MNF MOVEMENT: A Sociological Study.

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1.1. Aims and Objectives

1.1.1. To study contributions made by the Mizo National Front (MNF) to the knowledge of North East India Politics in general and to the secessionist guerrilla movement in particular.

1.1.2. The Study may be of great help to the social scientists, planners and administrators because it seeks to describe and explain how and why a distinct group has gone to the extend of declaring its own sovereignty.

1.1.3. The MNF Movement, like any other movement, having been a challenge to the Indian polity as a whole, and understanding of the intricate problem of insurgency is a necessity of the day. The study can help in understanding any other such problem and in finding solution to the similar problems for the purpose of upholding the national integrity.

1.1.4. The Mizo people were socially, geographically and politically isolated from the main stream of the Indian society. The extend to which this factor was responsible for the development of separatist tendency in them.
1.2. The Scope of Study:

1.2.1. The period covered since the formation of MNF party 1964 onwards.

1.2.2. Geographical Scope: This study does not confine to the Indian soil alone but extends to the other countries that had ever had relations or connections with the MNF movement directly or indirectly.

1.2.3. Field of study: Sociological field will be the main domain even though some other related fields may also be dealt with.

1.3. Methodology:

Historical method, 
Empirical - Analytical method, Critical method, Questionnaire, personal interview.

1.4. Problems of the research and their solution:

1.4.1. Lack of document materials. During the insurgency the documented materials were searched and collected by the Indian soldiers, and as a result documented materials are not available at all in Mizoram. The researcher has access to a scattered source materials.

1.4.2. As many useful items of information may not be available in black and white the scholar shall have to conduct interviews with resource persons who have firsthand knowledge about the various aspects of the MNF
organisation and movement. In order to do this, field study shall be conducted.

1.4.3. Investigation will be conducted into the nature and strength of support given to MNP by the people at various stages of its movement by means of questionnaire.

1.4.4. Since conducting of it is going to involve financial expenses, ways and means might be sought to get financial assistance from the Government and Research Finding Agencies like ICRSR.

1.5. Preface:

1.6. Historical Background: