

Burning Manipur: Legislators' houses burnt down



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In a fresh orgy of violence that puts [Manipur](#) in trouble, unidentified miscreants set on fire several ancestral houses belonging to MLAs and ministers on Monday hours after the assembly cleared three bills in the name of steps to ensure safety and security of the [indigenous](#) lot.

The incident took place in a remote area of Churachandpur district in the afternoon when an irate mob started setting on fire at least [ten](#) houses originally belonging to a section of legislators.

Local residents told Assam Times that a group of more than 50 appeared on the scene and started setting on fire the houses and then vanished.

The mob is believed to have been fanning to other areas to launch similar attack. These are ancestral houses of minister Phungzathang Tonsing along with MLAs, Vungzagin Valte, T Manga Vaiphei , TN Haokip , Chaltonlien Amo, Ginsuanhau and MP Thangsuo Baite.

Policemen and fire brigades arrived in the spot. But by then fire engulfed half of the houses were reduced to ashes.

The disquieting situation has forced district magistrate Lunmithang Haokip to clamp 144 CrPC in the entire area from 7 in the evening.

Hours before it the assembly cleared three crucial bills allegedly to curtail [rights](#) of a section [indigenous](#) people.



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