

APPENDIX - I

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING BETWEEN THE GOVERNMENT OF MIZORAM AND BRU NATIONAL LIBERATION FRONT (BNLF) -

The main points of agreement between the Government of Mizoram and BNLF are –

1. The BNLF agrees to lay down their arms and ammunitions and come overground to lead normal life as law abiding citizen. The Government of Mizoram on its part agrees to take back genuine Reangs from Tripura refugee camps.
2. With the signing of agreement and immediately after laying down of their arms and ammunitions, the BNLF shall stand automatically dissolved and shall cease to exist.
3. The BNLF will make a complete inventory of their arms and ammunitions and other equipments will be held at Tuipuibari in Mizoram.
4. After signing this agreement, the BNLF will neither recruit new members nor assist any other insurgent or underground outfit in the form of weapons, money or other assistance directly or indirectly.

5. Rehabilitation and resettlement of the BNLF returnees and their family members will be carried out as per scheme prepared separately. The BNLF returnees will be accommodated at Tuipuibari rehabilitation camps for a period not exceeding three months.
6. The Government of Mizoram will grant amnesty to all those BNLF cadres having criminal cases inside the state. It shall also request other neighbouring state governments to do likewise in respect of those BNLF cadres who have been convicted and kept in jails outside Mizoram.
7. The Government of Mizoram will take steps for changing Reang to Bru in the Scheduled Tribe List.
8. After BNLF lay down their arms and join the mainstream, the state Government will take all necessary steps to accelerate the pace of development in western belt of Mizoram covering all Bru settlements. The Special Development Project will be implemented depending upon the quantum of financial assistance received from the Central Government. The Government of Mizoram shall continue to work for the

socio – economic upliftment of the Bru people living in different districts of Mizoram.

9. The scheme of reception, rehabilitation and resettlement of repatriated Reang refugees will be implemented after the BNLF lay down their arms.
10. The Government of Mizoram agrees to take necessary measures for inclusion of eligible Bru voters in the Electoral Roll with due process of law after they are resettled inside Mizoram.

The Government of Mizoram and the Bru National Liberation Front have accepted the above points on this day of 26th April, 2005.

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