

Thingkho *Le* Malcha

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AWAITING JUSTICE



DALLAMTHANG SUANTAK (50 YEARS)

H/O VUNGNEINIANG

ADDRESS: AWNKAP VENG, LAMKA

DATE OF DEATH: 5TH MAY, 2023

PLACE OF DEATH: MOIRANG POLICE STATION, BISHNUPUR DISTRICT

CAUSE OF DEATH: DRAGGED OUT FROM AMBULANCE AT MOIRANG PS, KILLED



KUKI VICTIMS' UPDATE

As on 01.06.2024



186
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.

KUKI STUDENTS' BODY CONDEMNS FIR AGAINST UK-BASED PROFESSOR

The Kuki Students' Organisation (KSO) of Delhi & NCR has condemned what it describes as a frivolous complaint filed against Professor Uday Reddy by an unidentified complainant.

The complaint accuses Professor Reddy of inciting tensions in Manipur through his online platforms.

In a statement, the KSO expressed solidarity with Professor Reddy.

Thangminjoy, the secretary of information & publicity for the KSO, stated that the complaint appears to be a deliberate attempt to silence Professor Reddy's objective presentations on the history and realities of the Kuki and Meitei communities in Manipur.

Thangminjoy stated that Professor Reddy's efforts have been focused on educating Kuki youth about their heritage and rights, which has evidently challenged certain political agendas.

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Thangminjoy further asserted that the actions against Professor Reddy not only infringe upon his freedom of speech but also aim to suppress the educational



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CONDEMNATION OF FRIVOLOUS COMPLAINT AGAINST PROFESSOR UDAY REDDY New Delhi, the 1st July, 2024

The Kuki students' Organization- Delhi & NCR strongly condemns the recent filing of a frivolous complaint against Professor Uday Reddy by an unknown complainant. This action represents a disturbing trend where individuals and organizations exposing the malpractices of the Biren Singh-led Manipur Government are unjustly targeted.

Professor Uday Reddy, through his X (formerly known as Twitter) handle @Kautilya33, has consistently presented unbiased views and the authentic history of both the Kukis and Meitei communities of Manipur. His objective and factual discourse has evidently threatened Meitei propagandists who find themselves unable to counter his truths with their misinformation. It is clear that Professor Reddy, an Indian-loving person of Indian origin with deep connections to India and its people, is being targeted for his commitment to truth and justice.

The professor's activism on social media has never been about vilifying the Meitei community. Rather, it has been about shedding light on the complex truths surrounding the Manipur violence. He has been a guiding force for many Kuki youths, educating them about their true history and enlightening them about their rights. This educational endeavor threatens the Meitei political agenda which relies on keeping the tribal Kuki community ignorant.

The complaint against Professor Reddy appears to be an attempt to silence him and prevent him from further enlightening the Kuki youth. This action is a direct attack on the freedom of speech and the right to education and knowledge. The Meitei politicians and their supporters wish to see Professor Reddy banned and arrested, and imprisoned to remove this obstacle from their path of complete domination over the tribal Kukis.

We urge the authorities to recognize this complaint for what it is: a tactic to intimidate and suppress a voice of truth. We demand the immediate withdrawal of the complaint and call for an end to such unjust actions against individuals who seek to bring to light the historical and present-day realities of Manipur.

The Kuki Students Organization- Delhi & NCR stands firmly with Professor Uday Reddy and supports his efforts to educate and empower the tribal Kuki community. We appeal to all right-thinking individuals and organizations to join us in condemning this unjust action and to stand up for truth, justice and the rights of all communities in Manipur.

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empowerment of the tribal Kuki community.

The KSO has demanded that authorities withdraw the complaint immediately, highlighting it as a tactic to intimidate voices of truth.

They have called upon all concerned individuals and organizations to stand against such unjust actions and support the rights of all communities in Manipur.

KSO, DISTRICT POLICE CHURACHANDPUR LAUNCH AWARENESS TOUR ON NEW CRIMINAL LAWS

The Kuki Students' Organisation (KSO) Churachandpur, in collaboration with the District Police Churachandpur, conducted a "District Tour on Awareness of the 3 New Criminal Laws" today. This initiative aimed to educate the public about the newly adopted laws at various governmental institutions and private educational institutes.

The awareness campaign was inaugurated by Jaibshaikh Nair, IPS, Superintendent of Police Churachandpur, at the Mini-Secretariat Complex in Tuibong. The event saw participation from KSO leaders and other prominent District Level Officers (DLOs).

The awareness drive began at the office of the Superintendent of Police and concluded at Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalaya (JNV) Churachandpur in Tuinom. It covered multiple governmental offices, including the Deputy Commissioner's office, CEO ADC Churachandpur, District Forest Office, CJM Churachandpur, Zonal Education Office, and the 27 Sector Assam Rifles. Additionally, educational institutions such as Salt Brook School, Sielmat Christian Higher Secondary School, Rayburn College, and JNV Tuinom were part of the campaign.

The three new criminal laws—Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita, and Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam—came into effect nationwide on July 1, 2024. These laws mark a significant overhaul of India's criminal justice system, replacing colonial-era statutes with modern provisions. Key changes include the introduction of Zero FIR, online registration of police complaints, electronic summonses, and mandatory videography of crime scenes for all heinous crimes.

The initiative's primary goal is to inform the public about their rights and the implications of the new



laws. During the awareness drive, students and government officials from various departments were briefed on the regulations and guidelines of the new criminal laws, ensuring a comprehensive understanding of the changes.

This collaborative effort between the KSO and the District Police highlights the importance of community engagement and education in the effective implementation of new legal frameworks.

AMID RUMOURS, BIREN RUBBISHES HIS POTENTIAL RESIGNATION; A REPEAT OF HIS HIGH-VOLTAGE DRAMA A YEAR AGO

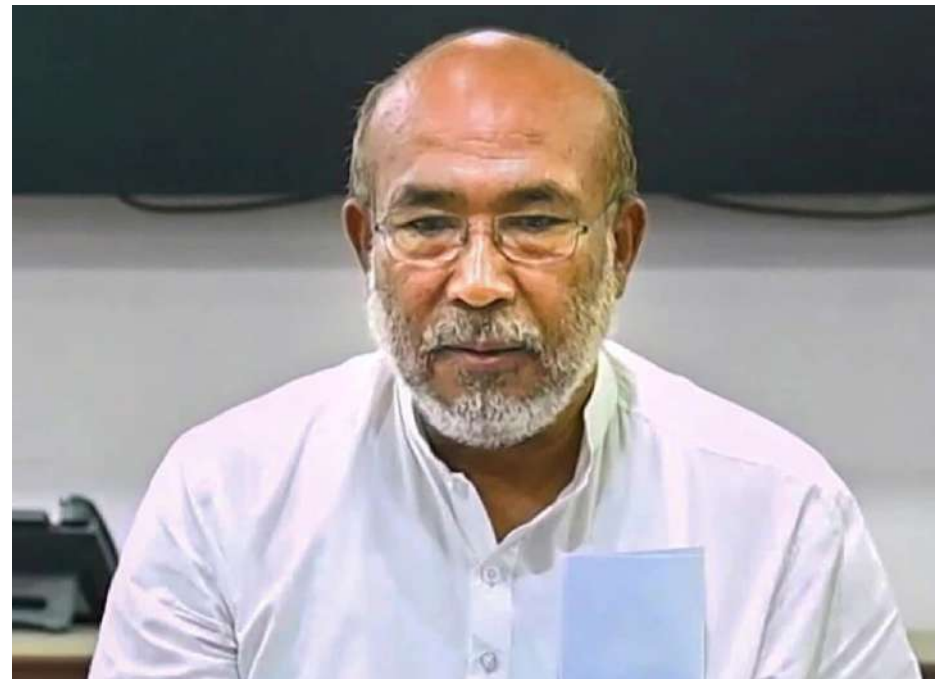
Exactly a year ago on June 30, the Meiteis' beleaguered Kangleipak Chief Minister Nongthombam Biren Singh was stopped by his radicalised supporters from resigning, amid high-voltage drama created in Imphal.

In his staged drama, Mr. Singh was scheduled to meet Governor Anusuiya Uikye at the Raj Bhavan, barely 200 metres from his official residence, to tender his resignation at 1 p.m. The staged-drama failed to begin due to low gatherings of his insane supporters of Meira Paibis along with his private militia groups of Arambai Tenggol and Meitei Leepun. A large mob gathering was then mobilised and the appointment was rescheduled to 3 p.m. later in the day.

At about 2:20 p.m., the CM came out of his residence in a convoy of vehicles along with some 20 MLAs, including Ministers. The high-voltage drama thus began as hundreds of Meira Paibis blocked his path to the Raj Bhavan by forming a human chain on the road. He returned to his residence after his blind supporters asked him not to resign and chanted slogans in his support.

After some time, a group of Ministers emerged from the CM's residence and one of them read out Mr. Singh's resignation letter before handing it to some women, who tore it up. The BJP later announced that Mr. Singh had decided against quitting, in order to honour the so-called sentiments of the people and civil society organisations.

A year after his staged drama, the same beleaguered Meiteis' Chief Minister repeated another low-level drama of his possible resignation from the Chair, yet to gain more of his insane supporters. Amid rumours running high over his resignation, the incompetent Chief Minister N. Biren Singh today rubbished those speculations and asserted that he would continue to lead the strife-torn state until asked to do so otherwise by the central leadership.



Interacting with the media, N. Biren Singh said, "In such a crucial time when Manipur is passing through a troubled time... We have full confidence and we have to guide the people on the right path. If we deviate from the path, who will lead them? Manipur will be in more chaos."

No wonder, the narcissist N. Biren Singh would create drama after drama and propagate unfounded information in order to brainwash his own people in search of his power-struggle. He has an evil design of strategically creating an environment full of hatred towards the Kukis among the Meiteis, so that he could be considered as a 'Saviour of the Meiteis'. In his yearning for power, he patronised state-sponsored ethnic cleansing pogrom against the Kukis, which continues even after a year.

For the Kukis, with Biren or no Biren is no more a serious concern. In order to bring normalcy in the region, separate administration for the Kukis is a must. The standpoint is clear. Peace must precede a permanent political solution in the form of Union Territory with Legislature.

MANIPUR HIGH COURT DIRECTS SPEAKER TO ADJUDICATE ON JD-U MLAs DISQUALIFICATION PLEA

The Manipur high court has directed the Speaker of the Manipur assembly to adjudicate on a plea seeking disqualification of five JD-U MLAs.

The order was passed by a bench of Manipur high court, led by chief justice Siddharth Mridul and comprising justice Golmei Gaiphulshillu Kabui.

The directive issued on Monday (July 01), ordered the Speaker of the Manipur legislative assembly to adjudicate on a petition seeking the disqualification of five Janata Dal-United (JD-U) MLAs, who had defected to join the BJP, the principal coalition partner in Manipur's ruling government.

The JD-U's Manipur unit, which secured six seats in the last assembly elections, filed a fresh petition urging the Speaker to disqualify these MLAs under anti-defection laws. Following the February-March 2022 elections, five JD-U MLAs merged with the BJP legislature party, bolstering the ruling government's strength to 37 in the 60-member Manipur assembly.

The Congress, the primary opposition in Manipur, had previously filed a disqualification petition against these MLAs in September 2022.

However, on December 13, 2023, the JD-U submitted a

renewed petition under constitutional provisions, seeking disqualification based on their defection under the tenth schedule of the Indian Constitution.

During the court proceedings, Lenin Hijam, advocate general of Manipur, cited relevant legal precedents, including a Supreme Court decision, emphasizing the Speaker's obligation to address disqualification petitions.

The Manipur high court accepted this assurance, disposing of the writ petition while allowing the petitioner the liberty to revive it if necessary.

Maisnam Dorendro Singh, secretary general of JD-U, sought multiple reliefs through the petition, including a mandamus directing the Speaker to register and decide on the disqualification case expeditiously, referencing a Supreme Court order mandating a timeframe for such decisions.

The MLAs in question who joined the BJP include Khumukcham Joykisan Singh, Ngursanglur Sanate, Achab Uddin, Thangjam Arunkumar Singh, and LM Khaute, with Muhammad Abdul Nasir as the sixth MLA from the Lilong constituency.



The end of law is not to abolish or restrain, but to preserve and enlarge freedom. For in all the states of created beings capable of law, where there is no law, there is no freedom.

- John Locke

RAHUL GANDHI ACCUSES MODI GOVT OF PUSHING MANIPUR INTO 'CIVIL WAR'

Leader of Opposition in the Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi accused the BJP-led government on Monday of pushing Manipur into a "civil war" due to its policies and politics.

The Congress leader also criticised Prime Minister Narendra Modi for not visiting the the state since ethnic violence broke out there.

Initiating the debate on behalf of the opposition in the Lok Sabha on the Motion of Thanks for the president's address, Gandhi alleged that the government is behaving as if nothing has happened in Manipur.

"You have immersed Manipur into a civil war. Manipur has been burnt by you, your policies and your politics," he said.

The Congress leader said it seems as if Manipur is not an Indian state. "For the prime minister, there is no



state of Manipur. We urged the prime minister to give a message, to go there. But no. You cannot get a reply (from the prime minister)," he said.

Gandhi also referred to the plight of the women in the northeastern state. Responding to a remark from the treasury benches, he said "you do not include women in your organisation, but I can speak about them". (News 18)

FORMER SETTLEMENT OFFICER ABDUCTED AND MURDERED IN MANIPUR, FAMILY ALLEGES EXTORTION

In a shocking display of lawlessness, Thokchom Ibomcha Singh, 65, a former officer of the Settlement department, was allegedly abducted from his residence in Khangabok village, Thoubal district, on June 18. His bullet-ridden body was discovered on Sunday in Leishang Hiden moat near Manipur University.

Family members believe the motive behind Singh's killing was extortion. Thokchom Ongbi Kim, Singh's wife, alleged the kidnappers demanded money and tortured her husband during his captivity.

A Joint Action Committee (JAC) was formed in response to the killing and submitted a memorandum to Chief Minister N Biren Singh on Monday, demanding the

arrest of those involved and expressing outrage over the brutal crime. The JAC highlighted ongoing issues of lawlessness in the valley, including threats, intimidation, extortion, and kidnapping.

Women from Khangabok village blocked National Highway 102 and other roads, demanding justice and declaring they won't claim Singh's remains until the perpetrators are apprehended.

Manipur police have registered a case and are actively searching for the culprits. As of now, no group has claimed responsibility for the abduction and murder.



OPINION

One Year Later, the Uncertainty Persists: Revisiting Biren's Staged Resignation Drama to Save His Chair

Anthony Shongthu

Since N. Biren Singh became the chief minister of Manipur in 2017, his chair has always been shaking due to the rebel MLAs' attempt to replace him. During his first stint, as many as 15 BJP MLAs out of 21 were not in favour of Biren's chief-ministership. In the end, these rebel MLAs failed to topple his ministry, but they were able to exert strong pressure on both the central and state BJP leadership about their intention to replace Biren with a more capable and accommodative leader at the helm.

During his second term in office, which began sometime in May 2022, the threat seemed lesser, but it continued to haunt him. The pressure has become more obvious since the outbreak of the current ethnic turmoil on May 3, 2023.

While the Kukis are unanimous in their stand against the continuation of Biren as chief minister, there is a division of opinion within his own community. Half of the population thinks he is no longer fit to hold the post due to his misadventures and communal policies that has practically destabilized the fabric of Manipuri society in the last 13 months.

A quarter of the remaining half believes he should be

allowed to handle the mess he created till the end. Dr. Homen Thangjam, in an interview with Karan Thapar for The Wire, said that a horse pulling a cart should not be replaced in the middle of the river. Others, like Brinda Thounaojam, former MPS officer, and Dr. RK Ranjan, former Lok Sabha MP and Union Minister of State, are also deadly against his style of [mis]governance.

However, people like Dr. Bimol Akoijam have taken the absence of governance as an opportunity without directly attacking the chief minister, though critical minds can read between the lines, and became the MP. The remaining quarter, constituting mainly the radicalized section within the Meitei society who are either indoctrinated with xenophobic mentality against the Kukis or are vulnerable enough to believe propaganda and fake news propagated by Meitei media and social media handles, are behind him.

As the evil design of the chief minister and his cohorts are consistently exposed, his deceitful

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nature will no longer hold water in the long run, as it is based on lies, hatred, and opportunistic agendas.

In the last couple of weeks, the chief minister has been summoned to New Delhi at least twice. The interesting part was that when he really wanted to meet the Union Home Minister, he was not given an appointment. Amit Shah was his Godfather since day one and has been solidly behind him.

To make things worse for him, there are reports that the rebel MLAs are camping in the national capital. And A. Sharda Devi, the state president of BJP, met the Union Home Minister, whom the chief minister could not meet even with the help of his partner in the ongoing crime against humanity and political ally Himanta Biswa Sarma when he needed the most.

The silence of the President of India on Manipur Crisis in her address to the Parliament also came under severe attack from the Congress, the main opposition party in the country. The Congress had notably won both the Lok Sabha seats in Manipur (Inner and Outer) recently, a feat achieved by an opposition party for the first time.

The manner in which both the newly elected MPs mentioned Manipur, albeit in different ways, while taking their oath of office in Parliament, has opened the eyes of many who were blinded by the communal game played by Biren and his militias. Now, people in Imphal are asking themselves whether the two MPs had a better idea about their beloved home state than Biren as it unravels his hollow portrayal as the champion of the Meiteis' cause. Biren had often claimed that his party is the only party that can defend the territorial interest of the state.

Now that his chair is under serious threat of facing a tsunami-like rebellion, he has openly laid down

terms and conditions to the central government in an interview with a national media house, The Print. The terms and conditions put forth by Biren for the BJP leadership at the centre include deporting illegal 'migrants' with 1961 as the base year, scrapping the Free Movement Regime or FMR between India and Myanmar (which the Nagas, Mizos, and Kukis have been opposing), and border fencing. Is it ironic that a BJP chief minister is trying to dictate the central leadership in case there is a plan to replace him?

When he was asked to contest the Lok Sabha elections, it was a golden opportunity given to him for a graceful exit. Now that he has made one of his own ministers, and a potential future chief minister, a sacrificial lamb, he has no option but to face the consequences of a situation he himself created.

For the Kukis and the broader Zo ethnic communities, Biren has become persona non grata. Theirs is separation from the xenophobic Meiteis whose favourite slogan has been to "Kill all the Kukis", and whose favourite pastime is to destroy or loot properties belonging to the Kukis.

Let the sane Meiteis decide the future of their society! Whether Biren continues to rule the Imphal Valley or not, political separation from them is the only aspirations left. The Kukis will live for it, or die in the fight for their dignity and survival!



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THE BUZZ

“400 paar...
400 Paar? Are tum toh dub gaye...
He can give so many slogans...
He can travel around the world... But he
didn't have any time to visit #Manipur ...the
state had been burning for a year..”

#Congress #MallikarjunKharge on
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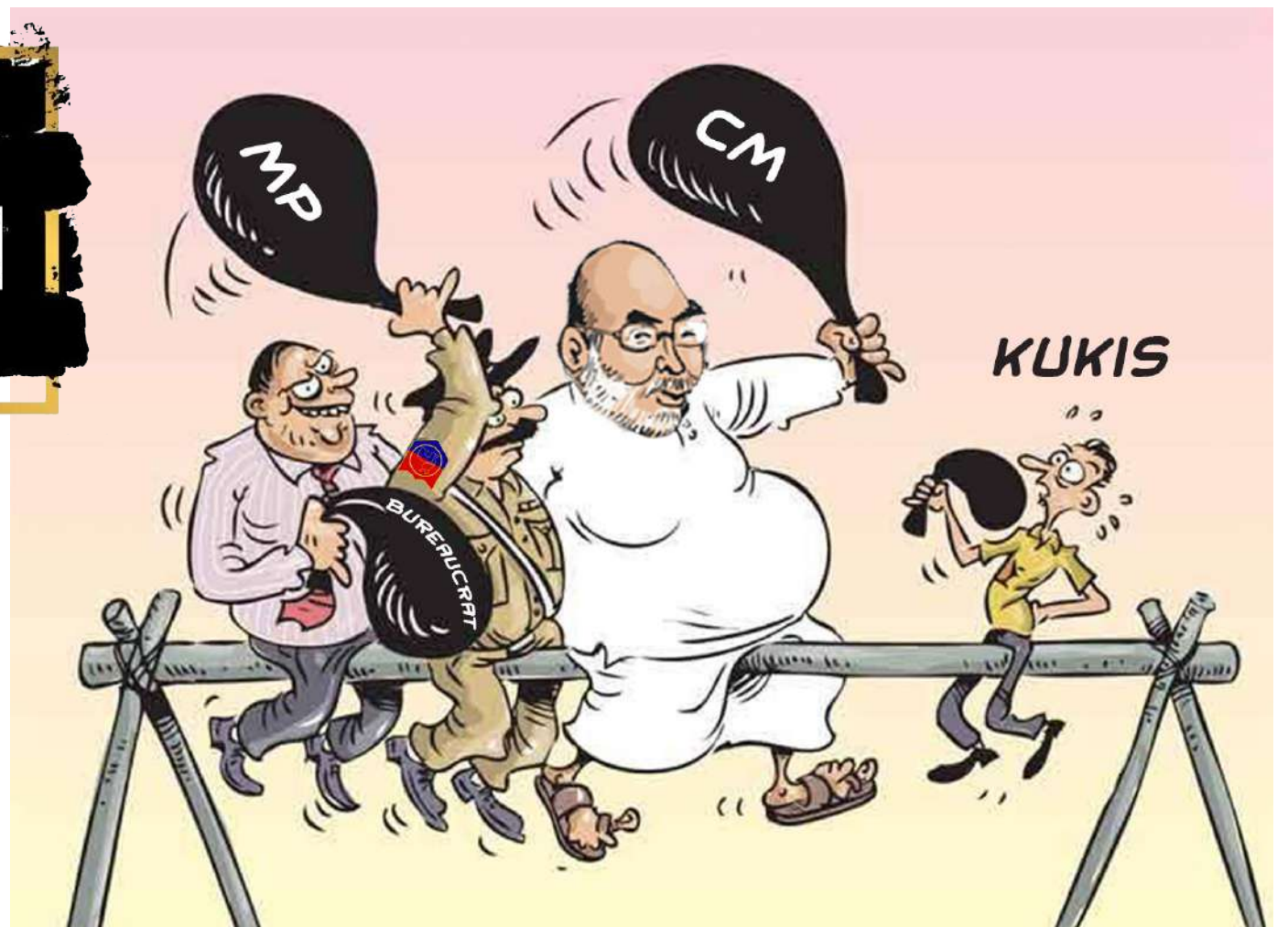
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thousands of people became homeless,
hundreds of **women** became widows, sisters
and daughters were **paraded** naked on the
streets but till now the violence in **Manipur**
has not stopped

#SavePSUFromModi #RahulGandhi
#ManipurViolence #AadhaarCard



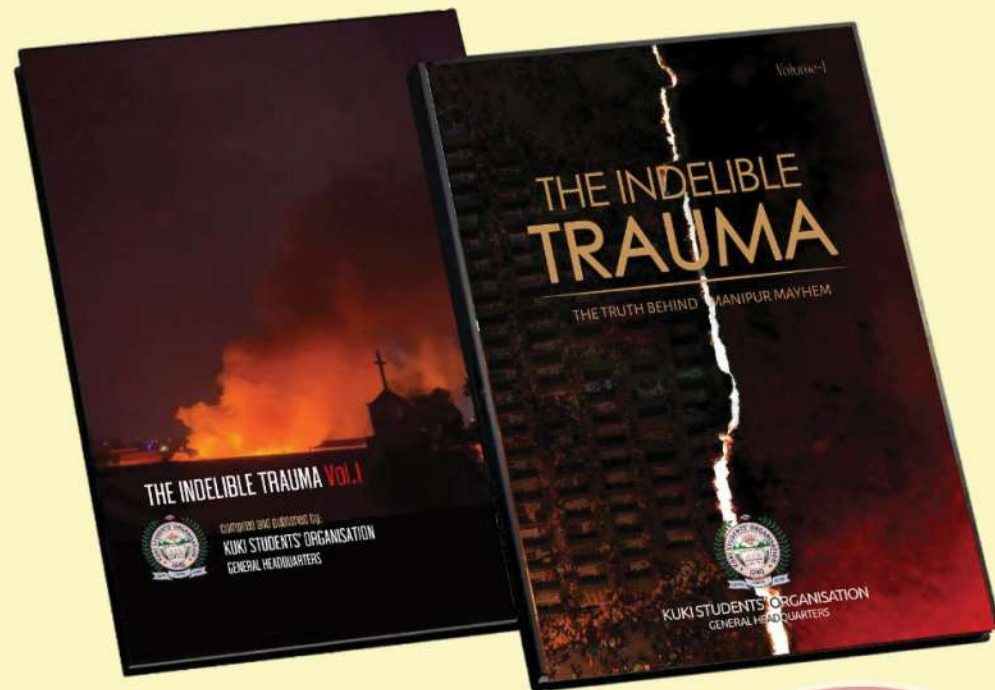
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Thank you Lord Jesus for this journey.
Thank you for stowing us with an entity,
Guide us so we may never falter though fumble,
Today, we grief the Nation departed souls, despair and desolated,
You have known us before creation, our yearning for Homeland...
Yet 'Your Will' be done not ours .

Thank you tenacious Army of the Kuki Nation North, East, South, West...
May your sacrifice and endurance not be in vain,
You have protected and secure us, so we may live everyday,
You are the Nation shields for the invading devil pogrom,
We will be victors of this war wage upon us,
Our humble prayers and blessing stays with you.

Thank you leaders of the Nation.
We squabble, dissent often fall out with discord yet you have lead us,
Your magnanimous calibre deserve honour,
Deceptions are no option for us,
But proclamation of 'Ancestral Rights',
With God, Truth and Integrity continue to steer us.

- Henry D Summer