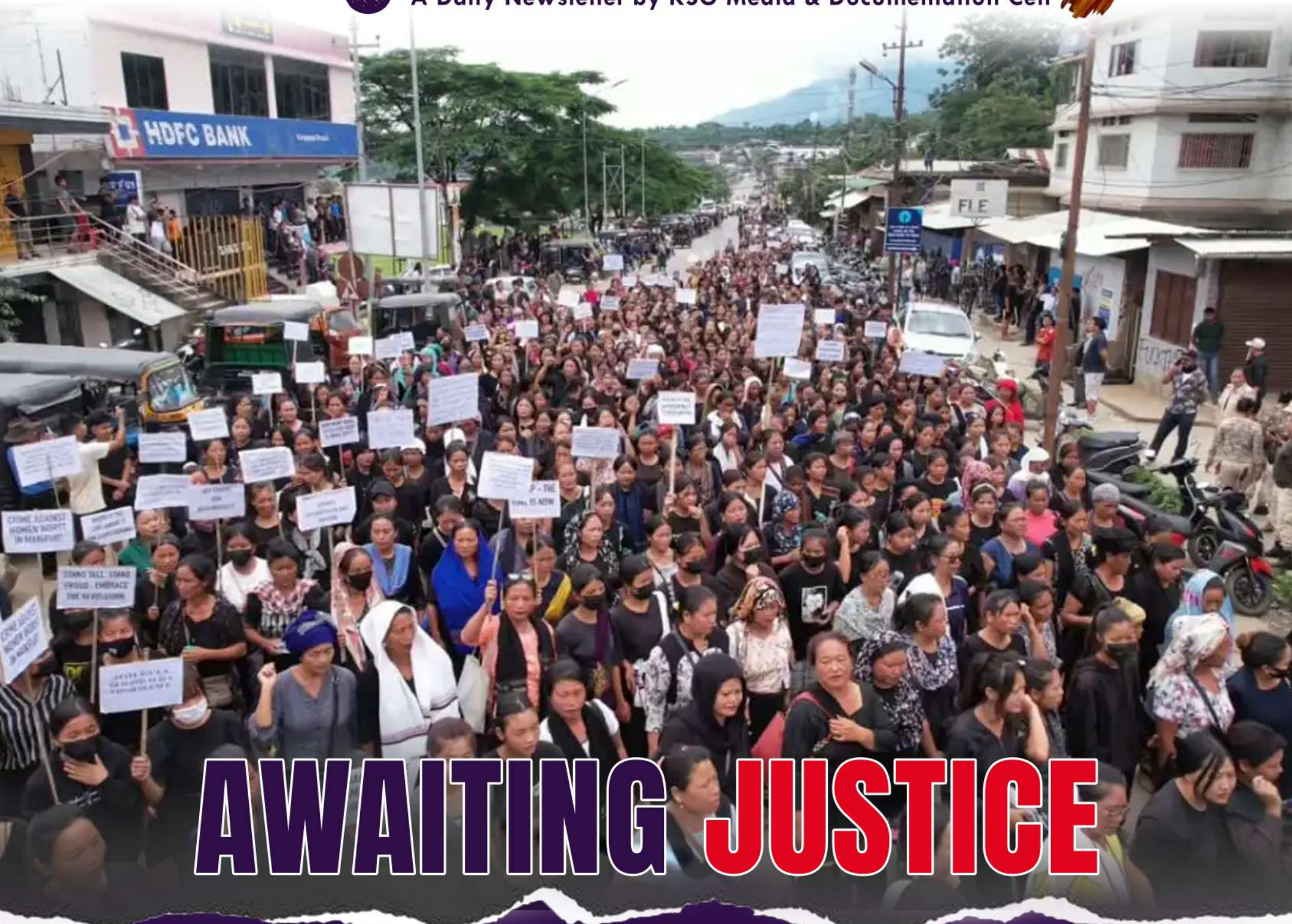


Thingkho Le Malcha

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JANGMINLUN KHONGSAI (23 YEARS)

S/O JAMLAL KHONGSAI

ADDRESS: SINGDA KUKI, SADAR HILLS

DATE OF DEATH: 5TH MAY, 2023

PLACE OF DEATH: IMPHAL

CAUSE OF DEATH: KILLED BY MEITEI MILITANTS



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 APEX BODY DIRECTS STATE GOVT. TO IMPLEMENT NRC AT THEIR OWN TERRITORIAL BOUNDARY MARKED BY BUFFER ZONES

In a subtle reply to the Manipur state government and the Meitei leadership pushing for the implementation of NRC in Manipur, the apex body of the Kuki people, the Kuki Inpi has directed the Manipur state government and the Meitei leadership to implement NRC at any time of their convenience and in any manner as deemed fit within their own territorial bounds clearly marked by the buffer zones.

“The Manipur state issue in no way concerns the Kuki-Zo people who have been forced out of Manipur state and were compelled to petition their grievances to the Government of India for a constitutional protection in the creation of a Union Territory with Legislature for the Kuki-Zo people,” Kuki Inpi said.

Clarifying their position in regards to the demand for NRC implementation, the Kuki Inpi said if the central government perceives any need for implementation of NRC in the Kuki-Zo inhabited regions; the Kuki Inpi will not dispute any such genuine efforts for identification and necessary actions as per constitutional rules and principles; provided that it is carried out under strict supervision of the Supreme Court and in due consultation with Kuki Inpi Manipur. Subsequently, any illegal immigrant so found; whether a Kuki, Naga or Meitei, may be thoroughly dealt with as per established laws of the country.

However, the Kuki Inpi would like to stress the immediate need for political settlement above all other matters of importance -a fulfillment of our demand for a lasting political solution. The unwarranted and brutal hostilities against our people by the Meiteis under the dictatorship of N Biren Singh must end; and only then a procedural conduct of NRC in Kuki-Zo inhabited regions can be justifiable and viable, said a statement issued by the Kuki Inpi today.

The Kuki Inpi herewith clarifies that the Meitei State leadership under N Biren Singh; responsible for the



PRESS STATEMENT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF NRC IN MANIPUR Lamka, the 5th July, 2024


04/KIM/PR/22-61: Regarding the Implementation of NRC in Manipur region; the Kuki Inpi; as the Apex body of the Kuki people, hereby intimate the following for information to the Press and all concerned:

That; the Manipur state government and the Meitei leadership may implement NRC at any time of their convenience and in any manner as deemed fit within their own territorial bounds clearly marked by the buffer zones. The Manipur state issue in no way concerns the Kuki-Zo people who have been forced out of Manipur state and were compelled to petition their grievances to the Government of India for a constitutional protection in the creation of a Union Territory with Legislature for the Kuki-Zo people.

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The Kuki Inpi herewith clarifies that the Meitei State leadership under N Biren Singh; responsible for the oppression and persecution of our people; causing the loss of 186 precious lives; the arson and destruction of more than 7,000 houses, rendering more than 41,000 Kuki-Zo people homeless has no legitimate say and authority over the future of our people. The Kuki Inpi remains compelled to reiterate that the demand for a Union Territory with legislature is the only solution to safeguard the Kuki-Zo people from the incessant threat posed by the chauvinist Meitei State leadership, and to safeguard the constitution and with it; the founding principles of this great country.


(JANGHAOLUN HAOKIP)
Secretary, Information & Publicity
Kuki Inpi Manipur



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IMPHAL VALLEY: A FERTILE GROUND FOR MEITEI MILITANTS FOR CARRYING OUT CRIMINAL ACTIVITIES

Since the withdrawal of Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, 1958 from the Meiteis' dominated 19 police station jurisdictions, the Imphal Valley has become a fertile ground for the proscribed Meitei militants including the radicalised militia groups of Arambai Tenggol and Meitei Leepun for carrying out illegal activities as per their whims and fancies.

Criminal activities have become every day affairs of the Meitei militants, thus threatening not only the safety and security of the people but also the National security. Additionally, with a large number of sophisticated arms and ammunition taken out from the police armouries still in the hands of the Meitei militia groups, law and order has become a serious concern. Unless the AFSPA is re-imposed again in the Imphal valley, chaotic society will prevail.

In a clear case of complete breakdown of law and order situation under the incompetent leadership of N. Biren Singh, Angel Hospital for Children at Uripok Achom Leikai in Imphal West district of Manipur was attacked by the Meitei armed miscreants on Thursday (July 04) night.

The militants opened fire on the hospital walls at around 6 pm before fleeing the scene. As per Police sources, the motive behind the attack appears to be related to



a monetary demand.

Condemning the attack at a hospital, the hospital staff, local women groups including the Meira Paibis and various voluntary organizations held a sit-in protest at the hospital gate on Friday.

Protesters displayed placards that read: "Stop harassment in the hospital", "Stop firing at the public place" and "We want a peaceful atmosphere at the hospital".

Shamurailatpam Modubla Devi, the President of the Uripok Achom Leikai Nupi Apunba Lup appealed for a peaceful resolution through dialogue. "Attacks on hospitals during conflict are one of the grave violations identified and condemned by the UN Security Council," she said.

TODAY IN HISTORY/EVENTS RECALLED: JULY 05, 2023

A RECAP OF THE HORRIFIC INCIDENTS ON JULY 05, 2023 AS A RESULT OF PRE-PLANNED STATE-SPONSORED ETHNIC CLEANSING POGROM AGAINST KUKI-ZO

Meitei radical groups attacked Phaileng Village of Kangpokpi District in the morning at around 4:30 AM. Village Volunteers fired back, compelling the Meiteis to retreat at around 9:00 AM.

The combined forces of Meitei terrorists come back in the afternoon at around 3:30 PM and fired indiscriminately.

No casualties were reported on our side.

Approximately 1,500 strong Meira Paibis congregated at Kanglatongbi with intentions forcibly enter Gamgiphai. However, their plans were thwarted by the presence of security forces who prevented their entry.

AMIT SHAH TO VISIT MIZORAM IN AUGUST, SAYS CM LALDUHOMA

Union Home Minister Amit Shah will visit Mizoram next month to take stock of the proposed relocation of Assam Rifles' base from the hearth of Aizawl to Zokhawsang on the outskirts of the state capital, Chief Minister Lalduhoma said on Thursday.

He informed the joint meeting of important officials of the state government and Assam Rifles over the shifting of Assam Rifles' base that he discussed the matter with Shah during his visit to the national capital in June last.

"A decision to shift Assam Rifles' base from Aizawl to Zokhawsang has been taken already. We are committed to shifting the headquarters to the designated place. I am coming to Aizawl to inspect steps taken towards shifting the Assam Rifles' base," Lalduhoma quoted Shah as saying during the joint meeting.

He said that the joint meeting was convened to review the steps that have been taken so far and to discuss the next steps to be taken for shifting the Assam Rifles battalion headquarters from Aizawl to Zokhawsang in the eastern outskirts of the state capital.

Officials of the state home and other departments informed the meeting about infrastructure development that had taken place at Zokhawsang for the relocation of the Assam Rifles battalion headquarters.



Assam Rifles officials on their part, told the meeting that some existing infrastructures or facilities, including magazine building and firing point, have to be shifted to another area within the Zokhawsang complex due to the ongoing construction of a new road to be used by farmers, who practice cultivation near Zokhawsang.

The new road passes through the Assam Rifles area at Zokhawsang.

Assam Rifles also raised the issue of the internal road within the Zokhawsang complex, water supply and electric transformer during the joint meeting.

Source: [NE Now](#)



**Victory has a thousand fathers,
but defeat is an orphan.**

- John F. Kennedy

ARMED MISCREANTS ATTACK RATHA YATRA CHARIOT IN IMPHAL

In a shocking incident, unknown armed miscreants attacked a chariot prepared for the upcoming Ratha Yatra festival in Imphal city, Manipur, in the early hours of Friday.

According to reports, the attack occurred at around 12:30 am near Sana Konung crossing, where the chariot was parked. The attackers, who arrived in a car from the direction of Advance Hospital, fired two rounds at the chariot before fleeing towards Palace Gate.

Imphal East district police were promptly alerted and rushed to the scene to investigate and search for the perpetrators. The motive behind the attack remains unclear.



No casualties have been reported, but the incident has raised concerns about the safety and security of the upcoming Ratha Yatra festival. The police are investigating the matter and searching for the attackers.



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BJP APPOINTS STATE INCHARGES FOR NORTHEAST STATES

BJP National President Jagat Prakash Nadda has appointed new co-incharges for Manipur, Mizoram, Meghalaya, and Nagaland.

Dr Ajeet Gopchade has been appointed as the co-incharge for Manipur, bringing with him a wealth of experience and expertise to further BJP's objectives in the state.

Meanwhile, Devesh Kumar, MLC, will take charge as the co-incharge for Mizoram, underscoring BJP's commitment to expand its footprint in the region.

In Meghalaya and Nagaland, Anil Antony has been entrusted with the role of co-incharge, tasked with



enhancing BJP's organizational capabilities and fostering stronger ties with local communities.

With immediate effect, these new co-incharges are poised to play pivotal roles in the party's future initiatives and electoral strategies in the respective states. (India Today NE)

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Is Prime Minister Modi actually living in a dystopian World? #justasking! 😊

#Manipur #PMModi

Manipur will reject those adding fuel to fire: Modi

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NEW DELHI: Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Wednesday asserted that instances of violence that have roiled Manipur for over a year have begun to decline, and that the resumption of schools, offices and establishments in the state is a sign of normalcy being restored, his first comments in Parliament on the issue.

Pointing out that the President's Rule was imposed 10 times in the state during the Congress rule, the PM, during his speech in the Rajya Sabha on Wednesday, cautioned that anyone trying to "fan the fire" by stoking unrest in the state should stop as the "state will reject them".

The opposition staged a walk-out barely 30 minutes after the Prime Minister began his

What the Prime Minister said

ON THE SITUATION IN MANIPUR
The situation in Manipur is improving continuously. People can now believe in the return of peace and normalcy. I want to warn the people who are adding fuel to fire in Manipur... people in the state will reject them.

ON PAPER LEAK
The President in her address mentioned paper leak. I expected all parties to speak by rising above party politics. But unfortunately, they sacrificed even such a sensitive issue that is related to the future of the youth.

ON THE EMERGENCY
It was said that this was the first elections in which safeguarding the Constitution was an issue. Have you forgotten the 1977 elections? People then voted on one issue - protecting Constitution.

ON THE OPPOSITION WALKOUT
The country is watching those who propagate lies and don't have the strength to face the truth. The people have defeated them in such a way that now they have nothing else to do except raising slogans on streets.

ON THE CONGRESS
I say with full sincerity that Congress is the biggest opponent of the Constitution.



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These Christian Tribal were R@ped, toured and murder*d and some were paraded naked in broad daylight in Manipur by the #Meitei 14 months ago.

No efforts have been taken by the State police @manipur_police to arrest the culprits till today

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Manipur Crisis and Its Impact on the BJP

Ngaranmi Shimray

THE FORTUNES of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) and its allies in several northeastern states appear to be waning, as they have suffered losses to the Congress and regional parties in the 2024 parliamentary elections. The year-long ethnic conflict between a minority community and the dominant Meitei community in Manipur, without any serious efforts to resolve the crisis and restore peace and communal harmony, now seems more like an attempt to browbeat one of the minorities in Manipur into submission.

The minority communities in the states are worried by the ill-treatment meted out to their brethren in the ethnic conflict. The Kuki-Zo minority has suffered terribly at the hands of the majority Meiteis, who are sometimes covertly, sometimes openly, supported by the state government dominated by the Meitei community. The Meiteis control the state government with 40 MLAs out of a House of 60 and eight ministers, including the chief minister. Manipur has experienced more than a year of lawlessness, but the state government is not concerned about the unauthorized occupation of Kuki-Zo buildings in Imphal city by radical elements, the undeclared economic blockade of Churachandpur district by Meitei organizations, open extortion by radicals, free movement of radical elements within

Imphal, and the inability of the ten Kuki-Zo MLAs and their tribes to return to Imphal, the state capital.

As the unresolved conflict drags on, battle fatigue and despondency now prevail throughout the state. People have stopped talking about the conflict out of disgust and shame. No one supports the continuation of the internecine fight between the two communities anymore, except for the radical elements, for whom the persistent conflict has become their bread and butter. The ceaseless ongoing conflict in Manipur, without any signs of a serious intention to resolve the crisis by the state and central governments, has adversely affected the image of the BJP. Even the RSS chief recently stated that the Manipur crisis needs to be resolved on priority.

The impact of the ethnic violence in Manipur on the outcome of the parliamentary election results may not be discernible in mainland India, but it is clearly evident in the states of Mizoram, Nagaland, Meghalaya, and Manipur, where the BJP and its

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allies lost parliamentary seats to the Congress and regional parties. The Manipur conflict provided an opportunity for the Congress and the regional parties to paint the BJP and its allies in a bad light during the election campaign.

The knee-jerk reactions of the central government, such as the withdrawal of the Free Movement Regime (FMR) as a consequence of a remedial action to contain the Manipur crisis, added insult to injury. The decision to scrap the FMR and erect border fencing, on the recommendation of the Manipur chief minister, was not well received by the tribes of the affected states in Nagaland, Manipur, and Mizoram. Mizoram, which is sheltering more than 40,000 refugees from Myanmar, has not faced any crisis as they have kept the refugees confined in camps at the border area while extending all humanitarian assistance.

Contrary to the policy adopted by Mizoram, the Manipur government turned refugees back to Myanmar without realizing that only a short portion of the boundary is fenced. This made the refugees walk into Manipur from the unfenced areas and set up shelters. Without any humanitarian assistance, they were compelled to erect their own shelters and carry out farming for sustenance, perhaps including poppy.

Had the Manipur government acted similarly to the Mizoram government, there would not have been any unauthorized settlements of refugees and farming. The remedy to the temporary movement of refugees, on account of atrocities committed against ethnic minorities in Myanmar by the ruling junta, is not the removal of the FMR.

The scrapping of the FMR and the erection of border fencing by the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) conveyed a message to the tribes in Nagaland, Mizoram, and

Manipur that the BJP cares more for the Meiteis than the minority tribes in the northeastern states. This knee-jerk reaction of the MHA contributed to the dislike for the BJP and regional parties associated with them, resulting in losses for the BJP and its allies in the just-concluded parliamentary elections.

The inept handling of the communal situation between the Meitei and Kuki-Zo communities not only caused deaths and the destruction of property but also adversely impacted the economy and ushered in a state of lawlessness and extortion. The worsening law and order situation witnessed the rise of radical elements and the free movement of militants and radicals parading the streets of Imphal in police/armed forces uniforms. The state government was brought to its knees by the radical elements who made Meitei MLAs and MPs recite an oath at Kangla Fort with the tacit blessing of a befuddled team from the MHA.

More than half of the guns looted from police armories are still in the hands of radical elements on both sides. The police and security forces are not doing anything to stop unlawful activities, lending credence to the suspicion that there are oral orders not to take any action against radical elements in possession of looted guns. With the blame for all the continuing ills of Manipur caused by the unresolved ethnic conflict heaped on the BJP governments in the state and center, the BJP lost the support of the people, resulting in resounding defeats by unprecedented margins of over 83,000 to over 100,000 votes in both parliamentary seats of Manipur.

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In Manipur, the Meiteis went against the BJP for ushering in lawlessness, extortion, and causing price rises and misery in the state. The Kuki-Zo voted for the Congress in the Outer Manipur constituency as they wanted to punish the BJP for abandoning them and the five Kuki-Zo BJP MLAs (out of a total of ten MLAs) in favor of the predominantly Meitei Hindu community. The Kuki-Zo are not in favor of voting for the Naga People's Front (NPF) due to their proximity with the NSCN, their bête noire, and their alliance with the BJP. The association of the NPF with the BJP became a curse for the NPF as people started distancing themselves from the NPF. Corrective actions to resolve the crisis in Manipur need to be taken post haste by the BJP-led coalition government at the center to prevent further erosion of their support in the northeastern states.

why the BJP and its allies were defeated in states with a predominant Christian population. The ongoing Manipur conflict seems to have prompted church leaders to become proactive like their counterparts in Mizoram to save the people from an anti-minority political party and their associates. The church leaders cannot be blamed for their proactive action as they were pushed to save the people from the anti-minority policies of the BJP.

Now that the BJP is forced to lead a coalition government at the center, there is hope that the strident anti-minority policies will be watered down for fear of ruffling the feathers of its powerful coalition partners.

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The chief minister of Assam seems to have understood

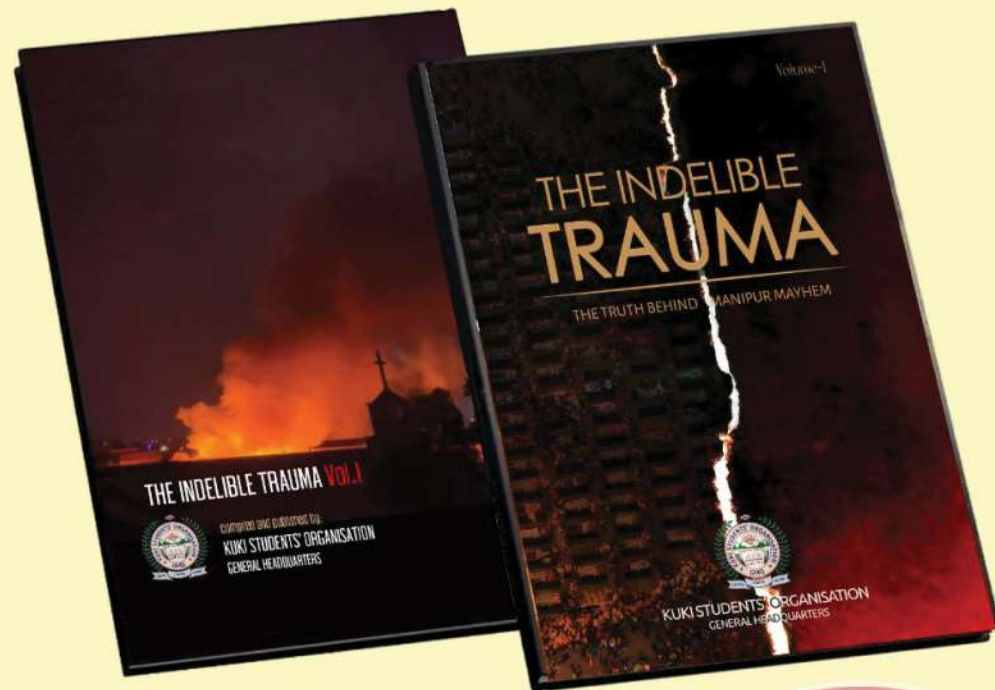


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The strength within, a beacon bright,
Guiding through the darkest night.

Self-governance, a noble art,
Where wisdom rules the head and heart,
No chains to bind, no force to sway,
The path we tread, our own to lay.
With courage bold and vision clear,
We cast aside both doubt and fear,
Embracing choices, rich and free,
Crafting our own destiny.

Like a river, swift and true,
We carve a course through skies of blue,
In harmony with nature's grace,
Finding our rightful place.

In the mirror of our soul,
We see the fragments, once whole,
Now pieced together, strong and sure,
A testament to wills endured.

For in the quiet, still and deep,
Where ancient truths in shadows sleep,
Awaits the dawn, where we arise,
Self-governed, wise, beneath the skies.