

Indigenous Tribal Leaders' Forum (ITLF)

Conglomerate of Recognised Tribes in Lamka, Outer Manipur

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Biren Singh has a plan in the wake of the BJP's devastating defeat in the recent Member of Parliament election in Manipur. With Jiribam's violent outburst, he is able to deflect attention from his election defeat. Manipur is once again in the news. Jiribam has been terrorized by the Arambai Tenggol yet again.

According to well-informed reports, banned UNLF, Arambai Tenggol, and Meitei Leepun, are advancing on Jiribam in a convoy of great size, carrying guns and ammunition that was looted from the armories last year. Assam Rifles and other Central Forces are advised not to cooperate with the Manipur Police as they are likely to be Arambai Tenggol, UNLF or Meitei Leepun posing as Manipur Police.

Violence broke out in Jiribam, a district in the ethnically strife-torn state of Manipur, on Thursday evening. To date, one church has been burned, two people have been killed, and forty-five Kuki-Zo homes have either been burned down or demolished.

The Kuki-Zo will stop at nothing to protect our homeland and people because we have endured enough suffering in this conflict.

ITLF continues to collaborate with the Indigenous Tribes Advocacy Committee (ITAC) to protect our area in Jiribam, and we send our condolences and prayers to all those affected by the ongoing conflict there.

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