

SOLIDARITY FAST BEGINS IN IMPHAL

The solidarity fast in support of Irom Sharmila and against Armed Forces Special



Forces Special Powers Act began in Keishampat, Imphal today. Hundreds of students of H.R.D. Academy and M.E.M. Higher Secondary School came to express solidarity and joined the dharna. Members of civil society

groups and common citizens also participated in the dharna. Nupi Samaj, Thangmeiband Apunba Lup, Kasturba Gandhi Sewa Ashram, Mahila Shanti Sena and others were represented. Medhabati Devi, Padmomala Devi, Ch. Memita Devi, Tongkhonbi Devi, Amrabati Devi, Mamata Devi, S. Pishak Devi, Mina Devi, Peac, Sakhi Devi, Thaibema Devi, G. Radha Pyari, Biju Borbaruah, Faisal Khan, Irom Singhjit Singh, Sandeep Pandey, Rakesh Naorem, Ibeton Devi, Sapamacha Kangleipal, Rajeshwar Ojha and Mahesh Pandey were on fast on the first day.



Permission has been sought from the Manipur Government to meet Sharmila who is in confinement in Jawaharlal Nehru Hospital. The application has been forwarded by Joint Secretary Home to

Chief Minister for consideration. It usually takes more than 15 days to obtain permission to see Sharmila.

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