



## **Indigenous Tribal Leaders' Forum (ITLF)**

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### **Condemning KCP-PWG Occupation of Kuki-Zo Village and the Government of India's Inaction on Meitei Terrorist Incursions**

We, the Indigenous Tribal Leaders' Forum (ITLF), strongly condemn the recent occupation of Kangchup Patjang village in Kangpokpi District by heavily armed cadres from the Meitei Kangleipak Communist Party (KCP-PWG). This militant group, equipped with advanced weaponry, has brazenly violated buffer zones, intruding deep into Kuki-Zo territories and heightening tensions in already fragile areas. Their presence is an affront to peace efforts, which continue to be undermined by the inaction and apparent complicity of the Government of India (GoI) and the state administration.

The continued impunity of armed Meitei militants roaming freely through Kuki-Zo territories raises grave concerns. This unchecked militarization within our lands can only be seen as a sinister tactic orchestrated by Manipur Chief Minister N. Biren Singh, diverting attention from his role in the systematic violence against the Kuki-Zo people. The leaked "Manipur Tapes" expose his active involvement in the genocide against our community—yet, despite mounting evidence, CM N. Biren Singh remains in office, shielded from any form of investigation or accountability. We must ask: Are the lives of Kuki-Zo people less valued than those of Meitei terrorists? Or are we simply seen as a convenient vote bank, dismissed and sacrificed to appease state interests?

The Government of India's reluctance to take a decisive stand on this matter has emboldened these groups and left our communities vulnerable. It is imperative that the government must ban terror groups like Arambai Terrorists and designate Meitei militant camps strictly within Meitei-inhabited areas. If immediate action is not taken, the Government of India must understand that Kuki-Zo communities will not remain passive spectators as their lands and lives are threatened.

This is our clear warning: the Kuki-Zo people will defend themselves if these encroachments continue. The Government of India will be held fully accountable for any fallout from its failure to protect our lands and communities. For lasting peace, the government must act without further delay and end the appeasement of Meitei terrorists, who are a threat to national security..

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