

Consultation programme on “Advancing the Rights of Human Rights Defenders in Manipur” held; Newly appointed MHRC Chairperson-in Charge felicitated

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The Centre for Research and Advocacy, Manipur, Citizens Concern for Dams and Development, Committee on the Protection of Natural Resources in Manipur organized a consultation on “Advancing rights of Human Rights Defenders in Manipur” at Manipur Press Club, Imphal yesterday.

Senior Advocate Khaidem Mani was felicitated in the convention on his appointment as Chairperson of revived Manipur Human Rights Commission.

Babloo Loitongbam, Director, Human Rights Alert and Aram Pamei, Co-Chairperson, Citizens Concern for Dams and Development deliberated as resource persons.

Khaidem Mani shared that reviving Manipur Human Rights commission will endeavor to examine the controversial emergency laws like the Armed Forces Special Powers Act, 1958 for appropriate recommendations, in addition to take steps to promote the rights of human rights defenders and to address the aggravating multifaceted human rights violations in Manipur.

The participants of the Convention resolved that the Government of Manipur should recognize the role of human rights defenders in conflict afflicted Manipur towards fostering democratic practices and culture of rights and to allow their legitimate human rights



work without fear of harassment, torture and deprivation of their right to life. The convention expressed concern with the arbitrary summon of Mr. Jiten Yumnam, a human rights defender on August 13, 2018 by Manipur police commandoes at Imphal West Commando complex, without any written order and reason and urged the Government of Manipur to stop all forms of intimidation, false charges, harassment, arbitrary detention, torture etc including to Mr. Yumnam and other defenders like Sadokpam Ranjeeta of Human Rights Alert and Mr. Ngouba of Committee on Human Rights and to ensure their safety and protection.

The Convention also welcomed the revival of the Manipur Human Rights Commission and urged the Commission to take appropriate steps to advance the rights of human rights defenders of Manipur and also further to implement the direction of National Human Rights

Commission of India to uphold the rights, safety and protection of all human rights defenders of Manipur and across India.

The convention also urged the Government to repeal all emergency laws in Manipur, viz, the Armed Forces Special Powers Act, 1958, Unlawful Activities Prevention Act, 1967, National Security Act, 1980 etc

that are employed to target Human Rights Defenders in Manipur and beyond.

The meet called for the implementation of the recommendations of Ms. Margaret Saggakya, UN Special Rapporteur on Human Rights Defenders during her visit to India in January 2011 to protect the rights of all Human Rights Defenders in Manipur

and across India.

The resolution also called for an end to all forms of torture, ill treatment, intimidation, harassment, degrading treatment and filing false charges against human rights defenders and also to uphold the UN Convention against Torture and the DK Basu Judgement against arbitrary summon, illegal arrest and torture of innocent people in 1996. The resolution also called the Government of Manipur to establish a policy for the protection of human rights defenders of Manipur in accordance with the UN Declaration on Human Rights Defenders, 1998.

Ms. Aram Pamei on behalf of Co-Chairperson, Citizens Concern for Dams and Development Centre for Research and Advocacy, Manipur Committee on Protection of Natural Resources in Manipur

SDBA reaffirms Senapati District Court functioning peacefully and smoothly without untoward incident

Courtesy HornBill Senapati, Aug 30,

The Senapati District Bar Association lauded the recent District & Session Court verdict convicting and awarding death penalty to the accused person who had raped and murdered a minor girl on 25th December 2015. The Bar Association appreciated the women Action Development (WAD) and All Manipur Lady Advocate Association (AMLA) for their concern for the safety of our Special Judge Smt. A. Noutunshwari Devi by way of appealing safety of our Special Judge Smt. A. Noutunshwari Devi by way of appealing safety and security from the State government. The Association, while acknowledge their concern for

the Judge's safety, deeply regretted and objected to the statement demanding the transfer of the District & Session's Court Senapati to Imphal. The Court atmosphere in Senapati District is peacefully and smoothly functioning without any untoward incident occurred related to Court cases till date. The Senapati District Bar Association appeals that if any organization(s) or individual(s) wishes to suggest views for the better functioning of the Judiciary, be constructive and positive in their approach keeping in mind the interest of the general Public. With trust and respect for the Judiciary, the Civil Organization of the District is taking the matter very seriously and fully supports the Court and the verdict.

Condemnation to the Arrests of Vernon Gonsalves, Sudha Bharadwaj, Arun Ferreira, Gautam Navlakha, Varavara Rao and Kranti Teluka!



“STRONGLY CONDEMN THE ARRESTS OF CRPP EXECUTIVE MEMBER VERNON GONSALVES, ADVOCATE SUDHA BHARADWAJ, ARUN FERREIRA, GAUTAM NAVLAKHA, VARAVARA RAO, AND KRANTI TELUKA BY THE MAHARASHTRA POLICE, AND THE RAIDS CONDUCTED AT THE HOMES OF FATHER STAN SWAMY, ANALA, KUMARANTH, ANAND TELUMBDE AND PROF. SATYANARAYANA OTHERS”

In yet another brazen act to stifle dissent, the Maharashtra Police have arrested Vernon Gonsalves, who is an Executive Member of the CRPP, and well known activists and lawyers Advocate Sudha Bharadwaj, Gautam Navlakha, Arun Ferreira, revolutionary poet Varavara Rao, and Kranti Teluka. Raids were also conducted across Goa, Jharkhand, Delhi, and Telangana in the houses of Anand Teltumbde, Father Stan Swamy, Anala, Kumaranth, Prof. Satyanarayana and many others. Right at the time when the terror plots by the rightwing Sanatan Sanstha is emerging, the bogey of assassination plot on the Prime Minister is re-invoked and these arrests and raids are carried out. More importantly, the 90 day period of judicial custody for the five activists

arrested in the month of June 2018 is just about to end and the charge sheet is yet to be filed. At this time, when the police narratives are falling apart, these arrests reveal the desperation of the Maharashtra police to shut down all criticism by arrested more activists.

Yesterday's action by the Pune police reeks not just of diversionary tactics, but also a ploy to extend the custody of Professor Shoma Sen, Advocate Surendra Gading, Mahesh Raut, Sudhir Dhawale, and Rona Wilson. While those who unleashed violence on Dalits in Bhima Koregaon are roaming free, Dalit and adivasi intellectuals and Human Rights Activists who have stood by them are being targeted by the state. These arrests and raids are a blatant attempt at stifling dissenting voices revealing a sinister, premeditated and politically motivated effort to malign the arrested and discredit them through branding instead of evidence. It is crucial to note that this effort at using the full might of the law is revealed in the sections of the IPC and UAPA used against the arrested. These include IPC 153A – promoting enmity between different groups of people, 505 – statements conducing public mischief, 117 – abetting commission of offence, 120B – criminal conspiracy; under UAPA 13 – unlawful activities,

16 – terrorist acts, 17 – raising funds for terrorist acts, 18 – conspiracy, 18B – recruiting persons for terrorist act, 20 – member of terrorist gang or organisation, 38 – membership of terrorist organisation, 39 – support to terrorist organisation, 40 – raising funds for terrorist organisations. The intention of the police becomes amply clear when we note that each of the arrested persons are well regarded human rights activists who have publicly worked for the rights of dalits, adivasis, minority communities, women's rights, workers' rights and spoken and written extensively about the policies of the state. Moreover, all of the persons targeted by the state have been steadfast and resolute in their stands for decades. These charges, none of which stand up in front of slightest of scrutiny, is meant merely to incapacitate and silence these voices by sending them to custody for extended periods of time.

The raid at the homes of Susan Abraham and Arun Ferreira and the eventual arrests of Ferreira and Vernon Gonsalves patently reveals the effort to scuttle possibility of establishing a case for the release of the five arrested in connection with Bhima Koregaon in June. Now, with the arrests of the lawyers fighting the case, the Maharashtra police are

making all efforts to ensure that all those who stand with the spirit of democracy are denied all democratic rights. The efforts being made to scuttle the High Court stay on the transit remand of Gautam Navlakha and Sudha Bharadwaj is another instance where the upholders of law are willing to do anything to blatantly abuse and disregard the law. The efforts to illegally take Sudha Bharadwaj to Pune, despite the Punjab and Haryana High Court order putting a stay on the remand, clearly indicates the maliciousness of the police force. The gherao of an unprecedented number of police personnel during the arrest of Varavara Rao and the ransacking of his home is another such instance of police brutality. The search of Anand Teltumbde's residence during his absence is patently illegal and raising concerns about the extent to which the police will go to clamp down and spread fear among people. The extended interrogation of Father Stan Swamy in Ranchi, Jharkhand, and Prof. Satyanarayana in Hyderabad while keeping them confined to their residence since early morning and denying any legal assistance is another such instance of police inhumanity.

The order for the raid and arrests, coming from Swargate Police Station in Pune, is

motivated to foist false cases on democratic rights activists through fabrications and strong-arm tactics. The callous disregard for the rule of law and the fundamental rights of people by the institutions of the state reveals a stark image of a fascist Indian State. CRPP strongly condemns these raids and arrests and demands the immediate and unconditional release of all arrested in connection with the Bhima Koregaon case. Committee for the Release of Political Prisoners demands an end to all such 'operations' by the Maharashtra police, stands in solidarity with all such voices of democracy and is determined to fight this vicious assault on all those who dare to speak out against the violence of the state.

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GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER, KANGPOKPI

NOTICE
Kangpokpi, the 27th August, 2018

No. DC(KPI)2/12/87/Vol-III : It is hereby notified for general information that Shri K Kanarei S/o Shri Kangsong of Tumuyon Khullen Village, P.O. Senapati & P.S. Kangpokpi, under Kangpokpi Sub-Division, Kangpokpi District, Manipur has applied for registration of Sale Deed bearing patta No. 179/182 covered by C.S. Dag No. 14/part of Village No. 144- Kangpokpi and area of .06 acre out of .69 acre between Shri Lamminthang Neihsiel age about 38 years S/o Late Shri Ragu Neihsiel of Kangpokpi W/No. 5, Sub - Division Kangpokpi, P.O. & P.S. Kangpokpi, Kangpokpi District, Manipur as Vendor and that Shri K Kanarei S/o Shri Kangsong of Tumuyon Khullen Village, P.O. Senapati & P.S. Kangpokpi, under Kangpokpi Sub-Division, Kangpokpi District, as Vendee. The boundary of the said land is prescribed hereunder: Schedule of the land:

- North : By the land of Shri Seilen Misao
- South : Remaining portion of Shri Lamminthang Neihsiel 's land.
- East : Remaining portion of Shri Lamminthang Neihsiel 's land.
- West : Lungphou Road

Objection is hereby invited from any interested persons(s) to file objection if any within 15 days from the date of publication of this Notice in Newspaper. If objection is not received within the stipulated period, it will be presume that there is no objection.

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