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PROTEST AGAINST THE BRUTAL MURDERS OF

THANGMINLUN HANGSHING & HENMINLEN VAIPHEI BY MEITEI MILITANTS

AWAITING JUSTICE



HENMINLEN VAIPHEI (35 YEARS)

S/O LUNTINLAL VAIPHEI ADDRESS: MISSION VENG, LEIMAKHONG, SADAR HILLS DATE OF INCIDENT: 20TH NOVEMBER, 2023 Place of incident: Near Kharam Vaiphei, Kangchup, Sadar Hills Cause of Death: Killed in Ambush by Meitei Militants

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KUKI VICTIMS' UPDATE

As on 08.11. 2024



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DEATHS





VILLAGES BURNT



CHURCHES & **SYNAGOGUES BURNT**



DISPLACED PERSONS

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KUKI WOMEN CONDEMNS BRUTAL KILLING OF MRS. ZOSANGKIM IN JIRIBAM DISTRICT

The Kuki Women Union, General Headquarters (KWU-GHQ), has strongly condemned the brutal and senseless killing of Mrs. Zosangkim Hmar, a mother of three, in Zairawn village, Jiribam district, calling for immediate action to bring the perpetrators to justice.

In a statement released today, the KWU-GHQ decried the "heinous attack" on Mrs. Zosangkim, describing it as an act of "ruthless violence" that demonstrated a flagrant disregard for human rights and the rule of law. Mrs. Zosangkim, a teacher by profession, was reportedly shot and burned alive inside her home late on the evening of 7th November 2024 by armed assailants.

The KWU-GHQ described the killing as "unjustifiable" and emphasized that such violent acts not only targeted an innocent individual but also represent an "unlawful assault on the human rights enshrined in the Indian Constitution." According to eyewitness reports, Mrs. Zosangkim's brain was reportedly removed from her body before her home was set ablaze, heightening the horror of the crime.

"These brutal acts of violence are not just a violation of the life of one individual, but an affront to the basic principles of human dignity and safety," the statement from KWU-GHQ read. "Every citizen has the fundamental right to be safe and protected from such violence, regardless of their community or background."

The KWU-GHQ has called on law enforcement agencies to take immediate and effective action, ensuring that a thorough investigation into the death of Mrs. Zosangkim is carried out. "We urge that the investigation be transparent to restore the people's trust in law enforcement and justice," the statement continued. "We demand that all those responsible



The KWU-GHQ strongly condemn the brutal killing of Mrs. Zosangkim, a mother of three, of Zalrawn village, Jiribam district and calls for immediate intervention to bring guilty perpetrators to justice.

We denounce in the strongest terms these helnous attacks that show a ruthless disregard for human rights and the rule of law. The senseless killing of people, who have a fundamental right to be safe and protected from violence, is unacceptable under any circumstance.

KWU-GHQ is deeply concerned about the grave violation of human rights and we call on law enforcement authorities to ensure prompt and effective investigations are undertaken and all perpetrators of such crimes are brought to justice, and to also ensure protection for those who are vulnerable to further attacks.

KWU-GHQ calls on the government to take the following actions :

- I. A thorough and prompt investigation into the death of Mrs. Zosangkim be conducted to identify the perpetrators and ensure they are brought to justice. This investigation should be transparent to dispel misunderstandings and restore citizen's trust in law enforcement and the administration of justice.
- The relevant authorities should direct serious efforts towards regulating these incidents that continue to increase rapidly and cause unrest in society.
- iii. The Police force should evaluate itself and control crime within the state, ensuring that unauthorized individuals do not have the opportunity to infiltrate and commit crimes while pretending to be part of law enforcement agencies.
- The Minister of Home Affairs should evaluate himself and be held accountable for these sufferings that Kuki-Zo tribals are facing every day.

KWU-GHQ offers sincere condolences to the families and relatives as we keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

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be identified and swiftly brought to justice."

The KWU-GHQ also called for the relevant authorities to prioritize the regulation of incidents that are rapidly increasing in the region and contributing to widespread unrest. They urged the state police force to evaluate its performance, particularly with regard to the infiltration of unauthorized individuals posing as law enforcement officers, which allegedly complicates the investigation of such crimes.







Furthermore, KWU-GHQ called on the Minister of Home Affairs to take responsibility for the ongoing suffering faced by the Kuki-Zo tribes, particularly in light of the escalating violence in the region.

"The failure to address these issues reflects a systemic problem that demands urgent attention," the KWU-GHQ statement said, emphasizing the need for justice and accountability at every level of governance.

Meanwhile, the Kuki Women Union Sadar Hills has also expressed shock and outrage over the "merciless and inhuman" killing of Mrs. Zosangkim Hmar. The Union condemned the murder in the strongest terms, identifying the perpetrators as "Meitei Arm terrorists," specifically naming a group identified as Arambal Tenggol at Jairolpokpi Village, Jiribam. The Sadar Hills branch described the attack as an "abhorrent act of terror" and "an unlawful act of violence against the Kuki-Zo community."

The Union called on the central government to intervene and ensure swift justice for the victim. "We urge the Centre Government to immediately arrest the culprits and bring them to justice," the statement read. "This barbaric act is a blatant attack on innocent civilians and cannot be tolerated."

The attack on Mrs. Zosangkim comes amidst a rising tide of violence in the region, particularly targeting the Kuki-Zo community, and has further deepened tensions in an already volatile political and social environment in Manipur.

Authorities are under increasing pressure to act swiftly in the face of growing unrest and the worsening security situation in the state.



Fresh violence in Manipur

@drshamamohd

Dr. Shama Mohamed 🥩

Around 80 to 100 armed assailants, allegedly from a radical Meitei group, opened fire on villagers and set homes ablaze. Women were reportedly assaulted, shot, and burned.

PM @narendramodi, Manipur has been burning under your watch for the past 1.5 years. People are killing each other, and yet you accuse Congress of dividing the nation.

It is you and the BJP who are dividing people and allowing this violence to continue. Manipur is just one example.

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Women continue to face RUTHLESS VIOLENCE in Manipur!

From unimaginable violence that led to women being stripped off of their dignity to a mother being RAPED and BURNT ALIVE, the @BJP4India has sent Manipur's law&order to a state of permanent exile.

For how much longer will the BJP leaders sit in their ivory towers while the women get violated every single day?

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Manipur: Mother of three raped and burnt alive in Jiribam district

The 31-year-old victim was a teacher at a village school. She is survived by her husband, a minor son and two daughters



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MEITEI MILITANTS ATTACK ZAIRAWN VILLAGE IN MANIPUR, SET FIRE To 17 homes and kill young mother, hmar apex body claims

The Hmar Inpui, apex body of the Hmar tribe in Manipur's Churachandpur district in a press release on Saturday said Zairawn village, located in Jiribam district was attacked by "Meitei militants on November 7, 2024, around 9 PM, setting fire to 17 homes and taking the life of a young mother, Zosangkim Hmar (31), wife of Ngurthansang Hmar, in a brutal act of violence."

According to a press release issued by the Hmar Inpui General Headquarters, the attackers captured Zosangkim Hmar, her three-year-old son Franky Lalchawisang, and nine-year-old daughters Victoria Laldomawi, and Lalringdik, aged seven.

The militants, the Hmar Inpui said "shot Zosangkim in the leg, rendering her unable to escape. Disregarding her humanity and her family's unimaginable grief, the attackers raped, tortured and burned her alive, denying her even the dignity of an honorable burial. When her remains were later discovered, fragments of her brain lay beside her charred body—a haunting testament to the brutality she endured."

"This horrific act adds to an eighteen-month spree of ethnic violence by Meitei militants-a continuous assault on innocent lives that has shattered communities and devastated countless families. This barbaric act serves as yet another chilling reminder of the relentless ethnic-cleansing campaign of the Meitei militants—a campaign that has terrorized our people without mercy for eighteen months," stated the Hmar Inpui General Headquarters in their release. "Mrs. Zosangkim's sacrifice shall be a call to action; to ignite an united resolve in every one of us to defend our lives, protect our lands, and preserve the dignity of our people against those who seek our destruction," the Hmar Inpui added.

CENTRE TO RESUME TALKS WITH UNITED NAGA COUNCIL ON Rollback of New Districts

The Central Government is set to hold a fresh round of talks with the United Naga Council (UNC) regarding its demand to roll back the creation of seven new districts in Manipur.

The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) announced that the tripartite meeting, which will include representatives from the Centre, the Manipur government, and the UNC, is scheduled for November 13 in Senapati.

The upcoming meeting follows the previous round of talks held on October 11, as the UNC continues to press for the reversal of the district reorganization, which it argues has disrupted traditional Naga administrative regions and affects local autonomy.

The issue has been a point of contention since 2016, when the districts were first created, leading to protests and intermittent dialogues over the years.

The talks are seen as a critical step in addressing longstanding concerns over regional boundaries and governance, with stakeholders hoping for progress toward a resolution that balances administrative needs with community interests.







NSCN (IM) THREATENS TO RESUME ARMED CONFLICT

The National Socialist Council of Nagaland (Isak-Muivah) or NSCN (IM) has sought a third-party intervention to address the deadlock over the Naga political issue, threatening to resume its armed resistance if its proposal is rejected.

The insurgent outfit which has been in a ceasefire agreement since 1997 has accused the Centre of betraying the Framework Agreement that was signed between the Centre and the NSCN (IM) on August 3, 2015.

The outfit's general secretary Thuingaleng Muivah in a statement claimed the Centre was deliberately refusing to honour the Framework Agreement's key provisions, particularly the recognition of the Naga national flag and constitution. While saying the organisation was committed to protect the unique history and sovereignty of Nagalim - the areas of Nagaland, Manipur, Assam, Arunachal Pradesh and parts of Myanmar - inhabited by the Naga people, Muivah affirmed that these principles were non-negotiable in any political settlement. Muivah stated that the Centre's failure to abide by the Framework Agreement could result in resurgence of a renewed violent conflict. He said the Framework Agreement was lauded for officially recognising the Naga issue as a conflict between two sovereign entities.

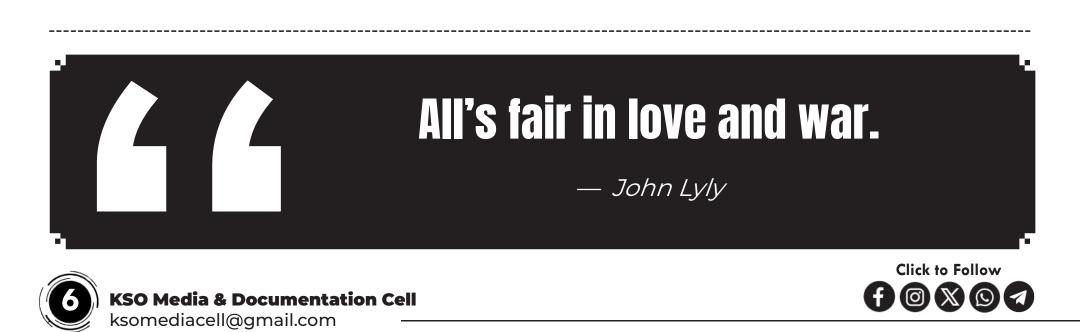
Muivah said the agreement also acknowledged Nagalim's sovereign national flag and constitution, indicating a remarkable move from the traditional stance



that the conflict was an internal matter for India. Claiming that the Centre has betrayed the essence of the agreement by refusing to formally acknowledge the Naga flag and constitution, Muivah said these are non-negotiable and should be included in any future political settlement, adding failure to respect these commitments would result in the collapse of the peace process.

While suggesting that external mediation might be necessary, Muivah sought for a thirdparty intervention to address the deadlock. He said if the Centre rejects the proposal, the organisation would be left with no choice but to resume the armed resistance in defence of Nagalim's sovereign existence.

However, Muivah expressed hope for a peaceful resolution, emphasising that the Centre must acknowledge the Naga flag and constitution as part of the settlement. (NENow)



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Taliban-like atrocities continue unabated against the Kuki-Zo people, while the Government of India remains in a deep slumber, hesitating to disarm the Arambai Tenggol and other Meitei militants, who are the main perpetrators of crimes against humanity.

In a recent act of brutal violence, state-supported Meitei militants, along with the Arambai Tenggol, launched a relentless attack on the peaceful Kuki-Zo village of Zairawn in Jiribam district, claiming the life of a woman and burning down at least 16 houses.

The violent incident took place on November 7, 2024, around 9:00 PM, when Meitei terrorists captured an unarmed woman named Mrs. Zosangkim Hmar (31), a mother of three and wife of Mr. Ngurthansang Hmar. In a display of unimaginable cruelty, they shot her in the leg, leaving her bleeding, and then set her on fire, reducing her to ashes.

This tragedy is part of an ongoing, state-orchestrated ethnic cleansing campaign against the Kuki-Zo people, which has escalated since May 2023, under the leadership of the Meiteis' Chief Minister, N.

Biren Singh. Since then, countless innocent Kuki-Zo women have suffered unspeakable atrocities, including rape and murder, at the hands of extremist Meitei groups such as Arambai Tenggol, Meitei Leepun, and proscribed Valley-based Insurgent Groups (VBIGs), often in collusion with state police.

Rather than sparing a defenseless woman, these militants repeated their past savagery, where victims were too mutilated to be buried properly — burnt alive beyond recognition.

This horrific act shatters any illusion of peace and serves as a grim reminder to the Kuki-Zo people of the Meiteis' ultimate goal: to annihilate them and seize their lands.

A Big Question to Central Security Forces:

These relentless attacks, coupled with the barbaric murder of a Kuki-Zo woman and the subsequent destruction of 16 homes, compel the tribal communities to question the role of central security forces, who fail to









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protect innocent civilians despite their substantial presence. The failure to act against the perpetrators raises suspicions that security personnel may be colluding with them. Are they aligned with the Meitei terrorists?

It is appalling that Meitei militants, along with cadres from Arambai Tenggol, were able to freely assault Zairawn Village in Jiribam despite heavy security presence. This tacit support by government machinery, allowing unhindered movement of militants through security checkpoints en route to Zairawn, is equally condemnable.

If the central government and its security establishments continue to neglect the protection of innocent citizens and fail to curb the Meitei militants, the Kuki-Zo people may be forced to take defensive action to safeguard their existence in their ancestral land.

Are the Buffer Zones a False Sense of Security?

Despite the presence of buffer zones intended to separate the warring communities and prevent clashes, Meitei militants continue to infiltrate and attack Kuki villages, spreading violence, death, and fear. Guarded by Central Security Forces, these buffer zones have failed to stop militant incursions, leading to devastating consequences for the Kuki people.

The recent occupation of K. Patjang village in Kangpokpi District by heavily armed members of the Meitei Kangleipak Communist Party (KCP-PWG) is clear evidence that these buffer zones offer only a false sense of security for the Kuki-Zo people.

This militant group, equipped with advanced weaponry, has brazenly violated buffer zones, intruding deep into Kuki-Zo territories and

intensifying tensions in already vulnerable areas. Their presence disrupts peace efforts, which are continuously undermined by the inaction and apparent complicity of the Government of India (Gol) and state authorities

Additionally, the unchecked movement of armed Meitei militants through Kuki-Zo territories raises serious concerns. This militarization can only be seen as part of a sinister tactic orchestrated by N. Biren Singh, diverting attention from his role in systematic violence against minority communities. The recently leaked "Manipur Tapes" expose his active involvement in the genocide against the Kuki-Zo people.

Urgent Need for a Kuki-Zo Political Solution:

The ongoing persecution of the Kuki-Zo people is deeply alarming, highlighting the critical need to address their lack of security. Regrettably, the Government of India continues to delay political dialogue with the Kuki-Zo people. This reluctance to take decisive action has emboldened radicalized Meitei groups, leaving minority communities vulnerable.

To achieve lasting peace, the government must act against Meitei terrorists without further delay, ending its appeasement of those who pose a threat to national security.

It is imperative that the Government of India recognizes the urgency of establishing a separate administration for the Kuki-Zo people to ensure their safety and security.





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Atrocities on Women: Why the Silence? Is it Because the Victim Belongs to Kuki-Zo Community?

Her wandering soul, seeing the continual barbaric and savagery crime of extracting her brain from her head by her arsonists even after they burned her to death, must be expecting and crying helplessly to the people of her country to demand justice on her behalf. To her dismay, her nation turned deaf and blind to her voice and helpless cries for justice.

Women from Kuki-Zo are brutally murdered, paraded naked, gang raped, publicly molested and offered up to be raped, made to witness their children, husband and father being mob lynched or brutally murdered. They are forced to flee from the house they for years nurture and care for to make it a home. Her offspring are framed as illegal immigrants. Her heart wrenches in pain seeing her children or her dreams shattered. She does not have the luxury of worrying about her own health when having a meal twice a day itself becomes a struggle. Her daily struggles, mourning and worries remain unabated, but no one come forth to show her the hope for a better future while she continues be a tool to show the DOMINANCE of their enemy if caught. Don't she deserve justice?

Where is the Nation Commission for Women and Child Welfare? Where is the Minister of Women and Child Development ? Where is the National

Human Right Commission? Where is our PRIME MINISTER? Are Kuki-Zo women not women from India to whom they have the responsibility of not only protecting but also to seek justice when necessary on their behalf? Where is the national media, why did the nation stop demanding justice for her? Why can't they empathise her? Is it because she belongs to the Kuki-Zo?

Judging from the barbaric and savage nature of their crimes, one will not be wrong in concluding that Arambai Tenggol is an organisation of psychopath serial killers who find pleasure in tormenting their victims before and after killing them. Unlike psychopath criminals in those documentaries, the government and law enforcement agencies protects them rather than hunting them down.They are celebrated as heroes by their society. Amidst their hate for Kuki-Zo community, they forget even enemy forces don't kill each other in such barbaric and savage way, let alone the innocent civilians.

While innocents Kuki-Zo civilians continue to become their victims, the government of India could not even impose AFSPA in the state let alone



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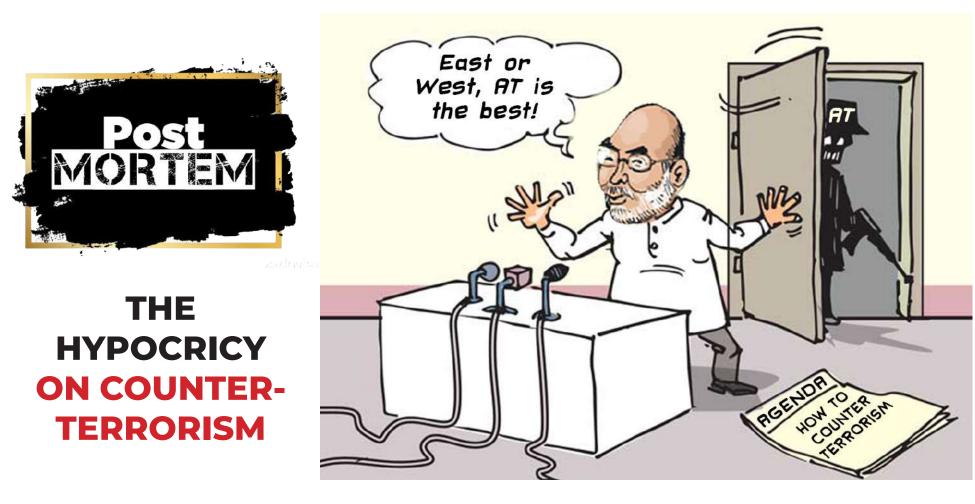


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declare them a terrorist organisation under UAPA. Thousands of paramilitary forces deployed in the state are turned into mannequins for display purposes only. Masking them as a cultural organisation, the Arambai Tenggol are given a free rein to attack and commit heinous crimes against the Kukis with no fear and accountability. Two of the most powerful men on earth watch their barbaric and savage crimes in their courtyard like its a thriller movie where they have no responsibility of stopping the psychopath villains.

Why is there always a coincidence of attack by Arambai Tenggol in Kuki-Zo villages whenever the tide turns against Mr. Biren singh? After a rally organised by KSO and Kukil innpi to demand for a probe in his role on the ongoing conflict, the state witnessed an attack on Kuki-Zo villages in Leimakhong area. Now Kuki-Zo villages in Jiribam district comes under attack by Arambai Tenggol on the day a petition was filed at Supreme Court on the same demand. Is it a mere coincidence or a threat to the Kuki-Zo people to refrain from demanding the probe? Justice demanded by Kuki-Zo community in the form of separate administration is for their survival, protection, safety and the right to live with dignity, of their community in general and their women and children in particular. If the manner in which crimes are committed against them don't convince you, God forbid, experiencing the tormented suffering of the victims yourself alone can convince you. Thus, the question is would you like to be the victim of this psychopath criminals' savagery and barbaric crimes? If no, then their demand is justified.

Like we as children question our teacher how could the world have allowed the Holocaust against Jews by Hitler, our future ancestors will ask the same question to you all. How can a powerful country like India allow for ethnic cleansing against its own citizens and savage and barbaric crimes against the Kuki-zo and their women unabated? Fellow Indians, how will you answer them?











WHISPERS OF RESILIENCE A TRIBALS' JOURNEY

~ Lhangum Kerry Khsai', Delhi

In the heart of erstwhile Manipur, where the valleys sigh, The indigenous Kukis wander beneath a troubled sky. For they've been torn apart from Imphal's embrace, Carrying burdens that weigh on the heart.

Once lively streets, filled with "Chingmi Tammi" Now memories linger where that brutality actually belong. Fields the majority Meiteis cherished the hills they knew, Are now replaced by shadows, as hilly dreams withdrew.

Yet, amidst the sorrow, a spark remains, A spark of hilly dream unbroken by the Kuki-Naga chains. Every tear tells a story of grace, Of holding onto love in a harsh, cold place.

Bound by history and roots that run deep, Their courage awakens, refusing to sleep. Through whispers of the past, they find their way, Dreaming of brighter and peaceful days.

In every heart, a flicker of light, Guiding them through the longest night. Together they stand, hands intertwined, In unity and hope, a future they'll find.

May the Kuki-Naga journey inspire, As we seek solace and reclaim our lost homes. For in our resilience, a lesson lies, Of enduring hope beneath changing skies.

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