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Naga group slams Ibobi move



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Sharply reacting to Ibobi (/taxonomy/term/2354) Government's move to declare United Naga Council (UNC) as (/taxonomy/term/2291) "unlawful organization", the Committee for Joint Naga Civil Societies, Delhi (CJNCSD) today questions whether the State Government is propounding a new definition of the term "unlawful organization" to facilitate gagging and curbing of dissenting voices at the whims of the State Government.

CJNCSD asserts that "dissent" and "democratic protest" are not "unlawful" and UNC by observing peaceful partial suspension of commercial vehicular movements along the National (/taxonomy/term/1874) Highway in protest against (/taxonomy/term/1929) the most undemocratic formation of seven new districts does not become "unlawful".

CJNCSD clarifies that UNC is the customarily mandated apex traditional body of the Nagas in Manipur (/taxonomy/term/64) with a democratic set-up of grass-root level (/taxonomy/term/2232) and institutional support, participation and representation from all the Naga tribal bodies and village traditional authorities and thus, the legitimacy and mass-based organizational structure of UNC cannot be put to question.

CJNCSD affirms that the Naga people and their endearing organization UNC cannot be distinguished and separated as (/taxonomy/term/2291) UNC constitutes the Naga people themselves and thus, any move on the part of the State Government to declare UNC as (/taxonomy/term/2291) "unlawful" would amount to declaring the entire Naga people as (/taxonomy/term/2291) "unlawful".

CJNCSD accordingly slams Ibobi (/taxonomy/term/2354) led Congress (/taxonomy/term/90) Government's relentless attempt to vilify the sacred cause of the Nagas by painting UNC as (/taxonomy/term/2291) a "terror" organization and vouches that UNC by voicing the interest of the Nagas does not make it a mouthpiece of the National (/taxonomy/term/1874) Socialist Council of Nagalim (NSCN (/taxonomy/term/2398)-IM).

CJNCSD reminds that NSCN (/taxonomy/term/2398)(I-M) is not a "terrorist" or "unlawful" organization within the purview of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act (/taxonomy/term/1974) and terms the hyper-acrimonious stance of Ibobi (/taxonomy/term/2354) led Congress (/taxonomy/term/90) Government against (/taxonomy/term/1929) NSCN (/taxonomy/term/2398)(I-M) in the name of advancing Meitei

chauvinism at the cost of Northeast common aspiration for peace in the region as (/taxonomy/term/2291) regrettable.



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