



National Investigation Agency
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NIA conducts search at MLA's residence in Manipur Arms missing case

NIA has been investigating case No. RC-02/2018/NIA/GUW which pertains to missing of 56 pistols and 58 magazines from the DG pool kote located within the premises of 2nd Manipur Rifles Battalion. The said weapons went missing between September, 2016 and early 2017.

2. During the course of investigation nine persons have been arrested and three 9mm pistol out of 56 missing pistols have been recovered from the members of various militant groups of Manipur. The custodial interrogation of the accused revealed the involvement of Sh. Yamthong Haokip, MLA from Saikul assembly constituency.
3. Accordingly, on 30.07.2018, a search was conducted at the private house of Sh. Yamthong Haokip, MLA located at Mantripukhi, Imphal East. The search ended on 31.07.2018 morning.
4. During the search, following articles, besides other incriminating documents have been seized:
 - i) Cash Rs. 26.40 lakhs (Indian Currency).
 - ii) Gold ornaments worth Rs. 20 lakhs.
 - iii) One 9mm pistol bearing no. 18506735 with magazine. The Pistol is one of the missing pistols stolen from DG pool kote within the premises of 2nd Manipur Rifles.
 - iv) One Beretta Pistol bearing no. DAA 462616, 3032 TOMCAT-32 Auto Made in the USA with magazine. The licence no.4760/IW, expired on 30.06.2015.
 - v) One unlicensed 9mm Pietro Beretta Gardone V.T Pistol bearing MOD.9QFS-CAL .9 PARA BELLUM-PATENTED & K57398Z, Made in Italy, with magazine.
 - vi) One DBBL gun bearing no. 65330/05 having Licence no. L/981(KPI) renewed upto 31st December, 2014.
 - vii) One SBBL gun without any mark of identification (with licence issued by ADC Kangpokpi, Senapati Distt. vide letter no.1786/May.97/ Military. The gun no. as mentioned was issued against the Licence is 27734.
 - viii) 22 rounds of live ammunition of 0.32 pistol, 15 rounds of live ammunition of 9mm pistol, 04 rounds of live ammunition of 7.62 Rifle and 04 rounds of live ammunition of 7.62X39 (AK series).
5. The investigation of the case is in progress.
