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**PRESS RELEASE**

A meeting was held with all nodal sales officers of private service providers namely Airtel, Vodafone, Reliance, Idea and Aircel today the 5<sup>th</sup> September, 2014 at S.P.'s Office, Shillong, on illegal sale of Sim Cards in the black market which has helped to facilitate several crimes like criminal intimidation, extortion, unsolicited calls and SMSs to women and kidnapping causing inconvenienced and anxiety to the public at large. To prevent Sim Cards being sold illegally it was decided that:-

1. All Sim subscribers should be physically verified by the retailer while applying for Sim Cards and photograph submitted should match the subscriber who appears in person.
2. Photographs submitted by subscriber will have to be signed by him/her on the photos before handing them over to the retailer to prevent misuse.
3. Affixing of photographs must be done by retailer at the out let itself before sending the same to the distributor so as to prevent misuse of photographs.
4. All copies of supporting documents submitted like EPIC should be self attested by the subscriber.
5. To overcome the problem of location of the subscriber due to generic addresses given detail address of the subscriber has to be given including sub locality and land-mark if possible.
6. The retailer should get the reference number of the subscriber and same has to be verified both at the retail outlet and the verifying agency.
7. All service providers will prepare a format of the records which must be maintained by the retailer in the form of a register and inspected by the sales wing of the service provider from time to time.
8. Issue of Sim Cards without documents will invite Cognizable, Non-bailable sections of law against those issuing the Sim Cards.
9. All O/Cs & I/Cs of Police Station and Police Out Posts level have been directed to call a meeting with retailers to enforce the same.

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