



## Chief Minister intervene MU crisis; Academic Council hold another meeting; fails to take a decision

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**Imphal, Oct 11:** Taking the prevailing issue at Manipur University in the aftermath of the Academic Council's resolution of October 8 regarding reservation of seats in the Manipur University, Maif Minister Okram Ibobi had reportedly intervene the issue by directing the University authority to revoke the resolution adopted on the day. A high level source said that the Chief Minister had taken the matter seriously as the tribal students' body had threaten to called total shut down in Hill district if the resolution adopted on the day has not been revoke within four days starting yesterday. On the other hand the departure of Tribal students from Manipur University complex has make worried to the Chief Minister as it has the

tendency to break down the prevailing law and order condition of the state. Even though the Manipur University is not in the purview of the State Government, as the crisis arises out of the University has the tendency to break down the law and order condition of the state, the Chief Minister's directives is somewhat serious and is taken seriously by the University authority. The members of the Academic Council were seem to put in the middle of the devil and deep blue sea and the meeting convened today failed to arrived at any amicable situation. Meanwhile, large number of Tribal students staged protest demonstration in front of the main gate of the Manipur University. Police face tough time controlling the agitators.

Convenor of the CBSTDC, M Churamani, while speaking to media persons said that the interaction programme from the grass root workers of the Congress party is being organized in consideration to the importance of the Congress party in pushing up the matters for saving the indigenous people as it is in power in the state government. He expected hopes that the Congress leadership including the Chief Minister of Manipur will take the demand for ST status of Meitei/ Meitei community as genuine and serious as it is the only means to protect the people.

Working president of STDC of Moirangthem Naodalen Khomba, member of consultative body of STDC Rk Ranjendra and Chairman of All Blocks Congress President forum Nandalal Angomcha graced the interaction programme as dignitaries.

## District and Block level committee of MPCC supports ST demands for Meitei/ Meitei community

**ITNews**  
**Imphal, Oct 11:** District and Block level committee of the Manipur Pradesh District Committee has extended support to the demand for inclusion of Meitei/ Meitei to Schedule Tribe list under the constitution of India. The members of the MPCC committee also agreed to endorse the demand put up by the Coordinating Body on Scheduled Tribe Demand Committee (CBSTDC) Manipur to the Chief Minister and other leaders of the MPCC. The decision to support the movement for inclusion of Meitei/Meitei to Scheduled Tribe list was taken during an interaction programme held today at Manipur Press Club. Almost all office bearers of the District and Blocked Level Committee of the MPCC from Valley districts attended the interaction programme.

## Aryan's new production "The Bear" mesmerizes audiences

**ITNews**  
**Imphal, Oct 11:** Aryan Theatre's new production "The Bear" has mesmerized and put into laughter to many audiences on the evening of October 9. The play, originally a jest from Anton Chekhov's play "The Bear" was translated by O. Mani and adapted in Manipuri by Sarangthem Rajen Singh who directed and designed the production.

The play depicted man's innate nature of suspicion and chauvinism towards women and women's inner

prejudice of man's frailty and indecisiveness which pushed them even to the brink of a high tension conflict grounded firmly on their self-esteem and pride. Five main characters rolls on the 55 minute play without making the audiences blinking their eyes. The adapted story begins with a male character, Somokanta coming to ask his money to a woman, whose deceased husband borrowed the money from him. The woman - Tamphasana instead of paying the money tried to divert it by telling him stories

## MUTSU stage protest; demands revocation of Oct 8 Academic Council resolution

**ITNews**  
**Imphal, Oct 11:** Members of the Manipur University Tribal Students' Union (MUTSU) today stage protest in front of Youth Hostel at Khuman Lampak in Imphal West demanding revocation of the resolution adopted by the Academic Council of the Manipur University Regarding reservation of Admission to the University. The MUTSU volunteers along with other tribal students yesterday left the Manipur University in protest against the resolution on reservation by the Academic

Council of the Manipur University and have been staying at Youth Hostel at Khuman Lampak.

A representative of the MUTSU while speaking to media persons said that there are around 900 (nine hundred) tribal students studying in the Manipur University. He appealed all tribal students to endorse the decision of the MUTSU on reservation issue and appealed them not to write any assignments, test or class related activities until the demand is met. He warns serious consequences to

those students who failed to follow the directives of the Students' Body. On the other hand the student body also appealed the University authority not to conduct any form of test or assignment writing before the ongoing impasse on reservation issue is not settled. The MUTSU further stated that the Academic Council should follow and implement the Central Educational Institutions Reservation in Admission Amendment Act, 2012 at which the court had also directed to the University authority.

## NPF stands with Tribal students' body; says MU Academic Council should revoke resolution on Reservation of seats

**ITNews**  
**Imphal, Oct 11:** Naga People's Front (NPF) Manipur State Unit has extended its support to the demand of the Manipur University Tribal Students' Union (MUTSU) on reservation policy at Manipur University. The NPF state unit said that the Academic Council of the Manipur University should endorse the Central Educational Institutions Reservation in Admission Amendment Act, 2012 instead of going with the Central Educational Institutions Reservation in Admission Act 2006 which put the quotas for admission of tribal student to 7.5 % despite the fact that 45 % of the population is comprised with Tribal people in the state of Manipur.

Speaking to media persons at the Office of NPF Manipur State Unit, Dewlaland, Awangbou Newmai, President of NPF Manipur State Unit said that the decision of the MU Academic Council to adopt the norms of the Central Educational Institutions Reservation in Admission Act 2006 for the current academic session is highly condemnable. The decision taken through the interaction programme at their desire field in the

university, he added. NPF Manipur State Unit also appeals to all the student organizations and students of the university to avoid any violence, arson and destruction of properties, instead they should try to solved the problem amicably based on truth and Justice. Meanwhile, Awangbou Newmai states that the current government seems to be of one sided. Under the governance of Chief Minister O Ibobi Singh for 3 terms, the current issues faced by the people state is not the first, the system cannot deny that it is corrupted in case of job recruitments, etc. NPF strongly condemned the prolonged issues by the state government. The attitude of the Congress Political Party will not bring any development in the society except for more issues.

It is very disappointing to state that even common and small problems are still remains unsolved by the State Government. Manipur will never be a developed if the current Government continues to rule but development could be bought in the state if the government takes same steps with the people of both Hill and Valley areas.

## NPF appreciates CM O Ibobi

**ITNews**  
**Imphal, Oct 11:** Naga People Front (NPF) Manipur State Unit has appreciated the decision taken by Chief Minister O Ibobi Singh as right decision by not introducing the Manipur Regulation of Non-Local People Act, 2016 thereby honoring the will of the people. Honreikhui Kashung said in a press statement that on August 23, 2016, the resigned MLAs of NPF had issued a statement against the introduction of the Regulation of Non-Local People Act, 2016 in the 16<sup>th</sup> Session of the 10<sup>th</sup> Manipur Legislative Assembly in September, 2016. In this regards, NPF state Chief Minister O Ibobi Singh had

taken the right decision by not introducing the Act, he added. Honreikhui Kashung also said that NPF is the most concern party for the common good and collective progress in the State which humbly express the view as expressed on August 23, 2016 be taken into consideration and that the Hill Institution, Hill Authority under Law and Custom, then rights and privilege as granted and enjoyed under the Law and the Constitution by the Hill People shall be fringed upon in enacting new laws. Honreikhui Kashung further said that the Registration Authority shall in no way downplay the Village Authority and Autonomous District Authority in the Hills.

## Shop owners of Governor's road Paona Keithel protest prohibition of parking



**ITNews**  
**Imphal, Oct 11:** Shop owners of Governor's Road, Paona Keithel today staged a protest demonstration against the prohibition of Parking to vehicles at the roadside. Memorandums drawing attention to the grievances of the shop owners and runners were also submitted to the Governor of Manipur, Director of Transport as well as to the Superintendent of Police Imphal West. Parking along the route has been prohibited by security force particularly by the CRPF on duty safeguarding the Raj Bhavan since August middle week after miscreants blasted a bomb near Manipur State Museum on the evening of August 15 this year. A day after the blast another explosive was also recovered near Johnston Higher Secondary School. Shop keepers of the area said that since the security forces had prohibited parking of vehicles on the road side all business has been put to a

complete halt as customers had stopped coming due to the inconveniences. K. Hemanta, owner of L.I. Electronics said that their business has been put to serious trouble as the customers can't stopped even for a minute to buy goods from their shops.

The ban on parking was imposed since August 15 in connection with a bomb blast that occurred near state museum without giving any notification by transport department, he said. He further said that there are around 140 shops along the road and families of those running the business are dependent to them. "If they did not allow people to buy goods from us then how could we support our family", lamented a shopkeeper.

He also said that if the government thinks that the Governor is not safe with the parking then it is better shift the Raj Bhavan to some other palaces.

## ICHAM supports indefinite bandh on NH 37

**ITNews**  
**Imphal, Oct 11:** ICHAM has extended support to the indefinite bandh called on national highway 37 by Rongmei Naga Youth Organisation Manipur against the negligence of maintenance of the road by the state government and the BRO official.

Speaking to the media person at its office at Lamlong Keithel today the president of ICHAM, N. Rajen said that for more than 15 years state government and BRTF has been neglecting and mis-utilizing the fund for proper maintain of road by submitting wrong report to the central government without listening the peoples' voice . The

ICHAM president expressed surprised over the government decision to renovate the road yesterday after a body had called indefinite bandh along the route.

He further said that said that as per the report in 2010, Rs 21.33 crore was sanctioned for the construction of Lungkao to Kaiphundat of Maku and in 2015 Rs 11.5 crore was sanctioned for the construction of Awangkhul road. He question the government over its failure to monitor the works carried out by the BRO. He further said that state government should summon BRO officer if found any guilty then should take action according to the law.

## 9 injured in grenade attack

**SRINAGAR:** At least nine people were injured in a terror attack in Shopian district in Kashmir on Tuesday. "Two jawans and seven civilians were injured in a grenade attack at a CRPF patrol team in Shopian district," Times Now reported. Meanwhile, the operation to flush-out militants holed up inside a government building in Pampore area on the Srinagar-Jammu National Highway entered the second day today,

even as security forces launched a fresh offensive against the ultras.

An official said the area around the Entrepreneurship Development Institute (EDI) premises has been cordoned off and exchange of fire was going on.

Two to three militants stormed into the EDI complexes in the wee hours on and took positions inside one of the buildings.