





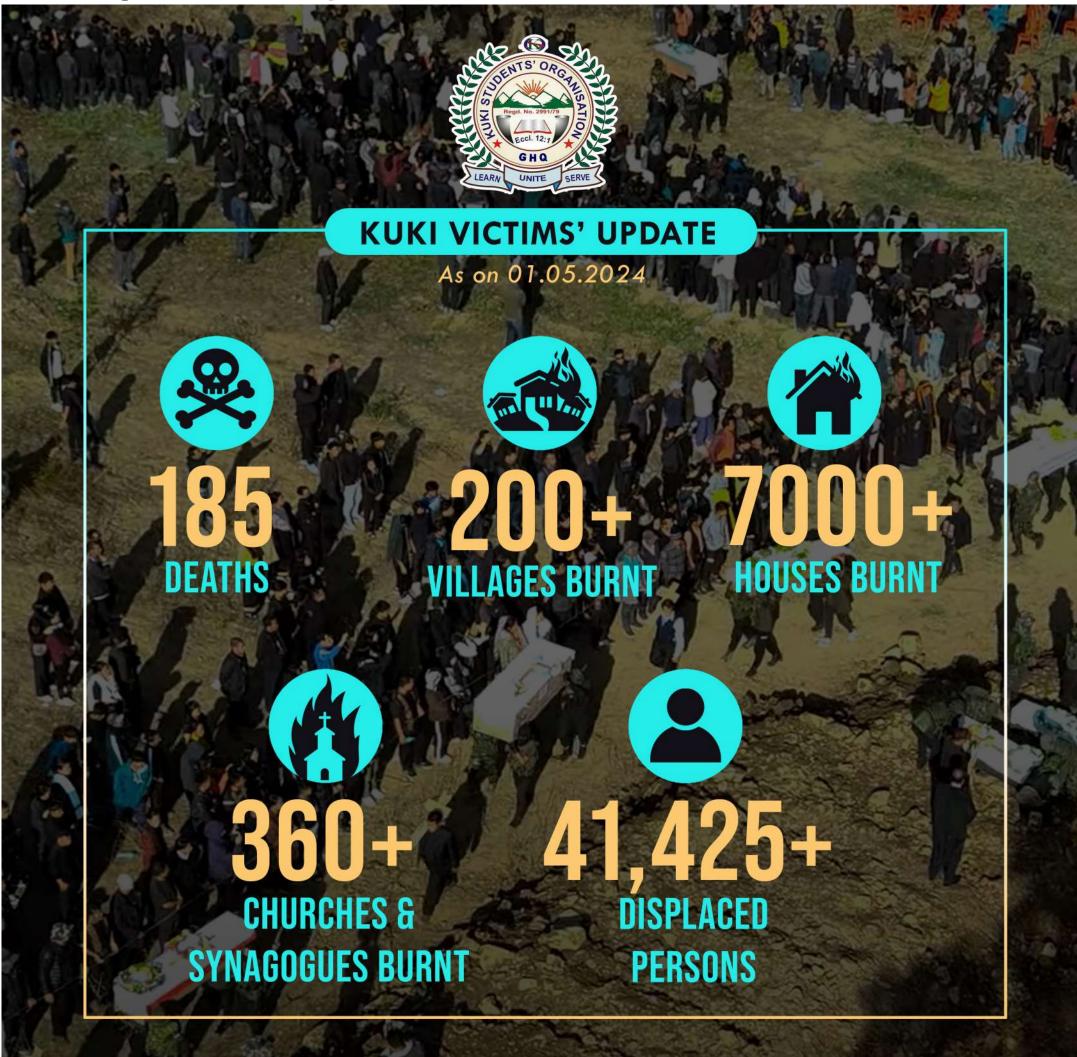
VEINEM CHONGLOI (87 YEARS)

W/O VUMKHOPAO CHONGLOI

ADDRESS: LAMPHEL, IMPHAL WEST DATE OF DEATH: 4TH MAY, 2023 PLACE OF DEATH: URIPOK, IMPHAL

CAUSE OF DEATH: HECKED TO DEATH WITH MACHETE





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.



VICTIMS OF PHAILENGMOL GRUESOME KILLING TO BE LAID TO REST; COTU CALLS FOR TOTAL SHUTDOWN ON MAY 24

Despite the State Government's inability to locate the bodies of the two Kuki volunteers brutally killed and dismembered in the Phailengmol region of Sadar Hills, Kangpokpi District, on April 13, the Committee on Tribal Unity, or the CoTU, Sadar Hills, Kangpokpi District, has resolved to conduct their burial ceremony on May 24 as per the traditions and customs of the Kuki community.

The Phailengmol's killing on April 13 was hailed as "the century's most gruesome human rights offence" considering the brutality and inhumane nature of the crime committed by the Meitei armed militants over the two dead bodies.

CoTU's General Secretary, Lamminlun Singsit said that the inability of the Government to find the two lifeless bodies of our fallen heroes even after a month highlights the deep division between the two communities, and consequently, CoTU have made the decision to hold a burial ceremony to honor our two fallen heroes in accordance with our customs and traditions.

Highlighting the programme of the burial ceremony, he said the Kuki community across Sadar Hills Kangpokpi



District will lay our fallen heroes to rest at the Martyrs Cemetery at Phaijang on May 24 with the highest honour and tribute.

He continued that, as a mark of tribute, a total shutdown beginning from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM will be enforced on May 24 while all Government and private institutions in the district shall remain closed on the burial day.

He earnestly appealed to all to understand the sentiment of the Kuki community and bear with them during the total shutdown.

AMCO CLARIFIES MEDIA REPORTS ABOUT 'MEITEI – KUKI PEACE TALK' AT GUWAHATI

The All Manipur Christian Organization (AMCO) on Also we intended to discuss about the humanitarian Wednesday clarified the news report about a peace talk at Guwahati between Meitei - Kuki community, allegedly presided by the All Manipur Christian Organization.

AMCO stated that the meeting was a continuous activity of the organization for peace and normalcy in the state. The meeting was organized at Guwahati in order to meet and pray together with some of the AMCO elders/advisors within and outside the state of Manipur. assistance as such we have invited some friends and likeminded people from Meitei, Kuki and Tamil community residing together in the state to take stock of their first hand experiences towards the internally displaced people.

No individual was invited to represent his or her own

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community or organization. It was a continuous activity where we integrated humanitarian assistance agenda and how to reduce violence, protection of civilians, accessibility of health and educational institutions especially by women and children as well as economic development and trading system etc., said a statement issued by Rev. Simon Raomai, President of AMCO.

The organization further informed that no pastors from Kuki and Meitei Christians were invited.

"The meeting can neither be termed as a peace talk nor a peace meeting between Kuki and Meitei, it was merely a discussion on how and what to do as a church organization, towards the prevailing situation and to pray together for peace and normalcy in the state of Manipur at the earliest as all sections of the society are impacted socially, physically, economically and mentally."

On the sideline, it is to be noted here that, AMCO is not an appropriate authority to preside over a peace-talk (meeting) between the sides, if at all it is to happen. They are not an appropriate platform to initiate such dialogue without the consent and endorsement of the respective apex bodies.

TLM have learnt that the Kuki Inpi is not aware of such a meeting, nor have they deputed any representatives from the Kuki community. Any peace initiative without



PRESS RELEASE

22nd May, 2024

Dear Madam/Sir,

Clarification is being made regarding the news statements on AMCO meets at Guwahati. That, the meeting was a continuous activity of the organization for peace and normalcy in the state. The meeting was organized at Guwahati in order to meet & pray together with some of the AMCO elders/ advisors within and outside the state of Manipur. Also we intended to discuss about the humanitarian assistance as such we have invited some friends and like minded people from Meitei, Kuki Zo and Tamil community residing together in the state to take stock of their first hand experiences towards the internally displaced people.

No one was invited representing it's own community or organization. It was a continue activity where we integrated humanitarian assistance agenda and how to reduce violence, protection of civilians, accessibility of health and educational institutions especially by women and children as well as economic development/trading system etc.

It is further to inform that no pastors from Zo Kuki and Meitei Christians were invited. The meeting cannot be term as peace talk neither peace meeting between Kuki Zo and Meitei, it was a mere discussion on how and what to do being a church organization towards the prevailing situation and to pray together for peace and normalcy in the state of Manipur at the earliest as all the sections of the society are impacted socially, physically, economically and mentally.

Yours In His Service

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the consent and knowledge of the Kuki Inpi, the apex body of the Kuki tribes, will only prove futile. The Kuki Christian Leaders Forum (KCLF), the apex body of Kuki Churches too, did not have any knowledge about such an initiative.



A great revolution is never the fault of the people, but of the government.

— Johann Wolfgang von Goethe



NOT SATISFIED WITH SACRILEGE OF CHURCHES, MEITEIS DESECRATE THEIR OWN TEMPLE

Several photos and videos have went viral on social media platforms during the ongoing crisis wherein the Meiteis have shown their disrespect to the holy places of the Kuki christians in the their attempt to annihilate the Kuki community.

Videos of the meiteis mocking christianity, looting and destroying church properties have gone viral on social media platforms. However, it seemed that the meiteis are not satisfied with such acts and looting of church properties or rather have became addicted to destroying holy places.

In a recent incident, the meiteis have yet again indulged in a sacrilege of their own place of worship in the temple of Ibudhou Pakhang at Uyal Cheirao Ching in Thoubal district.

As per reports, it is learnt that the temple of Ibudhou Pakhang at Uyal Cheirao Ching in Thoubal district was desecrated, and sacred items belonging to the deity were incinerated by unidentified miscreants at midnight of yesterday.

After the early morning goers discovered the condition of the temple, the committee members were informed about the incident. When the committee inspected the temple, they found that the door of the temple of Ibudhou Pakhang, situated within the Gwarok Reserved Forest, was broken.

It is also learnt that the garments that adorned Ibudhou and Ibendhou, along with the Dakhan, were found removed from the temple and burnt to ashes outside and the shrines of Ibudhou and Ibendhou were also destroyed.

It is reported that a team of Thoubal Police, led by the Officer-in-Charge, visited the site to assess the situation



and a formal case has been registered by Thoubal Police.

A community which can destroy their own temple and even remove garments of the idol they worship would not have a second thought before mocking other's religion and stealing the properties of the church as they had already proven so in the ongoing conflict.

The barbarism committed by the meiteis towards some of Kuki populace and their churches in the ongoing conflict is no longer a surprise if they are so capable of destroying their own place of worship.

Unlike the christians who have a Holy Book wherein certain principles and commandments are written to guide human beings to lead a good life beside the guidance and preachings by church leaders, the meiteis do not have such insitutitions to show them the right way of life except a few moral education classes in schools.

As such one can conclude that their lack of religious teachings is one factor as to why the Meiteis indulged in many violent and inhumane activities in the ongoing conflict.





KUMARJIT'S FLESH TRADE ISSUE BEING POLITICISED BY BIREN SINGH TO CLING ON TOP POST?

"Man is known by the company he keeps" is a famous proverb. It means that a person is similar to the people he chooses to spend time with; he will have the same character and moral standards as those he chooses to surround himself with. A person usually associates with those he feels comfortable with and people who shares similarities.

The above statement is true for the narcissistic Meitei Chief Minister N. Biren Singh. He is alleged to have close links with the kingpin of 'flesh trade', Kumarjit Laishram, who was recently shot and injured by the proscribed Meitei militants, and also with few drug lords in the Meiteis' Kangleipak.

The recent incident of shooting and injuring the alleged kingpin of flesh trade, Laishram Kumarjit, sparked outrage among the Meitei public. Laishram Kumarjit has been known to have close links with the present Meitei Chief Minister N. Biren Singh since the past few years. After the news of him being punished by the Meitei militants spread like wildfire, social media platforms were buzzed with the photo of the Kumarjit meeting with N. Biren Singh in the latter's office.

Amid the public outrage of Biren's cabinet ministers, MLAs and bureaucrats being allegedly involved in sex rackets, the alleged close relations of Laishram Kumarjit, the kingpin, and N. Biren Singh has raised a serious question.

Is the shooting and injuring of the Kingpin another 'stage drama' carried out by the incumbent chief minister N. Biren Singh so as to tarnish the image of his possible contenders to the top post? Rumours of him being replaced by one of his cabinet ministers after the ongoing Lok Sabha elections are doing rounds in the Meiteis' political circle. The crime incident has now been seen by many from different political angles.





Since the outbreak of his pre-planned ethnic cleansing pogrom against the Kukis began last year in May, Biren Singh has been well-known for playing his political dramas all along. He has created great devastation to the state of Manipur amid his greed for political power.

In the aftermath of the Kingpin being punished by the Meitei militants, there has been a huge politicisation of the "sex trade" issue among the Meitei society. Given the serious nature of the issue and the subsequent vilification campaigns being launched against some of the cabinet ministers, a question of the politics being played by N. Biren Singh and his political coterie is not ruled out either. Many people in the political circle suspect that Kumarjit's 'flesh trade' issue has now been used as an escape route by the incumbent chief minister for his mismanagement of the ethnic crisis.

Biren's character could also be seen from his alleged close proximity with drug lords. Although

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patronizing his infamous "War on Drugs" campaign, Biren Singh had held several rounds of talk with international drug lords a few years ago. An Australian national, who was being incarcerated in an NDPS case, had met Manipur chief minister N Biren at the latter's office just two months before his arrest by Mumbai Police's anti-narcotic cell along with Rs 1.8 crore worth of LSD popularly known as Acid, a psychedelic drug. Dr. Reza Borhani (50) was arrested by the Azad Maidan unit of the Anti-Narcotic Cell near a hotel in suburban Bandra on November 24, 2019.

Thounaojam Brinda, a decorated former lady officer of Manipur Police, had also accused the Meitei Chief Minister N Biren Singh and the police top brass for shielding an arrested drug lord. In an affidavit, Brinda had said that she was pressured by the authorities to release a powerful political leader, the alleged drug lord who was then serving as chairman of the Autonomous District Council (ADC), Chandel, and withdrew the chargesheet filed against him and others in court.

SIX PLA CADRES ARRESTED WITH WEAPONS IN IMPHAL WEST

Manipur Police on Tuesday arrested six cadres of the proscribed People's Liberation Army (PLA), the armed wing of the banned Revolutionary People's Front (RPF) in a raid in Imphal West district.

Some arms, ammo, mobile phones, and one Gypsy vehicle were recovered from them, a police press statement said on Wednesday.

The ages of the arrested cadres are between 24 to 49 years.

On getting specific information that some cadres of the outlawed outfit PLA/RPF are taking shelters in an area of the Lamsang village under the Lamsang police station in Imphal West district, the police launched the operations at around 7 am on Tuesday.

The search operation that lasted around three hours yielded the arrest of six cadres of the outfit with the recoveries of one 9mm pistol along with one magazine, one .32 pistol along with one magazine, sixteen live ammunition, eight mobile phones, and one Gypsy vehicle.



They are identified as Nandeibam Opendro Singh @ Rishikanta (49), Yumkhaibam Rakesh Singh @ Puri (32), Ngangom Lakhan Singh @Nanao (24) Wangkhem Ratan Singh (47), Heisanam Deben Singh (41) and Moibungkhongbam Binu Meitei (49). The arrested individuals along with the confiscated weapons were handed over to the Lamsang police station for further legal proceedings, the statement added.

Source: **NE Now**







MEITEI PRESS PICK-UP BOGUS PRESS RELEASE; TYA REBUFFS

The Meitei media houses in their effort to create misunderstanding between various organizations among the Kuki groups zealously picked a press statement issued by a bogus organization called "Thadou Khanglai Lompi (TKL)" whose office and executive members are unknown.

The People's Chronicle, an Imphal based English newspaper, reported a news story about Thadou community batting for peace. In the news report, the Thadou Khanglai Lompi asserted that harmony has been a steadfast reality for the past months. The news report also highlighted an official statement of TKL, informing that in response to misinformation circulating on social media, purportedly spread by certain Kuki users censuring peaceful co-existence between Meiteis and Thadous in Pallel, TKL has called for an end to these false narratives and fervently requested so called 'Kuki brethren' from spreading such misinformation.

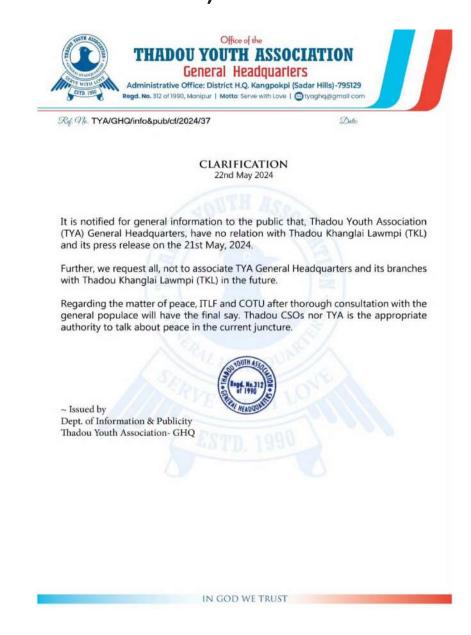
However, the intriguing part is, the 'Thadou Khanglai Lompi', is a bogus organization who do not enjoy the support and patronage of the larger Thadou community. This is evident from the clarification statement issued by the apex Thadou Philanthropic body, the Thadou Youth Association (TYA-HQ).

The TYA-GHQ issued a statement today, notifying the general public that Thadou Youth Association (TYA) General Headquarters, have no relation with Thadou Khanglai Lawmpi (TKL) and its press release of the 21st May, 2024.

Further, we request all, not to associate TYA General Headquarters and its branches with Thadou Khanglai Lawmpi (TKL) in the future, TYA statement said.

On the matter of peace, ITLF and COTU after thorough consultation with the general populace will have the final say. Neither the Thadou CSOs nor TYA is the appropriate authority to talk about peace in the current juncture, it added.

The Thadou Khanglai Lompi is just the handiwork of some Thadou based CSOs leaders who amassed closed



affinity with Chief Minister N. Biren Singh. They are using a bogus organization to please their master who supplied them with cash and kind for their personal benefits to the extent of even sacrificing the struggles of their own people.

It is clear within the Thadou community circle that there are some leaders who are bootlickers to CM Biren for their own personal and political gains. This people have time and again defamed the Thadou tribe among their own brethren in their pursuit for personal gains and glory. Whosoever involved in such malicious acts must stop at the earliest to avoid misunderstandings between brethren and instead work in tandem with the legitimate authorities in bringing about a solution sooner rather than later.



GOC, EASTERN COMMAND VISITS MIZORAM AND MANIPUR

Lieutenant General R C Tiwari, Army Commander Eastern Command, on a two day visit to Mizoram called on the Governor Hari Babu Kambhampati and the Chief Minister Lalduhoma.

The Army Commander held discussions on the prevailing security situation in the border areas and the crucial role being played by the Assam Rifles in ensuring safety and security along the India Myanmar Border.

The Governor and Chief Minister appreciated the role of the Assam Rifles deployed in Mizoram including their outreach to the populace of the state.

Lieutenant General R C Tiwari, Army Commander Eastern Command also interacted with the Chief



Minister of Manipur N Biren Singh and discussed aspects related to current security situation and measures being undertaken for maintaining peace and stability in Manipur.

MANIPUR CONGRESS DEMANDS INVESTIGATION INTO SEX RACKET INVOLVING MANIPUR VIPS

In connection to the recent circulation of videos on social media platforms and several local media, purportedly exposing a sex racket which implicated prominent political figures, various frontal organisations of the Manipur Pradesh Congress Committee, including Mahila Congress, Seva Dal, Youth Congress, and NSUI Manipur, jointly submitted a memorandum to the Governor, the Chief Minister, and the Speaker of the Manipur Legislative Assembly today.

The memorandum specifically highlighted the involvement of Kumarjit Laishram, who had previously faced punishment from an armed organization. Laishram has categorically made mentions of various top government officials including two Ministers in connection with the scandal. The memorandum pointedly noted the conspicuous absence of any personal clarifications from these VIPs regarding their

alleged involvement.

In their submission, they emphasized the urgent need for transparency and accountability, particularly given the grave implications for public trust and women's safety. "In such a situation, in the interest of the general public, particularly the women, we have decided to approach the State Government for initiating an enquiry to the satisfaction of the public as the authority is still silent over the issue," the memorandum stated.

The team demanded the establishment of a special enquiry commission to thoroughly investigate the allegations. They called on the government to determine the veracity of the claims and ensure that justice is served in accordance with the law.







This treatise is being prepared and published to unravel the lies and perfidy of our adversaries and put in perspective the authentic truth so that it stands as a testimony of the genocide that is being perpetrated on us and our people

With the hope and expectation that the perpetrators of these reprehensible crimes are brought to justice; and ignite a glimmer of solace and consolation to our indignant souls

The treatise also seeks to debunk the patently false canards, innuendoes and narratives that are being peddled as the gospel truth, and the aspersions that are being casted without any substance

And to put in perspective the historical misdeeds meted out to the tribal society by the extremely self-centered Meitei society with the clarion call to stand united and the urgent need for the convergence of our political position so as to collectively extricate ourselves from this oppressive dispensation

If we are to march forward like our tribal counterparts of Mizoram, Nagaland, Meghalaya and Arunachal Pradesh- SEPARATION IS THE ONLY SOLUTION.

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The N Biren Singh led Manipur Government's relentless over the land are vested as the village is duly effort to engage in Thangting-Thangjing contestation smacks its prejudiced attitude against the Kukis and asserts Meitei chauvinism, which also manifests the Govt's arbitrariness. The recent letter of the Land Resources Department (written by one Mangoljao Kamei, Under Secretary, LR) to Imphal Police Station requesting registering of FIR over the inscription of In 1971, the Government attempted to include Ukha-'Thangting' by Kuki National Front (Military Council) at the entrance gate of the outfit's camp entailed the deep hatred against the Kukis and the Govt's unyielding intention to downplay, if not write off, the history of the Kukis and their rights over their land and resources.

The letter, quoting the Manipur Government's Forest, Environment & Climate Change Department's order, stated that the present day 'Thangjing Hill range' falls within the Churachandpur-Khoupum Protected Forests which was notified on Sept 17, 1966 under Section 29 of Objection Case No. 322 of 1971). the Indian Forest Act, 1927. Clearly, the Land Resources Department is unaware or feigns knowledge of the exclusion of the hill range from the Churachandpur-Khoupum Protected Forests. The fact of the matter is that the entire hill range in Churachandpur district Govt of Manipur has declared it as a protected falls within the land owned by Thenkhomang Haokip, Chief of Ukha-Loikhai, to whom the proprietary rights

established under the provisions of the Manipur (Village Authority in Hill Area) Act, 1956. The Ukha Loikhai, which is in Haokip Open Reserve, has been paying Hill House Tax and in existence for many years.

Loikhai village area in the proposed Churachandpur-Khoupum Protected Forest. However, following an objection from the Chief of Ukha Loikhai, the Court of Forest Settlement Officer, Manipur had excluded the aforementioned areas in the proposed Churachandpur-Khoupum Protected Forest citing that "the Villagers had been occupying and possessing the Village for long years and they had established their right of existence over it." (Vide Order of Forest Settlement Officer, Manipur vice

The Land Resources Department also mentioned that Thangjing/Thang Ching is a hill of historical importance and the Art and Culture Department, site under Section 4 of the Manipur Ancient and

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Historical Monuments and Archeological Sites and Remains Act, 1976. This is nothing but a manifestation of the Manipur government's ill intention towards the Kukis and its agenda to alienate them with arbitrary and subjective decisions.

The fact is that, in 2020, the Govt of Manipur through Department of Art and Culture (vide their Notification No. 5/11/2008-S (AC) dated the 26thNov., 2020) proposed declaration of the Sacred Site of Ibudhou Thangjing (approx 4 hectares) in Thangjing Hill range as Protected Site. Since the proposed areas fall within the land owned by Ukha-Loikhai Chief Thenkhomang Haokip, he had on Jan 19, 2021, objected to the proposal by submitting Letter of Objection to the proposed declaration in response to the Government's Notification bearing No. 5/11/2008-S (AC) Secretariat Art and Culture Department dated Imphal, the 26th November, 2020. The Chief had submitted a reminder to the above Letter of Objection on July 25, 2022.

In a total disregard for the facts and more importantly the letter of objection, the State Government claimed that the hill range is declared as a protected site under Section 4 of the Manipur Ancient and Historical Monuments and Archeological Sites and Remains Act, 1976 vide Gazette No 376 dated 14/11/2022. This is nothing but a total disrespect and a direct affront to the customary Kuki Chieftainship rights and in contravention of Article 371 (C) of the Indian Constitution and other Acts such as the Scheduled Tribes and Other Traditional Forest Dwellers (Recognition of Forest Right) Act, 2006 and extant land relations between the hills and valley under the MLR&LR Act, 1960. According to the Kuki worldview, a Kuki Chief has supreme authority with executive, judicial and military power. Such a chief claims the absolute ownership of the village under his jurisdiction and the land including forests within the village. For ages, the governance of Kuki country was based on traditional Chieftainship, similar to the Greek City-States with each village ruled by a Chief.

A decision subjective and arbitrary as this, which categorically disregarded the much-valued ageold traditions and of course, the letter of objection from a Kuki Chief, unmasked the communal Government's biased and ill-intended decision towards the Kukis thereby creating enough space for distrust and animosity between the Meitei dominated Manipur Government and the Kukis. Herein independent observers may, without any further ado, conclude the cause of the ongoing Manipur State-sponsored ethnic cleansing campaign against the Kukis.

Also, the Land Resources Department's letter posited that "the erection of the gate bearing the words Kuki National Front-Military Council with the name of the site mentioned as 'Thangting' indicates an unauthorized changing of the original name of 'Thangjing (Thang Ching) which is a violation of the provision of the Manipur Names of Places Act, 2024 and Section 4 of the Manipur Ancient and Historical Monuments and Archeological Sites and Remains Act, 1976."

This is part of the larger agenda to wipe out the Kukis and their historical positions, and dispossess them of their land by defeating them first in such 'psychological warfare.' The Kukis are very much aware of the sinister game plan of N Biren Singh and his gangs of sidekicks; their resolute objective of launching negative and hate campaign against the Kukis before the world even with new, unilateral legislations and archaic laws and regulations. Yet, the time is not far when the whole world will wake up to the stark reality and expose the devilish schemes of N Biren Singh and his Meitei hardliners who are never in dearth of provocative actions and speeches to protract the ongoing organized persecution of the Kukis.







BREAKING: NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY MANIPUR FENCING BRICKS STOLEN.

From mass looting Kuki-Zo houses/properties to stealing the bricks of a standing wall, Meiteis have done it all. This shows the lawlessness.



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Former CS of GoM m clearly stated that increase in number of villages of Kukis is due to customary practices and because of MNREGA. He failed to add the transfer of villages due to Kukis Naga conflict. Narco (as confirmed by Brinda) Biren's narrative debunked. @PMOIndia



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THE **'LEMNA** THAROI' **CHIEF**











THE SILENT GRIEF

I hear the sister sob for his brother,
I can see his parents weeping for his son,
I feel the silent agony of his lover,
And yet numerous emotions are left to uncover.

I hear people talk about our two women,
They shamelessly made them walk unclothed.
I can feel the humiliation they both felt within those path lengths,
Their faces are enough for us to comprehend.

I see the suffering of our man
Whose head was hung up on the bar,
Like it's something they won on a war
Or something they have found victory upon,
But while taking his last breath, he gave us a motive
to fight on...

I hear the one month baby cry,
A mother dying to tell her child,
my dear, it's not what you deserve but don't you cry,
there's a far better place for you on high.

There's a scream I hear, of a mother and her child, Burned by their own people, and left by them to die. Mother tells her child while she cried, My dear, up above we will reconcile. Our mothers were killed, Our sisters were raped, Our brothers were ill treated even after their dead, Alas! there will be more in our days ahead..

The long suffering that we faced,
The sacrifices that our brothers and sisters made,
Nothing can ever fill up the space,
A heart with grief it has traced.

While The air of melancholy surrounds us,
And we will forever remember the torment we
faced in this rush.
Our people's sacrifices will not be forgotten
And The things which were left undone, will be
done..

It's not the end of their story and neither is yours,
The pain, the suffering we must endure.
It's hard but We have to keep living,
Despite of all the things we are facing.

They took their last breath,
But fought with a hope,
Giving up wasn't their choice,
For A place to call a home.

-Valentina Mangte