

UNHRC stresses NE indigenous



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A slew of steps to ensure sustainable development in the north eastern region struck global attention when human [rights](#) organizations from the region raised the issue at the United Nations Human [Rights](#) Council Regular Session at Geneva on Wednesday.

The human [rights](#) activists hailing from this region stressed involvement of the [indigenous](#) people in the extraction of natural resources which, they said, the key to the path of sustainable development.

They further dwelt at length of the impact of the extraction of mineral resources including uranium, oil and [gas](#) on the [indigenous](#) people in the northeast.

Immanuel Varte who represented CORE from [Manipur](#) narrated the impact of the mega development initiatives on the environment which struck the attention of the global [leaders](#).

In her address at the global forum, CENRs convener [Mary](#) Beth Sanate outlined the status of women in the region with special focus on women and extractive industries.

This was followed by Narender Kumar's narration on the country's legislation on the [rights](#) of the [indigenous](#) peoples. Kumar who represented IPAC from [New Delhi](#) drew no less response from the world [leaders](#).

A brief video documentary on [Manipur](#) "[Manipur](#) Diary" was screened in the sidelines of the world event. The documentary was produced by CENRs.

This was followed by a lively question and answer session.

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