

Thingkho *Le* Malcha

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AWAITING JUSTICE



JANGMINLUN GANGTE (30 YEARS)

S/O MANGKHOLEN GANGTE

ADDRESS: SONGDO, LAMKA

DATE OF INCIDENT: 29TH AUGUST, 2023

PLACE OF DEATH: CHINGPHEI, LAMKA

CAUSE OF DEATH: SHOT DEAD BY MEITEI MILITANTS



KUKI VICTIMS' UPDATE

As on 11.09.2024



199
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-ZO COUNCIL FORMED TO UNITE COMMUNITY AMID ETHNIC TENSIONS

A pivotal moment for the Kuki-Zo community occurred today with the official formation of the Kuki-Zo Council, marking a significant step toward unity and representation in the face of ongoing ethnic conflict with the Meitei community. The council's inaugural meeting resulted in the election of five key executive members tasked with leading the community through these challenging times.

Henlianthang Thanglet has been elected as the Chairman of the Kuki-Zo Council, with Thangzamang serving as Secretary. Rev. Dr. GS Gangte assumes the role of Treasurer, Khaikhohauh Gangte will act as Information Secretary, and Ch. Ajang Khongsai has been named Chief of the Governing Council.

The Kuki-Zo Council aims to create a unified platform for addressing critical political issues and advancing the collective interests of the Kuki-Zo people. Comprising representatives from various Kuki-Zo tribes, councils, and Inpis, the council is positioned as the highest decision-making body for the community.

With a commitment to promoting unity, upholding traditional values, and enhancing the overall well-being of the Kuki-Zo people, the council will also strengthen



their political voice on both local and national levels. Each Inpi and tribe president will serve as a governing council member, alongside an executive committee featuring two representatives from each tribe and Inpi organization.

The establishment of the Kuki-Zo Council is seen as a crucial step toward fostering dialogue and advocacy, ensuring that the voices of the Kuki-Zo people are heard and represented effectively.

The newly elected leaders and representatives from all tribes and Inpis were present at the meeting, underscoring a collective commitment to working together for a brighter future for the Kuki-Zo community.

UNC HOLDS TRIPARTITE TALKS IN DELHI ON DISTRICT CREATION ISSUE; NEXT TALK SCHEDULED IN SENAPATI

The Manipur new district creation issue tripartite talks involving the Central government, the United Naga Council (UNC) and the Government of Manipur resumed today in New Delhi after a long hiatus. During the talks today, it was decided that the next round of talks will be held on November 15, 2024, in Senapati district.

The previous Government of Manipur had created seven new districts on December 8, 2016. In protest against that act of the Manipur Government, the UNC had imposed 139 days of economic blockade along the national highways which pass through

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Manipur. After the lifting of the blockade, the first round of talk was held on March 19, 2017 followed by several rounds of talk.

According to the UNC sources, today's talk was held in a "cordial atmosphere and it was mutually agreed that further progress will be made by engaging in a sustained manner in order to resolve the issue in a time bound manner keeping in view of the previous commitments".

The seven-member UNC team was led by its president Ng. Lorho. The Central government side was represented by AK Mishra who is Advisor, North East, Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), while the Manipur Government was represented by Vineet Joshi, Chief Secretary and N Ashok Kumar, Commissioner cum Secretary, the UNC sources further informed.

It can be recalled here that, on March 19, 2017, the UNC lifted the 139-day economic blockade imposed on national highways after the Manipur Government "recognized the grievances" of the UNC. The terms of

agreement of the March 19 talks on the issue says that "the grievances of the UNC which led to the imposition of the economic blockade by them was recognized as there was non-adherence to the four Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) and the Government of India's assurance on the matter."

TLM Views: The unprecedented move of the UNC, the apex Naga body in MQuanipur, at this juncture where they proclaimed themselves as 'neutral community' is uncalled for. The state cabinet's decisions cannot be easily overturned merely due to the influence or pressure exerted by a single civil society group. This is a fact that the UNC is undoubtedly aware of; however, they seem to be opting to exploit the current tensions and conflict for their own advantage. By making unrealistic demands, the UNC appears to be intent on exacerbating the existing violence, hoping to gain benefits from the turmoil that ensues. Their actions suggest a calculated maneuver to further their own agenda rather than a genuine effort to promote peace and stability within the region.

KCP (PWG) CADRE ARRESTED FOR EXTORTION IN IMPHAL

Manipur Police arrested a member of the Kangleipak Communist Party (People's War Group) on October 10. Mayanglambam Dhanbir, 39, was arrested at his residence in Kyamgei Maning Leikai, Imphal East District.

Authorities accuse Dhanbir, who allegedly used multiple aliases including Dhanabir, Awangba, and Lanchenba, of extorting money from shops and residents in and around Imphal.

The arrest comes amid ongoing security operations in Manipur's hill and valley districts. In a separate incident, security forces conducted searches in vulnerable areas, uncovering a significant cache of weapons and explosives.

The seized items include one China-made grenade (CMG), tear gas gun, 9mm pistol with magazine, 14 live rounds of ammunition, one .303 sniper rifle, one single-barrel breech-loading (SBBL) gun, one improvised explosive device (IED) weighing approximately 1.35 kg, three high-explosive hand grenades, two tear smoke grenades, one Baofeng radio set.

Additional items recovered include various types of ammunition, anti-riot equipment, and specialised grenades. The weapons were found in the foothills between Aigejang village and Uyok in Bishnupur District. (IndiaTodayNE)

JNU PROFESSOR FACES THREATS ON SOCIAL MEDIA AFTER SPEAKING OUT ON MANIPUR VIOLENCE

Dr. Robert Thongkholal Haokip, a professor at Jawaharlal Nehru University (JNU), has come under fire for publicly discussing the ongoing violence in Manipur. Following his participation in a TV debate on the demand for a separate Kukiland, Dr. Haokip received threatening messages on social media, specifically on X (formerly Twitter).

In his recent post, Dr. Haokip highlighted his appearance on India Today NE, where he and fellow speaker Tara Manchin Hangzo, a victim of the 2023 ethnic violence, discussed the reasons behind the push for a separate state amid ongoing tensions in Manipur. Their calls for increased local governance contrast sharply with the state government's opposition to any division.

The backlash intensified after a Meitei user on X shared a post that insinuated Dr. Haokip's safety was at risk. The message questioned the absence of Meitei students at JNU and implied a threat, saying, "Is there no Meiteis in JNU? This man has been always on an evening walk; don't you feel something should be done?"

Dr. Haokip's situation raises concerns about academic freedom and the safety of those who speak out on



sensitive issues in regions marked by ethnic conflict. The Meitei community, currently opposed to the call for a separate Kukiland, has a history of intimidating individuals who challenge their views.



Never think that war, no matter how necessary, nor how justified, is not a crime.

— Ernest Hemingway, 1946

CORCOM CALLS FOR 12-HOUR TOTAL SHUTDOWN ON OCTOBER 15

The Coordination Committee (CorCom) has called for a 12-hour total shutdown on October 15 from 6 am to 6 pm in Manipur.

In a statement, the CorCom Publicity Committee declared October 15 as “National Black Day” marking the anniversary of Manipur’s merger with the Indian Union.

Emergency and important services including medical, water supplies, power department, media, and religious ceremonies are exempted from the purview of the shutdown.

The statement claimed that on October 15, 1949, India forcibly annexed Manipur (Kangleipak).

Due to this, the organisation called for the observation of October 15 as “National Black Day”, it stated.

They claimed that Manipur (Kangleipak) had a written Constitution as early as the 11th century and its independence was not usurped even after it came under British occupation in 1891.

Manipur became fully independent on August 14, 1947, one day ahead of India, and a new Government was set up but Manipur was forcibly annexed to India on October 15, 1949, the CorCom alleged.

“Our demand is a restoration of Manipur’s sovereignty usurped by India”, CorCom asserted.

The Government forces have been waging a proxy war with two objectives; first, suppression of the revolutionary movement and destruction of the Manipur valley socially, economically, and politically, and second, exploitation of invaluable underground mineral resources, it claimed.

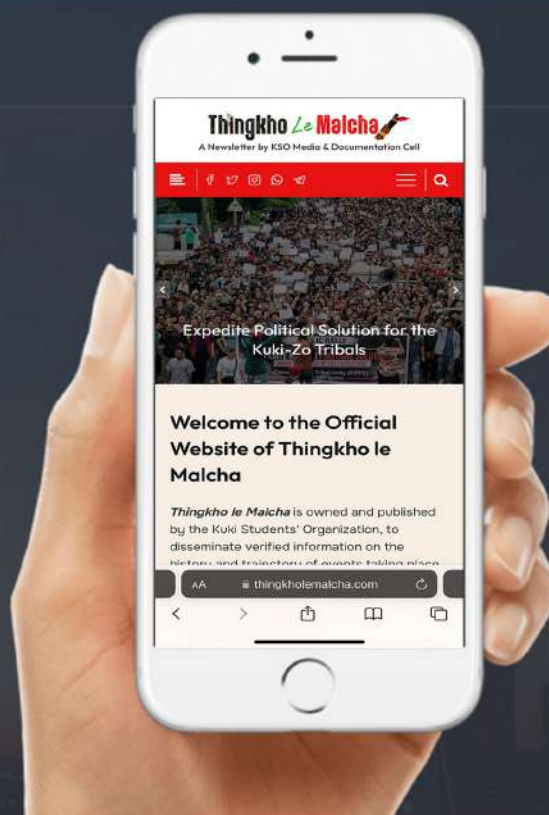
The CorCom is an apex body of six banned outfits.

The groups are – the Kangleipak Communist Party (KCP), Kanglei Yawol Kanna Lup (KYKL), People’s Revolutionary Party of Kangleipak (PREPAK), its Progressive faction (PREPAK-Pro), Revolutionary People’s Front (RPF, the political wing of the People’s Liberation Army- PLA), and United National Liberation Front (UNLF).



Welcome to the Official Website of Thingkho le Malcha

Thingkho le Malcha is owned and published by the Kuki Students' Organization, to disseminate verified information on the history and trajectory of events taking place in the deeply divided state of Manipur. It is an indispensable locus for truth and sanctum of resistance towards the antithesis of justice and peace... [Read More](#)



**NEWS ANALYSIS**

The Enormity of Biren's Crime

Thousands of houses were burned down at Imphal and properties worth thousands of crores were destroyed beyond redemption. All these were happening in connivance of the N Biren Singh's government and the Meitei police officers.

Women and young girls were paraded naked, raped and killed while the Meira paibis and the Meitei public cheer on. Students, government employees, professionals and common citizens were pulled out of their homes, hostels, institutions, dragged in the public like criminals assaulted and killed in the most brutal manner while the Meitei public celebrated all these inhuman acts. Travelers and commuters were pulled down from their vehicles and murdered in the most brutal manner and yet they keep on cheering without any iota of remorse or compassion.

More than 250 villages belonging to the Zo-Kuki community has been burned down or razed to the ground. The same number of churches has been demolished, looted and destroyed. And the number keeps on increasing with each passing day.

Children and infants were not spared either by the Meitei mobs. Infants were beaten to death and burnt. Women were murdered in the most gruesome ways either through burning or lynching.

The horrific crimes committed by the Meiteis are beyond words to describe. The Meiteis have perpetrated the most horrendous, egregious and abominable crime ever known in the contemporary history of mankind.

The feeling of humanity and empathy that runs in the veins of every human being, even in times of war is missing with the sadistic Meiteis. The sick, wounded and critically ill persons, children and women are shown compassion even in times of war but this is not the case with the savage Meitei mobs. Hospitals were hunted and scoured thus forcing many of the critically ill persons have to be evacuated to safety.

Even those fleeing for safety were waylaid, robbed of all their valuables, assaulted and then murdered. Their bodies displayed in the middle of the road as if it was a trophy. All these were happening under the watchful eyes of Biren Singh and his cohorts. He started the ethnic cleansing pogrom; he planned it and executed it himself. So he needs to be prosecuted, tried for committing crime against humanity and punished as per the relevant laws.



SOCIAL MEDIA
THE BUZZ



The banned Meitei terrorist group KCP MFL openly displaying foreign weapons, including Indian-made 5.56mm INSAS LMG, in Myanmar's Kabaw Valley.

My question: how and why these weapons ended up in their possession and who will recover them?

Where is Biren Singh now?

#Manipur



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#Meitei terrorist group KCP-MFL is openly displaying foreign weapons, including the 5.56mm INSAS LMG, which originates from the Indian Ordnance Factory in Jabalpur. How did these weapons end up in the hands of this banned group in Myanmar's Kabaw Valley, and who will be responsible for their retrieval?
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Post MORTEM

LAW UNDER BIREN SINGH IS BLIND





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3RD PHASE

**JANGNA
DOPNA
HOPDOHNA KINGON**

**ON SATURDAY
OCTOBER**

19TH 2024

**AT THOMAS GROUND
KANGPOKPI DISTRICT**





MAY FLAME

To all far and near,
This is a story you should fear.
The rise of the anti-christs,
Under the watch of an empty sky.

How could we have ever known,
That so soon, we would all mourn?
Over everything that has long gone,
On our lives, we could've sworn.

There were places we needed to be,
A number of faces we wanted to see.
Promises waiting to be fulfilled,
Only prayers mattered in the battlefield.

How heavy must have been the hate,
That it left no soul unscathed?
How vicious did the human heart get,
That the whole world has gone mad?

Now, as I close my eyes to sleep,
The flames of May burn my skin still,
Could be a sign telling the cut is deep,
And shall end after I go back to sleep.

Sticks and stones didn't break my bones
Nor did words cut me as much,
But what broke my heart and home,
Is more than the work of man alone.

~ Faith Nengngainem Haokip