R/O Yairipok Laimanai A/P Yairipok Bamon Leikai, was issued Police ID card.



He was alleged to be in the rank of 2nd Leutenant of the proscribed UNLF in 2000 under MPA No. 363. The Manipur Police later clarified that the ID card was fake and necessary legal action would be initiated.



# **Supreme Court Extends Interim Protection from Arrest to Activist Loon Gangte**

TODAY, the Supreme Court extended interim protection from arrest by the Manipur police to Henminlun, alias Loon Gangte, the founder and President of the Delhi Network of Positive People, a network of people living with HIV/AIDS.

A three-judge Bench led by the Chief Justice of India (CJI) Dr DY. Chandrachud and also comprising Justices J.B. Pardiwala and Manoj Misra was hearing a writ petition seeking quashing of first information reports (FIRs) filed against Gangte, for giving a speech that 'disturbed public order and promoted enmity between groups'.

According to the petition, an FIR, dated August 8, was filed against him for giving a speech on the topic of 'Separate Administration: The Only Solution', at an event organised by the Kuki-Zo Women's Forum on July 28.

Gangte is charged with offences under Sections 153-A, 505(1)(b), 505(2), and 34 of the Indian Penal Code (IPC).

During the previous hearing, on September 12, the Supreme Court had granted interim protection to Gangte till September 22, that is, today.

## Manipur Govt Files Status Report in SC on Recovery of Arms

The Manipur state government informed the Supreme Court on Friday that it has submitted a status report regarding the recovery of arms from "all sources" amidst the ethnic violence that has gripped the state.

Solicitor General Tushar Mehta conveyed to a bench led by Chief Justice D Y Chandrachud that the report has been submitted and is exclusively meant for the judges. He apprised the bench, which also included Justices J B Pardiwala and Manoj Misra, about another brief affidavit related to the matter.

Mehta apprised the bench that the affidavit states, "All the issues under discussion here have already been brought to the attention of the committee appointed by the apex court," and that the committee is actively considering them.

Previously, the Supreme Court had appointed a committee of judges, presided over by Justice (retd) Gita Mittal, to oversee the relief and rehabilitation efforts for victims of ethnic violence in the state.

Advocate Vrinda Grover, representing the petitioners, informed the bench that the bodies of two women who were subjected to sexual assault and murder in Manipur in May have not yet been handed over to their families.

Mehta responded that the committee appointed by the Supreme Court had already taken note of this and issued directives to the relevant authorities.

The bench scheduled the next hearing for September 25.

### Haryana names 2 IPS officers to be in-charge of SITs

The Haryana government has named two IPS officers—Surinder Pal Singh and Sunil Kumar— to be in-charge of Special Investigation Team (SIT)s to investigate the violence in Manipur that took place in the recent months.

The Union Home Ministry had asked state governments of Uttar Pradesh, Haryana, Assam and Tripura to depute two SP level officers each for disposal of their services to the CBI. The Supreme Court is monitoring the progress of investigations into the violence that took place in Manipur. For this, the Apex court had appointed former Maharashtra DGP Dattatray Padsalgikar to supervise the probe by the CBI into the FIRs transferred to the bureau and the investigation by the investigative machinery of the state into the remaining FIRs.

As per details, Surinder Pal is a 2010 batch IPS officer, while Sunil Kumar is a 2012 batch officer of the Indian Police Services. Both officers are currently working as commandants of Haryana Armed Police (Madhuban) battalions. The state home department on Tuesday informed the Union ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) about the nomination of the two IPS officers for the SITs. The officers shall be on deputation to CBI and shall perform their functions under the overall structure of the CBI. They will submit periodic information and reports as may be requested by former Maharashtra DGP Dattatray Padsalgikar.

## Only Dialogue Can Bring Peace in Manipur, says HAC Chairman

The Chairman of Hill Areas Committee (HAC), Manipur, Dinganglung (Dipu) Gangmei has said that peace would be difficult if the two warring communities did not want to sit and sort out the differences together.



Gangmei made the statement during his visit to Ukhrul district on Friday. He emphasized on the importance of dialogue to bring peace in the State. "As long as people stay aloof from each other, they won't be able to bring peace," he said.

He also appealed to all the stakeholders and leaders of the State to come together for an amicable solution. The State has faced communal violence earlier as well and the people have learned lessons from the past incidents, he said.

"History has taught the people that all issues have to be resolved by sitting across the table and that a dialogue has to happen."

"As the HAC chairman, I want to say that the situation has come to Manipur in such a critical juncture where we all should stay together as one and live together and think for our future generation. We don't have any alternative but to live together as one," he added.



### Manipur's Descent Towards Anarchy: Reflections on Recent Events and the Way Forward

Manipur has been in turmoil since May 3rd, with no signs of returning to normalcy despite Chief Minister N. Biren Singh's expressing his desire for it. Unfortunately, his words and actions seem out of sync, pushing Manipur backward to where it was at least two decades ago.

The Chief Minister remained silent when violence erupted on May 3rd, as Meiteis burnt and vandalized more than 20 Kuki houses in Kangvai. Subsequently, the situation escalated as groups like Arambai Tenggol went on a rampage, hunting down Kukis in the Imphal valley. Shockingly, the CM stayed silent for over 20 hours, allowing this blood thirsty mob to run amok, resulting in violence, arson, and even the horrific rape of Kuki women. His attempt to call for peace on social media only came on the afternoon of May 4th, after shutting down internet access on May 3rd. This sequence of events does not reflect well on his leadership.

The large-scale looting of weapons from the armory, while not a Guinness World Record, will remain etched in the history of mankind. The state-sponsored ethnic cleansing against the Kukis is an undeniable stain on Manipur's governance, no matter how much the government tries to present itself as a peace ambassador. The government's role in the Meiteis' campaign against the Kukis cannot be concealed. Biren Singh was even hailed as a savior by some, and when he attempted to resign on June 30th, Meiteis protested, creating quite the dramatic spectacle.

Granting Meiteis the freedom to kill Kukis and commit atrocities against their women is part of a systematic effort to manipulate the Meitei population. One should be reminded that many Meitei youths aspired to join the Manipur Police, seen as a dream job, especially for those who couldn't afford political bribes. Dressed in police commando uniforms, Meiteis in the valley felt invincible, partly due to the perceived wealth and power of Manipur Police Commandos. Their ability to carry out extrajudicial killings and receive awards for such actions added to their allure. The allure of this power even led some to sell their land just to secure such a position. When those who couldn't afford it were handed police uniforms and automatic rifles from the state's armory, they didn't hesitate to seize the opportunity. They were let loose after being misled to see the Kukis as the main threat. These youths do not bother giving a second thought before they aimed their guns at Kuki men and their lust at Kuki women.

This is why a professor from a prestigious Indian university could justify the beheading of David Thiek on national television without much outrage. The same professor remained indifferent when reports emerged of Kuki women being humiliated and assaulted. The Meiteis were content when armed by their Chief Minister.

However, for reasons known only to him, Chief Minister N. Biren Singh arrested five individuals he had previously armed on September 16, 2023. These individuals, once praised by the CM, now turned against him forcing the Meira Paibis to call for a 48-hour statewide (read 700 Sq. Miles) shutdown. Meitei media tried to divert attention by claiming "Kuki militants attacked Meiteis," but even the Meitei populace no longer believed such fabrications from their media outlets. Meira Paibis gathered in large numbers to confront security forces, feeling betrayed by their government. As Manipur citizens, they expected support and solidarity from the government, but the mere arrest of five individuals (one of whom was a terrorist and four were drug abusers) drove them to protest against the government day and night. In a bizarre turn of event the Court gave the five terrorist bail upon furnishing a PR bond of Rs.50,00 and additional stipulations. The court cited that the investigating officer (I.O) failed to present a compelling case against the accused concerning charges of terrorism and activities under section 16 UAP Act. These are evidence that governmental institutions and the judiciary have been compromised. If the vanguard of democracy i.e the Judiciary fails to punish perpetrators of violence, then Manipur is already a fail state.

In light of these disturbing events, it's imperative for the Meitei community, the Union government and fellow Indians to take a hard look at the situation. Consider, for a moment, the plight of the Kukis—abandoned by their own government, subjected to brutal violence orchestrated by groups like Arambai Tenggol and Meetei Leepun, enduring untold suffering, and denied their basic rights. This should prompt all right-thinking Meiteis and fellow citizens alike to seriously contemplate the stark reality faced by their Kuki counterparts. It's time to move beyond the notion of a harmonious future and seriously consider the path of political separation, a complete divorce from the state of Manipur and a peaceful co-existence as neighbours.

## **Surrender Illegal Weapons or Face Consequences: Biren**

The Chief Minister of Manipur N. Biren Singh on Saturday warned that any illegal weapons held by any person or groups across the state should be surrendered forthwith within a period of 15 days from today.

In light of the above statement, CM said that the state government is willing to take a considerate view for the persons submitting such illegal weapons within these 15 days.

At the end of the 15 days, Biren warned that the Security Forces, both the Centre and the State, will undertake a strong and comprehensive search operation all over the State to recover such weapons, and all persons associated with any illegal weapons will be dealt with severely, as per the law.



You can't separate peace from freedom because no one can be at peace unless he has his freedom.

— Malcolm X

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.









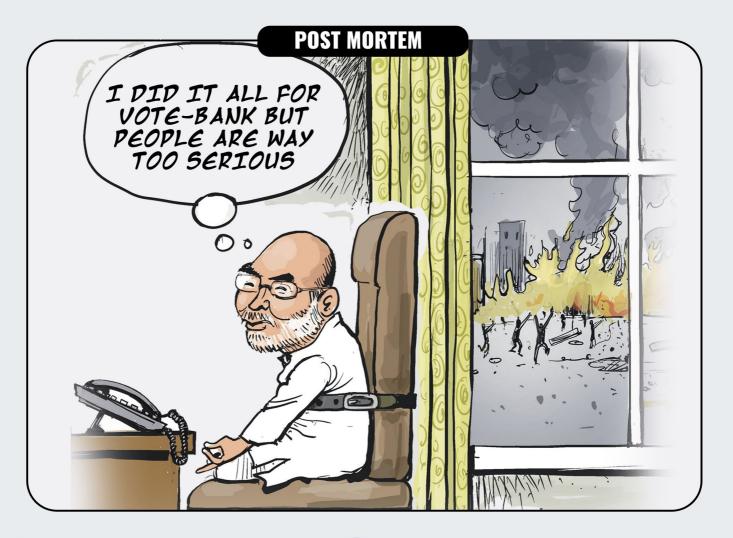
An old video of an arson case is falsely reported as today's incident i.e dated 22/09/2023. This is false and wrong information. Public are requested to desist from publishing/uploading/sharing any such fake/false news during this sensitive time. Necessary action are being taken up.

facebook.com/bobby.sharma.1...

**CLAIM:** A Facebook user 'Bobby Ph' posted a video on Facebook where the caption blamed Kukis for arson, making it look like a fresh incident and accused the police of inactions. The video was widely shared across social media platforms.

**FACT:** It is an old video of arsoning and not of today's. Manipur Police clarified the same on X (formerly known as Twitter) as false and wrong information.

FACT-CHECK RESULT: FALSE, MEITEI LIES EXPOSED





#### ZALE'N-GAM: GOD'S OWN LAND!



#### Thangminlun Haokip, Northern Zale'n-gam

Zale'n-Gam: A name that is so deeply etched in our hearts,

A name that will so closely be inscribed in history with our revolution!

A name that will restore the gruesome yet benevolent sacrifices of our heroic martyrs. A name that will be echoed across this nation as a sovereign land!

A name that will free my people from all bondages they've been chained to.

A name that will fulfil the aspirations and dreams of my long forgotten-beloved people! Zale'n-Gam: A land where the flags of freedom will flutter with pride and dignity; not of oppression and subjugation.

A land where my people will live with integrity and in unification; not deprived of their fundamental rights and divided on ethnocentric grounds!

A land where my children will wake up from their slumber and have a place to call home; not chased after, mercilessly killed and be called foreign in their land.

A land where my sister will be safe to wander across the length and breadth of the land; not molested and brutally raped!

A land where my brother will run the race of life with books and pens on his hand in pursuit of truth and knowledge; not guns and bullets seeking for vengeance and blood.

A land where my leaders will LEAD with vision and preachers will PREACH the truth; not self-vested interests and half-baked hollowed teachings!

Zale'n-Gam: A soil where my leaders will sow the seeds of love, peace and brotherhood; not of hatred, violence and enmity.

A soil where the souls of my valorous martyrs will rest in a land that is mine; not left unattended at a morgue in an unknown land!

A soil where my unwearied farmers will grow their crops with perennial fresh streams flowing from Mt. Simtongbung and Mt. Gamvetmoul; not with waters from rivers of blood from the valley of death.

A soil where my people will be governed under their own administration and be free to choose their rightful representatives; not forced to and dictated upon!

A soil where my people will excel in striving towards a prospering economy, imparting quality education, encouraging entrepreneurship, and safeguarding an independent and unbiased journalism.

A soil where my leaders will pioneer in championing people-centric politics, encourage sustainable agriculture, promote commerce and industry sectors, small and

and traditional craftsmanship!
This is the promised land of my peopleZale'n-Gam: God's Own Land!

medium enterprises, handloom industries

Zale'n-Gam: A name that is so deeply etched in our hearts.

A name that will so closely be inscribed in history with our revolution!

Long live the revolution! Tahchapa! Tahchanu!

