

Thingkho Le Malcha

A Daily Newsletter by KSO Media & Documentation Cell



Saikul RELIEF CENTRE

Saikul Village Community Hall,
Sadar Hills

Managed by
District Administration &
Kuki CSOs, Sadar Hills

Total Inmates Registered: 424



KUKI VICTIMS' UPDATE

As on 01.03.2024



166
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' ORGANIZATION ACCUSES MANIPUR CM OF WAGING PROXY WAR AGAINST KUKIS

The Kuki Students' Organization General Headquarters has accused the Chief Minister of Manipur, N. Biren Singh, of waging a proxy war by indulging in hate speech against the Kuki community.

The KSO-GHQ, in a statement, said it is rather amusing that N Biren Singh's incessant tirade and invectives against the Kuki-Zo community, either by words or deeds, sees no sign of coming to an end. While the Government of Manipur's proxy war, ten months down the line, seems to go down in silence, the CM of Manipur woke up his radical groups and people in general by inciting and igniting once again his proxy war by indulging in hate speech against the Kuki-Zo tribals.

"Mr N Biren Singh in one of his speeches that had gone viral in all social media platforms had termed the Kukis as Monkeys. In another video he proclaimed that "we are going to win this war, we are going to chase them out from our land."

These are few of Biren's choicest of all slangs and slurs under the sun, KSO said, recalling that Biren who is an ardent enthusiast of social media had in his Facebook page called the Kukis 'Junglees' and 'refugees' in response to one Khupjangam Haokip comment, the post that opened a floodgate of tirade and invectives against the Kuki-Zo community with the Meiteis branding them as refugees, illegal immigrants and foreigners which eventually ossified into his government policy whose ultimate result is the present ethnic violence. Nevertheless, the centre's leaders need to rethink its efforts to solve this proxy war through Biren Singh as it is highly doubtful without any iota of explanation, that, with this type of creature, there will never be any possibility that the Kukis will trust or accept any table for peace negotiation or ceasefire or kneel down in front of GoM!!

It should be known that the Kukis left out of no options have to stand affirm and fight for their own survival and any further escalation that occurs in the future the GoM and in particular Mr. Biren Singh (infamous CM of Manipur) has its own right to claim the responsibility.



The KSO-GHQ said that the unfolding events and circumstances we are in today is one giant existential threat to the Kuki-Zo tribals. Homes have been lost; our schools fail too many; and our young students' precious careers precariously hanging by the thread all because of the bigotry and indifference of this spiteful government. And each day brings further evidence of death, hatred and unwelcoming foes.

That we are in the midst of violence against a far-reaching network of violence and hatred perpetrated by the government of the majority Meitei people is well understood.

Lamenting that there are some Judas Iscariots within the Kuki-Zo community who have chosen to forget the violence that beset our people and are still keeping in contact with Biren Singh and his cohorts in pursuit of self-aggrandizement. This is serious but know this - they will be met and never forgiven. The KSO warned that if anyone is caught with enough evidence, they themselves will take its own responsibility for whatsoever action is taken upon.

The public resolution of July 15, 2023 calls us to have hope over fear, unity of purpose over discord and forbid any communication with Biren government. In reaffirming this resolution is reaffirming the aspiration of the Kuki-Zo tribals, it added. "So we should be mindful of the sacrifices borne by our fallen heroes and remain faithful to the ideals and true to the cherished vision of the Kuki-Zo people for separation from the current dispensation." So it has been. So it must be.

JUSTICE GITA MITTAL COMMITTEE SUBMITS 3 REPORTS BEFORE SC ON MANIPUR VIOLENCE

The Court-appointed Committee headed by former High Court Judge Justice Gita Mittal submitted its findings in the form of Three Reports before the Supreme Court on Tuesday regarding the recent spurt of violence in Manipur.

A Bench headed by Chief Justice of India (CJI) DY Chandrachud took the reports on record today and asked Solicitor General Tushar Mehta to provide some assistance on the same.

The three reports submitted by the committee are...First is a report highlighting the fact that several residents of Manipur have lost their documentation and need to be provided with the same, Second is on the Manipur victims' compensation scheme, stating that same is to be brought in conformity with the NALSA scheme, and the third is a proposal of the committee for the appointment of domain experts to help in their work.

The committee consisting of former women High Court judges, Justice Gita Mittal, Justice Shalini Joshi and Justice Asha Menon, was formed on August 7, 2023, by the Supreme Court of India to look into diverse aspects of humanitarian nature such as rehabilitation, remedial measures, reliefs, rehabilitation, restoration of homes and religious places etc. in the violence-stricken Manipur.

A bench of CJI DY Chandrachud, Justice JB Pardiwala and Justice Manoj Misra had further appointed former IPS officer, Dattatray Padsalgikar, who has wide experience to oversee the investigation by CBI.

In July, the Supreme Court directed the Manipur state's police to carry out a thorough investigation into the various incidents of violence that occurred throughout the state in the past two months.



The Top Court had further observed that the police have not been in charge of the situation for the last two months and no law and order has been maintained by them.

The Apex Court had also said that merely handing over the probe, to the CBI was not enough. "we have to rebuild lives now. So what better way than having some objective assistance of a court trusted committee? Not just the state government. We have to instil confidence in the people now", the court had observed.

The Union government in July had informed the Supreme Court that the "unfortunate and unacceptable" incident of sexual assault and violence on two women in violence-hit Manipur, has been transferred to the CBI.

It had also requested the apex court to transfer the trial in the case outside Manipur with a direction that the trial should be conducted in a time bound manner within six months after the filing of the chargesheet.

The matter will now be heard on Friday.

Source: UNI

MEITEIS' AGRESSION CONTINUES: REMNANT HOUSES OF SINGTOM KUKI VILLAGE BURNT TO ASHES

Even after ten months of the Meiteis' aggression on the Kuki-Zo territories in the erstwhile Manipur, the state-sponsored radicalised militant groups on Tuesday burnt down the remaining deserted houses of Singtom Kuki village situated in the periphery of Chandel district, adjoining the Meiteis' dominated Kakching.

Singtom Kuki village was first attacked by the private militia groups of Arambai Tenggol, Meitei Leepun and valley-based insurgent groups (VBIGs)- patronised by the narcissist chief minister N. Biren Singh and his political cohorts, and set on fire several houses on the 5th of June, 2023. The villagers, thereafter deserted their houses and fled to Sangaikot area of Lamka district, and are staying in various relief centres.

Torching of the village has raised serious question as the central security forces are manning the buffer zones between the majority Meitei and minority Kuki-Zo territories. The para-military forces are still staying in Thinglhangphai village, just a kilometre away from Singtom village. It is the responsibility of the neutral forces to protect the lives and properties of Kuki from the Meitei aggressors.

The well-planned state-sponsored ethnic cleansing pogrom began on May 3, 2023, after the tribals' solidarity rally was selectively encountered as brutal reprisal from the Meitei militia groups in Lamka district. Between May 3 and July 2023, more than 286 attacks were committed on Kuki-prevalent areas across Manipur. Acts of terror deployed with excessive power and impunity, wherein approximately 170 members of the Kuki community died, over 48,500 persons were displaced, and 2,440 homes were torched or damaged.

Between May 4 and June 3, 255 churches were burnt down, destroyed, or looted. Meitei women were



mobilised to block roads to aid the mobs. The events took place with the complicity of state officials and the partisan involvement of state forces personnel. Meitei Muslims (also Pangals) – the fourth largest community in Manipur following Sanamahi Meiteis, Nagas, and Kukis – were threatened for aiding the Kukis.

Mass sexual violence against two Kuki women by a Meitei mob did not receive wide condemnation until mid-July when a video depicting the public assault went viral online. The Meitei mob of reportedly 900-1,000 persons targeted a Kuki village with murder and plunder. They reportedly paraded two Kuki women naked, gangraping one of them. More women were raped. The violations and scrutiny have been unbearable for the Kuki community.

INDIGENOUS TRIBAL VILLAGE VOLUNTEERS: WE WILL NOT ALLOW ANY AGGRESSION AGAINST KUKI-ZO TRIBES

Apropos to the Meitei militants' bid to attack a Kuki village of Mongbung village in Jiribam areas yesterday, the Indigenous Tribal Village Volunteers (ITVV) has declared that they were ready to defend the Kuki-Zo ancestral land and its people at all costs.

“Except for the Central Security forces, no armed people or groups are allowed to enter our tribal lands. If anyone does, there will be consequences,” ITVV has warned on Tuesday.

The ITVV stated that they have learned of an attempted attack by Meitei militants, specifically the UNLF, on the Kuki-Zo tribes in Jiribam District on the night of March 11, 2024. “We want to be very clear: We will not allow such actions under any circumstances,” the Volunteers said, while giving a strong message to the UNLF, Arambai Tenggol, and all Meitei militants/terrorists associated with them not to trespasses (even by mistake) into Kuki-Zo tribal lands.

The ITVV said they are determined to protect Kuki-Zo people and ancestral lands and that they would do whatever it takes to keep them safe.

“If the UNLF, Arambai Tenggol, or any Meitei militants ignore the message and enter into Kuki-Zo areas, ITVV will take strong action, even if it means extreme measures,” ITVV added.



INDIGENOUS TRIBAL VILLAGE VOLUNTEERS
(Pherzawl District & Jiribam District)
Motto: Protection of Tribal Land and Rights

Ref. No.: 002|ITVV-INFO|2024

Dated: 12|03|2024
Hmarram, Pherzawl district

Press Statement

The ITVV has learned of an attempted attack by Meitei militants, specifically the UNLF, on the Kuki-Zomi-Hmar tribes in Jiribam District on the night of March 11, 2024.

We want to be very clear: We will not allow such actions under any circumstances. The ITVV gives a strong message to the UNLF, Arambai Tenggol, and all Meitei militants/terrorists associated with them: **you are not allowed to trespass (even by mistake) into Kuki-Zomi-Hmar tribal lands.**

This notice is a clear message: The ITVV is determined to protect our people and ancestral lands. We will do whatever it takes to keep them safe. If the UNLF, Arambai Tenggol, or any Meitei militants ignore this message and enter into our areas, ITVV will take strong action, even if it means extreme measures. In the event of any untoward incidents taking place in this regard, the responsibility will be upon UNLF, Arambai Tenggol, or members/individuals associated with them.

Except for the Central Security forces, no armed people or groups are allowed to enter Kuki-Zomi-Hmar tribal lands. If anyone does, there will be consequences.

This is not just a press statement; it is a promise to protect our people and ancestral land. Ignoring this press statement will be severe and irreversible.

Know this: **We will not allow any aggression against our tribes. The ITVV is watching and ready to defend our ancestral land and people at all costs.**

Issued by:
Information and Publicity
Indigenous Tribal Village Volunteer's (ITVV)

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The Volunteers also said that in the event of any untoward incidents taking place in this regard, the responsibility would be upon UNLF, Arambai Tenggol, or members/individuals associated with them.



The harder the conflict, the more glorious the triumph.

– Thomas Paine

‘PLEASE VISIT MANIPUR ONCE’: MMA FIGHTER CHUNGRENG KOREN SEEKS PM’S INTERVENTION AMID VIOLENCE IN STATE

A tough Matrix Fight Night combat could not make him cry, but the violence in the Northeastern state of Manipur and the silence of Prime Minister Narendra Modi made a professional Mixed Martial Arts fighter from Manipur’s Churachandpur District heavily emotional after winning the world title inside the arena.

A Kuki-Zo professional Mixed Martial Arts (MMA) fighter, Chungreng Koren, known as the Indian Rhino, from Churachandpur’s Kamu Koireng, made a heartfelt plea directly from the ring to Prime Minister Narendra Modi to visit Manipur and address the ethnic violence plaguing the Northeastern state after winning the Matrix Fight Night Interim Bantamweight World Title.

In a widely shared viral video, Chungreng Koren was seen speaking with emotion right after securing the Matrix Fight Night (MFN) Interim Bantamweight World Title, tearfully highlighting the struggles in strife-torn Manipur due to the ongoing violence and pleaded with Prime Minister Narendra Modi to visit the state.

“This is my humble request. Violence is happening in Manipur. It has been almost a year. People are dying and many people are at relief camps. There is a shortage of food and water at these relief camps. The children are not able to study properly. The future is unclear. Modi ji, please visit Manipur once and restore peace in the state,” pleaded an emotional Chungreng Koren.

Koren’s impassioned plea further gained attention when Srinivas BV, the president of the Youth Congress, shared it on X (formerly known as Twitter), commenting in Hindi, “This is Chungreng Koren from Manipur. If their family had the Prime Minister as a member, perhaps the people of Manipur would not be shedding tears today”.

Despite the widespread circulation of Koren’s video, the BJP has yet to issue an official response to the plea made by Koren and echoed by Srinivas BV.

The Indian Rhino from a very young age had to engage himself in physical labour to support his family after his father passed away right before his birth and his mother single-handedly raised him and his siblings.



His dedication to combat sports led him to train in the rice fields where he worked and his efforts paid off when he made his debut at the Manipur Fight League in 2018. Following his success in the competition, he greatly impressed Indian MMA star Roshan Mainam, who further propelled his journey in MMA when he invited him to join the selection trials at KOI Combat Academy, Bangalore.

Chungreng honed his skills under the guidance of Coach Vishal Seigell and achieved significant victories, including a notable win at the AIMMAF-IHFF National MMA Champion.

Inspired by Indian MMA icon Kario Isaac, the Indian Rhino, Chungreng Koren aspires to emulate the success of his mentors and become a champion himself. An undefeated streak has marked his professional career, including a memorable victory over Afghanistan’s Sayed Firoz in the Pro Combat Fight League.

Despite his achievements in the ring, Chungreng has faced personal challenges, including the loss of his brother in 2019, which placed the responsibility of caring for his seven-member family on his shoulders.

The unrest situation in Manipur has deteriorated and escalated into a state of anarchy with underground militant groups garnering support amid the chaos.

GPRN/NSCN (IM) AGAINST UNLF (P)'S 10% DEMANDS TO EVERY DEPARTMENT IN SOUTHERN NAGALIM

The government of People's Republic of Nagalim (GPRN) also known as NSCN(IM) has called for immediate action to prevent any illegal activities by factions or groups within Southern Nagalim.

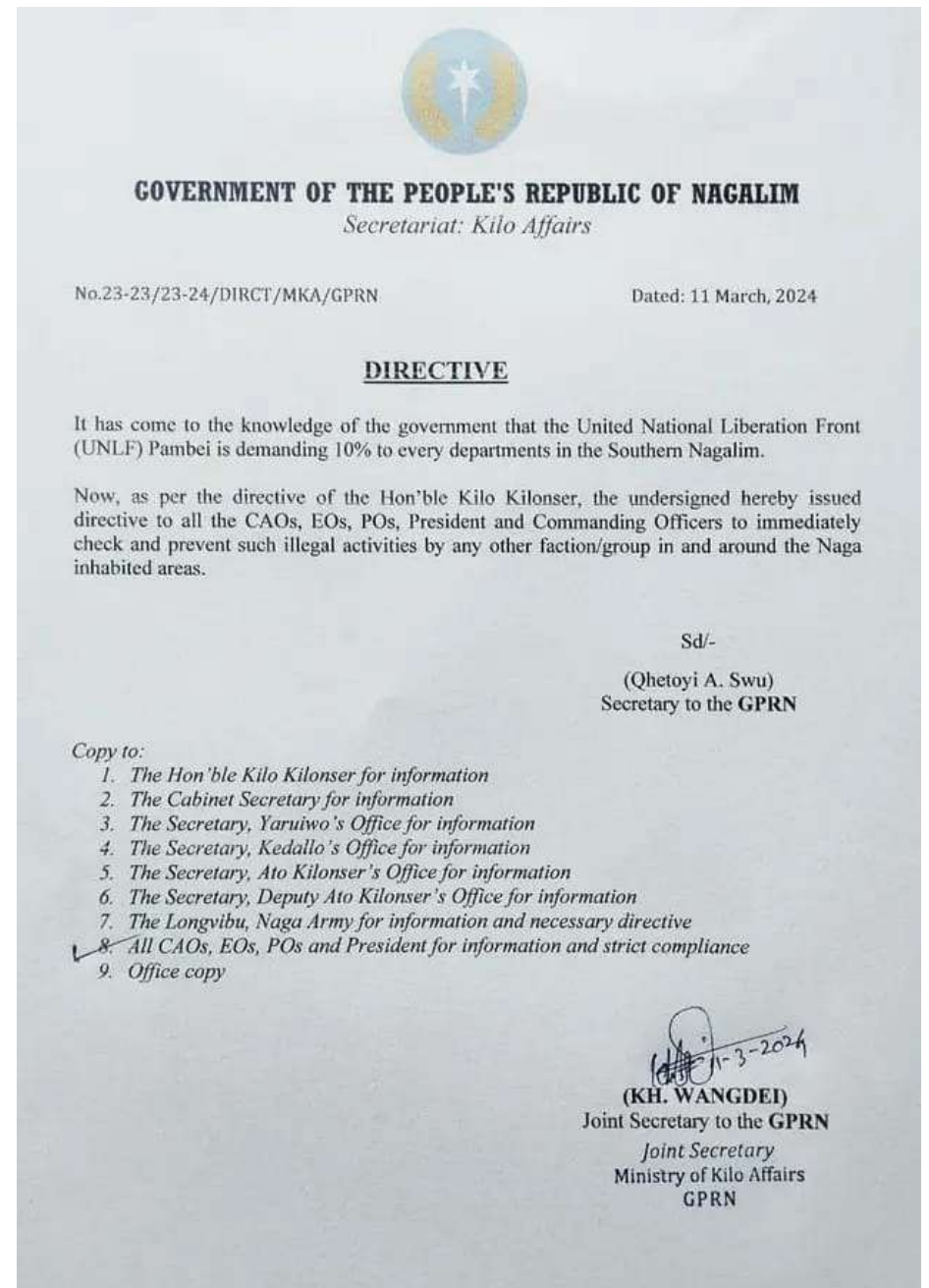
A directive issued by Kilo Kilonser through Secretary to the GPRN on March 11 stated that it has come to the knowledge of the GPRN that the United Liberation Front (UNLF) Pambei faction was demanding 10 % to every departments in Southern Nagalim (Naga inhabited areas of Manipur).

As per the directive of the Kilo Kilonser, the Secretary GPRN directed all CAOS, EOS, POS, President and Commanding Officers to immediately check and prevent such illegal activities by any other faction/group in and around the Naga inhabited areas.

A few days ago, the Nationalist Socialist Council of Nagalim(NSCN) IM had also expressed serious concern and opposition to the establishment of a UNLF(MPA) designated camp in Naga territory in Manipur.

The NSCN (IM) had stated that UNLF designated camp in Naga territory must be shifted immediately, while raising questions as to why the designated camps were constructed in the Naga territory to house the leaders and cadres of the pambei led UNLF without the consent and knowledge of the Nagas.

The NSCN (IM) is known for demanding disintegration of Manipur in the form of Greater Nagaland which is strongly opposed by the valley based Meitei CSOs. Since the signing of Framework Agreement between



the Government of India and NSCN(IM) in 2015, various intense protests had already been erupted in the Meiteis' valley areas and many protestors had also lost their lives. It is a matter of time whether the Meitei civil society organisations would react against it or remain silent to the GPRN's recent directive against the Meiteis' militant outfit.

TRIBAL AREAS IN NORTHEAST OUT OF PURVIEW OF CAA

The Citizenship (Amendment) Act, 2019, which came into effect on Monday, will not be implemented in most tribal areas in Northeastern states, including those granted special status under the 6th Schedule of the Constitution.

According to the law, it is not going to be implemented in all Northeastern states where Inner Line Permit (ILP) is required for a visit by people of other parts of the country.

The ILP is in force in Arunachal Pradesh, Nagaland, Mizoram and Manipur. The tribal areas, where autonomous councils were created under the 6th Schedule of the Constitution, were also exempted from the purview of the CAA, officials said quoting from the rules of the law that were notified on Monday.

Such autonomous councils are in existence in Assam, Meghalaya and Tripura. These include Karbi Anglong,



Dila Hasao and Bodoland Territorial Council areas in Assam, Garo Hills in Meghalaya and tribal areas in Tripura.

The CAA seeks to grant citizenship to Hindus, Jains, Christians, Sikhs, Buddhists and Parsis who came to India on or before December 31, 2014 from Bangladesh, Pakistan and Afghanistan.

Source: [News18](#)

Eulogy to Our Fallen Kuki Hero

Pu Jangkholun, a steadfast sexagenarian was an epitome of a valiant individual who didn't allow age to deter him from serving his people and defending his village. It was on 15th February 2024 that an enemy's bullet hit him on his head at MB Saichang village, but he continued to fight for his life. While undergoing treatment in Silchar, the injury to his head resulted in perils to his heart and lungs, and on 9th March 2024, he left for his eternal home. His body was laid to rest with utmost honour at Martyr's cemetery, Sehken, Lamka on 11th March 2024.

Today, he has left an indelible mark as a martyr whose name will resound in history and stands elevated amongst the rank of the bravest sons whose blood fortified our road to freedom.

His magnanimous sacrifice and ephemeral love for his nation and people will continue to inspire his comrades to serve their beloved nation and for exuding this distinguished valour, we give him the utmost salutation.

May his soul rest in peace!





The Manipur government's handling of various recruitment processes has raised significant concerns regarding the treatment of aspirants' efforts and investments, esp. concerning the Kukis.

Amidst living in a system of administration that is dominated by the majority Meitei community, the Kukis have been subjected to the worst forms of discrimination for decades. The discrimination to which they have been subjected has only exacerbated since the beginning of the state-sponsored ethnic cleaning began on 3rd May, 2023.

The Kukis have faced various violations of Constitutional Rights such as the violation of Constitutional Right to Life, Right to Freedom of Speech and Expression, to name a few.

In this regard, a case in point is the recently conducted recruitment process/examination and recently declared results of the Public Health Engineering Department (PHED), Section Officer Grades I and II recruitments. While the only examination center in any of the Hill Districts was Senapati, the recruitment process was initiated and completed and, in the results, declared on the 8th of March, 2024, the twenty-nine ST Reserved seats were devoid of any Kuki candidates. The

entire recruitment process and subsequent results constitute an immense violation of Fundamental Right to Equality of Opportunity in Matters of Public Recruitment (Article 16).

Several instances highlight the Government's apparent negligence and favoritism:

1. The ADC Churachandpur notification, issued on 9/11/2022 for 125 posts, and several hills' districts for a handful of posts in their jurisdiction. However, till today examination is not seen in sight for thousands of aspirants, causing uncertainty and frustration among applicants across all hill districts of Manipur.
2. The Consumer Affairs PDS Manipur examination, held on 19/09/2021, saw its results declared on 3rd March 2024. However, suspicions arise regarding unfair treatment, particularly concerning the Computer Skill test for the Kuki Community. The scheduling of a Computer Skill test on 6th March 2024, solely in Imphal, raises significant questions: Will the Kuki selected aspirants dare to visit Imphal for such a test while

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they have been hunted and chased away from Imphal since 3rd of May 2023? It also prompts speculation if the government already intended to exclude Kuki candidates from consideration, leading to concerns about bias.

3. The GAD Secretariat recruitment for Stenographer, initiated on 16/04/2021, has conducted written and skill tests, yet the results remain pending till today. Additionally, a new notification on 4/03/2024, calling for recruitment for another 8 vacancies for the same post, indicates a lack of transparency and efficiency. This raises doubts about the government's intentions, questioning if the recruitment process is merely a means to generate revenue.

4. The MSPDCL notification from 30th Jan 2019 for filling 622 vacancies has seen a prolonged delay in result declaration, including Junior Establishment Assistant and Junior Technical System among others. Despite this delay, on 21/02/2024, the same department announced another recruitment drive for 86 vacancies, including the post of Junior Esst Assistant etc again showcasing poor management and disregard for aspirants' time and money.

5. The Education (S), Government of Manipur, advertised 120 vacancies for Pre-Primary Teachers on 23/12/2020, with written exams conducted and results awaited. However, on 9th March 2024, the department surprisingly announced contractual engagement for 1140 posts for the same position, leaving candidates perplexed and questioning the government's intentions while the earlier notifications were swept under the carpet.

6. The PHED, Government of Manipur, announced 91 vacancies way back on 21/02/2023. Despite ongoing violence, examination centers were extended to Senapati, predominantly Naga inhabited areas. However, no examination centers were provided for Kuki community aspirants, despite requests, leading to a

boycott by the KSO. Subsequently, results declared on 8th March 2024 revealed a lack of representation of Kuki candidates under ST categories or under UR/General Category, raising serious concerns about bias within the government, particularly in the PHED Department. The presence of Kuki individuals in various central ministries/departments attests to their hard work and capabilities.

7. The results of Tele Manas NHM for the post of Counsellor, conducted on 15/02/24, were announced on 8/03/24. Based on this list, none of the 11 candidates from the Kuki were made into the list. To make the matter worse, out of the selected candidates from the ST list, three of the candidates bearing the roll numbers, 7215, 7218, and 7222 were not in the list of eligible candidates for the oral assessment. The last bearing roll number for the post of Counsellor is 7211. So, how did the concerned authorities finally select those candidates who did not even appear for the oral assessment? A Ghost candidate missing in the oral/interview list could be selected for a Post?

These are few instances that underscore a troubling pattern of mismanagement, delay, and potential discrimination under the Government of Manipur. It is not a new thing in Manipur that mass recruitment used to take place when elections are round the corner. But it would be unfair for the Government of Manipur to continue the ongoing recruitment advertisement until the situation is conducive for fair and just delivery for all citizens of Manipur, as the State is in chaos with communal violence which is still unabated. Therefore, it would not be wrong for the Government to immediately halt ongoing recruitment processes until normalcy returns in the state, to ensure fair and transparent procedures for all aspirants, not only for the Kuki communities but for fair and equitable opportunities for every youth of Manipur.

REBUTTAL



NDTV

Blog: In Manipur, To SoO Or Not



Debanish Achom | Blog | Updated: March 11, 2024 7:30 am IST



OPINION

A Light Rebuttal to 'In Manipur, To SoO or Not'

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In a Blog: 'In Manipur, To SoO or Not,' Debashis Achom, Editor, News, at NDTV (11 March 2024) wrote an article, fairly well-researched, concluded with a paragraph, 'those who think the SoO agreement review and the demand for a "separate administration" will be a breezy affair with the Centre, minus the state, will face disappointment.'

The observation that the state is integral in the tripartite agreement with Gol and SoO groups is accurate. However, that it gives the 'state government the first right to review any major decision linked to the SoO groups since the agreement directly affects the state most', edges on pro-establishment sentiment. It also, perhaps intentionally, obviates the 24 January 2024 unconstitutional Meitei militant Arambai Tenggol diktat at Kangla that the Meitei Rajaya Sabha Member of Parliament and their 37 legislators acquiesced to fulfilling a six-points demand, including abrogation of SoO. Curiously, the CM, head-patron of the militant organisation was not present.

For all practical purposes, singularity of the state lies in its self-extrication from a tripartite agreement,

solely based on allegations of SoO violation of ground rules.

Points to note re SoO violation, a result of the state government's non-compliance to SoO ground rules:

Stipend:

- i) Payment of stipend to cadres continued as per agreement in 2008, until in 2011 the state government unilaterally changed the rules to 'based on camp inspection'.
- ii) Stipend, disbursed by the state is reimbursed by the Centre, which the former consistently delays from a period of 12 months to currently 24 months. However, cadres, who day-to-day need to feed their hungry stomachs and cannot wait for months and years on end are expected to abide by the rules and stay in camps.
- iii) Despite numerous requests from a largely compliant SoO signatories to repair the designated

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camps to be habitable, the state's general disregard compliments the overall particular age-old neglect of the tribal people.

State government, the major, major violator

i) The state as the major violator of the SoO ground rules lies in its explicit complicity on 3 May 2023, permitting the Meitei state forces to spearhead along with the mob, and Meira Paibi the killing of Kuki Zo in the valley, aiding and abetting rape of the women, and looting their homes.

ii) Furthermore, the state forces have led and engaged in offensives to burn vulnerable villages along the peripheries, i.e. foothills bordering the Kuki Zo hill districts and Meitei valley districts.

Pitch:

Pitch the level of violation committed by the state, a Constitutional entity and the SoO groups, the latter's pale into thin air.

By his own admission on social media, it is abundantly clear that Biren Singh, CM Manipur planned the war on Kukis, starting in his previous term. Pre-meditated activities further endorse his admission: systematic removal of Assam Rifles from strategic locations in the hills, removal of AFSPA from the valley and enforcing it in the hills, where the peace dividends of SoO, since its inception in 2008, have been amply self-evident: the public move around freely, purchased motor vehicles and started to build houses. Materialising his non-hidden agenda to oust Kuki Zo, motivated by prejudicial execution of misconception re Kangleipak to constitute present-day political map of Manipur, a construct of the British colonialists; and hate-fuelled accusations, ranging from 'forest encroachers'

contrary to the Indian Forest Act 1926, 'illegal immigrants', 'narco-terrorists', 'transnational conspiracy', and most recently, 'monkeys' have dominated his narrative against Kuki Zo.

Considering the circumstances, the state government, which is the 'Imphal government' has no locus standi in the Kuki Zo hills. As head of the state government, the CM is responsible for the calamitous outbreak on 3 May 2023, exacerbated by ensuing developments, till date. The last Assembly resolution to abrogate SoO, using allegation of violation by the groups that legislators acquiesced to diktat of his stooge, the Arambai Tenggol is final proof of not wanting Kuki Zo to be a part of the state. Therefore, there is no alternative to Separate Administration for our people, and the onus of responsibility lies with the Centre to ensure Constitutional safeguards to prevent further state sponsored terrorist activity against citizens of the India.

Today, the CM, who created the prevailing problems, blames SoO violations, expects to veil the pressure of AT diktat, hopes to stake a bargain re-extension of SoO, and deluded enough to expect matters to sway to his inordinate ways, and ultimately grab the credit.

Whether SoO is to or not, or SA actualisation is a 'breeze' or not depends on the Centre, not the state. The state can only try to obstruct; it has nothing to give or not give. Centre's consultation of the state per se is procedure; final decision, as in other similar instances in the country, remains the Centre's prerogative.

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SOCIAL MEDIA THE BUZZ



Sushant Singh @SushantSin

Meanwhile in Manipur, sedans, cars and SUVs are being looted at gunpoint in the valley controlled by the state government.

ETHNIC CLASHES | GRAND THEFT AUTO

In Manipur conflict, vehicles of all kinds on hit list

Pravesh Lama

NEW DELHI: On the evening of December 23, 2023, four armed militants snatched...

HT has seen at least 45 FIRs, in which 50 vehicles were looted by militants between July 2023 and February 2024...



The state has been in the throes of conflict for over 10 months.

And yet, patterns are different: both on the nature of vehicles stolen and how they are used. If SUVs, sedans and small cars are looted...



PICK OF THE DAY

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Bharat Jodo Nyay Yatra @bharatjodo

Manipur pleads for help, yet PM Modi seems indifferent to ending the violence. Children in relief camps face food and water shortages, and a bleak future ahead.

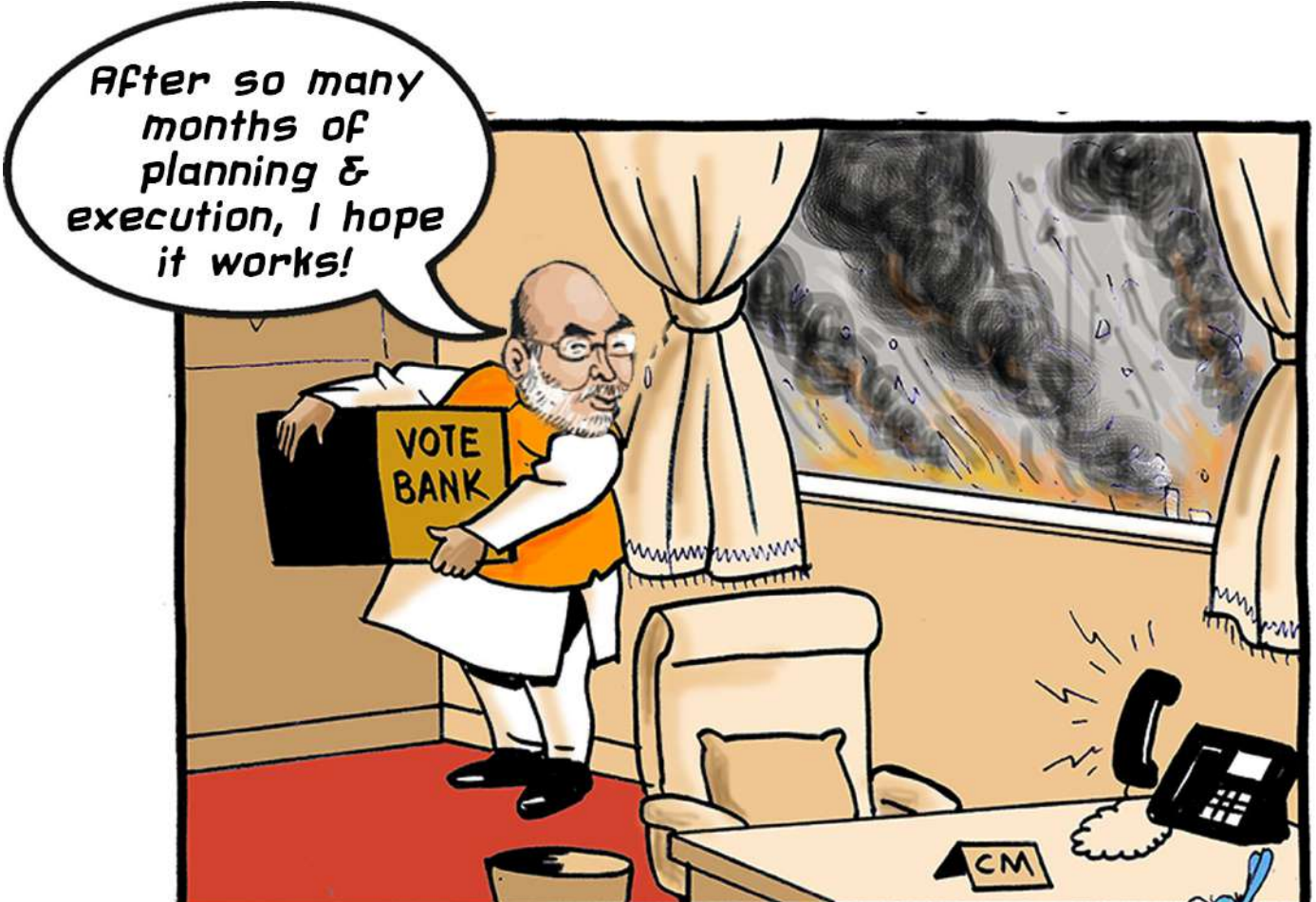
It's shameful that the PM ignores calls for a visit, opting for online appearances even during inaugurations, neglecting the well-being of Manipuris.

#BharatJodoNyayYatra #ManipurViolence

MANIPUR INAUGURATION WHEN MANIPURIS PLEAD FOR HELP. Includes images of PM Modi and a man with a medal, and MODI ONLINE/OFFLINE logos.



THE VIOLENT VOTE BANK POLITICS





Don't Break The Heart of Kuki-Zo's Tahchapa- The Frontline Warrior

-Thongminthang Lhungdim

This is a romantic poem beautifully captures the dedication and love of Tahchapa, the frontline warrior, to his beloved amidst the challenges of ethnic conflict. For bachelor, the frontliner, the imagery of his love (girlfriend), as a source of emotional and physical strength, amidst chaos and danger.

Amidst ethnic conflict, Tahchapa used their might,
Guarding our village through the darkest night.
But in the midst of chaos, he thinks of you,
His love, His anchor, so steadfast and true.
With every swing of their weapon, they see your face,
A beacon of hope, a comforting grace.

For in your love, Tahchapa find his strength,
To face the enemy, no matter the size.
Though danger appears and fear may creep,
Your love in his heart, constantly they'll keep.
So hold onto the memories, Oh dear love,
For in them, the love will always appear.

Don't break the Tahchapa's heart, amidst the fight,
For it beats for you, through the darkest night.
Together we all stand, hand in hand,
Guarding our love, protecting our ancestral land.
And when peace to close charms our village gate,
We'll celebrate together, our love, our fate.
But until then, know this to be true,
Tahchapa guarding our love, and home for you and all.