

**Memorandum submitted to the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Manmohan Singh
by Naga Students' Union, Delhi against the indiscriminate firing and the killing and injuring of
peaceful Naga civil demonstrators by Manipur Police at Mao Gate Senapati District on 6th May
2010.**

Sir,

We, the Naga Students Union, Delhi are constrained to make this representation to you for your immediate intervention on the artificially induced warlike situations being fomented by the Government of Manipur in Mao, Senapati and other Naga Hill Districts, in order to brutally suppress the just and peaceful aspirations of the Naga peoples once again through unnecessary deployment of the state armed forces and arbitrary imposition of prohibitory orders. At a previous instance in 2001, the Government of Manipur allowed the State Legislative Assembly premises to be torched by arsonists and used the social unrests resulting thereafter as a mechanism to subvert the Indo-Naga peace process by demanding withdrawal of ceasefire from Naga inhabited areas in Manipur. New Delhi meekly complied with the demand of the arsonists much against the Naga peoples' wishes for peace in their trouble-torn land.

On May 6, 2010, the brutal and repressive Manipur Police Commandos along with Indian Reserve Battalion deployed by the Government of Manipur started indiscriminate firing and killed 3 young Naga youth and injured scores of other peaceful Naga people for simply coming out to welcome their leader and General Secretary of NSCN (IM) Mr. Thuingaleng Muivah, who is engaged in diplomatic negotiations with New Delhi since 1997. Because of the unwarranted besiegement by the security forces and the arbitrary imposition Cr.P.C. Section 144 at Mao Gate and its adjoining areas, the Naga peoples have been put to great difficulties. The entire area has been virtually turned into a barrack leading to tremendous pressure and oppression like:

- (a) Creation of Fear Psychosis
- (b) Severe restriction of daily life
- (c) Disruption in schedules of educational institutions and students
- (d) Disruption of commercial activities
- (e) Grave danger to life and property

The Naga people in and around Delhi are compelled to question and condemn the unprincipled and ambiguous posture of the Government of India. While on one hand there is the professed position of declaring ceasefire and engaging in diplomatic negotiations with the Nagas, there seems to be a consent in giving a free hand to entities like the Government of Manipur who oppose the Indo-Naga Ceasefire and the Indo-Naga Peace Process, on the other.

We, therefore, place the following demands for immediate attention and actions by New Delhi,, failing which we will be compelled to conclude that the Government of India is not sincere and is not committed to resolve the protracted Indo-Naga conflict and that the Government of India is hand-in-glove with the Government of Manipur.

- (a) Immediate withdrawal of Security Forces from Mao Gate and all Naga Hills districts and revoke CrPC Section 144 where imposed.
- (b) Constitute a Judicial Enquiry into the incidents of firing on the 6th of May at Mao Gate.


- (c) Immediate dismissal of Mr. Ibobi Singh, Chief Minister of Manipur and that he is booked under the rule of law.
- (d) Ensure the safety of Mr. Thuingaleng Muivah, General Secretary of NSCN (IM) to resume his journey.
- (e) Adequate compensation to all injured victims and family members of the deceased.

We reiterate and declare that we the Naga people have every right to seek self-determination and the territorial re-integration of the arbitrarily balkanized Naga country carried out by the British and their local cohorts in the 19th century. We extend our solidarity, welcome and support the peaceful homecoming of Mr. Thuingaleng Muivah to the Naga country for exploring avenues for a solution to the protracted Indo-Naga conflict.

We strongly condemn the cowardly and barbaric act of the Government of Manipur in preventing Mr. Muivah from entering his birth place to interact with his own people and the imposition of prohibitive orders by creating a myth that the people of Manipur are against the Naga leader's visit.

We demand the Government of India's immediate attention and intervention in order to peacefully resolve the standoff between the unarmed and peaceful Naga people and the armed forces of Manipur. In the event of any further loss of innocent lives, the Government of Manipur and the Government of India shall be held responsible entirely.

Sincerely yours


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Dated
New Delhi

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