

MIZORAM POLICE PRESS STATEMENT

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The issues and hardship faced by Mizo housemaids working aboard has been recently highlighted in several social media platforms. The allegation of inaction of the government in these social media platforms in respect of three Mizo girls who were illegally sent to Syria on 06.11.2022 by E&K Agency, Vaivakawn is without any fact and regretful.

The steps taken by Mizoram Police are as under:

- ❖ As previously highlighted in Mizoram Police Press Release issued on 01.05.2024, initiatives have already been taken for the rescue of three Mizo girls working as housemaids in Syria. In this regard, the government is in constant correspondence with the First Secretary, Head of Chancery, Indian Embassy, Syria through official emails and telephone in which latest status of the Mizo housemaids were shared.
- ❖ The Mizo housemaids working in Syria were contacted several times, their grievances and issues faced were enquired while informing them the initiatives taken by the government for their safe repatriation. The Indian Embassy in Syria had informed the Mizoram government that a meeting of the Indian Embassy and Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Syria was held on Dt.19.5.2024 and that a legal notice had been served to the employers of the Mizo housemaids.
- ❖ Initially, the Syrian Placement Agency demanded a payment of \$2,500 per housemaid for early repatriation of Mizo housemaids as per the terms of contract agreement however, due to the intervention from the Indian Embassy and Syrian local authorities; the placement agency has agreed to arrange replacement.
- ❖ It is also learnt through the Indian Embassy that the Placement Agency in Dubai are currently searching for replacement of housemaids in lias with Syrain placement agency and Exit Visa will be issued to them as soon as the legal formalities are finalised.
- ❖ Due to the volatile political situation in Syria, the progress of the rescue is being hampered. However, necessary procedures to repatriate the Mizo housemaids from Syria are at advanced stage.

The Hon'ble Chief Minister and Home Minister have taken this matter very seriously and these cases are closely monitored. Under their guidance, Miss Lalkhumtiri, who had faced issue in Dubai had also been brought home from Dubai on 09.05.2024. The state government will continue monitoring of the situation and maintain communication with all relevant parties and committed to safe repatriation of the three Mizo girls back to Mizoram at the earliest possible time.

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Tun hnai mai khan Social Media hrang hrangah, Mizo thalai ramdang a housemaid hna thawkten harsatna an tawh chungchang tarlan a ni a. Mizo hmeichhia housemaid pathum E&K Agency, Vaivakawn ten ni 6.11.2022 a Syria a a thawn thlak ten harsatna an tawh chungchang a Mizoram Sawrkar hmala tawh lo anga Social media a tarlan hi thu belhchian dawl lo a ni a.

Heng Mizo hmeichhe pathum harsatna tawh te chungchanga Mizoram Police in hma a lak tawhna chu a hnuaia mi ang hi a ni:

i) Ni 01.05.2024-a Mizoram Police Press Release a tarlan tawh angin, Syria rama Mizo Nula hnathawkten harsatna an tawh avanga chhanchhuah tur a nih thu tarlan a nih angin First Secretary, Head of Chancery, Indian Embassy, Damascus, Syria chu biak pawh nghal a ni a. Official e-mail leh telephone hmanga inbiak pawh reng niin chanchin update pawh inhriattir tawn zel a ni bawh.

ii) Tin, Syria-a Mizo housemaid-te nen pawh inbiak pawh tawn reng niin, harsatna an tawh dan te zawh fiah an ni a, Sawrkar anga hmalak mek a nih thu pawh hriattir an ni. Syria-a Indian Embassy chuan Ministry of Foreign Affairs (MoFA) Syria-te nen dt. 19.5.2024 khan meeting an neih thu leh Mizo housemaid chhawrtute pawh Legal Notice pek an nih tawh thu an rawn sawi a.

iii) A tirah Syrian Agency ten Mizo housemaid te rang taka an haw theih nan \$2,500 theuh chawi tura an tih lain, Indian Embassy leh Syrian Sorkar thuneitute hmalakna avangin Placement Agency te hian pawisa chawi ngai lovin Mizo housemaid te thawhna hmuna thawk turin an aiawh tur an zawn sak dawn a ni.

iv) Indian Embassy atanga thudawn danin Dubai-a Placement agency leh Syria-a Placement Agencies te pawhin Mizo housemaid-te thlaktu tur (replacement) an buaipui mek a, Syria ram dan anga thil tih tul ang te tih fel a nih hnua Exit Visa pek an nih tur thu an sawi bawh.

v) Syria ram hi rambuai tak a nih avangin official-a thil bawhzui a harsa hle a; Chutih rualin, Mizo housemaid-te an lo haw theih nan a tih tur tul ang ang te tih zawh thuak tawh a ni.

Mizoram khua leh tui, ram danga hnathawkte harsatna tawh chungchang hi Mizoram Chief Minister leh Home Minister-ten an ngai thu takin heng case te hi uluk taka vil reng a ni. Dubai a harsatna tawh NI. Lalkhumtiri pawh Chief Minister leh Home Minister te kaihhruaina in ni 09.05.2024 khan him takin Mizoram hruai haw a lo ni tawh a. Mizoram Sorkar chuan uluk takin he thil hi a chhui zui in a ngaihven zui zel dawn a. Heng Mizo hmeichhia harsatna tawh te hi a rang thei ang bera Mizoram a hruai haw an nih theih nan hma a la zel dawn a ni.

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