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## **Awaken, Speak Out: Our Ongoing Struggle for Equality and Justice**

We are reaching out to each one of you today, with a heavy heart and the gravest concern over the shocking incident that has taken place in Manipur. It is deeply unsettling and heart-wrenching to witness such a despicable act of violence and humiliation against women. We are talking about a video that has been circulating widely, where a group of men can be seen assaulting and degrading women. This monstrous act has shaken our faith in humanity and demands urgent attention and action.

As an association that has always stood for women's dignity, rights, and empowerment, we cannot stand idle in the face of such an incident. Every individual has the responsibility to voice their protest against such acts of brutality, regardless of where they are.

The inaction and silence of bystanders make them complicit in such heinous acts. It's crucial to understand that our collective silence empowers the culprits. This is why we need to speak, write, and share about this incident, to raise awareness and trigger actions against such brutalities.

We must also acknowledge the role of media in our society, and the influence it has on our perceptions and understanding of such incidents. It is distressing to see the lack of sensitivity in some sections of the media, which can lead to an apathetic response to such incidents. We must challenge this narrative and insist on honest and empathetic reporting.



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We urge each one of you to not only be vocal about this incident but also to join us in our concerted efforts towards creating a society that is free of violence and discrimination against women. We must pledge our support to the women of Manipur and everywhere else, who face such horrors.

Let us rise, let us speak, let us unite against this horror. Remember, the world suffers a lot, not because of the violence of bad people, but because of the silence of good people.

In Solidarity,



(Parmod Indal)

General Secretary