PRESS RELEASE

- (1) On receiving information from intelligence agencies that a group of GNLA cadres had come to Shillong city for refuge, an intensive surveillance was carried out in different places of the city and the same proved successful when SWAT managed to apprehend the below noted GNLA cadres from Iew Mawlong, Parking lot. Cash amounting to Rs. 28,790/- and mobile sets along with a number of SIM cards were seized from their possession. The mobiles had pictures of the arrested persons armed with automatic weapons.
- 1. Rajesh M. Marak of Chokpot, South Garo Hills
- 2. Herison K.Sangma of Mandagabil, North Garo Hills
- 3. Mital M.Marak of Ringku, East Khasi Hills

The District Police will make all efforts that members of any militant group do not make Shillong city a safe haven. All 3 (three) have been remanded to 14 (fourteen) days Police custody.

(2) On receiving information that a group of armed persons were leaving the city for Mawsynram to commit dacoity, a Naka was placed at Mawngap manned by SWAT and police of Mawngap Out Post. At around 3.45 Pm a local taxi bearing registration No. ML05-E-2767 (Maruti car) was intercepted and five persons were found inside. During search of the vehicle, two revolvers and 11(eleven) live ammunitions were found. The gang was led by Shri Newman Kharbani @ Pynshai Rani @ Bahrit a hard core criminal. Other members of the gang includes 1. Shri. Raju Singh 19 yrs S/o Mangal Singh of Goraline, Laitumkhrah, Shillong 2. Shri Bharat Roy 21 yrs S/o R.Ram Roy of Golf Link near PHE Pump 3. Shri Sanjay Krishna Gowala 18 yrs S/o Bhupen Krishna Gowala of Alu Kudam, Madanriting 4. Shri. Munu Singh 23 yrs S/o Prakash Singh of Punjabi Line, Bara Bazar, Shillong.

Background of Shri Newman Kharbani @ Pynshai Rani @ Bahrit of Nongthymmai, Nongkhyriem

Newman Kharbani @ Pynshai Rani was first arrested on 28/6/2004 for committing robbery and dacoity. He was detained under MPDA from 21/7/2004 and released on 21/7/ 2005. In 2007, he resumed his criminal activities—and was arrested again on 31/3/2007 with arms. He was admitted in Civil hospital but escaped from custody on 31/5/2007 Police managed to re-arrest him again on 24/6/2007. Again on 5/7/2007 he was detained under MPDA for a period of three years till 15/7/2010. After released from MPDA he was arrested again for dacoity from oil tankers. He came out on bail and was arrested again on November, 2013 for dacoity at Sohiong. The District Police had been putting Newman Kharbani @ Pynshai Rani under surveillance after his release on bail.

All 5 (five) have been remanded to 10 (ten) days Police custody.

Sd/- M.Kharkrang,MPS, Superintendent of Police, East Khasi Hills, Shillong.

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