

**GOVERNMENT OF TRIPURA**  
**DIRECTORATE OF INFORMATION AND CULTURAL AFFAIRS**

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CLARIFICATION REGARDING VARIOUS NEWS REPORTS QUOTING THE  
HON'BLE CHIEF MINISTER ON THE STATEMENT MADE ON THE SIDELINES OF  
THE CELEBRATION FUNCTION ORGANISED AT AGARTALA AIRPORT ON 4<sup>TH</sup>  
JULY 2018

4<sup>th</sup> July, 2018 was a day of great pride for the state of Tripura as the long-time pending demand of the 37 lakh people of Tripura was fulfilled by the Union Government for naming the Agartala Airport after Maharaja Bir Bikram Kishore Manikya. The Hon'ble CM, Shri Biplab Kumar Deb's comments were made in that context at the end of the function organised at Agartala Airport which was meant to celebrate this special occasion. A sense of immense pride and happiness was palpable not merely at this function but across the state after this historic announcement clearly evident from how various objective media reports of local as well as national media houses covered the celebrations of this announcement in Tripura.

Unfortunately, attempts have been made to take the above comments of the Hon'ble Chief Minister out of context and relate them to the severely reprehensible acts of lynching that took place in the state a few days ago. Prompt action was taken by the State Government and the situation has since been brought under control. Against these condemnable acts, Hon'ble CM has explained the facts to various members of print and electronic media platforms on several earlier occasions. Hon'ble CM also ensured directly reaching out to the citizens through social media on this issue in order to avoid getting quoted out-of-turn. Despite facing humongous difficulties in the past, the people of Tripura have always stood steadfast against the motivated propaganda of opportunist and myopic Organisations and individuals and shall continue doing the same in the future.

The State Government of Tripura is committed to delivering good governance and security to its citizens and shall take all possible measures for the safety and security of the people of Tripura.

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