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3 Insurgents Arrested by NIA in Attack on Manipur Security Forces Case

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The National Investigation Agency (NIA) has arrested three insurgents in a case related to a deadly attack on security forces that had killed two police commandos and injured several others in Manipur last year.

The three men, along with their associates, had planned, conspired and executed the attack on an Indian Reserve Battalion (IRB) post and security forces in Moreh, Tengenoupal district, on 17th January 2024.

Among the arrested accused is Thangminlen Mate, a resident of Tengenoupal district and member of the Kuki Inpi Tengenoupal (KIT) insurgent group. He had played a key role in orchestrating and carrying out the attack. He was apprehended on 19th May 2025 in Silchar, Assam, and produced before the NIA Court in Guwahati, which remanded him to custody until 28th May. He is currently lodged in Central Jail, Guwahati, under judicial custody.

The other accused, Kamginthang Gangte, a member of the Kuki National Army (KNA), and Hentinthang Kipgen @ Thangneo Kipgen, associated with the Village Volunteers group in Churachandpur district, were arrested from Imphal on 6th June. They were presented before the Duty Magistrate, who granted a transit remand until 9th June 2025 for their transfer to the NIA Special Court in Guwahati. The duo was part of the team that had executed the deadly attack.

NIA is continuing with its investigations and search for the other perpetrators of the attack in the case RC-05/2024/NIA/IMP.