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# A LONG MARCH OF DAVID MURASING -THE TIPRASA MOVEMENT OF TRIPURA, NORTH EAST INDIA

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### Abstract:-

In the research paper discusses the Long March of Devid Murasing. It is the longest long march in North East India. Walked from Agartala, Tripura to Jantar Mantar, New Delhi about 2500 km. The main purpose of long march started by Devid Murasing to protect Tiprasa Cultural, political rights, land right, history, economic development and Identity etc. This long march not for political power, not for political parties, not for election rally, not for personal fame it is to protect Tiprasa people and self awareness.

Keyword:- Long march, Grater Tipraland, Immigrants, Tiprasa Accord

#### Introduction:-

Tripura is the 2<sup>nd</sup> smallest state in North East India and 3<sup>rd</sup> smallest state in India. Tripura is a rich cultural and beautiful hilly state in India. The State bounded by one international boarder Bangladesh and two national boarder of Assam and Mizoram . Tripura is princely state rule by 184 king. After the died of last king Bir Bikram Kishore Manikya Debbarma Tripura join India union in 1949 with c category state. In 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> century of tribal population of Tripura is majority but now is minority as a result of after coming of illegal migrants from Bangladesh. So many tribal(indigenous) people started movement to protect themselves for land right, political rights, economic development, cultural, history and Identity etc. In the present Independence period M.K Gandhi started Dandi March also know as long march on 12<sup>th</sup> March 1930 with the 78 follower walked to 375 km from the Sabarmati Ashram, Uttar Pradesh to Dandi, Gujarat.

In 2025 Long march also known as foot march started by Devid Murasing with 16 follower from Agartala, Tripura to Jantar Mantar, New Delhi about 2500km. The long march three main demand are the –(1) Grater Tipraland. (2) Implementation of the TIPRASA ACORD. (3) Deportation of all illegal immigrant.

## **Objective:-**

In this research paper main objective are –

- (1) To analyse Long march of Devid Murasing.
- (2) To find out of cause of Long march.
- (3) To explain cause of Demand Grater Tipraland.
- (4) To elaborate implementation of TIPRASA ACORD.
- (5) To discuss the Deportation of illegal immigrants.

## **Methodology:-**

In the research paper use qualitative data. In this paper used both primary and secondary data. Primary data use is local, national news paper, census survey report, Statics reports of Election Commission of India and secondary data is used by Bipin Chandra, Modern India history book, many research paper and article both used.









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#### Result and Discussion:-

## 1.Background of the Movement:-

In the beginning The Tripura Upajati Juba Juba Samity (TUJS) with the Movement got ADC bill passed by state government and TTAADC format under 7th schedule. Finally got TTAADC 6th schedule by Indian government. After the fall of TUJS party rise of one of the tiprasa political party INPT also known Indigenous Nationalist party of Twipra. The party started movement on November 27, 2016 to implement Inner Line permit in Tripura to protect Tiprasa Cultural and heritage. On August 2018 INPT organised rally at Agartala under B.K Hrankhawl for NRC and main objective is to identify illegal migrant coming from East Pakistan now is Bangladesh. The INPT also protest against the implementation of Citizens Amendment Act and Citizenship Amendment Bill. Another one of rise The Indigenous People Front of Tripura(IPFT) important political party started with the demand of Tipraland under N.C Debbarma. On January 26, 2018 officially declared alliance between IPFT and BJP and decide to seat sharing in the upcoming state election 2018. BJP contested 51 and IPFT 09 out of 60 seat. In the Election IPFT-BJP alliance got majority votes and formatted government first time.

The Indigenous Progressive Regional Alliance also known as TMP party . The TMP founded by Pradyot Bikram Manikya Debbarma in 2019. Their main demand is Greater Tipraland. In the TTAADDC Election 2021 TMP participated with the demand Grater Tipraland. In the Election TMP won the 16 and BJP-IPFT 9 seat out of 28. TMP won the majority seat and first' time formatted TTAADDC government. In the state Legislative assembly elections of Tripura 2023 TMP again participated with the demand of Greater Tipraland. In the Election TMP won 13, BJP-IPFT 32 and CPI(M) 11 out of 60 seat. BJP-IPFT won majority seat and formatted government. Dr. Manik Saha sworn 2<sup>nd</sup> time Chief Minister of Tripura and TMP leader Animesh Debbarma elected as a Opposition Leader. In 2024 TMP joined with the BJP State governments before Lok sabha elections. On 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2024 signed Tripartite agreement between TMP, State governments and Central Government. The tripartite agreement also known as TIPRASA ACCORD 2024.

#### 2. Cause of the Movement:-

The three main cause of the Movement are-

## Immediate implementation of the TIPRASA ACORD:-

The TIPRASA ACORD also known as tripartite agreement. The tripartite are the The Indigenous Progressive Regional Alliance popularly known as TIPRA Motha, Govt of India and Gov. Of Tripura.

On 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2024 at Delhi The TIPRASA ACORD signed at the present of Shri Amit Shah Home minister of Govt. of India, Prof Dr. Manik Saha CM of govt. Of Tripura, Bikash Debbarma Tribal Welfare minister government of Tripura, Sukla charan Noatia minister of Govt of Tripura and Shri Pradyot Bikram Manikya Debbarma founder and chairman of TIPRA Motha, B.K. Hrangkhwl, Animesh Debbarma MLA and Shri J.k Sinha Chief Secretary government of Tripura, Piyush Goyal Additional Secretary NE Ministry of Home Affairs. The agreement mainly focus on some problem of TIPRASA implementation of History, Cultural, political rights, land right, language, economic development and Identity etc. After the 1 year TIPRASA ACORD Signed now not implemented the accord so they protest the movement.

#### Immediate Deportation of illegal immigrants from Tripura:-

In the beginning, the population of the tribal was the majority but now in the minority. As a result of non tribal illegal migrant coming from east Pakistan (Bangladesh). In 1901 the population of the Indigenous or tribal is 91,679 percentage is 52% and Non tribal is 81,646 percentage 47.11 of total state population. In the year 1931 the tribal population is 203,327









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percentage is 53.16% and Non tribal is 179,123 percentage is 46.84% of state population. In 1951 the Indigenous population is 237,958 percentage is 37% and non tribal is 401,071 percentage is 62.77% of state population. In 1971 the tribal population is 450,544 percentage is 28.95 and non tribal is 11,05,796 percentage is 71.05 of state population. In 2011 the tribal population is 11,66,813 percentage is 31.71% and non tribal population is 3,673,917 percentage is 75.05% of state population. The tribal or Indigenous tribes population percentage day by day decreased, they protect for History, cultural heritage, economic, land right, political rights so they demanded immediate Deportation of illegal immigrants from Tripura.

## Greater Tipraland or Statehood of Tripura:-

Grater Tipraland means a new separate state demand. The Tipra Motha Party (TMP) started the demand since 2019. The TMP party founded by Pradyot Bikram Manikya Bahadur a royal family members of Tripura.

In princely states of Tripura the Indigenous tribes was a majority but present will be minority because after the effect of coming illegal immigrant from East Pakistan now is Bangladesh. As a result of the Indigenous tribes lost all important political rights, land right, economic, cultural, history and Identity. So they want to protect themselves by the separate state demand Grater Tipraland. The benefit of Greater Tipraland are own government control and representation, they can protect culture, Identity, language, social economic, political rights, land right and resources control.

#### 3. Feautures of the Movement:-

Devid Murasing he was the Leader of TMP party and former zonal chairman of B.C Manu division under TTAADC government of Tripura. He began foot march also known as long march with 16 supporter Agartala to Jantar Mantar, New Delhi about 2500 km. The foot march aim is long pending demand for the constitution right Grater Tipraland and Identity for Tiprasa people. About 18<sup>th</sup> month ago TMP submitted a memorandum to the Central Government for formation of constitution right Grater Tipraland but their demand unaddressed.

He began his journey on 5<sup>th</sup> July 2025 and finally reached at jantar mantar, New Delhi on 09<sup>th</sup> September 2025. After the reached jantar mantar he conducted peaceful demonstration with threes demand are implementation of TIPRASA ACORD 2024, Constitution right Grater Tipraland and Deportation of illegal immigrants from Tripura. This demonstration addressing TMP chief Pradyot Bikram Manikya Debbarma, Devid Murasing, James Sangma former minister of Meghalaya, Mahonlumo Kiko former minister and spokes person of BJP, also participated Kriti Devi Debbarman BJP MP, and other MP,MLA, MDC, with hundred supporters Indigenous Tiprasa people. Next day on 10 September Devid Murasing submitted memorandum to PM Modi with their threes demand.

On 09 September evening organised Homchang Rally at Agartala to support foot march and Delhi jantar mantar, Demonstration. This rally present TTAADC CEM Purna Chandra Jamatia, EM Kamal Kalai, Minister Brishaketu Debbarma, MLA Ranjit Debbarma, Ex tribal Welfare minister Mevar Kumar Jamatia, and Anthony Debbarma. Same day another place conducted a megha mashal rally at Ampi Nagar, Amarpur Gomati District. The mashal rally which started Teliamura to Amarpur road Ampi market area. This rally has given message to all indigenous tiprasa people positive views and support to foot march and jantar mantar Demonstration for Tiprasa right. This rally present are TMP Ampi Nagar block president Sanjoy Jamatia, TWF president Kalija Kalai, Sukhedu Kalai and Manny others hundred indigenous tiprasa people.

## Conclusion:-

This movement not for political power, not for election rally, not for own identity, not for own profit and not against non tribal and any government, this movement only to protect Indigenous Tiprasa people with the constitution solution Grater Tipraland. This movement mission is reach to Jantar Mantar New Delhi to submit a memorandum of central government









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with full fill their pending demand. The movement joined many MP, MLA, MDC, ex Minister of Nagaland and Meghalaya, students of Delhi University with many hundreds Indigenous Tiprasa supporter.

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