

MANIPUR: THE LAND OF DISTURBANCE AND TROUBLE

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ABSTRACT

One night, while meditating upon the troubles and disturbances caused by the people in the society, I was resorted to pen down this article titled; “ Manipur: The land of disturbance and trouble” Why Manipur, which once was called “The land of Jewel” by Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, is now called the land of disturbance and trouble?” There must be something which is suited to the people of Manipur. In Manipur, nothing is bad and nothing is lacking. Nature provides everything for mankind abundantly throughout the year. But, People living in Manipur do not know and care for the future. The rulers of the state and the bureaucrats are not having a long vision for the days to come. They are thinking things for the present which are temporary for the welfare of the people and the state.

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INTRODUCTION

I am wandering when I deeply ponder the causes of disturbances and troubles in the state. In the land of plenty of water, there is no sufficient supply of water in the capital city of Manipur. In the land of peace, there is news of killings, torture, extortion, bandh, strike, etc. From where these disturbances come and who are resorted to bringing trouble in the state. In the land of money pour and money poor, the rulers of the state and the bureaucrats are not caring much for the poor for pouring the flow of God’s blessing in the land of the jewel, which has become the land of disturbances. The troublemakers are the sufferers in the society. Due to black sheep in the society, the innocent ones are again tend to suffer in the state of Manipur.

In a very small state like Manipur, the underground militants are longing for sovereignty or freedom and the general public desire to live in peace. But we often hear news of disturbances and troubles in every nook and corner of Manipur. The Meiteis, the Nagas, the Kukis and the Meitei-Pangals (Muslims) are demanding freedom or autonomous state or statehood or peace. These are also one of the factors that cause disturbance and trouble in the state. Some sleeping ministers and MLAs are looking for riches and not caring much for the people of our state. It is what we called penny-wise and pound- foolish policy. This policy is adopted/practiced in Manipur. In our mouth, we want peace and tranquility, but in practice, we want war or enmity. What is expressed in one side is against what is said in another side. The two thoughts and views of the people are like day and night. That is why we can rightly say that our state Manipur is the land of disturbance and trouble. The land of Manipur is fertile, having many scenic beauties and the people are watching and waiting for true peace. Due to the increase of insurgent activities in the land of jewels, tourists from India and foreign countries are afraid/ terrified to enter our state. This makes Manipur poorer and poorer and fully depends on the fund of the Central government/the govt. of India. We do not know the resources and we do not know how to use our resources,

though we pretend to know the utility of the resources of our state. We are only in words, not in action. This is our shortcoming but we cannot realize it.

The rulers of the state know how to plan the plans and how to budget the budgets, but there are no actions for the accomplishment of the plans and budgets in the state. All the funds for development have gone to the pockets of the high ranking officials and rulers of the state. The funds for the poor people are not reaching the poor. The funds for the development are not utilized for development fully, only one-third of the funds are used for namesake. These are causing disturbances and troubles in the state. Whom shall we blame and condemn for the mistake? The faults go to the rulers of the state firstly and to the bureaucrats secondly and again to the rich and elite, who are holding money thirdly. All these are producing the so-called disturbances and troubles in our motherland-Manipur.

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