

Nagas take to agitating in Delhi



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The Joint Naga Civil Societies, Delhi (CJNCSD) Friday organized a mass protest rally at Jantar Mantar, [New Delhi](#) to further intensify their protest [against](#) the [arrest](#) of the two United Naga Council (UNC) [leaders](#) and the unconstitutional formation of the new seven districts. Hundreds and thousands of Nagas thronged the streets of Jantar Mantar chanting "Nagas shall defend their land to the last man standing" and [effigies](#) of [Ibobi](#) and Gaikhangam were burnt down.

CJNCSD raises serious [doubt](#) on the political intention of the Government of [India](#) for its continued silence on the issue and questioned why the Government of [India](#) has not raised even a single question to the Government of [Manipur](#) for the imprisonment of the two UNC [leaders](#) and the unconstitutional formation of the new seven districts.

It slammed the Government of [India](#) for insidiously siding with the communally fascist and anti-Naga regime of [Ibobi](#) Government at the cost of the legitimate aspiration of the Nagas.

“The indifferent attitude of the Government of [India](#) towards the present [crisis](#) is tantamount to dishonouring of the August 3 Naga Framework Agreement. Is this how the Government of [India](#) wants to sell the Indian democracy and political institution to the Nagas?” questioned CJNCSD.

Nagas have been defending every inch of their ancestral land, liberty, identity and dignity with [blood](#) and tears since the mighty British times and dares the Government of [Manipur](#) to attempt to carve out even an inch of the Naga ancestral territory in the name of formation of new districts. CJNCSD reaffirms that the Naga issue is a political issue and vows to stand its ground with UNC till the unconditional release of the two incarcerated UNC [leaders](#) and rolling back of the proposed seven districts.

According to CJNCSD Chief Minister [Ibobi](#) has been targeting tribal lands through various unconstitutional legislative actions [as](#) the valley brothers cannot legally buy tribal lands. [Ibobi](#) has been playing politics with the life, soul, land, dignity, identity and culture of the hill tribals to cling on to power by exploiting the anti-tribal sentiment of the valley brothers [as](#) the valley brothers are socially patterned to perceive any anti-tribal [policy as](#) the interest of the valley.

It goes on to [claim](#) that UNC has been observing partial peaceful shutdown along the national highway which absolutely is a legal and democratic form of protest.

However, communal [Ibobi](#) and paid valley-based media ingeniously coined the term "economic blockade" to criminalise the Naga political issue and illegally arrested the [President](#) and the Information Secretary of UNC.

CJNCSD submitted a memorandum to PM Modi reiterating immediate nullification of the creation of the seven new districts; unconditional release of the two UNC [leaders](#); acceptance of the August 3 Naga Framework Agreement and finalization of the Framework Agreement; imposition of [President](#)'s Rule in the State of [Manipur](#); CBI enquiry into the December 18, [2016](#) communal violence [against](#) the innocent Naga civilian passengers at [Imphal](#) and immediate [compensation](#) for the [victims](#).

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