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Three get life, 12 awarded 08-12 years of imprisonment in the NIA case for siphoning off Govt. funds for terrorist activities

Today, the NIA Special Court, Guwahati, announced quantum of punishment for fifteen convicted accused in two NIA cases, viz, RC-01 & 02/2009/NIA/DLI [Dima Halem Daogah (Jewel) cases]. The DHD (J) Commander-in-Chief, Niranjan Hojai, Chairman, Jewel Garlosa, and the then Chief Executive Member of the North Cachar Hills Autonomous Council (NCHAC), Mohet Hojai, have been sentenced to life imprisonment with fine of Rs. 25,000/- each. Accused government servants were also awarded stiff sentences. R H Khan has been sentenced to 12 years of imprisonment with fine of Rs. 25,000/-, Karuna Saikia (then Chief Engineer) and Jibangsu Paul get 08-year imprisonment with a fine of Rs. 25,000/- each. Two contractors have also been convicted. Phojendra Hojai got 12-year imprisonment with fine and Jayanta Ghosh 10-year imprisonment with fine. Hawala operator, Malsawmkimi was sentenced to 8 years of imprisonment with fine, and the arms smuggler, Vanlalchana get 10-year imprisonment with fine. The remaining accused persons have also been sentenced to 08-12 years of imprisonment with fine.

2. The two cases were registered in the year 2009 u/s 120B, 121, 121A of IPC and section 25 (1B) (A) of the Arms Act, on allegation of huge amounts of money being siphoned off from the development funds allotted to the NC Hills Council, in connivance with contractors and government servants and the money being sent to the DHD (J), a terrorist outfit, for procurement of arms and ammunition and for terrorist activities.
