

MU impasse: Union HRD sent Joint Secretary to take stock of the situation, meets CM, MUSU; but refuses appointment by MUTA

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With the momentum of the ongoing impasse at Manipur University rising day after another in the last 23 days, Union Ministry of the Government of India sent Joint Secretary of the department of Higher Education Mr. G.C. Hosur to take stock of the situation.

The Joint Secretary during his stay here in Imphal instead of visiting the Manipur University called on the Chief Minister of Manipur Mr. N. Biren Singh and also spend time with Vice Chancellor, Prof. Adiya Prasad Pandey, which the students' body of the University has been demanding for removal. Before leaving the Joint Secretary met some of representatives of the MUSU by sending formal invitation but refuse to meet the representatives of the Manipur University Teachers' Association (MUTA).

As per source the Joint Secretary G.C. Hosur arrived in Imphal presumably to gather first-hand information relating to the relentless demand for removal of the present incumbent to the Office of the Vice Chancellor and the call for an enquiry into the administrative and financial irregularities allegedly committed by him. Prof Lisam Shanjukumar Singh, General Secretary of MUTA in a telephonic talk

with the Registrar-in-Charge of the University requested for arranging an interaction with the visiting Joint Secretary G.C. Hosur. But the Registrar-in-charge had informed the MUTA that the Joint Secretary has no desire to talk with them.

MUTA is a teachers' body which is also an agitation demanding clarification from the VC over the series of allegations levelled against him by the MUSU stating that they stand with the demand of the MUSU.

Meanwhile for reason best known, the Joint secretary sent a formal invitation to the President of MUSU to have a talk regarding the agitation. A team comprising of MUSU President Mayanglangbam Dayaman, Cultural Secretary L. Robindro Singh, Sports Secretary Nilakanta Longjam and Finance Secretary S. Anish met the Joint secretary today morning at Hotel Classic Grande.

Talking over phone Dayaman said that the Joint Secretary informed that he was not here to find a solution to the ongoing issue at Manipur University but to take stock of what is going on. Dayaman said they have submitted the same memorandum which content series of irregularities and misappropriation to the Joint secretary and reminded him that there is turning back to the agitation until the VC is



removed. The Joint Secretary appealed the students to find an amicable solution as replacement of the VC would take time and the academic atmosphere would be severely disturbed.

On the other hand the Chief Minister of Manipur seems to be taking seriously to the ongoing impasse at Manipur University. Source said that the Joint Secretary was sent by the Union HRD Minister

Prakash Javedkar on the request of the Chief Minister N. Biren Singh. Soon after his arrival here in Imphal Joint Secretary G.C. Hosur called on the Chief Minister yesterday evening and discussed about the problem. Details of what were the talks could not be known but Chief Minister wrote in his Facebook page that - they discussed on the present crisis in the Manipur University.

Govt-NSCN inching towards Pan-Naga Hoho-Autonomous Council solution

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The Government of India and the National Socialist Council of Nagalim (NSCN) are inching towards signing a "Pan-Naga Hoho - "Autonomous Council" solution.

The two entities have been in negotiation for the last 21 years to resolve the decades old Indo-Naga political impasse, but solution continues to elude the people due to the thorny issue like integration of contiguous Naga areas in the wake of strong opposition from neighbouring States, especially Manipur.

But sources, including from the NSCN, said the two negotiating parties are inching towards signing an agreement with a "time bound" for Naga integration. For the time being, sources said the agreement would be "Pan-Naga Hoho" with "Autonomous Council" for Nagas living in other States like Manipur, Arunachal Pradesh and Assam. Pan-Naga Hoho solution has been the talk of the people for over a decade.

Pan-Naga Hoho is for "emotional integration" of Naga people living in different States, NSCN source said. Recently Chief Minister Neiphiu Rio, after meeting Union Home Minister, Rajnath Singh, said Naga integration is not possible at this juncture. Quick reactions came from the opposition Naga People's Front (NPF) saying they will not compromise with Naga integration, which is the core

demand of the Naga people to live as one family.

While Meiteis living in the valley in Manipur do not want any solution which would impinge on Manipur State, people in Assam have opposed even a "satellite council" for Nagas in Assam. Due to stiff opposition, the Union Government and the NSCN could agree for time bound Naga integration, the core demand of the latter. They have already signed a Framework Agreement on August 3, 2015, to give tempo to the negotiation. Some Naga organizations have asked the negotiating parties to disclose the contents of the Framework Agreement.

The Centre and the NSCN had agreed for "shared sovereignty" but in the process of the negotiation there were hiccups due to interpretations. Sources said there have been different interpretations of Framework Agreement by the NSCN and the Government of India.

NSCN insider said they are in hurry to ink an agreement and that the ball is in the court of the Union Government. But there are some obstacles which the parties have to cross before signing the final agreement.

One source said the NSCN wanted to table the agreed points before the Indian Parliament during the monsoon session, but the Centre seems to be nervous as the Parliament may not sanction a final agreement. The Hindu right-wing party like BJP also cannot afford to

displease RSS.

The key obstacle to overcome now is sanction of the Indian Parliament, or rejection by the Parliament, which will push the twenty years of negotiation on the edge. "The talk is sailing on a rough sea," said a source. A source said if the negotiating parties fail to table the talking points during the coming monsoon session of Parliament, Naga solution could be delayed, adding that the Union Government is still critical of some of the symbolic issues that NSCN wanted to be recognized.

The Naga outfit has also been demanding a separate flag for Nagalim (Nagaland).

It is understood that with the coming of BJP led Government at the Centre negotiation has become tougher and not as expected by the people. Centre's previous negotiators have agreed for a separate flag for Nagalim but the current Government does not want to allot a separate flag for NSCN.

The NSCN has also been demanding a separate Constitution. Other outfits which are engaged in dialogue with the Centre said they would seek solution for the Nagas of Nagaland State.

Sources said if solution is hammered out, cadres of NSCN would be absorbed in Indian para-military forces which would be most probably be deployed in the borders to check the movements of militants. While top functionaries of the group are likely to receive compensation.

MUSU stage protest rally; None Teaching Employee's joins protest



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Joint Secretary of the Higher Education Department of the Ministry of Human resource and development, G.C. Hosur's called on to MUSU leaders failed to tame the students of Manipur University as there seem to be

no possible solution. The problem in Manipur University is gaining its momentum with the Manipur University Employees Association joining the agitation after MUTA.

Large number of members from The Manipur University Employees Association today staged a sit-in-protest inside the

University complex demanding immediate solution to the crisis. Later the none teaching staffs also carried out a protest rally. Meanwhile students of the Manipur University today staged a protest rally carrying slogans which denounced the Vice Chancellor.

JSCC condemn dismissal of COHSEM Secretary

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Joint Students' Coordinating Committee (JSCC) has appealed the concern authority over the crisis at Council of Higher Secondary School which arises due to sudden dismissal of the Secretary. Consequences arises out of this has even reach to the law court and leaving the secretary seat vacant will severely affect the administration of the Council.

Political influences of those

in the government to appoint their selected person of their own to certain post by terminating someone who has been working and who has not yet completed its term for political gain still continue even after the coming of the new government.

JSCC appealed all concern government authority not to play game in education related department for their personal political gain as it would mean the collapse of the Manipur society.

On the other hand the JSCC

also condemn the inclusion of the Mahabarat history in Class XII history book to influence a specific religion to the students.

Even as the motive is to make a common sallybase on the NCERT it would be wrong to include mythology in history text book as it would confuse and wash the brain of the students.

The JSCC appealed to reconsider the matter regarding the dismissal of the secretary and also regarding the inclusion of mythology in history subject.

YAS stffs sports persons insulted

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Staffs and students of Youth Affairs department government of Manipur were reportedly insulted yesterday by some people belonging to BJP when they came to join the Intentional Yoga Day at Indoor Stadium of Khuman Lampak.

In a facebook post Renowned Body Builder Pradipkumar Khundrakpam, who is a staff at YAS, Govt. Manipur said as per directives of the higher authority he along with 30 students came at the Indoor stadium but they were not allowed to take part on the ground that there were no more uniformed.

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Thadou Students' Association, Jiribam and Tamenglong calls 48 hours bandh

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The Thadou Students' Association, Jiribam and Tamenglong branch (TSA J&T) has announced its decision to go ahead with its third phase of agitation in the form of 48 hours bandh of NH 37 i.e., Jiri-Imphal road, from 26th june 12 midnight to 27th june 12 midnight. This decision is taken as per

the resolution of the emergency executive meeting held in the branch office at phaitol and the bandh schedule is fixed as the Govt. of Manipur fails to fulfil the needs or demand of the association to stay the transfer order of Mr. Sathkohao Haokip, lecturer (history department), Jiribam Higher Secondary School, Jiribam.

The Thadou Students'

Association, Jiribam and Tamenglong branch (TSA J&T) further informs that no transportation vehicles such as passengers, goods carrier, etc must not pass the road within the given specific time or course. If there any such vehicles founds must be torchs down at the spot without any further information or warning.

The Thadou Students'

Association want to work with peacefully and harmony with government but it doesn't means that the government neglects or abundance our needs. We further warns the government to fulfill our needs or demand within the specific time unless it could break into indefinite bandh. The Thadou Students' Association, Jiribam and Tamenglong branch (TSA J&T) further

warns the government of manipur not to mixes politics with or politicised education.

The Thadou Students' Association, Jiribam and Tamenglong branch (TSA J&T) made it clear that we can roll back our harsh decision if the government calls us on negotiation table to resolve the issue. The association left the door open for talk with the

government on its charter of demands.

Lastly, the Thadou Students' Association, Jiribam and Tamenglong branch (TSA J&T) would not be responsible to any harms or causes arises during the agitation periods. The Govt. Of Manipur will be responsible for any destructions make by the association.