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#### **RESOLUTION**

Deeply shocked and saddened by the videos which have emerged on social and other media platforms about human rights violations in Manipur, the SCAORA condemns the incident in strongest words. Our collective heads hang in shame against this grossest of human rights violation. Such incidences not only reflect the failure of the state machinery in protecting the basic human rights of the citizens but also its failure of administration and controlling the riots in the state.

SCAORA also expresses its strong objection to any illegal FIRs being registered and arrests being made by the Police against the Advocates and Activists who are endeavoring to help the riots struck victims and families.

SCAORA is obliged to the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India for taking suo moto cognizance of the incidence and asking the Centre and the State Government to inform it of the steps taken to bring the perpetrators into law.

SCAORA mirrors the deep concern expressed by the Hon'ble Chief Justice of India that "Using women as instrument in an area of communal strife to inflict gender violence is deeply disturbing. This is the grossest of human rights violation"

"AND RESOLVES TO PROVIDE ANY AND ALL ASSISTANCE THAT THE HON'BLE SUPREME COURT MAY REQUIRE TO BRING THE PERPETRATORS OF THIS MOST INHUMAN ACT TO JUSTICE INCLUDING OFFERING PRO BONO LEGAL ASSISTANCE TO ANY AND ALL MANIPUR STATE RIOTS AFFECTED VICTIMS IF REQUIRED."

Regards

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## RESOLUTION OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF SUPREME COURT BAR ASSOCIATION

The Executive Committee of the Supreme Court Bar Association expresses its deep concern and condemnation regarding the several incidents of violence in Manipur including the recent incidents involving women being paraded naked by a group of armed men. Such incidents in Manipur which have been taking place since have not only brought suffering among the people of Manipur but also have led to loss of several lives.

The Executive Committee expresses its deep concern over the incidents which have tarnished the humanitarian ethics to its core. We categorically condemn the gender-based violence and humiliation as it has far-reaching consequences on the victims' physical and psychological well-being.

The Executive Committee condemns the inaction of the State Police in bringing the culprits to book for a long period of two months and their inability to generally tackle the debilitating violence in the State of Manipur. We call upon the State Government and the Central Government to immediately take action to punish the perpetrators and prevent other acts of violence in the State which are still continuing.

In these challenging times, we call upon all citizens to remain calm and respect one another's rights and freedoms to maintain peace in the state so that no such gruesome incident could be further reported.

Hony. Secretary 9810224587