

PART IV

Proceedings of the 4th sitting of the 3rd session of the First Manipur State Legislative Assembly Assembled under the provisions of the Manipur State Constitution Act, 1947

The Assembly met in the Assembly Chamber in the Johnstone High School premises at 2.30 P.M. on the 28th September, 1949.

PRESENT :

The Hon'ble Mr. T.C. Tankham, the Speaker, in the Chair, the Hon'ble 6 Ministers and hon. 43 Members.

The 4th sitting of the 3rd session of the Manipur State Legislative Assembly, held on 28-9-1949 resolved & adopted the following resolutions in protest against the Merger Agreement signed on 21st September 1949.

1. As per Adult-Franchise regulation, the General election held in June, 1948 of Manipur State Legislative Assembly had taken accord of the Law-orders, Administrations, Financial assessments, Foreign-Affairs etc. of the then Maharaja of Manipur.

2. The State of Manipur will have no relations Foreign relation/relationship with Indian Govt. without any agreement signed with the M.S.L.A. though may it be the declaration of the then Maharaja.

3. The Ex-Maharaja Bodh chandra Singh under immense pressure and duress from Prakash Shah, Governor of Assam, V. P. Menon, Minister of State affairs, and Sardar Ballavai Patel was forced to sign the Merger Agreement on 21st September, 1949 at Shillong without any consent from the Manipur State Legislative Assembly. The agreement is being dropped out by the M. S. Legislative Assembly i.e. will not abide by the agreement.

Lastly, the Manipur State Legislative Assembly has taken the resolution that the Merger Agreement is totally dropped and that it will not consider such an agreement that had been signed where about.

Sd/- P. B. Singh
Chief Minister.

Sd/- T. C. Tankham
Speaker.

Sd/- I. B. Singh
Minister of Finance
and Foreign Affairs.

Dated, Imphal,
the 28th September, 1949.