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To,

The Honorable Human Rights Commissioner
Government of India
Ministry of Home Affairs
New Delhi, India

Subject: Urgent Appeal Regarding the Abduction and Murder of 6 Meetei Civilians (3 children and 3 women) by Kuki Militants in Jiribam, Manipur

Dear Sir/Madam,

I am writing to you on behalf of the World Meetei Council, a global platform advocating for the rights and well-being of the Meetei community. We are deeply shocked and anguished to report a tragic and heinous incident that occurred in Jiribam, Manipur, on November 16, 2024. Six innocent civilians – including three children and three women – (Yurembam Rani Devi - 60yr, Telam Thoibi Devi - 31 yr, Telam Thajamabi Devi - 8yr, Laishram Heitonbi Devi - 25yr, Laishram Chingkheiganba Singh - 2.5yr and Laishram Langamba Singh - 8 months) belonging to the Meetei community were abducted by Kuki militants. After a period of captivity, their bodies were discovered, revealing that they had been brutally murdered.

The abduction and subsequent killing of these six civilians represent not only a horrifying violation of their human rights but also a disturbing escalation of violence against the Meetei people in the ongoing ethnic conflict in Manipur. The targeted nature of this attack, involving women and children, underscores the brutality and lawlessness that is increasingly prevalent in the region.

The World Meetei Council strongly condemns this act of violence and urges the Government of India, through the Human Rights Commission, to take immediate action in response to this atrocity. We call for the following:

A Thorough Investigation: A prompt, impartial, and transparent investigation into the circumstances of the abduction, torture, and murder of these innocent civilians, with an emphasis on holding the perpetrators accountable.

Protection of Civilians: Immediate steps must be taken to protect all civilians, particularly vulnerable groups such as women and children, in the conflict zones. We request an increase in the presence of law enforcement agencies to ensure safety for all communities in Manipur.



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