NOTIFICATION Imphal, the 31st January, 2014

No.1/9(10)/99-H(Pt): The Ministry of Home Affairs (Foreigners Division). New Delhi, Government of India vide its Circular No.431 dated 31* December, 2013 has excluded the entire area of the State of Manipur from the Protected Area Regime notified under the Foreigners (Protected Areas) Orders 1958 for a further period of 2(two) years beyond 31.12.2013, that is, w.e.f.1st January, 2014 to 31st December, 2015, subject to the following conditions:

- i) Citizens of **Afghanistan, China and Pakistan** and foreign nationals having their origin in these countries would continue to require *prior approval* of the Ministry of Home Affairs before their visit to the State of Manipur. It may be ensured that they are not allowed to visit the State of Manipur without the requisite Protected Area Permit (PAP). If any such national is found visiting the State without Protected Area Permit (PAP), action may be taken under the relevant provisions of the Foreigners Act.
- ii) All Foreigners visiting Manipur will register themselves with the Superintendent of Police (CID/SB). Manipur who has been designated as Foreigners Registration Officer (FRO) of the State within 24 hours of their arrival. The State Government of Manipur will ensure strict implementation of these provisions.
- iii) FRO/Police Authorities should keep a close watch on the activities of the Foreigners visiting the State. If anything adverse is found, appropriate action may be taken under the relevant Acts including the Foreigners Act.
- 3. Further, Myanmar nationals visiting the State of Manipur may also be excluded from the requirement of obtaining a Protected Area Permit (PAP) initially for a period of 1(one) year w.e.f.01.01.2014 subject to the following conditions:
 - i) All such Myanmar nationals shall obtain a visa from the Indian Missions/Posts abroad or on arrival at any one of the designated Airports in India at which **Visa on Arrival (VoA)** facility has been made available to the Nationals of Myanmar under the existing procedure.
 - ii) All such Myanmar nationals shall have to compulsorily register themselves with the Superintendent of Police, CID(SB), Manipur/Foreigners Registration Officer (FRO) of the State/District they visit within 24 hours of their arrival.
 - iii) FRO concerned shall send a report giving details of all such Myanmar nationals registered with them to the Ministry of Home Affairs (Foreigners Division) within 48 hours of their arrival. Details of name, passport No., visa No., date of arrival and proposed places of visit in the State would be furnished in this report. This report may be addressed to Joint Secretary (Foreigners), Ministry of Home Affairs, NDCC-II Building, Jai Singh Road, New Delhi-110001 and sent by Fax to 011-23438046 or by email to isfanic in or dirf2-mhaanic in. Immediately on receipt of such a report, the same would be shared by the Foreigners Division with IB and Cabinet Secretariat
 - iv) No such registration would be required if the Myanmar nationals are only passing through the State by road with no intention of staying in that particular State.
 - v) FRO/Police authorities should keep a close watch on the activities of the Myanmar nationals visiting the State. If anything adverse is found, appropriate action may be taken under the relevant Acts including the Foreigners Act.
- 4. These instructions, are, therefore, brought to the notice of all concerned for information, necessary action and strict compliance.

Sd/-(Dr. J. Suresh Babu) Principal Secretary (Home), Government of Manipur

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Copy to:-

- 1. Secretary to H.E., the Governor of Manipur, Raj Bhavan, Imphal.
- 2. Secretary to Hon'ble Chief Minister, Manipur.
- 3. Staff Officer to the Chief Secretary, Government of Manipur.
- 4. Director General of Police, Manipur.
- 5. PS to Principal Secretary (Home), Government of Manipur.
- 6. Additional Director General of Police (Intelligence), Manipur.
- 7. Director (Foreigners), Ministry of Home Affairs, New Delhi.
- 8. Resident Commissioner/DRCs, Manipur Bhavans-New Dełhi/Kolkata/Guwahati.
- M. Joint Secretary (Inf. Tech), Government of Manipur with a request to upload this notification on home-page of Government of Manipur website.
 - 10.Director, IPR, Imphal. He is requested to cause wide publicity vide local dailies, electronic media.
 - 11. Superintendent of Police (CID/SB), Manipur/Foreigners Registration Officer (FRO) for instruction for strict compliance.
 - 12. Director (Printing & Stationery), Manipur with a request to publish in extra-Ordinary Gazette of Manipur and send 10 (ten) copies to Home Department.
 - 13. Sub-Divisional Police Officer Moreh/Immigration Officer for information and strict compliance.

14. Guard file.

(H. Rupachandra Singh) Joint Secretary (Home), Government of Manipur