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Blow for NSCN(IM); Chishi Swu no more



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In a major blow for NSCN (/taxonomy/term/2398)(IM) and its negotiation for a greater Nagalim, Isaac Chishi Swu passed away on Tuesday. The end came at 12.30 noon at the Fortis Hospital where he was undergoing treatment for the last couple of months.

Born in 1929 at a Sema village in the Zunheboto district of Nagaland (/taxonomy/term/1597), he did his early education at American Mission School at Chishilimi and then studied at Government High School in Kohima (/taxonomy/term/1867) before obtaining his graduation with honours in Political (/taxonomy/term/1692) Science from St. Anthony's College in Shillong.

He joined NSCN (/taxonomy/term/2398) in late 1950's and served as (/taxonomy/term/2291) Foreign Secretary. The Naga National (/taxonomy/term/1874) Council (NNC) which was a political organization of Naga people, active from the late 1940s to the early 1950s. Under the leadership of Angami Zapu Phizo in the 1940s, it unsuccessfully campaigned for the secession of the Naga territory from India (/taxonomy/term/2367) and creation for a sovereign Naga state (/taxonomy/term/2332) after he became the foreign secretary he was later elevated to Vice President (/taxonomy/term/2432) NNC.

The 85-year-old NSCN (/taxonomy/term/2398) leader (/taxonomy/term/1820) Isak Chishi Swu is married to Khulu, and has five sons and one daughter.

Isak Chishi Swu, Thuingaleng Muivah and S.S. Khaplang were behind the formation of the National (/taxonomy/term/1874) Socialist Council of Nagaland (/taxonomy/term/1597) (NSCN (/taxonomy/term/2398)) on 31 January 1980 opposing the Shillong Accord (/taxonomy/term/1884) signed by the then Naga National (/taxonomy/term/1874) Council (NNC) with the Centre. Following a disagreement, the group (/taxonomy/term/2415) split into two factions, the NSCN (/taxonomy/term/2398)-K led by S S Khaplang, and the NSCN (/taxonomy/term/2398)-IM, led by Isak Chishi Swu and Thuingaleng Muivah.



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