

## MIZORAM POLICE PRESS STATEMENT

NO.F.14018/1/19-SMC/70

Dated Aizawl, the 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2020

On 17<sup>th</sup> May 2020, there was Social Media post on Facebook Group 'ZORAM POLITICS GROUP-I' stating that *"Is it true that some Mizos who returned the day before yesterday from outside the state sneaked away on their way back and that the government does not have all their names, addresses, phone nos.? Some could even name those who harboured and covered for them"* This message has led to panic and distress among the general public. The screenshot of this facebook post was also widely circulated on various whatsapp groups.

Mizoram Police immediately proceeded with investigation. The originator of this message has been identified as a 42 year old person of Sairang Vengsang, who on interrogation confessed that his post was purely based on hearsay and did not even verify whether it is true or not and believed those persons mentioned in the posts may mistakenly be taken as the ones cleared for Community Quarantine Facility/Home Quarantine.

All the Mizos who recently returned from outside the state were first admitted to Govt. Quarantine facilities and then only those who are cleared for Community Quarantine Facility/Home Quarantine are shifted again. Criminal case vide Aizawl PS CaseNo.147/2020 Dtd.19.5.2020 u/s 505 (1) (b) IPC r/w 54 DM Act had been registered against the originator of this message which can create unnecessary panic and fear among the general public, after duly obtaining cognizance and warrant of arrest from Chief Judicial Magistrate, Aizawl and necessary actions are being taken to arrest the accused and send him to judicial custody.

Posting of unverified/unconfirmed rumours which can create panic and fear among the general public is a very serious issue and can invite legal action against those responsible for the same. Public are advised to be careful and stay safe.

-----  
ISSUED BY MIZORAM POLICE MEDIA CELL, PHQ  
-----

Copy to:

- 1) Director, I&PR for kind information and to take necessary action for wide publicity to Electronics and Print Media please.
- 2) Director / News Editor - LPS Vision/Zonet Vision/Doordarshan Kendra/All India Radio (AIR), Aizawl.
- 3) President, MJA for kind information and necessary action please.
- 4) SO to DGP(M) for kind information of DGP(M).

  
(JOHN NEIHLAIA) IPS  
Inspector General of Police (Hqrs)  
&  
Chief Public Relation Officer (CPRO)  
Mizoram Police Media Cell

**MIZORAM POLICE PRESS STATEMENT**

NO.F.14018/1/19-SMC/69

Dated Aizawl, the 20<sup>th</sup> May, 2020

Dt. 17.5.2020 ((Sunday) khan social media platform facebook-ah mi pakhatin mipui tichiai thei thu, ‘*Nimin piah maia lo hawho kha sawrkar hian an hming/veng/phone no. an nei kim lo nge, kan thianten kawnglaka put ru an awm an tih hi a dik em? a hmun chu sawi lo ila a lo humtu hming thlengin an sawi thei tlat*’ tih thu Facebook group khat ‘ZORAM POLITICS GROUP 1’-ah a post a. He thu hian mipui tam tak a tichiai a. A post screenshot (thlalak) pawh whatsapp group hrang hrangah a darh nghe nghe a ni.

He thu hi chhui nghal a ni a. A post-tu mi pakhat, kum 42 mi, Sairang Vengsanga mi chu thu zawh fiah niin midang titi a hriat atanga he thu hi facebook group pakhata post a nih thu a sawi a, thudik a nih leh nih loh pawh a chian bik loh thu a sawi bawk. Community Quarantine Facility emaw Home Quarantine tura lakte an hriat sual vang a nih a rin thu a sawi bawk.

State pawn atanga Mizorama lo hawte hi Govt. Quarantine Facility-ah lut hmasain phalna neite chu Community Quarantine Facility-ah emaw Home Quarantine turin an kal leh thin. Hetianga thudik lo leh mi rilru tichiai thei a post avang hian a post-tu lakah hian thubuai ziahluh a ni a. Chief Judicial Magistrate, Aizawl hnenah *cognizance* lak a nih hnuah Bawngkawn Police Station Case No. 147/2020 Dt. 19.5.2020 u/s 505(1)(b) IPC r/w 54 DM Act register niin thudik lo post-tu hi man a, judicial custody-a thawn tura hmalak mek a ni.

A dik lo zawnga mipui rilru hruai thei leh mipui tichiai a, thu dik tluantling lo leh thu belhchian dawl lo thehdarh hian nghawng tha lo tak a nei thei a, mipuite i fimkhur tlang theuh ang u.

-----  
ISSUED BY MIZORAM POLICE MEDIA CELL, PHQ  
-----

Copy to:

- 1) Director, I&PR for kind information and to take necessary action for wide publicity to Electronics and Print Media please.
- 2) Director / News Editor - LPS Vision/Zonet Vision/Doordarshan Kendra/All India Radio (AIR), Aizawl.
- 3) President, MJA for kind information and necessary action please.
- 4) SO to DGP(M) for kind information of DGP(M).

  
(JOHN NEIHLAIA) IPS  
Inspector General of Police (Hqrs)  
&  
Chief Public Relation Officer (CPRO)  
Mizoram Police Media Cell