ANNEXURE 1

The Sixteen Point Agreement Arrived at Between the Naga People's Convention and The Government of India in July, 1960

1. The Name

The territories that were heretofore known as the Naga Hills-Tuensang Area under the Naga Hills-Tuensang Area Act 1957, shall form a State within the Indian Union and be hereafter known as Nagaland.

2. The Ministry Incharge

Nagaland shall be under the Ministry of External Affairs of the Government of India.

3. The Governor of Nagaland

- (1) The President of India shall appoint a Governor for Nagaland and he will be vested with the executive powers of the Govt. of Nagaland. He will have his headquarters in Nagaland.
- (2) His administrative secretariat will be headed by a Chief Secretary stationed at the headquarters with other Secretariat Staff as necessary.
- (3) The Governor shall have special responsibility with regard to law and order during the transitional period and for so long as the law and order situation continues to remain disturbed on account of hostile activities. In exercising this special responsibility, the Governor shall, after consultation with the Ministry, act in his individual judgement. This special responsibility of the Governor will cease when normalcy returns.

4. Council of Ministers

- (1) There shall be a Council of Ministers with a Chief Minister at the head to assist and advise the Governor in the exercise of his functions.
- (2) The Council of Ministers shall be responsible to the Naga Legislative

Assembly.

5. The Legislature

There shall be constituted a Legislative Assembly consisting of elected and nominated members as may be deemed necessary representing different Tribes. (Further a duly constituted body of Experts may be formed to examine and determine the principles of representation on democratic basis).

6. Representation in Parliament

Two elected members shall represent Nagaland in the Union Parliament, that is to say one for the Lok Sabha and the other for the Rajya Sabha.

7. Acts of Parliament

No Act or Law Passed by the Union Parliament affecting the following provisions shall have legal force in the Nagaland unless specifically applied to it by a majority vote of the Nagaland Legislative Assembly:

- (1) The Religious or Social Practices of the Nagas.
- (2) Naga Customary Laws and Procedure.
- (3) Civil and Criminal Justice, so far as these concern decisions according to Naga Customary Law. The existing laws relating to administration of civil and criminal justice as provided in the Rules for the Administration of Justice and Police in the Naga Hills District shall continue to be in force.
- (4) The ownership and transfer of land and its resources.

8. Local Self-Government

Each tribe shall have the following units of rule-making and administrative local bodies to deal with matters concerning the respective tribes and areas:

(1) The Village Council;

- (2) The Range Council; and
- (3) The Tribal Council.

These Councils will also deal with disputes and cases involving breaches of customary laws and usages.

9. Administration of Justice

- (a) The existing system of administration of Civil and Criminal justice shall continue.
- (b) Appellate Courts:
 - (1) The District Court-cum-Sessions Court (for each district), High Court and Supreme Court of India.
 - (2) The Naga Tribunal (for the whole of the Nagaland) in respect of cases decided according to Customary Law.

10. Administration of Tuensang District

- (1) The Governor shall carry on the administration of the Tuensang District for a period of 10 (ten) years until such time when the tribes in the Tuensang District area capable of shouldering more responsibility of the advanced system of administration. The commencement of the ten-year period of administration will start simultaneously with the enforcement of detailed workings of the constitution in other parts of the Nagaland.
- Oistrict by elected representatives from all the tribes in Tuensang District, and the Governor may nominate representatives to the Regional Council as well. The Deputy Commissioner will be the Ex-officio Chairman of the Council. The Regional Council will elect, members to the Naga Legislative Assembly to represent Tuensang District.
- (3) Provided further that on the advice of the Regional Council, steps will be taken to start various Councils and Courts, in those areas where the people feel themselves capable of establishing such institutions.

- Assembly shall be applicable to Tuensang District unless specifically recommended by the Regional Council.
- (5) Provided further that the Regional Council shall supervise and guide the working of the various Councils and Tribal Courts within Tuesang District and wherever necessary depute the local officers to act as Chairman thereof.
- (6) Provided further that Councils of such areas inhabited by a mixed population or which have not as yet decided to which specific Tribal Council to be affiliated to shall be directly under the Regional Council for the time being. And at the end of ten years the situation will be reviewed and if the people so desire the period will be further extended.

11. Financial Assistance from the Government of India

To supplement the revenues of Nagaland, there will be need for the Government of India to pay out of the Consolidated Fund of India:

- (1) A lump sum each year for the development programme in the Nagaland; and
- (2) A grant-in-aid towards meeting the cost of administration.

Proposals for the above grants shall be prepared and submitted by the Government of Nagaland to the Government of India for their approval. The Governor will have general responsibility for enduring that the funds made available by the Government of India area expended for purposes for which they have been approved.

12. Consolidation of Forest Areas

The delegation wished the following to be placed on record:

The Naga delegation discussed the question of the inclusion of the Reserve Forests and of continuous areas inhabited by the Nagas. They were referred to the provisions in Articles 3 and 4 of the Constitution, prescribing the procedure for the transfer of areas from one State to another.

13. Consolidation of Continguous Naga Areas

The delegation wished the following to be placed on record:

The Naga leaders expressed the wish for the continguous areas to join the new State. It was pointed out to them on behalf of the Government of India that Articles 3 and 4 of the Constitution provided for increasing the areas of any State, but that it was not possible for the Government of India to make any commitment in this regard at this stage.

14. Formation of Separate Naga Regiment

In order that the Naga people can fulfil their desire of playing a full role in the defence forces of India the question of raising a separate Naga Regiment should be duly examined for action.

15. Transitional Period

- (a) On reaching the political settlement with the Government of India, the Government of India will prepare a Bill for such amendment of the Constitution, as may be necessary, in order to implement the decision. The Draft Bill, before presentation to Parliament, will be shown to the delegates of the NPC.
- (b) There shall be constituted an Interim Body with elected representatives from every tribe, to assist and advise the Governor in the administration of the Nagaland during the transitional period. the tenure of office of the Interim Body will be (three) years subject to re-election.

16. Inner Line Regulation

Rules embodied in the Bengal Eastern Frontier Regulation, 1873 shall remain in force in the Nagaland.

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The north eastern region of India is also home to a host of cultural and religious festivals, as well as many that stem from touristry pursuits or simply those that celebrate the rich legacy and abundant beauty of the region. Here are 31 of the most popular festivals of North east India you need to experience at least once in your lifetime-. Assam Tea Festival. Source: EastMojo. Source: Adotrip. Another of the agrarian festivals of north east India is Nagaland's popular Hornbill Festival. The ten day extravaganza in the capital city Kohima is a fest of cultural vibrancy and heritage and is named after the state's most admired bird, the Hornbill. Tribal dances and folk songs, local food and indigenous crafts are showcased widely during the course of the festival, which also hosts a night market! This article examines centreâ€"periphery relations in post-colonial India and Pakistan, providing a specific comparative history of autonomy movements in Nagaland (1947â€"63) and Baluchistan (1973â€"7). It highlights the key role played by the central government â€" particularly by Jawaharlal Nehru and Zulfikar Ali Bhutto â€" in quelling both insurgencies and in taking further steps to integrate these regions. 11 For a range of works on Nagaland, see Franke, War and nationalism in South Asia; Udayon Misra, India's northeast: identity movements, state, and civil society (New Delhi, 2014), section B; Chandrika Singh, Political evolution of Nagaland (New Delhi, 1981); R. Vashum, Indo-Naga conflict: problem and resolution (New Delhi, 2001).