

Nungba JAC calls off NH-37 shutdown



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The indefinite [Imphal](#)-Jiribam highway shutdown call given by the Nungba Area Joint Action Committee was called off on Friday after reaching an agreement with authority of [Manipur Health](#) Services.

The shutdown was called off at 2 pm after officials of the [Health](#) Services met with the [JAC](#) representatives and agreed to their [demands](#).

In the meeting the officials assured the agitating [JAC](#) to meet their pressing demand of addressing the problem of shortage of doctors and other staff at Nungba Community [Health](#) Centre.

Vehicular movement on [Imphal](#)-Jiribam road, [NH-37](#) section at Nungba and the stretch from [Barak](#) to Khongshang had remained disrupted due to the indefinite shutdown call given by the Nungba Area Joint Committee to push for its [demands](#) from 5 pm of August 30.

In the meantime, the 48-hour hill areas [bandh](#) imposed by the All [Manipur](#) Border area [Development](#) Association (AMBADA) to protest the recent [state](#) cabinet decision on the Border Area [Development](#) Programme (BADP) crippled life for the second consecutive day in the hill districts on Friday.

The association kicked off the [bandh](#) on midnight of August 30. Traffic along the highways that snake through the hills remained disrupted due to the [bandh](#). No untoward incidents were reported in the course of the strike.

Normal activities of Indo-[Myanmar trade](#) at border town Moreh were affected for the second consecutive day as [bandh](#) supporters continued to block vehicles movement on [Imphal](#)-Moreh, [National](#) Highway 102.

The association is protesting against the July 14 cabinet meeting's decision to allow scheme costing upto Rs 5 lakh (in place of the existing Rs 20 lakh in general) to the village authority in alleged contravention of the Central government's guidelines implemented in 17 states, including [Manipur](#).

AMBADA has submitted a memorandum to the Secretary, Department of Border Management, Ministry of [Home](#) Affairs (MHA) seeking redressal against the move by the [state](#) government.

It has urged the department for cancellation of the [Manipur](#) Cabinet Meeting Resolution-IV dated 14 July, 2017, saying the resolution is against the Centre's guidelines and [rights](#) of the land owners.

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