



Press Release
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Enforcement Directorate has provisionally attached movable properties amounting to Rs. 6.88 Crore in the form of Bank Balances, Mutual Funds, Insurance Products etc., in the name of Rayilung Nsarangbe (self-styled Colonel/Treasurer of National Socialist Counsel of Nagaland–IM); Ruth Chawang w/o Rayilung Nsarangbe and Apam Muivah (Secretary to Ato Kilonser).

ED initiated investigation on the basis of FIR dated 09.07.2020 and Charge-sheet dated 29.12.2020, filed by the National Investigation Agency. It was alleged in the charge-sheet of NIA, that the terrorist gang of NSCN (IM) was carrying out well organized extortion racket in Manipur and Nagaland, resulting in diversion of Government funds; that in pursuance of their conspiracy for terrorist acts, the terrorist gang of NSCN (IM) had been criminally intimidating Construction Companies, undertaking the road construction project in Manipur and collected huge sum as illegal "tax" (extortion).

Investigation under PMLA, 2002, revealed that the district in-charge of four administrative districts of Manipur viz. Tamenglong, Senapati, Ukhrul and Chandel, were reporting to Rayilung Nsarangbe, as he was the Treasurer of "the Collective Leadership". The District Representatives were submitting the extorted money along with the details of collection made by them from various economic activities to Rayilung. It is also revealed that the huge amount of extortion i.e. illegal "TAX", was being directly collected by Rayilung. Major part of the extortion amount was being utilised as per the direction of the Collective Leadership and part of it, was being deposited in the bank accounts maintained in the name of Rayilung and in the name of Ruth Chawang, his wife and Apam Muivah. Further to conceal the proceeds of crime, several mutual funds/insurance products were subscribed/ purchased in the name of Ruth Chawang @ Ruth Zeliang, from the cash deposited in the accounts. Rayilung had also transferred huge amount of money to Apam Muivah, Secretary to Ato Kilonser, from the accounts maintained in the name of Ruth Chawang w/o Rayilung Nsarangbe.



After due process of investigation, proceeds of crime amounting to Rs. 6.88 Crore approximately were traced and provisionally attached under PMLA, 2002.

Further investigation in the matter is under process.
