

Rape and murder of 19-year-old Women's body chairperson demands justice

By Our Reporter

SHILLONG: Expressing concern over the alleged brutal rape and murder of a 19-year-old girl at Parmaw, 4½ Mile on Thursday last, Chairperson of Meghalaya State Commission for Women, Theilin Phanbuh has urged women to be more alert and cautious in their movements.

Phanbuh, who is also the president of Lumping Ki Seng Kynthei, met the members of the bereaved family at their residence on Saturday. Condemning the perpetrators of the crime

Phanbuh called for strong action against the offenders.

"The culprits have committed a heinous crime. We urge the concerned authority to take strong punitive action against them and hope that the investigation bears fruit," she said.

In her capacity as the chairperson she assured that the Commission will follow up the case.

Meanwhile, Phanbuh called upon the parents and guardians to supervise and be more vigilant about the activities of their wards in order to ensure their safe-

ty.

CSWO cites loopholes

The CSWO, however, expressed concern over the loopholes in the police investigation into the case.

"It is strange that the police did not bother to bring a sniffer dog to the crime scene which would have solved the crime in a systematic way as first the police detained and harassed the uncle of the victim for the whole night instead arresting the real culprit," CSWO president Agnes Kharshiing, who visited the family on Saturday, said.