

Vision for the
Convention Resource Centre (CRC)

INTRODUCTION:

The Convention Resource Centre will be located at a convenient place in Manipur to act as a center for training of missionaries, evangelists and pastors and also lay persons with a view to serve the churches in the fulfillment of her vocation. Having this objective, the Center shall strive to:

- (a) Conduct vocational courses for Pastors, Evangelists, Teachers, Agriculturists, Youth, and Discipleship Courses for New Believers, Leadership Training, etc;
- (b) Initiate discussions on the Church's social responsibilities;
- (c) Provide opportunities for Retreat, Refreshers for Pastors, Prayers, Reading and Writing, Annual General and Departmental Assemblies and Councils of the Church;
- (d) Create opportunities for members of different Churches and Communities to come closer for mutual contact, fellowship and exchange of views;
- (e) Hold consultations and offer intercessions with a view to promote deeper unity among the Churches in general and the Kukis in particular;
- (f) Supply physical amenities for Conferences and Meetings sponsored by Churches and Other Organizations and Institutions.

LOCATION:

The Center should be located at a place easily accessible by Road traffic such as the National Highway so as to always remind the members of the church of their responsibilities. It should be situated in a place sufficiently near strong Christian Churches which will form as a base. This will help supply leadership for the activities of the Center. Moreover, it should be at a Tribal location where natural resources like land, timber and manpower are sufficiently available.

Sapormaina, one of the biggest congregation of the KBC Churches and situated along the NH 39, seems to fulfill many of these requirements. It is about 20 kms from Imphal and is within easy reach. There are several KBC Churches nearby such as United Sapormaina, Songlung, Kholep, etc which can render social services in terms of free labour and also subsidized skilled labour. Resources like timber and stones may be available. Land is comparatively cheap as it can be either donated or bought at subsidized prices from the Village Chief. Scope for further expansion of land may be available. If this site is chosen, much money will be saved in relation to the purchase of land.

Pallen, situated along the National Highway 39, and is another site that seems to fulfill many of these requirements. It is about 40 kms from Imphal but within easy reach and adequate security. There are strong KBC Churches including the newly established United Church for Molnoi, H. Kotlenphai, Wajang and Zion Veng, Molnom, Senam, Saivom, etc. These Churches may also render social services in terms of free labour and other local facilities. The significance of this site is that it provides a window to other South-East Asian nations through Moreh. Valley bandhs may not affect the Center's functioning. Another advantage is the diversity of different churches and communities

that can fulfill the Center's dream of peaceful cohabitation and mutual contact. If this site is chosen, land has, however, to be bought at market rate.

Besides this, other possible locations for consideration could be in Churachandpur or elsewhere provided they fulfill the Center's criteria.

CAMPUS:

The Center will have the following buildings and departments:

1. A Multi-purpose Hall which will accommodate around Ten thousand people, suitable for public meetings and rallies
2. A Conference Hall which will hold Seven hundred people
3. A Chapel
4. A Library with ten thousand volumes
5. Hostel facilities for 500 people, including for 25 couples (6 unit buildings)
6. A Dorm for gents and ladies to accommodate 1,000 gents and 250 ladies (5 unit buildings)
7. A VIP Guest house for 7 bedded rooms with AC
8. Director's residence
9. Quarters for hostess and staff
10. Kitchen and Dining Hall
11. Committee Rooms
12. Communication Centre (with 15 computers for training)
13. Sale Counter (for the farm produce)
14. Playground for football, volleyball, badminton, children park with some amenities, etc
15. Shed for Cattle, Piggery, Goat farming, poultry, etc.
16. Fishery pond
17. Swimming pond (to be tiled – deep and shallow)
18. Demonstration Farm – horticultural and agricultural, etc. according to availability of land

These may be constructed in various stages with the availability of funds, with a view to complete the plans by 2030, showing a period of 11 years from now on, i.e, 2019. Details will be worked out by the Planning Committee. Plans and estimates could be made in consultation with architects and engineers, only after a final decision on the location is made. The funds required for purchased of site will solely made by KBC through its budget. For construction and other infrastructure, help may be sought from the state or central governments, and other funding organizations within India and abroad.

MANAGEMENT:

The Center will be purely owned and managed by the Kuki Baptist Convention as per rules and byelaws of the Church.

FINANCE:

Salaries for the Director and the staff will be managed by KBC. However, help will be sought for construction from government and private donors.

Stages

- Year 1 (2018): Put up in Planning Board, CEC and seek approval in the Assembly to be held in January 2019; If approved, allocate budget for cost of land; Invite mappers for
- Year 2 (2019): Purchase of land and Campus Fencing
- Year 3 (2020): Construction of work shed and semi-pucca quarter for Chowkidar; To dig pond for fishery farm and plant trees on all sides;
- Year 4 (2021): Construction of a Conference Hall which will hold Seven hundred people (suitable for KBC General Assemblies)
- Construction of 300-bedded Guest Room; Construction of piggery, goat farming, poultry, etc. Cultivate land for fruits, trees, etc. as part of Demonstration farm
- Year 5 (2022): Construction of a multi-purpose hall for 10,000 seats
- Year 6 (2023): Construction of Kitchen and Dining Hall;
- Year 7 (2024): Construction of Chapel that can accommodate 100 people
- Year 8 (2025): Construction of Director's office and staff quarters;
- Year 9 (2026): A sale counter and rest rooms near the main gate;
- Year 10 (2027): Vehicle Parking near Main entrance

To seek the help of State Govt for:

1. From Kuccha to black-topped Road;
2. Construction of Multi-purpose Hall;
3. Digging of fishery pond;
4. All play grounds;
5. Demonstration Farm

To seek the help of Central Govt. (such as Army, NEC or BADP, etc.) for:

1. A Conference Hall which will hold five hundred people
2. A Hostel that can accommodate 500 persons, including kitchen and dining hall
3. Demonstration farm

Church's Contribution (KBC):

1. Prayer
2. Budgeting Rs. 25 lacs annually for 7 yrs
3. Salary of Director and Chowkidar from start

Churches' Contribution (Nearby KBC Churches – Local and Centre Churches)

1. Prayer
2. Nikho Thakuon (free manual labour)
3.