

11th April 2015: Assaulted woman demands justice

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Seeks intervention of Women's Commission



The victim, Josna Nongsiej addresses the media in the city on Friday. Her children can also be seen in the photo. (ST)

By Our Reporter

SHILLONG: After being denied proper assistance by the village dorbar as well as an NGO, a woman from a remote village in West Khasi Hills sought the intervention of the Meghalaya State

(MSWC) to take up her cause.

Josna Nongsiej, a resident of Mawsikar, a village near Langpih revealed how her former husband, Sronling Lyngkhoi allegedly assaulted her and burnt down her house.

"He (Lyngkhoi) burnt

down my house while I was in my mother's place on March 20," Nongsiej told newsmen here on Friday.

Nongsiej also alleged that she was a victim of physical assault during her stay with her husband, adding that she finally decided to leave him after she had two miscarriages.

"Even after the separation, he threatened to hire contract killers to kill me and my two minor children," she alleged.

She complained to the village dorbar about the incident, but to no avail.

Trying to seek justice, Nongsiej sought the help of an NGO, the women's wing of the Hynniewtrep National Achik Movement (HANM). It only extended some relief to the **(Contd on P-10)**

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(Contd from P-3) woman in the form of clothes and CGI sheets but failed to help her in filing a police complaint.

Despite the fact that she had earlier filed a police complaint, Lyngkhoi managed to get bail.

In an effort to reach out to the concerned authorities the aggrieved woman finally decided to take the support of the media.

"I have come here today to urge the authority concerned through the media to help me and ensure that my husband is booked under relevant section of the law," she said here on Friday.

Meanwhile, the MSWC immediately took up the case and took Nongsiej's statement.

"We would immediately ask the deputy commissioner and superintendent of police (SP), West Khasi Hills District to take necessary action in the matter," MSWC chairperson, Theilin Phanbuh told reporters on Friday.