

Quit by Sep 30: ATSUM to MLAs



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The All [Tribal](#) Students Union, [Manipur](#) has set September 30 deadline for tribal MLAs to quit in protest [against](#) the three controversial bills. In a [critique](#) issued on Tuesday, the student body said that the Assembly has committed a constitutional blunder intentionally while introducing and passing of the three Bills [as](#) it does not [follow](#) the mandatory rules of procedures and conduct of Business under section 4 Clause 1 and [2](#) which reads [as](#) (1).

According to the [critique](#), the protection of [Manipur](#) People Bill 2015 passed by the assembly is indicative of the deliberate intention of the group of ministers to infringe on the Rights and Privileges of the tribal people and gross violation of Article 371C of the Indian Constitution because every bill other than Money Bill affecting wholly or partly the Hill Areas and containing mainly provisions dealing with any of the scheduled matter shall after introduction in the Assembly be referred to the Hill Areas Committee for consideration and report to the Assembly of the [Manipur](#) Legislative Assembly envisaged under Article 371C of the Indian Constitution.

The Protection of [Manipur](#) People Bill 2015 is highly objectionable clauses which are clinically designed to deprive and further marginalised the tribal of their [rights](#) and traditional lands. Section [2](#) of the Bill reads “It shall extend to the whole of [Manipur](#)” means the entire geographical area including of Hill Areas, said [ATSUM](#).

The terms ‘any land in the [state](#) of [Manipur](#)’ in the same section implies that the [Manipur](#) Land Revenue and Land Reforms [Act](#)(MLR & LR) shall be extended in the Hills Areas of [Manipur](#) apart from the proviso to sub section of Section 1 [as](#) per [Manipur](#) Land Revenue and Land Reforms [Act](#) No. 13 of 1976 published in [Manipur](#) Gazette dated 24-5-1976 wherein large pockets of plain areas of [Churachandpur](#), Ukhrul, Senapati, Sadar Hills and Tamenglong districts had been the accumulated by the GoM by means of systematic encroachment of tribal lands in the name of development.

[ATSUM](#) observes that Section 14 B pages 3 of the Bill which empowers the [state](#) cabinet to approve purchase of any land in the [state](#) is a complete disregard to the HAC because the HAC is the sole authority in matters pertaining to Hill Areas. Therefore, the cabinet has nothing to do with allotment of land. By virtue of Article 371C, the cabinet is incompetent to consider the matter without the consent and knowledge of the HAC in all matters relating to Hill districts.

The [critique](#) said the [Manipur](#) Shops and establishment(2nd Amendment) Bill 2015 attracts social and customs, which is enshrined in the Schedule matters, clause (12) under the Second Scheduled of the Hill Areas Committee order, 1972 because Shops and Establishment shall be established not only in the valley areas but also in the Hill Areas [as](#) well and yet the Bill was passed without referring to the HAC for consideration which is [against](#) the Rules of procedure and conduct of business in [Manipur](#) Legislative Assembly.

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