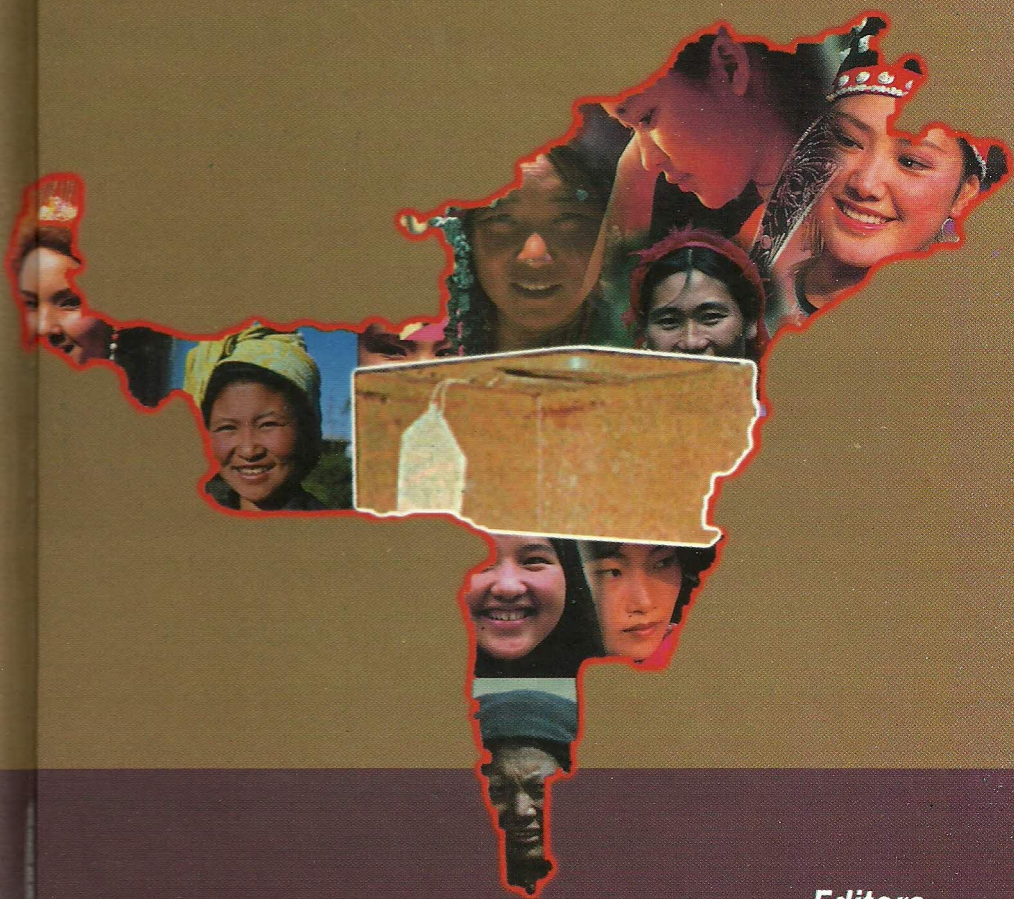


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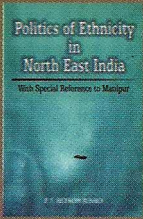
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Abbreviations

1. INC Indian National Congress
2. BJP Bharatiya Janata Party
3. SAP Samata Party
4. DPP Democratic Peoples' Party
5. MSCP Manipur State Congress Party
6. MPP Manipur Peoples Party
7. MNC Manipur National Conference
8. FPM Federal Party of Manipur
9. JD (U) Janata Dal (United)
10. JD (S) Janata Dal (Secular)
11. CPI Communist Party of India
12. NNP Naga National Party
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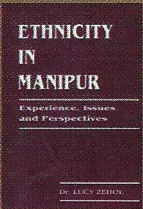
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