



Inspite of Separatist Tendency, AFSPA Still Excluded in Valley Districts

In the face of a dire situation where the central security forces including Indian Army brave risks of their lives to arrest ruthless separatist militants threatening the national security as well as the Kuki-Zo, there is an unsettling pattern. Due to the absence of AFSPA in valley districts, those arrested terrorists are often set free, handed over to Manipur Police or given bail.

The imposition/revocation of AFSPA shouldn't be married with political angles/intimidation but purely to bring about peace and harmony in the state. There have been reports of extortion threats, misuse of police uniforms and impersonation by armed miscreants. Dormant terrorist groups became active in the valley and sophisticated weapons looted from security stations were already in the hands of the terrorists. Despite such a complete breakdown of 'rule of law' in valley districts of Manipur, the Biren government of Manipur has extended Armed Forces (Special Power) Act 1958 (AFSPA) for six months starting from October in all parts of Manipur excluding 19 police stations in Valley districts, which means that AFSPA is still enforced in Hill tribal areas.

The Government of Manipur on Wednesday accorded its approval to declare the entire state of Manipur excluding the areas falling under the jurisdiction of the 19 police stations namely, Imphal, Lamphel, City PS, Singjamei, Sekmai, Lamsang, Patsoi, Wangoi, Porompat, Heingang, Lamlai, Irilbung, Leimakhong, Thoubal, Bishnupur, Nambol, Moirang, Kakching and Jiribam.

The government was of the opinion that the violent activities of various extremists/insurgents groups warrant the use of Armed Forces in aid of civil administration in the entire State of Manipur except the areas falling under the jurisdiction of the 19 police stations, dominated mainly by the Meitei populace. However, the Hill areas dominated by the tribals has experienced peace and harmony since the political talks began between the insurgent groups and Government of India.

The notification stated that keeping in view the overall law and order situation in the State and the capability of the State machineries, the State government has decided to maintain status quo on the present disturbed area status in the state of Manipur excluding the areas falling under the 19 police stations.

CoTU Demands Disturbed Area Tag in All Valley Districts

The Committee on Tribal Unity, Sadar Hill Kangpokpi District heavily censured the notification of the Manipur Home Department's exclusion of 19 police station areas in the valley from the "Disturbed Area" tag and strongly demanded declaration of the entire valley as "Disturbed Area" under AFSPA.

Barring 19 specific police station areas, the Manipur government on Wednesday declared the entire state as a 'disturbed area', in light of the prevailing law and order situation.

While heavily censuring the Home Department's notification, CoTU in its press statement issued by the Media Cell stated that the state Government has deliberately excluded the nineteen police station areas of the valley districts.

Vehemently condemning the Manipur Home Department's notification, CoTU termed it as an "irresponsible notification" which is issued for fear of mere "Public Criticism".

"The Union Home Ministry must realize that the explicit cause of the current violence is the withdrawal of disturbed areas under AFSPA in the nineteen police station areas of the valley districts", CoTU stated.

The committee pointed out that as all forms of violence emanated from the valley, it is imperative that the Union Home Ministry must instruct the state and immediately declare all valley areas as "Disturbed areas" so that rampant violence from the valleys is contained and peace in its essence is revitalized.



Congress Launch Scathing Attack Against Incompetent BJP

Attacking the BJP Governments at the Centre and the State of Manipur, the President of Indian National Congress, Malikarjun Kharge, on Wednesday demanded the Prime Minister Narendra Modi to sack the incompetent Chief Minister N. Biren Singh.

Taking to X (formerly Twitter), the Congress President said, "High time, PM Modi sacks BJP's incompetent Manipur Chief Minister. This would be the first step to control any further turmoil."

The Congress party has been attacking the BJP government over the violence in Manipur. Kharge stated that the beautiful state of Manipur has been turned into a battlefield, all because of BJP.

"For 147 days, people of Manipur are suffering, but PM Modi does not have time to visit the State. The horrific images of students being targeted in this violence have once again shocked the entire nation."

The Congress President said it is now apparent that violence against women and children was weaponized in the strife and turned into a battlefield due to incompetence and misgovernance of the Bharatiya Janata Party.

Former Finance Minister of India and Congress leader, P. Chidambaram, said the situation has gone from bad to worse in Manipur and that no section of the people has confidence in the BJP state government or the Chief Minister.

Chidambaram said, "In fact, the CM is the problem because of his incompetence and bias. The first step toward restoring normalcy in Manipur is to remove the government and the Chief Minister."

9 Specialist Doctor for Kuki Areas

Ministry of Health & Family welfare, Govt. of India has deputed nine Specialist Doctor in Kuki areas of Manipur state. The Doctors are from NEIGRIHMS, Shillong and AIIMS Patna. The Doctors are Dr Adil Ahmad Khan, (Cardiologist), Dr. Sumit Kumar (Oncology/Radiotherapy), Dr. Mahendra Shivram Thakre (Neurologist), Dr. Rehan Mateen (Psychiatrist), Dr. Taiyeebur Rahman (General Medicine), Dr. Birangana (Gynaecologist), Dr. Singh Sushil Kumar Ramnarayan (General Medicine), Dr. Som Prabh (Gynaecologist) and Dr. Sukrit Munshi (Paediatrician).

They will be utilized in CMO office in Churachandpur, Kangpokpi and Tengnoupal.

KNO Against Poppy Cultivation in Kuki-Zo Land

The Kuki National Organisation issued a statement on Wednesday reiterating its commitment made in 2016 against poppy cultivation in Kuki Zo land.

In his statement, the President of KNO, PS Haokip said, "Owing to a few individuals engaged in the illegal activity, Government of Manipur and Meitei CSOs have maligned our people as 'Narco terrorists', which is a shame."

KNO urged every Kuki Zo citizen to engage in environmental friendly farming and other self-respecting business, which would honour God Almighty, who is always with the Kuki-Zo people, including in the ongoing war.

PS Haokip also warned that following the KNO's reiteration over poppy cultivation, any Kuki Zo involved in any capacity whether in its plantation or related trade will be duly prosecuted.

First Helicopter Service From Lamka to Aizawl Takes-off Today



In another boost to connectivity in the Northeastern region of India, the first helicopter service from Churachandpur to Mizoram's Aizawl took-off today. 10 passengers boarded the maiden helicopter ride from Churachandpur to Aizawl while five passengers boarded the return flight.

As per state government's notification, the fare between Churachandpur to Aizawl is fixed at Rs. 4500 while the fare between Aizawl to Churachandpur is Rs. 6000. Ticket booking can be done at DC Churachandpur office in Tuibong.

JUXTAPOSING VICTIMHOOD AND SELF-VICTIMISATION

Public memory is short. Yet, four/five months is not that long to forget or erase a very unprecedented event that shook the whole nation by storm. Needless to say, the depredations underwent and withstood by the Kuki-Zo people in the hands of radical, bigoted Meiteis and a communal State government since May this year have indubitably assumed the proportion of a wholesale ethnic cleansing. The ghastly acts of savagery of State-sponsored Meitei 'terrorists' cloaking the attires of 'mob' on even minors, totally defenceless and harmless women of Kuki-Zo community who were mercilessly slaughtered, butchered and charred in Imphal valley were still fresh in the minds.

Memories of nude parading of Kuki-Zo women, beheading of a man, and other vicious violence and repulsive attacks on women and defenceless people who were identified with Kuki-Zo ethnicity including their legislator, high ranking government officials, students could not be easily erased with a single event that is clouded with controversy. Survivors of the pogrom that was unleashed in Imphal Valley against the Kuki-Zo people are still haunted by the nightmarish experiences they had gone through. They were hounded out of their homes and herded into security camps. While some could make their way to safer locations, some of them met their ends in the most brutal ways that transcend all human imaginations. Some are killed inside their homes. No amount of lies and morphing efforts could easily supplant or curtail the ordeals we have endured during the past four/five months. Justice for all the Kuki-Zo victims is still awaited.

All of a sudden, Imphal Valley is now apparently awakening to the nuance of humanity with the circulation of photos of two students whose deaths are mired in controversy. The hills and valley has been clearly demarcated after exchange/transfer of population sometime in the mid of May. Since then, no people from the hills did venture into the valley and vice versa. According to a police report, these two teenagers, after being spotted loitering, were advised by Kuki village volunteers of Joupri village, some 60 kilometres away from Imphal, to return to their home. Instead of obliging to the advice, the boy asked for Ganja to the volunteers. In a while, they were whisked away. This is the broad background about the death of the two teenagers. They were not kidnapped from their homes. The case has already been handed over to the CBI. Notwithstanding, raking up the issue afresh is akin to not only stoking more communal passion, but to reinforce the victim card which is vigorously machinated by the Meitei propagandists.

Victims of State-sponsored ethnic cleansing against the Kuki-Zo people and instances of cold-blooded murder are galore. Lest we forget, we append few cases here:

1. Olivia Chongloi and Florence Hangsing were one of the first victims of Meitei atrocities; raped, tortured and killed by the Meitei mobs on the 5th May, 2023.



2. Vungzagin Valte (61), a BJP MLA from Thanlon AC, can barely move without assistance due to the injuries he suffered after a Meitei mob assaulted him on May 4, 2023.



3. David Thiek, a village volunteer from Langza village in Churachandpur was beheaded by Mairembam Romesh Mangang, who is a security guard of Kumbi BJP MLA Shanti Kumar alias Sanisam Premchandra Singh on July 2, 2023.



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4. **Mrs. Gouzavung Gangte (57)**, who served as Under Secretary of the Agriculture & Veterinary department was caught fleeing with her family who after being identified as Kukis were all dragged out from their car and attacked- with Mrs. Gangte and her son – Goulalsang (27) losing their life.




(From left to right) Jamngaihkim Gangte, her father Lienboi Gangte, mother Gouzavung, sister-in-law Nancy and brother Goulalsang.



5. On May 4, B. Phainom village was under attack by the Meiteis. In the attack, five villagers escape into forest, including three women. Police rescued them from the forest, but the mob seized the five and killed a 56-year old man named **Soitinkam Vaiphei**, and strip two women naked, which the video went viral, and one women was brutally gang-raped.




There is a stark difference in being the victim and playing the victim, by fabricating or exaggerating victimhood to gain attention and sympathy. But, truth triumphs.




Thingkho Le Malcha
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OUR FALLEN HEROES
IN DEFENCE OF OUR ANCESTRAL LAND & FREEDOM



LALREMSANG VAIPHEI
s/o Siekmang Vaiphei
D. Phailien, Lamka



26.09.2023
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OBITUARY

Our deepest condolences to

Mr Lalremsang Vaiphei

s/o Siekmang Vaiphei of D. Phailien, Lamka who today, passed away after selflessly exchanging the warmth of his home for the cold nights in the front-lines in defence of our ancestral lands.

Our young brave warrior succumbed to an illness contracted while in the line of duty; his sacrifice no lesser than any of our martyrs.

The nation deeply mourns his untimely passing and upholds his sacrifice in the highest regards.

May his soul rest in peace!

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HISTORY OF MEITEI ATROCITIES IN KUKI HILLS – PART 1: LANDMINES AND SUPPRESSED LIFELINES

On March 27, 2003, a peaceful rally was organized in Delhi to demand action from the central and Manipur government on the ‘forcible abduction’ of over 400 Kuki villagers in Chandel district by Myanmar-based Meitei insurgent groups – or VBIGs (Valley Based Insurgent Groups) – to Myanmar on March 13, and to bring attention to the landmine threat in the district which had claimed as many as 33 victims since 2001. A few years later on 18 December 2006, after a week-long counter insurgency operation by the Security Forces (SFs) in the Khengjoi-Dingpi area, at least 471 villagers from six villages in the Khengjoi areas who had fled to Moreh due to the counter-insurgency operation were escorted back to their respective villages by the SFs. SFs claimed to have recovered and later defused at least 71 improvised explosive devices (IEDs) during the operation.

Khengjoi-Dingpi is located in Tengnoupal district which is located in the south-east part of the State, strategically bordering Myanmar. Tengnoupal district, a largely Kuki-inhabited district was split from Chandel district in December of 2016. Attacks on the tribal population by valley-based militants in Khengjoi-Dingpi date back to 2001 and most of such attacks have remained unreported in the media. In 2001, subsequent to an encounter with the United Kuki Liberation Front (UKLF) near Aibol-Joupi Village, UNLF militants assaulted the villagers. A penalty of Rs 100,000 and Rs 50,000 were reportedly imposed on Aibol-Joupi and Hollenjang villages.

The area assumed further strategic importance for the VBIGs like the UNLF and PLA after SF operations flushed them out of the ‘liberated zones’ in the Sajik-Tampak area (also in southernmost Tengnoupal, bordering Myanmar) in 2004 and from Henglep (another Kuki dominated region) following ‘Operation Dragnet’ in early 2006. During the week-long operation against the VBIGs in Chandel in December of 2006, the UNLF militants are known to have forcibly used villagers of Molcham and Tuileng as human shields against the SFs.

While an unassuming layman might assume that the Meitei atrocities against the Kukis began on 3rd May 2023 and intensified as the days, weeks and months went on, the reality is that the atrocities have always been there. Geographically, the various tribes under the Kuki umbrella have always lived in closer proximity to the Meiteis than the Meiteis have been

to the Nagas. And unlike Naga inhabited areas which are deeper into the hills and offer no enticement (or practicality) to a valley-loving community like the Meiteis, the Kukis have been in possession of fertile lands in the foothills bordering the hills, not to mention an abundance of natural forest resources within easy reach of the Imphal valley. For these two reasons and more, the Meiteis – at least the radical intelligentsia among the Meiteis if not the whole gullible, decadent bunch – have always had a covetous eye on the Kukis. The continued presence of NIA terrorist-designated VBIGs in Kuki areas points to multiple things. One, they have always wanted control of the land and their atrocities on the Kuki population was always meant to make life difficult for the Kukis (moving around even to sow seeds or gather harvest from their fields had been made dangerous due to the landmines planted by the VBIGs) and to ensure their own ability for safe movement across the border. Two, to draw attention of the SFs from the Imphal valley into the hills and invite harsh military action upon the Kuki populace with the same intention of making life difficult for them as AFSPA has been in force in the state since 1980. Three, that the VBIGs are acutely aware and fond of the Kuki inhabited Myanmar border areas to serve their own strategic cross-border interests. The VBIGs have historically always had their secret bases and training camps in Myanmar and the one overarching ideology of all Meitei insurgent groups has been the independence of Manipur from the Union of India. On September 23, 2023, a day after arresting Moirangthem Anand Singh, a meitei militant, the National Investigation Agency (NIA) warned of a ‘transnational conspiracy’ by the Myanmar-based leadership of Indian insurgency outfits to ‘wage war against India’ by exploiting the current ethnic unrest in Manipur. Two dissident leaders from Manipur claiming to represent King Leishemba Sanajaoba had announced the launch of the “Manipur Government in exile”, an entity independent from the Indian Union in the UK in October of 2019.

So while the valley-based Meitei media houses and CSOs may cry hoarse about Kuki illegal immigrants from across the border being a threat to local

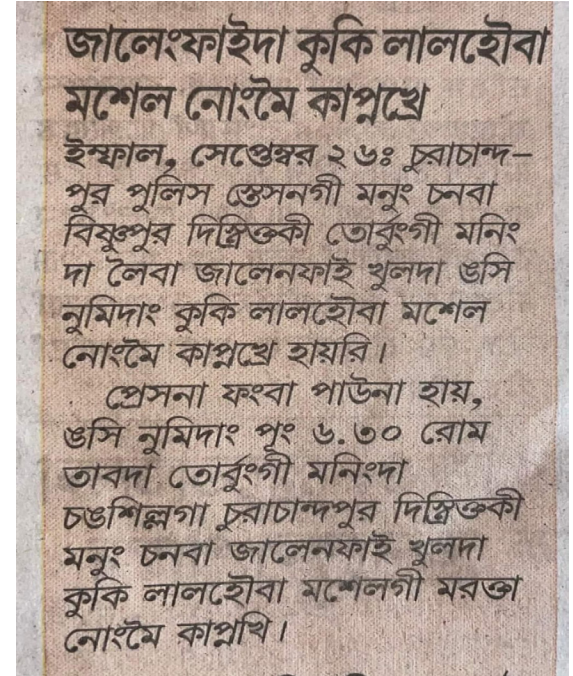
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harmony and national security, it is the Meitei VBIGs based across the border who pose the actual threat. A month or so ago, four Meitei insurgents surrendered from across the border, which is quickly becoming their way of gaining safe entry in to the country since recently, there were reports that Meitei insurgents have been issued state police uniforms and ID cards and are roaming with the state police commandos. Now put two and two together and the nefarious intentions become very clear – use whatever means to ferry militants from across the border and engage them in the ongoing conflict. These border-crossing insurgents are posing a direct threat to the nation in general as pointed out by the NIA and the Kukis in particular. Their growing number in the valley signals a dangerous change in the strategy of how the Meiteis are waging this genocide on the Kuki community as seen in their shift from marauding mob raids on the buffer-zones to well-trained, small-group based secretive, strategic and systematic terror attacks. After mass ethnic-cleansing, they are now turning to their field of expertise – targeted terrorism upon the Kukis which they have been carrying out in the background over the years.

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CLAIM:

A valley based newspaper published in Bengali script in its September 26 edition has reported a gunfight between Kuki militants at ‘Jalengphai’ (Zalengphai) village near Torbung ag around 6.30 PM on September 25

FACT:

There was no such firing that had happened in Churachandpur district on September 25, not even in the last five months since the ethnic cleansing against Kuki people by Meiteis started. Rather, it was a gunshot on the Meiteis terrorists’ drone flying over the Kuki Zo territory.

FACT-CHECK RESULT:

FALSE, MEITEI LIES EXPOSED

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.



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Declaring a state as disturbed area by excluding all the disturbed areas in the state is a novel move. Such are the causes of such disturbance in the state.
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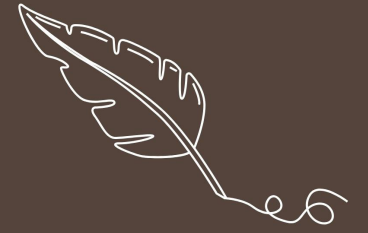
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Shongminthang Haokip

In such a heartbreaking dreams
sitting in a classroom reminiscent of my classmates
Of whom I dearly missed beyond words
Life takes us apart by destiny not by choice,
As most of us can relate this hard reality today.
When I wake up I can't embrace this separation it hurts
when life is too short to say goodbye too often.
Yet now, when separation is to protect those whom I cared for
Where the battle's harsh wind of Imphal blows us apart
With hearts heavy and no force to unite
We must part,
For peace requires a change of heart.
With no trust remains in their hearts
A separation forced by fate's decree,
Yet in our parting, may understanding be.
For deep within, we're all human the same,
Seeking peace in a world aflame.
May hope replace the wounds we bore,
No more the clash of sword and gun,
Our battles in the setting sun.
With this farewell, let's turn the page,
And hope for a world free of rage.
In separation, let there be a chance,
For unity, love, and a lasting dance.
Goodbye, dear foes, in this fading light,
May peace prevail, as we sailed across the rivers
We say farewell forevermore from a distant sigh across the hills.

