

Side-event in conjunction with the 54th
session of the Human Rights Council

19 September 2023, 4-5 p.m.
Palais des Nations, Room XXV



THE CRISIS IN MANIPUR AND IMPLICATIONS FOR HUMAN RIGHTS IN INDIA

Since May 2023, the state of Manipur in India has witnessed large-scale violence primarily against the tribal Christian Zo people (Kuki, Zomi, Hmar tribes) that led to at least 180 deaths, rampant sexual violence, and hundreds of churches and thousands of homes that were demolished or burned down. 70,000 people remain internally displaced.

In July 2023, in the state of Haryana, an anti-Muslim rally led to six people being killed followed by Muslim homes and businesses being targeted and destroyed in Nuh, a small city south of New Delhi.

As the 2024 elections in India draw close, our side-event panel will discuss accountability for violence and how to prevent incitement and further violence against ethnic and religious minorities.

Panelists

Ms. Reem Alsalem, United Nations Special Rapporteur on violence against women and girls

Ms. Florence N. Lowe, Founding Member and President of the North American Manipur Tribal Association

Ms. Hena Zuberi, Director of Advocacy for Justice For All

With a pre-recorded video message by **Mr. Nury Turkel**, Commissioner, United States Commission on International Religious Freedom

Moderated by **Mr. Wissam al-Saliby**, Director of the Geneva office of the World Evangelical Alliance

Co-sponsoring organizations without ECOSOC consultative status:

Open Doors International, Indian American Muslim Council, Hindus for Human Rights, Justice for All, International Commission for Dalit Rights, North American Manipur Tribal Association

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