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Statement from Evangelical Fellowship of India on the Recent Violence in Manipur

The Evangelical Fellowship of India (EFI) is deeply saddened and concerned by the recent events that have unfolded in Manipur. We mourn the loss of innocent lives, destruction of homes, property, and the burning of multiple churches. Our hearts ache for the families left grieving.

We call for peace and an end to the violence and unrest in the region that has caused such devastating consequences and immense suffering to the people. We urge the government to take immediate measures to restore peace and ensure the safety and security of all its citizens.

As a Christian body, representing evangelicals in India, we stand for the values of love, peace, and justice. We believe that every human being is made in the image of God and deserves to be treated with dignity and respect. The recent incidents of violence go against these values and have caused great harm to the people of Manipur.

We call upon all parties involved to exercise restraint and work towards a peaceful resolution of the issues. We urge the people of Manipur to avoid forces that instigate division and cause polarization. We also appeal to the state and the union government to engage in constructive dialogue with all stakeholders to address the underlying causes of the conflict.

We pray for God's comfort and healing for those who have been affected by the violence and commit ourselves to work towards a just and peaceful society for all. May the peace of Christ be with us all.

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