

PRESS NOTE
Imphal, the 24th August, 2026

- I. The overall law-and-order situation in the state during the last 24 hours was normal.
- II. Security forces continue to conduct search operations and area domination in the fringe and vulnerable areas across districts resulting in recovery of arms and ammunition:
 1. On 24.08.2026, based on reliable intelligence corroborated by 4 Mahar (Borders), a joint team of CDO/Imphal East and 28 AR conducted a search operation at the foothills of Sinam Kom Village under Sagolmang-PS, Imphal East.

The following were recovered:

 - i) One 7.62 SLR rifle with magazine
 - ii) One 5.56 INSAS rifle with 2 magazines
 - iii) One 9 mm pistol with magazine
 - iv) One Pompi gun, one country-made lethal gun and 2 single-barrel guns
 - v) Three No. 36 hand grenades and one MG2 mortar shell
 - vi) Forty-five rounds of assorted live ammunition
 - vii) Four BP plates, Eight BP jackets and Two helmets.
 2. On 24.08.2026, during a cordon and search operation at J. Songtun Village, Kangpokpi by a combined team of Manipur Police, CRPF, RAF and CoBRA, the following were recovered/seized:
 - i) 02 Nos of country-made 12-bore guns
 - ii) 14 Nos of 12-bore guns bearing various manufacturers/serial/licence markings
 - iii) 1,225 rounds of 12-bore ammunition
 - iv) 06 VHF/wireless sets + 03 chargers
 - v) 01 Golden Antler telescope
 - vi) 18 Nos. BP vests + 01 pouch.

During the withdrawal of SFs, villagers, mainly women, blocked the road with stones and demanded return of the unverified firearms and ammunition. However, the same was dispersed and situation brought under control by the security forces.
- III. Intelligence based combing, cordon and search operations are being carried out extensively to nab those involved in extortion and criminal activities in the state:
 1. On 23.08.2026, security forces arrested an extortionist active cadre of KCP (PWG), one Buyamayum Ayub khan (30) of Hiyangthang Tarahei Konjil from Lilong Tairen Makhong area under Lilong-PS, Thoubal district.
 2. On 22.08.2026, security forces arrested an active cadre of PREPAK (PRO), one Oinam Sanathoi Meitel (26) of Bishnupur Ward No. 3, Maning Leikai, Bishnupur district from Wangjing area along NH-102 under Thoubal-PS, Thoubal district.
 3. On 22.08.2026, based on a credible intelligence, joint team of Thoubal CDO and 11 AR launched a search ops in general area Lilong Ushoipoki during which a s/s Captain, Thiyam Boycha Singh alias Balin (28) a/p Bishnupur Ward No. 8 was arrested. Through further questioning it was revealed that he was part of the team that ambushed the CO of 46 AR and 6 others in Behiang, Churachandpur on 13/11/2021. He is A-3 in the case investigated by NIA and is a declared absconder.

4. On 22.08.2026, a combined team of CDO Kakching and 46 AR arrested an active cadre of PREPAK, one Laishram Ganga Singh alias Tomchou (44) S/o (L) L. Amuchou Singh of Sekmaiin Mamang Leikai, Heibongkhong, a/p Kakching Mayai Leikai, Irum Lai Pareng from his current locality.

Another PREPAK cadre, one Nongmaithem Romesh Singh, (43) S/o N. Modhuchandra Singh of Kakching Mayai Leikai, Kakching District was also arrested from his residence along with a Revolver Pistol, and six live rounds of .38 ammunition.

5. On 24.08.2026, CDO-Kakching conducted a search operation at Kiyamgei Awang Leikai under Irilbung-PS, Imphal East District and arrested an active cadre of RPF/PLA, one Nameirakpam Sanju Meitei alias Nganba (35) S/o. (L) N. Warjit Meitei, from his residence at Kiyamgei Awang Leikai.

From his possession, the following arms and ammunition were recovered:

- i) 01 (one) AK Rifle,
- ii) 01 (one) SMG Carbine,
- iii) 09 (nine) magazines of different arms,
- iv) 737 (seven hundred thirty seven) ammunition rounds of different calibers,
- v) 03 (three) BP plates,
- vi) 03 (three) BP jackets.

6. On 23.08.2026, while conducting frisking and checking, teams of CDO-IW arrested one person from Moidangpok Maning Leikai who later identified himself as Oinam Gipson Singh (26) alias Gypsy alias Cheichatpa s/o- O. Binod Singh of Kwakeithel Laishram Leikai, Imphal West District.

A .32 pistol along with magazine loaded with 4 rounds of .32 ammunition was recovered from him.

- IV. Movement of **150** vehicles carrying essential items along NH-37 has been ensured. Strict security measures are taken up in all vulnerable locations and security convoy is provided in sensitive stretches to ensure free and safe movement of the vehicles.
- V. A total of **112** Nakas/Check points were installed in different districts of Manipur, both in the hills and the valley.
- VI. Appeal is made to public not to believe in rumour and be vigilant of false videos. The veracity of any circulation of unfounded videos, audio clips etc. may be confirmed from the number- **9233522822** of Central Control Room. Moreover, there are possibilities of many fake posts being circulated on social media. It is hereby cautioned that uploading and circulation of such fake posts on social media will attract legal action with consequences. Further, appeal is made to public to return the looted arms, ammunition and explosives to the police or nearest security forces immediately.


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