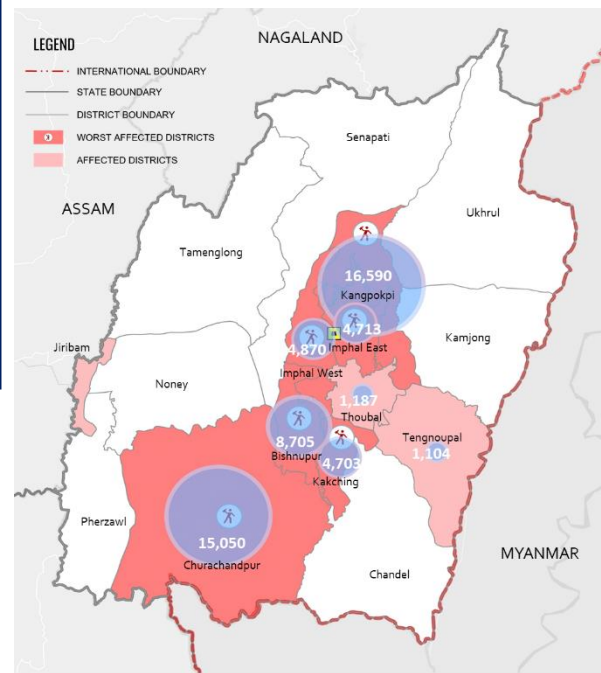


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Manipur Violence

Date: 27th September 2023
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Manipur has been entrenched in a protracted ethnic conflict since May, resulting in a significant loss of lives, with approximately 200 casualties recorded. Moreover, over 70,000 people find themselves displaced, straining overcrowded relief camps where food shortages have become a pressing concern. The ongoing digital blackout has hindered educational pursuits, while a staggering 11,414 Zero FIRs have been filed. Additionally, there is the looming threat of a fuel tanker strike, and recent acts of violence on September 9th and 12th have underscored the pressing need for intervention.



District	Last updated	Total	No. of Camps
Kakching		4,703	30
Thoubal	25-Sep	1,187	3
Churachandpur		15,050	100
Bishnupur		8,705	49
Imphal East	24-Sep	4,713	31
Imphal West		4,870	30
Kangpokpi	22-Sep	16,590	58
Tengnoupal	21-Sep	1,104	16

SITUATION UPDATE AND RESPONSE

- The conflict has resulted in a significant loss of life, injuries, and displacement. As of the latest update, the situation remains dire, with no effective resolution in sight.
- Protests erupted in Manipur's capital, Imphal, as hundreds of students demanded justice for the brutal murder of two minor students by suspected armed men. The two students, who went missing on July 6 during the peak of ethnic violence in the state, are suspected to have been killed.
- Mobile internet services were restored on 23rd September in the northeastern state after a 143-day blackout. However, The Manipur government reimposed the ban on internet services for the next five days, till 7.45 pm on October 1, after police baton-charged students, injuring 45 people in Imphal during a demonstration against the alleged kidnapping and death of two youths.
- Manipur government declared the state as "disturbed area" and extended the Armed Forces Special Powers Act (AFSPA) for six months beginning October 1. However, 19 police stations of the valley have been excluded, as per an official notification.
- Unfortunately, children residing in relief camps have been unable to attend school, with approximately 100 schools throughout the state converted into relief camps.
- Government data reveals that over 14,545 displaced students from five districts have been provided shelter due to ethnic clashes.

Statistical Overview



Affected population - 01 lakh+



Affected Districts - 09



Human Lives Lost – 200 (approx.)



Injured people (approx.) - 6000



No. of persons Displaced - 70,000



No. of Fully damaged buildings – 4786



No. of Relief Camps – 325



People staying in camps – 56,922 (08 district)

- The Manipur government has issued a directive for all illegal weapons in the state to be surrendered within 15 days. Security forces will conduct a comprehensive search operation to recover these weapons if they are not surrendered within the given timeframe. The government has also warned that anyone found associated with illegal weapons will face severe consequences.
- The Supreme Court directed the Unique Identification Authority of India and the Manipur government to ensure that Aadhaar cards are provided to people displaced due to the ethnic conflict, whose records are already available with the UIDAI.
- Unfortunately, a one-year-old girl from a relief camp located in Churachandpur district died on September 22 at a government hospital. According to Kuki Khanglai Lompi (KKL) records, approximately 39 people, including 2 babies (2 years each), from different Relief Camps had lost their lives since May 3 due to poor medical facilities.
- Crochet dolls made by inmates of relief camps in ethnic conflict-scarred Manipur are set to go global, thanks to a project undertaken by 1 Million Heroes. This multi-platform entertainment brand aims to train Manipur's internally displaced people in crocheting amigurumi dolls specifically for export.
- As thousands of Meiteis and Kukis are in relief camps in violence-torn Manipur, a group of doctors that visited the state has expressed concerns about the inmates' nutrition and mental health situation.
- More than 20 students from Manipur, whose studies were disrupted by the violence in the state since May, have come to Kerala to pursue higher studies under a special arrangement made by Kannur University.

HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE



- Governor Anusuiya Uikev visited Kangpokpi Relief Centres on September 15, 2023, distributing relief materials and financial assistance to displaced individuals, assisted by the Indian Red Cross Society (IRCS) Senapati.



- In the "Humanitarian Assistance to Manipur Conflict-Affected Families in Bishnupur" project, the PRDA team provided essential items, including diapers and sanitary pads, to 152 residents at the Moirang Khunou Mayai Leikai relief camp.



- Community members from Telangana and Andhra Pradesh provided bulk relief materials, including blankets and groceries, to Motbung area relief camps in Kangpokpi District in August, with assistance from the District Relief Committee Kangpokpi.

HUMANITARIAN RESPONSE

- The Manipur Cabinet has taken a crucial step in addressing the needs of displaced people by approving a permanent housing scheme. The initial phase of this initiative involves the construction of around 1,000 houses, with an estimated cost of ₹75 crore.
- The state has extended its 'disturbed area' status for another six months, emphasizing the ongoing humanitarian requirements in the region.
- The Cabinet has given approval to the Manipur Compensation Scheme for Women Victims/Survivors of Sexual Assault/Other Crimes in 2023, acknowledging the importance of addressing the specific needs of affected women.
- The IRCS Manipur State Branch and IRCS Bishnupur District Branch, under the supervision of Bishnupur Deputy Commissioner & IRCS Bishnupur District, installed a water purifier at Moirang College Block A Relief Camp on September 7.
- A GO - NGO coordination meeting was held in Kangpokpi district, focusing on critical humanitarian issues including health concerns for displaced individuals, emergency interventions, livelihood schemes, hospitalization care and services, and the provision of daily necessities for those in relief camps.
- District IAGs of Imphal East and West convened a meeting at the Red Cross Society Office in Imphal. Participants shared their responses and challenges in the context of humanitarian efforts. It was decided that the next meeting would be held at the Caritas office.
- IAG Manipur, alongside various national and local humanitarian agencies, including CRS, CASA, CARITAS INDIA, RedCross, Oasis, HAI, NEICORD, ADRA India, EHA, Tanyak, ActionAid Association, and Doctors For You, is actively involved in relief efforts and maintains vigilant monitoring of the prevailing situation.

URS MATRIX AND CAMP DASHBOARD



The Unified Response System maps out more than 120 responding agencies and also enlightens Real-Time Relief Camp Dashboard

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JOINT RAPID NEEDS ASSESSMENT (JRNA)



Initial Joint Rapid Needs Assessment (JRNA) Report was released on 2nd June 2023.

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MHPSS TRAININGS IN 6 DISTRICTS



District-level training on Mental Health and Psychosocial Support (MHPSS) in six districts.

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COORDINATION MEETINGS



GO-NGO coordination mechanism established with DC Offices & district-level IAGs were formulated.

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