

FIRST INFORMATION REPORT
(Under Section 173 B.N.S.S)



Manipur Police
I.I.F-1

District: State of Manipur
FIR No. 29(7)2025 CCPS

P.S. Cyber Crime
Date and time of FIR: 5/7/2025 at 12:10 pm

YEAR: 2025

Sl. No.	Acts	Sections
1.	BNS	152
2.	BNS	196(1)(a)
3.	BNS	197(1)(d)
4.	BNS	353

3. (a) Occurrence of Offence:

Day: Date from: 23/5/2025 Date to: 21/6/2026
Time Period: Time from: Time to:

(b) Information received at PS: Date: 2 /07/2025 Time: 4:30 pm

(c) General Diary Reference: Entry No. 5 Date & Time: 5/07/2025 at 12:10 pm

4. Type of information: written complaint.

5. Place of occurrence:

(a) Direction and distance from PS:

(b) Address: Cyber Crime.

(c) In case outside the limit of this Police Station, then Name of P.S: N/A.

6. Complainant/Informant:

(a) Name: Shamulailatpam Khelneshwor Sharma

(b) Father's name: Sh. Radhamohon Sharma

(c) Date/Year of Birth: 1985 (d) Nationality: Indian.

(e) UID No./

Passport No.

(f) Date of issue: Place of issue:

(g) ID Details (Ration Card, Passport, UID No., Driving License, PAN)

Sl. No.	ID Type	ID No.
1.	Aadhaar Card	4037 XXXX 8674

(h) Occupation: Businessman

(i) Address:

Sl. No.	Address Type	Address
1.	Home	Khurai Ningthoubung Leikai, Imphal East, Manipur.

(j) Phone number: 9089816259

7. Details of known/suspected/unknown accused with full particulars:

Sl. No.	Name	Alias	Relative's name	Present address
1.	Unknown	-	-	-

8. Reason for delay in reporting by the complaint/informant: N/A.

9. Particulars of properties of interest:

Sl. No.	Property Category	Property Type	Description	Value (in Rs.)
1.				

10. Total value of property (in Rs./-):

11. (Inquest Report/U.D. case No., if any: N/A.

Sl. No.	UIDB No.
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12. First Information contents:

SOCIAL UNITED CLUBS' ORGANISATION

IMPHAL EAST, MANIPUR- 795005

"Struggle together, Live together, Grow together"

Ref. No. SUCO/2025/CC-108

Date: 02/07/2025

To
The Superintendent of Police,
Cyber Crime Police Station,
Manipur.

Subject: Request for lodging of FIR against Power Corridors news portal and journalist Navin Upadhyay for spreading fake/misleading news and incitement of violence in Manipur.

Respected Sir,

I, Sh. Khelneshwor Sharma, a resident of Khurai Ningthoubung Leikai, Imphal East, Manipur, am writing this complaint against the news portal/magazine, Power Corridors <https://powercorridors.in> and one of its editor Navin Upadhyay on his X handle @Navinupadhya for willfully spreading fake/misleading news with the intent of inciting communal hatred/violence, disharmony, feelings of enmity and ill-will in the already sensitive environment in Manipur where conflict has been prevailing for the last more than 2 years. Also, his and Power Corridors articles are prejudicial to the maintenance of harmony between different religious groups or communities, and disturbs/likely to disturb the public tranquility.

These articles, authored or attributed to Navin Upadhyay, are filled with misinformation, inaccurate translation, exaggerated claims, and communal undertones that are deliberately provocative, factually incorrect, and capable of inciting further violence, disharmony, feelings of enmity, ill-will and disrupting public order. They are clearly prejudicial to the maintenance of harmony between different religious and regional groups or communities, and disturbs/likely to disturb the public tranquility.

We provide below, as illustration 2 such, recent articles.

1. In this article Arambai Tenggol Raises Flags on Shirui Hills, Sparks Fury published on May 23, 2025 said, "On May 23, Arambai Tenggol cadres scaled Shirui Hills during the state-run Shirui Lily Festival, raising flags and declaring Manipur as Meitei land. The act, seen as a deliberate provocation in Naga territory, has reignited ethnic tensions amid an already volatile conflict"

The article falsely claims AT members shouted slogan saying "Manipur belongs only to the Meitei community".

In reality in a video, some Arambai Tenggol members standing on the Shirui hilltop are seen holding the Salai Taret flag (ancient flag of Meitei's seven clans) and heard hailing "Mother Manipur", "Mother Shirui" and "Long Live Manipur".

The mentioned article, was based on a Facebook post of a handle named 'Manipur Stylish' run by a Chin-Kuki team impersonating as Meitei Group, (now shut down to escape legal action), which circulated the video with the caption that the Arambai Tenggol members said the "Shirui Hills belonged to Meiteis and Manipur belonged to only Meiteis".

This anomaly and wrong factual representations were brought to his notice. We have confirmed from Meitei Heritage Society that he was informed of the same in the Media group that it was an incorrect translation by a Chin Kuki Group impersonating as Meitei. In fact, he was removed from the group. He was also trolled on X for writing the fake news to incite violence among Meiteis and the people belonging to Naga tribes, disturb the harmony between the communities and disturb public tranquility

Screenshot prints of the story and tweets by Power Corridors and Navin Upadhyay are attached for easy reference.

2. In his articles Army Unit Owns Up to Kuki Woman's Death, Agrees to Rs. 11 Lakh Settlement As Army Admits Guilt, Can Manipur Police Be Trusted Again? (published June 21) and As Army Accepts Blame, Manipur Police Exposed Over Crossfire Claim Army Owns Up to Kuki Woman Death, Agrees to Rs. 11 Lakh Payout (Published also on June 21).

In both the articles, he claimed the Indian Army as responsible for "killing" of the 77-year-old Kuki woman Hoikholhing Haoki, who died in the crossfire between Security Forces and Armed miscreants.

Fact Check: The Indian Army has denied the news on its official handle. <https://x.com/prodefkohima/status/1936822493030866871>.

Manipur Police also issued a detailed statement on X the same day that the woman was killed in cross fire https://x.com/manipur_police/status/1935730264459624785

However, Navin Upadhyay has not withdrawn the article instead tried to twist the narrative by targeting Manipur Police.

3. In this article The Tragic Ordeal of a Kuki Woman Fighting for Her Life (The Tragic Ordeal of a Kuki Woman Fighting for Her Life (published April 28, 2025), he cunningly misrepresented a case of regular domestic violence between a drunkard husband, who belonged to a Meitei Community and his wife, who belong to a Kuki tribe and gave it a communal twist to further hatred between the two communities. The

husband was arrested by Manipur police for domestic violence and assaulting his wife.
https://x.com/manipur_police/status/1916920223296335934

4. Most importantly, he has messaged certain Meitei Groups that he has "chosen his side in the battle", "No more Neutrality", and warned of consequences to Meiteis that "They are harming their cause and soon they'll realise that". This shows that the misinformation and wrong translation/interpretation etc. in his articles as pointed out above are all done with malicious intentions and not inadvertent.

In view of the above, I therefore request you to file an FIR for Offences under BNS for:

- (i) Promoting enmity between different groups on grounds of community/tribe, publication of false information with intent to cause fear, alarm, or disturb public peace and deliberate and malicious acts intended to outrage of Meiteis' communal feelings;
- (ii) Inciting communal hatred/violence, disharmony, feelings of enmity and ill-will in the already sensitive environment in Manipur where conflict has been prevailing for the last more than 2 year; and
- (iii) Committing acts prejudicial to the maintenance of harmony between different religious and regional groups or communities, and disturbs/likely to disturb the public tranquility

His actions establish beyond doubt it is willful intent to malign/provoke Meiteis, Nagas and Kukis and incite violence. He is misusing his media platforms and social media handles for this vicious agenda.

Therefore, I request you to register an FIR under the relevant sections of BNS to Investigate this case under the due process laid out in the BNSS concerning investigation and preventive action.

I would like to further stress the importance and urgent necessity of such investigation and submit that such misinformation during a time of unrest can further deepen divides, provoke retaliatory actions, and completely destabilize fragile peace efforts in Manipur. On these premises, it is therefore strongly requested for the following:

- Immediate registration of FIR against Navin Upadhyay and Power Corridors,
- Seizure of the false publications, both in print and digital formats,
- Initiation of legal action.

I request swift and strict action in the interest of justice, public safety, and communal harmony.

Thanking you,

Yours sincerely,

Sd./-

(Sh. Khelneshwor Sharma), 45 yrs.
S/o Shamulailatpam Radhamohon Sharma
R/o, Khurai Ningthoubung Leikai
Phone No. 9089816259

13. Action taken: Since the above information reveals commission of offence (s) u/s as mentioned at Item No. 2.

(1) Registered the case and took up the investigation/or

(2) Directed (Name of I.O.): RK. Richard Singh

Rank: Sub-Inspector

No. to take up the investigation: 7

(3) Refused investigation due to:


(4) Transferred to P.S:

District:

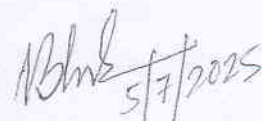
on point of jurisdiction

F.I.R. read over to the complainant/informant, admitted to be correctly recorded and a copy given to the complainant/informant, free of cost,

R.O.A.C.



14. Signature/Thumb impression
of the complainant/informant



Signature of Officer-in-Charge,
Cyber Crime Police Station.

Name: N. Bhubonchandra
Rank: Sub-Inspector.

Officer-in-Charge
Cyber Crime Police Station
Manipur Imphal

15. Date and time of dispatch to the court: 5/07/2025