





LALKHOHAO KHONGSAI (26 YEARS)

S/O DONGKAM KHONGSAI

ADDRESS: MONGBUNG, SADAR HILLS DATE OF DEATH: 9TH JUNE, 2023

PLACE OF DEATH: KHOKEN, SADAR HILLS

CAUSE OF DEATH: ABDUCTED BY MEITEI MILITANTS, STILL MISSING





KUKI VICTIMS' UPDATE

As on 22.07.2024



DEATHS



VILLAGES BURNT



HOUSES BURNT



360+ **CHURCHES & SYNAGOGUES BURNT**



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 LEADERS HOLD PRESS CONFERENCE IN DELHI OVER CM BIREN'S LEAKED AUDIO TAPE

The Kuki Inpi and Kuki Students Organisation General Headquarters in collaboration with Delhi & NCR today held a press conference at Constitution Club of India, New Delhi to address the recent audio leak of Manipur Chief Minister N. Biren Singh.

The Kuki leaders stated that the ongoing crisis in Manipur region is a premeditated state-sponsored effort to target and eliminate the Kuki-Zo community. The ethnic cleansing campaign orchestrated and perpetrated by the N. Biren Singh-led BJP government in Manipur has led to the displacement of over 41,000 people, the destruction of more than 200 Kuki-Zo villages, and the loss of 191 lives, including cases of brutal rape and murder of women, and the immolation and mutilation of Kuki-Zo victims including children.

The leaked audio of N. Biren Singh is irrefutable evidence that explains the whole gamut of the Manipur crisis-the role of the Chief Minister and the illegitimate exercise of state government institutions and mechanisms to perpetrate the ethnic cleansing campaign against the Kuki Zo people, said one of the Kuki leaders who attended the press conference.

According to them, the audio tape further reveals that over 6.000 arms and more than 500.000 rounds of ammunition were looted from the State armouries and given away to valley-based insurgent groups (VBIGs) and Meitei extremist (Arambai Tenggol), and the protection of anti-terror activities within the valley from legal scrutiny is under the direction of N. Biren Singh and the Manipur state government.

The revelation of the complicity of the Manipur state government in the ongoing ethnic cleansing campaign demands a resolute and decisive response from the Government of India. The revelation corroborates the long-standing systemic discrimination and oppression of the minority Kuki-Zo people by the majority of the Meitei-led Manipur state government. It is evident from the leaked recording that there are systemic concerns that need urgent attention and resolution.



In light of these facts; the Kuki leaders said it was the ultimate resolve of their people that the only justice for the immeasurable harm and destruction inflicted upon their community is a Separate Administration a Union Territory with Legislature. The Kuki- Zo people are determined in the pursuit of Justice and will not compromise the collective aspirations of their people for legitimate autonomy under the ambit of the constitution of India, they added.

"It is our most earnest appeal to the Government of India to expedite a political solution for the Kuki-Zo people in the interest of Justice and the integrity of our democratic institutions."

Janghaolun Haokip, Secretary (Information & Publicity) of Kuki Inpi Manipur, said they have not received any response from the state or Centre regarding their demand. Mang Khongsai, Home Secretary of KSO GHQ, said Kuki-Zo settlements in the hilly areas have been targeted under the pretext of removing encroachment.

Michael Haokip, an assistant professor at Ambedkar University, dismissed allegations of the Kuki-Zo being immigrants, citing mentions in Buddhist and Sanskrit texts.

Tingbem Khongsai, spokesperson of KSO Delhi and NCR, said the country took notice of Manipur only

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after videos of women being paraded naked surfaced.

The following are excerpts from a leaked audio recording purportedly from the office of Manipur Chief Minister N. Biren Singh, which contains statements concerning the ongoing conflict in the state:

1. Alleged Pre-Planning of Conflict: Chief Minister N. Biren Singh reportedly stated that he had planned the current conflict for the past 10-15 years to protect the Meitei community. His statements suggest that this large-scale conflict, involving the majority Meitei population and state machinery against the minority Kuki community, has been orchestrated over a prolonged period. Over the past 10-15 years, the Kuki people have experienced various forms of subjugation and harassment under the pretext of policy and program implementation by the Manipur government. Large areas of Kuki settlement have been declared protected forests, reserved forests, wetlands, or wildlife sanctuaries, despite constitutional protections under the MLR&LR Act, 1960. The destruction of Kuki villages and other settlement areas has been justified as a crackdown on illegal encroachment, disregarding the rights of local populations who have lived in these areas for generations.

2. Use of Derogatory Language and Targeting of the Kuki Community: Demeaning and derogatory terms such as "refugees," "illegal immigrants," and "narco-terrorists" have been used to target the Kuki community, supporting what appears to be a plan for their annihilation. Despite this, the Kuki people have resisted through legal and constitutional means, striving to counter any anti-tribal measures taken by the Manipur state government.

3. Escalation of Violence from May 3, 2023: The situation escalated on May 3, 2023, leading to intense conflict between the majority Meitei community and the minority Kuki community. The strategic and state-sponsored ethnic cleansing of the Kukis appears to have been carefully executed under the direction of Chief Minister N. Biren Singh.

4. Alleged Arms Distribution and Use of Force: The leaked audio reveals that Chief Minister N. Biren Singh acknowledged that no arrests have been made of those who looted weapons from the state armoury and that youths armed with looted arms roam freely in the

Imphal Valley under his protection. He stated that if anyone were to be arrested, he should be the first. This statement suggests a deliberate plan to arm radicalized Meitei youths, particularly groups like Arambai Tengol and Meitei Leepun, against the Kuki community, contributing to the destruction of Kuki villages in the foothills of the Imphal Valley. More than 4,000 firearms and 600,000 rounds of ammunition are alleged to have been distributed to these groups.

Furthermore, Chief Minister Biren Singh reportedly claimed to have used mortar bombs against defenseless Kuki populations and their villages with the covert approval of Union Home Minister Amit Shah. This raises serious concerns about the potential misuse of constitutional positions and responsibilities. An impartial and thorough judicial investigation into this matter is urgently required.

5. Controversial Statements on the Treatment of Kuki Women: Regarding the parading of two Kuki women, Chief Minister Biren Singh argued that there is no evidence or proof of rape, thus justifying the inhumane treatment of the women and demeaning the intrinsic values and dignity of women across the country.

6. Communalization of Employment Opportunities: The Chief Minister allegedly targeted Kuki officials employed in the Manipur Secretariat, using the reservation policy for Scheduled Tribes of India to campaign against the Kuki people. He noted that 11 out of 12 department heads in the Manipur Secretariat are from the Kuki community. This apparent communalization of employment opportunities underscores a deliberate effort to attack the Kuki community on multiple fronts, indicating a misuse of his constitutional authority.

7. Cancellation of the Suspension of Operations Agreement: The Chief Minister's persistent efforts to cancel the Suspension of Operations (SoO) agreement signed in 2008 between the Union government and Kuki insurgent groups (KNO & UPF) following the events of May 3, 2023, appear to be a blatant attempt to deny the constitutional rights and aspirations of the Kuki people.



BIREN'S TRUSTED COPS HELD FOR LOOTING OF ARMS; REFLECTS POLICE-MILITANTS' COMPLICITY IN COMMITTING HEINOUS CRIMES

In a highly shameful development for the dictatorial regime of N. Biren Singh, the fascist Chief Minister of Kangleipak, the security forces have arrested four policemen and a militant for snatching weapons from the farmhouse of a BJP MLA on Tuesday in an "undisturbed area" of Meiteis' Imphal West district.

This latest development reflected that the law enforcement agencies, under N. Biren Singh, and the Meitei militants have been complicit with illegal activities including heinous crimes against the Kuki-Zo people.

The combined security forces launched an operation after unidentified persons snatched weapons on Tuesday evening from the farmhouse of BJP MLA, Joykishan Singh from his farmhouse at Leikinthabi under Sekmai police station. The MLA was not present when the incident took place.

The MLA's PSOs said unidentified persons overpowered them and took away three INSAS rifles, four magazines, and 80 rounds of ammunition were snatched on Tuesday night.

As per Police, the four police personnel and a militant were arrested on Wednesday, following which some weapons were seized from Sekta Awang Leikai in Imphal East district. The seized weapons included three INSAS rifles with three magazines, one S. Calibre rifle with magazine, one LMG rifle with magazine, two AK-56 rifles with two magazines, 130 rounds of ammunition and other items.

The arrested persons have been identified as Meisnam Krishnadas, Maibam Shanjit Singh, Longjam Jayenta Singh, Oinam Banti Singh (all police personnel) and Mainam Bomcha, a suspected Meitei militant.



Notably, Imphal East and Imphal West are Meiteidominated districts and similar snatchings or looting of sophisticated weapons took place during the early part of the state-sponsored ethnic cleansing pogrom against the Kukis, which began in May last year.

Apart from looting over 5000 sophisticated weapons and 6 lakhs of ammunition from the Police armouries in the Meiteis' valley of Imphal involving the radicalised armed groups of Arambai Tenggol, Meitei Leepun and the proscribed militants last year, the Meitei armed groups continue to loot or snatch arms and ammunition till today. The looted weapons and ammunition are used to annihilate the minority Kuki-Zo people.

At least 200 Kuki-Zo people have lost their lives and over 40,000 others were displaced due to the mayhem.

In the absence of AFSPA in the Meiteis' dominated areas, law and order situation continues to be of serious concerns, thus threatening security of Integrity of the Nation - India.



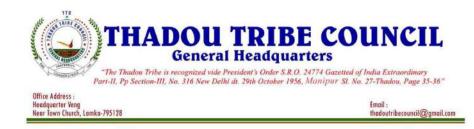
NO INDIVIDUAL HAS THE AUTHORITY TO DECLARE WHETHER THADOU IS PART OF KUKI OR NOT: THADOU TRIBE COUNCIL

The Thadou Tribe Council has categorically stated that no individual has the authority to declare whether Thadou tribe is part of the Kuki group or not.

In a statement issued today, the TTC has noted that the Chief Minister of Manipur, N. Biren Singh, reacted swiftly to the incident of burning of one Lamjathang's residence in Churachanpur, while he has remained silent on similar incidents since May 3, 2023. For instance, on 15th June 2023, a mob of around 50 attacked the home of then-Union Minister of State Shri RK Ranjan Singh in the Konga Nandelbam Leikai area of Imphal East district around 10 p.m. In another case, the house of Mr. Babloo Loitongbam, a prominent human rights activist, was attacked and vandalized by unidentified persons on October 5, 2023. This attack was reportedly in response to a statement he made in an interview with NewClick against the Meitei Leepun, a radical Meitei organization.

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On the issue of Mr. Michael Lamjathang Haokip's controversial statements regarding the Thadou tribe's relationship with the Kuki, the TTC clarified that Mr. Haokip, as an individual, has no authority to decide or declare whether the Thadou tribe is part of the Kuki group or not. Furthermore, it is worth recalling the Chief Minister's statement during Shri Bupendra Yadav, the then- Union Minister of India's visit to Sangai Ethnic Park on December 27, 2021, where he stated, "Thadous are the original Kuki," while inspecting the 34 Ethnic Tribe Huts.



Press Release

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Lamka, the 29th August 2024

The Thadou Tribe Council, General Headquarters (TTC-GHQ) expresses its disappointment over the vandalization of Mr. Michael Lamjathang Haokip's house at Paniel Village, Churachandpur, on August 25, 2024 by unknown persons. This act was reportedly in response to controversial statements he made on the HY NEWS discussion program, a local state media TV channel. Any type of violence amongst Kuki-Zo brethren at this crucial time must be avoided and resolve through dialogue.

It is also noteworthy that the Chief Minister of Manipur, N. Biren Singh, reacted swiftly to this incident, while he has remained silent on similar incidents since May 3, 2023. For instance, on 15th June 2023, a mob of around 50 attacked the home of then-Union Minister of State Shri RK Ranjan Singh in the Konga Nandeibam Leikai area of Imphal East district around 10 p.m. In another case, the house of Mr. Babloo Loitongbam, a promi@nent human rights activist, was attacked and vandalized by unidentified persons on October 5, 2023. This attack was reportedly in response to a statement he made in an interview with NewClick against the Meitei Leepun, a radical Meitei organization.

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The TTC also advised Mr. Michael Lamjathang Haokip, the spokesperson for BJP Manipur Pradesh, to immediately stop exploiting political issues at the expense of human lives. It is unfortunate that he is trying to appease his political superiors at the cost of his own community. Many lives have been lost due to the ongoing conflict between the Meiteis and Kuki-Zo communities since May 3, 2023, and public sentiment is running high. The current situation is not a suitable time to seek political advantage. Therefore, individuals should be mindful of their public statements and actions, as they can undermine our collective aspirations, it said.





KSO SADAR HILLS ANNOUNCES PUBLIC RALLY IN KANGPOKPI DISTRICT AGAINST CHIEF MINISTER'S ALLEGED MISCONDUCT

The Kuki Students' Organisation (KSO) Sadar Hills, along with its federating student bodies, including the Thodou Students Association (TSA-SH), Gangte Students Organisation (GSO-SH), and Zillal (Valphel Students Association), has called for a public rally in Kangpokpi District on Saturday, August 31, 2024. The rally aims to protest against Chief Minister N. Biren Singh following the recent disclosure of a leaked audio tape allegedly implicating him in ethnic cleansing against the Kuki community.



The leaked audio tape purportedly reveals evidence of the Chief Minister's involvement in actions that are said to constitute a serious breach of law and human rights violations against the Kuki community. The rally is set to take place from 11 AM, starting at Kethelmanbi Military Colony (KMC) and proceeding to Kangpokpi HQ.

In light of this demonstration, the KSO Sadar Hills and its allied student organizations have requested all business establishments, government offices, and private institutions in the Sadar Hills District to remain closed on the day of the rally. They have also called on educational institutions, private organizations, villages, and individuals from all walks of life to participate in this significant event.

TODAY IN HISTORY/EVENTS RECALLED: AUGUST 29, 2023

A RECAP OF THE HORRIFIC INCIDENTS ON AUGUST 29, 2023 AS A RESULT OF PRE-PLANNED STATE-SPONSORED ETHNIC CLEANSING POGROM AGAINST KUKI-ZO

On a day the Manipur Assembly session was held amidst the prevailing tense situation in the State, heavy exchange of firing occurred in the frontlines of Khoirentak and Khousabung areas between the Kuki-Zo tribal village volunteers and Meitei armed groups including state forces, resulting in the loss of lives and several injuries. The gunfight began at around 6:00 AM on Tuesday after the Meitei armed groups attacked the Kuki-Zo villages situated in the adjoining areas where the valley and hills meet.

During the violent incident, at least three Meitei militants

and one Kuki-Zo volunteer were believed to have been killed and a few others sustained bullet injuries. The injured persons were reportedly rushed to Raj Medicity, Shija Hospital, and RIMS Hospital in Imphal.

The Kuki-Zo volunteer who died while defending the villages was identified as Jangminlun Gangte (27) S/o Mangkholen Gangte of Songdo village. His lifeless body was brought to Kuki Khanglai Lawmpi (KKL) Complex, near District Hospital, and later kept in the mortuary of Lamka District Hospital.







IF PRESIDENT HAD SPOKEN ON MANIPUR INCIDENT, SUCH CASES WON'T HAVE TAKEN PLACE: UDDHAV THACKERAY

Shiv Sena (UBT) chief Uddhav Thackeray on Thursday said it was good that President Droupadi Murmu has expressed her anguish over crimes against women, but had she spoken after what happened in Manipur, such incidents would not have taken place.

Declaring that "enough is enough", Murmu said it is time for India to wake up to the perversion of crimes against women and counter the mindset that sees women as less powerful, less capable, less intelligent. "Those who share such views then go further and see the female as an object We owe it to our daughters to remove the hurdles from their path of winning the freedom from fear," the president said in an exclusive signed article for PTI.

Referring to the August 9 rape and murder of a junior doctor in a Kolkata hospital, a dismayed and horrified president said what is even more depressing is that it is part of a series of crimes against women.

Reacting to the remarks, Thackeray stated, "Probably it is for the first time the president said that she is petrified and that enough is enough. It is good. We got to know that the president also has that (same) emotions. But had she spoken during the Manipur incident after she became the president, further incidents would not have taken place."

The former CM did not elaborate, but he was apparently referring to a video showing two women being stripped and paraded by a mob in violence-hit Manipur. The



incident took place in May 2023 and a video of the assault surfaced a few months later, triggering a nation-wide outrage. "Do we keep counting (the crimes) and then say enough is enough?" Thackeray asked, speaking at an event of the Ganeshotsav Coordination Committee. The Sena (UBT) leader accused the BJP, his former ally, of using the British policy of divide and rule and creating a wedge among different sections of society.

On the eve of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Maharashtra, Thackeray said it took some time for him to speak on the unrest in Manipur, and it has to be seen if he expresses his views on the Badlapur incident (sexual assault on two kindergarten girls) or the rape-murder of a doctor in West Bengal, on Friday. Thackeray said there is a need for 'Shakti law' (with stringent punishments for crimes against women, including the death penalty), though the existing legislations are strong enough to deal with the menace, but what if those who implement them are "goons". (ET)



There are wrongs which even the grave does not bury.

- Jane Goodall





TWIN BOMB ATTACK ON UCM OFFICE IN MANIPUR, GUN SHOTS FIRED

Unidentified miscreants exploded two bombs in the premises of United Committee Manipur's (UCM) office in Meitei-dominated Imphal West district and fired several rounds of gun shots on Thursday evening.

According to sources, the incident took place at around 8 pm. No one was injured in the attack at Lamphelpat area.

Senior police officers, who rushed to the spot following the explosion, said preliminary investigation revealed that miscreants came in a four wheeler and fled soon after carrying out the attack.

"Signs of bullet firing was visible on the wall of the office compound. But there was not much damage caused by the blasts. Samples have been collected to ascertain the kind of bombs and the explosive materials used. We are trying to identify the attackers," a police officer said.



UCM is a forum of civil society organisations representing the Meitei community and have been campaigning against the demand for division of Manipur.

This is the second attack on the UCM office since the Meitei-Kuki conflict started in May last year. The office was set on fire by unidentified miscreants in February this year.







1. Manipur is not YOUR state alone. Meiteis are < 43% and other communities are equally important. You are citizens of modern India, not kings of historic times.

2. Ur Govt has failed the people time and again resulting in civil war. The Kuki's demands for justice are 100% valid.



SunShine @DemonShine0 · 1d

Don't poke your nose into Manipur issues without knowing anything. If you are so concerned abt the Kukis, give a Separate administration from your state.

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"मणिपुर पर नहीं बंगाल पर मैं निराश और भयभीत हूं। मैं भले संवैधानिक पद पर आसीन हूं लेकिन दिल से आज भी संघी हूं। बीजेपी का एजेंडा ही मेरा एजेंडा हैं।" हैं ना महामहिम? @rashtrapatibhvn

Translated from Hindi by Google

"I am disappointed and scared not on Manipur but on Bengal. Even though I am in a constitutional post, I am still a Sanghi at heart. BJP's agenda is my agenda." Isn't it Your Excellency? @rashtrapatibhvn



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Explosive Audiotape of CM N. Biren Singh Strengthens Political Legitimacy of Separate Administration for Kuki-Zo **People**

Authenticity or genuineness of "Manipur Tapes" has been well-established as of now. This is manifested not only by the Meitei radicals themselves but also by the Crime Minister N. Biren Singh and his political cohorts, despite being in strange denial mode by his government.

His inner circles have openly threatened to eliminate the Meitei (s), whose identity has been kept confidential, who had leaked the audiotapes to the Kukis- whom they call "enemies." This is the proof of authenticity.

Certainly, the audiotape is enough ground to ascertain the intent of N. Biren Singh and his radical followers, who had long planned an 'annihilation' of the Kuki-Zos. No other testimonials, than the leaked audio is required to substantiate the genesis and overall schemes of the ongoing ethnic pogrom besieging Manipur. It strengthens the legitimacy of Kuki-Zos' Separate Administration demand.

As the stark reality has unfolded, the Government of India cannot shy away from taking action rather it should act immediately. Mr. Singh and his minions have no other option but to face the longhand of laws for their crimes against humanity.

However, the Government of India is still in silent mode. It remains mute spectator to the complicity of the incumbent chief minister in perpetuating heinous crimes against the minority Kuki-Zo people. Why is

the Centre still turning a blind eye to the ongoing state-sponsored ethnic cleansing genocide?

For over 16 months, since the ethnic pogrom erupted on 3rd of May, 2023, the Kuki-Zo community has been subjected to relentless violence and terror, losing about 200 precious lives and thousands displaced. More than 350 Churches including synagogues, hundreds and thousands of villages/ houses were burnt to ashes. Total separation is complete and tension still prevails between the two warring communities.

Despite overwhelming evidence, including incriminating audiotapes of the narcissistic Chief Minister, N. Biren Singh, for the state's orchestrated violence, the centre government is yet to take action for a permanent political solution. This deliberate inaction is not only alarming but also raises grave concerns about the Government of India's commitment to upholding justice and safeguarding its citizens, particularly the minority communities of Manipur.

Pertinent questions thus arise: How many more precious lives need to be lost before the Government of India finally wakes up from its slumber and acknowledges the Chief Minister's direct role in orchestrating and perpetuating these atrocities?

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How long must the Kukis endure this suffering before the government steps in to provide a permanent political and administrative solution?

In the wake of the state-sponsored ethnic pogrom, the Kuki-Zo people have been demanding a legitimate political solution in the form of Union Territory with Legislature under the ambit of the Indian Constitution. This is the only way to ensure peace, security, and dignity for the people who have been suffering from unimaginable violence and atrocities in the hands of the majoritarian regime.

Notably, the demand for creation of a Union Territory (UT) with legislative powers under Article 239A of the Indian Constitution is what the oppressed people's desire for permanent solution, and peace and normalcy to return to the region. This will empower the Kuki-Zo people with greater control over their own affairs, free from the clutches of the authoritarianism that has been failing the minority hill tribesmen since long-years back.

Taking serious cognisance of these matters, the political leadership of the Centre should now begin concrete actions for the safety and well-being of the minority communities sooner than later, irrespective of political affiliation. It is time to put an end to this horrific violence and bring the perpetrators to justice, including the "Crime Minister" N. Biren Singh, Rajya Sabha MP Leisemba Sanajaoba and their private militia groups of Arambai Tenggol, Meitei Leepun and other Meitei militants.

The Government of India should also understand the genuine fear and consternation of the Kuki-Zo people who explicitly expressed their fright to live together again with the Meiteis and their dreadfulness to go back to the "Valley of Death - Imphal." It should accept now that separation of administration is the only way forward.



THE RULE
OF BIREN'S
LONG HAND





NETHERMOST HOURS

~ Valentina Mangte

We ponder our thoughts in the lush greens, Envision of things that none has seen. Lost in the future with no one to hold, Mislaying the present as life unfolds.

Infernos and oceans are immensely deep holes,
Everyday, with unbound faith, we pray for our lost souls.
Cursing our wretched luck in the midst of our bedlam,
Losing the worth of life like a menacing venom,
Cursing every single thing that comes our way,
Even merry turns into gloomy days.

When the disheartened sun won't shine,
When the moon aligns in a different line,
When the stars dim their light,
Under the skies that never shine so bright.

Maybe, looking around we find a clue,
Out of nowhere, out of the blue!
There'll be something that'll guide our path,
Taking you away from your own wrath.
That would lead your lost soul to you,
After the mayhem a gentle dew.