UNLAWFUL ACTIVITIES (PREVENTION) TRIBUNAL, MANIPUR

IN THE MATTER OF: THE SEVEN VALLEY BASED INSURGENT GROUPS

08.01.2024

Present:

HON'BLE MR. JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR MEDHI

(Presiding Officer)

Shri Subhash Chandra Keyal, Special Counsel, Union of India, Shri Pran Bora, Sr. Advocate, Ld. Counsel for the State of Manipur, Shri Manash Haloi, Ld. Counsel for the State of Manipur, Shri Surya Prakash Chittawat, Ld. Counsel for the State of Manipur.

ORDER

A notification dated 13th November, 2023, was issued by the Government of midia in the Gazette of India Extraordinary, stating the reasons and grounds for declaring the Peoples' Liberation Army generally known as PLA, and its political wing, the Revolutionary Peoples' Front (RPF), the United National Liberation Front (UNLF) and its armed wing, the Manipur Peoples' Army (MPA), the Peoples' Revolutionary Party of Kangleipak (PREPAK) and its armed wing, the "Red Army", the Kangleipak Communist Party (KCP) and its armed wing, also called the "Red Army", the Kanglei Yaol Kanba Lup (KYKL), the Coordination Committee (CorCom) and the Alliance for Socialist Unity Kangleipak (ASUK) (hereinafter collectively referred to as the Valley based Insurgent Groups) as unlawful associations within the meaning of Section 3(1) of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 (hereinafter referred to as "the Act"). Thereafter, another Gazette Notification, dated 28th November, 2023, was issued in the Gazette of India Extraordinary, constituting this Tribunal for adjudicating whether or not there is sufficient cause for declaring the aforesaid organizations (also called Valley based Insurgent Groups) as unlawful associations under the Act.

A reference has been received by this Tribunal in terms of Section 4(1) of the Act.

On consideration of the material placed on record by the Central Government and after hearing Mr. S.C. Keyal, Ld. Special Counsel, Union of India, Shri Pran Bora, Sr. Advocate, assisted by Shri Manash Haloi and Shri Surya Prakash Chittawat, Ld. Counsel for the State of Manipur, I am, *prima facie*, satisfied that notice under Section

4(2) of the Act should be issued to the aforesaid organizations along with all their factions, wings and front organizations as well as that of their principal office bearers to show cause within 30 (thirty) days from the date of service of the notice as to why they be not declared unlawful.

Ordered accordingly.

The notice shall be served upon the aforementioned Seven Valley based Insurgent Groups in the following manner:

- (i) By Speed Post/Registered A/D at the last known addresses of the Seven Valley based Insurgent Groups along with all their factions, wings and front organizations as well as that of their principal office bearers.
 - Service of notice to be also effected on the Office Bearers of the Seven Valley based Insurgent Groups in Manipur at their addresses, if any or if under detention, through the Superintendent (Jail) concerned.

 By publication along with a copy of the Gazette Notification dated 13th November, 2023, in two daily newspapers, one in a National Newspaper (in English) and the other one in a prominent local vernacular language newspaper, having wide circulation in the areas where the activities of the Seven Valley based Insurgent Groups are ordinarily carried on, within 14 days from today.
- (iv) By affixation of the notice along with a copy of the Gazette notification dated 13th November, 2023, at the last known addresses of the Seven Valley based Insurgent Groups along with all their factions, wings and front organizations as well as their principal office bearers.
- (v) By a proclamation by beating of drums as well as loudspeakers about the contents of the notice and the Notification dated 13th November, 2023, in the areas in which the activities of the Seven Valley based Insurgent Groups were or are ordinarily carried on.
- (vi) By displaying the notice along with a copy of the Gazette notification dated 13th November, 2023, on the notice board of the Deputy Commissioner, SDM and Superintendent of Police in all the district headquarters of the state(s) where the activities of the Seven Valley based Insurgent Groups were or are believed to be ordinarily carried on.
- (vii) Notice be also served on the State Government of Manipur through its Chief Secretary.
- (viii) The Notice and the Gazette notification dated 13th November, 2023, also be announced in the All India Radio/electronic media at the prime time



and shall also be pasted at the prominent places in the State where the activities of the Seven Valley based Insurgent Groups were or are believed to be carried on.

- (ix) By affixing copies of the notice at some conspicuous parts of the offices, if any, of the Seven Valley based Insurgent Groups.
- (x) By publishing on the website of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Union of India and of the Department of Home and Political, Government of Manipur.
- (xi) By any other possible modes, including e-mail etc.

The Central Government as well as the State Government of Manipur shall make necessary and adequate arrangements for the service of notice.

The report of service of the notice shall be submitted to the Registrar of the Tribunal in the Office Chamber of the Deputy Registrar (Recruitment II), Gauhati High Court (Old Block), on 19.02.2024, duly supported by affidavits of the concerned officer(s)/official(s), who have effected the service along with the supporting documents.

The Registrar of the Tribunal shall do the needful.

Meanwhile, the Central Government and the State Government will submit their respective affidavits and documents in support of the grounds on which the aforesaid Associations have been declared as unlawful.

The next sitting of the Tribunal shall take place in Court No.10, Gauhati High Court (New Block), Guwahati on 19.02.2024 at 2 PM.

Copy of this order be given DASTI to Sri S.C. Keyal, Ld. Special Counsel, Government of India and Shri Manash Haloi/Shri Surya Prakash Chittawat, learned counsel assisting Shri Pran Bora, Sr. Advocate, for the State of Manipur for initiating necessary steps immediately, as per this order.

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JUSTICE SANJAY KUMAR MEDHI UNLAWFUL ACTIVITIES (PREVENTION) TRIBUNAL IN THE MATTER OF THE MEITEI EXTREMIST ORGANISATIONS

Dated, 08th of January, 2024.

PRESIDING OFFICER

UNLAWFUL ACTIVITIES (PREVENTION) TRIBUNAL
IN THE MATTER OF THE
MEITEL EXTREMIST ORGANISATIONS
OF MANIPUR 13.11.2023.

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OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR, UNLAWFUL ACTIVITIES (PREVENTION) TRIBUNAL, CHAMBER OF DEPUTY REGISTRAR (RECRUITMENT-II), GAUHATI HIGH COURT, (OLD BUILDING), GUWAHATI, ASSAM- 781001

Re: Notification No. S.O. 4899 (E) dated 13/11/2023, issued by the Central Government under Sub-section (1) of Section 3 of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, declaring the Meitei Extremist Organizations also called Valley based Insurgent Groups as unlawful associations from the date of the notification.

TO,

THE VALLEY BASED INSURGENT GROUPS

WHEREAS, the Central Government in exercise of the powers conferred by Subsection (1) of Section 3 of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 (37 of 1967) (hereinafter referred to as "The Act") has declared the Peoples' Liberation Army generally known as PLA, and its political wing, the Revolutionary Peoples' Front (RPF), the United National Liberation Front (UNLF) and its armed wing, the Manipur Peoples' Army (MPA), the Peoples' Revolutionary Party of Kangleipak (PREPAK) and its armed wing, the "Red Army", the Kangleipak Communist Party (KCP) and its armed wing, also called the "Red Army", the Kanglei Yaol Kanba Lup (KYKL), the Coordination Committee (CorCom) and the Alliance for Socialist Unity Kangleipak (ASUK), (hereinafter collectively referred to as the Valley based Insurgent Groups) as unlawful associations with immediate effect vide Notification No. S.O. 4899 (E), (published in the Gazette of India, Extraordinary, Part-II, Section 3, Sub-section (ii) dated 13/11/2023).

AND WHEREAS, vide *Gazette Notification No. S.O. 5052(E) dated 28th November, 2023,* in exercise of powers under sub section (1) of Section 5 of the Act, the Central Government has constituted the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Tribunal comprising of Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sanjay Kumar Medhi, Judge, Gauhati High Court, for the purpose of adjudicating whether or not there is sufficient cause for declaring the said the *Valley based Insurgent Groups* as Unlawful Associations as required by Sub-section (1) of Section 4 of the Act.

Therefore, a Notice is hereby given under Sub-section (2) of Section 4 of the Act read with Rule 6 of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Rules, 1968 and you are

hereby called upon to show cause in writing within 30 days from the date of service of this Notice as to why the aforesaid the *Valley based Insurgent Groups* should not be declared as unlawful associations and why an order should not be made confirming the declaration to the above effect made in the Notification mentioned hereinabove.

The objections/reply/written statement, if any, may be filed/delivered within the statutory period of 30 days from the date of service of the notice, before the Registrar of this Tribunal, i.e. the undersigned at the Chamber of the Deputy Registrar (Recruitment-II), Gauhati High Court, (Old Block), Guwahati, Assam-781001. In case, objections/reply/written statements are in regional or vernacular language, true English Translation thereof should be also attached.

You are required to appear before the Tribunal or may cause an appearance on your behalf before the Tribunal in the Court Room No. 10, Gauhati High Court, (New Block), Guwahati, Assam-781001, either through a duly authorized representative or an instructed Counsel/Advocate, where after irrespective of your appearance, the Tribunal shall proceed as per Sub-Section (3) of Section 4 of the Act.

The next hearing of the Tribunal is fixed on 19/02/2024 at 2 PM in the Court Room No. 10, Gauhati High Court, (New Block), Guwahati, Assam-781001

Given under my hand and the seal of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention)

Tribunal, this the 08th day of January, 2024.

(Shri S. Dutta)

Registrar,
Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Tribunal.

REGISTRAR

UNLAWFUL ACTIVITIES (PREVENTION) TRIBUNAL
IN THE MATTER OF THE
MEITEL EXTREMIST ORGANISATIONS
OF MANIPUR 13.11.2023.



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GOVERNMENT OF MANIPUR SECRETARIAT : HOME DEPARTMENT

NOTIFICATION

Imphal, the 5th December, 2023

H-20/20/2023-HD-HD: The Notification No. S.O. 4899(E) dated 13-11-2023 issued by the Government of India, Ministry of Home Affairs published in Gazette of India Extraordinary No.4690 dated 13-11-2023 under sub-section (1) of Section 3 of the Unlawful Activities(Prevention)Act, 1967 is hereby re-published in the Manipur Extra-Ordinary gazette for information of the General public.

2. Gazette of India Extraordinary No. 4690 dated 13-11-2023 published under subsection (1) of section 3 of the Unlawful Activities(Prevention)Act, 1967 is appended as Annexure-A to this notification.

T. RANJIT SINGH, Commissioner (Home), Government of Manipur.

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MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS NOTIFICATION

New Delhi, the 13th November, 2023

S.O. 4899(E).—Whereas, the Peoples' Liberation Army generally known as PLA, and its political wing, the Revolutionary Peoples' Front (RPF), the United National Liberation Front (UNLF) and its armed wing, the Manipur Peoples' Army (MPA), the Peoples' Revolutionary Party of Kangleipak (PREPAK) and its armed wing, the "Red Army", the Kangleipak Communist Party (KCP) and its armed wing, also called the "Red Army", the Kanglei Yaol Kanba Lup (KYKL), the Coordination Committee (CorCom) and the Alliance for Socialist Unity Kangleipak (ASUK), (hereinafter collectively referred to as the Meitei Extremist Organisations) have, as their professed aim, establishment of an independent nation by secession of Manipur from India through armed struggle and to incite indigenous people of Manipur for such secession;

And, whereas, the Central Government is of the opinion that the Meitei Extremist Organisations have been,-

- (i) engaging in activities prejudicial to the sovereignty and integrity of India;
- (ii) employing and engaging in armed means to achieve their aforesaid objectives;
- (iii) attacking and killing the Security Forces, the Police and Civilians in Manipur;
- (iv) indulging in acts of intimidation, extortion and looting of civilian population for collection of funds for their Organisations;
- (v) making contacts with sources abroad for influencing public opinion and for securing their assistance by way of arms and training for the purpose of achieving their secessionist objective; and
- (vi) maintaining camps in neighbouring countries for the purpose of sanctuaries, training and clandestine procurement of arms and ammunition;

And, whereas, the Central Government is of the opinion that the activities of the Meitei Extremist Organisations are considered detrimental to the sovereignty and integrity of India and that they are unlawful associations;

And, whereas, the Central Government is of the opinion that if there is no immediate curb and control of the Meitei Extremist Organisations they will take the opportunity to,-

- (i) mobilize their cadres for escalating their secessionist, subversive, terrorist and violent activities;
- (ii) propagate anti-national activities in collusion with forces inimical to sovereignty and integrity of India;
- (iii) indulge in killings of civilians and targeting of the police and security force personnel;
- (iv) procure and induct illegal arms and ammunitions from across the international border; and
- (v) extort and collect huge funds from public for their unlawful activities.

Now, therefore, in exercise of the powers conferred by sub-section (1) of section 3 of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 (37 of 1967), the Central Government hereby declares the Meitei Extremist Organisations, namely, the Peoples' Liberation Army (PLA) and its political wing, the Revolutionary Peoples' Front (RPF), the United National Liberation Front (UNLF) and its armed wing, the Manipur Peoples' Army (MPA), the Peoples' Revolutionary Party of Kangleipak (PREPAK) and its armed wing, the "Red Army", the Kangleipak Communist Party (KCP) and its armed wing, also called the "Red Army", the Kanglei Yaol Kanba Lup (KYKL), the Coordination Committee (CorCom) and the Alliance for Socialist Unity Kangleipak (ASUK) along with all their factions, wings and front organisations, as unlawful associations.

The Central Government, having regard to the circumstances, is further of opinion that it is necessary to declare the Meitei Extremist Organisations viz., the Peoples' Liberation army (PLA) and its political wing, the Revolutionary Peoples' Front (RPF), the United National Liberation Front (UNLF) and its armed wing the Manipur Peoples' Army (MPA), the Peoples' Revolutionary Party of Kangleipak (PREPAK) and its armed wing, the "Red Army", the Kangleipak Communist Party (KCP) and its armed wing, also called the "Red Army", the Kanglei Yaol Kanba Lup (KYKL), the Coordination Committee (CorCom) and the Alliance for Socialist Unity Kangleipak (ASUK) along with all their factions, wings and front organisations as 'unlawful associations' and accordingly, in exercise of the powers conferred by the proviso to sub-section (3) of section 3 of the said Act, the Central Government hereby directs that this notification shall, subject to any order that may be made under section 4 of the said Act, have effect from the 13th day of November, 2023, for a period of five years.

[F. No. 11011/3/2023-NE-V] PIYUSH GOYAL, Addl. Secy.