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NIA FILES CHARGES AGAINST 3 PLA TERRORIST CADRES IN AMBUSH OF ASSAM RIFLES CASE OF MANIPUR.

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The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Wednesday filed charges against three cadres of the proscribed People's Liberation Army (PLA) terrorist organisation in the Assam Rifles Truck ambush case, in which two personnel of the paramilitary force were killed in Manipur last year.

The chargesheet filed before the NIA Special Court at Imphal (Manipur) has named all three men under various sections of BNS, Arms Act, Prevention of Damage to Public Property Act, Explosive Substances Act and UA (P) Act.

The trio, identified as Thongram Sadananda Singh @ Ngachik @ Purakpa, Khundongbam Oji Meitei @ Keilal and Irengbam Jugindra Meitei @ Jugin Meitei, all residents of Manipur, were earlier arrested by law enforcement agencies.

The attack on the 33 Assam Rifles Truck took place at Nambol Sabal Leikai in Bishnupur area of Manipur in September 2025. It was perpetrated by PLA in furtherance of their conspiracy to create terror in the minds of the people and wage war against the Government of India with the intent of destabilising the country.

NIA investigations have revealed that on the day of the attack, PLA cadres, armed with prohibited firearms and explosive substances, had gathered at the Nambol Sabal Leikai crossing and ambushed the truck. The truck was damaged in the ambush, which led to the death of two Assam Rifles personnel and grievous injuries to five others.

NIA, which had taken over the probe from the local police in November 2025, is continuing with its investigation in the case RC-03/2025/NIA/IMP.