Dear Friends,

Warm greetings from Control Arms Foundation of India & Manipur Women Gun Survivors Network.

The human right of every woman, man, youth and child to peace and disarmament lies at the heart of the realization of all human rights. War and violence result in the systemic and sweeping denial of civil and political rights, along with economic, social, and cultural rights as scarce resources are expended on weapons and preparation for war. Enduring peace will be attained only when all human rights are fulfilled. Control Arms Foundation of India and the Manipur Women Gun Survivors Network believes and upholds the view that the human right of all persons to peace and disarmament is inextricably linked to all other human rights -- rights that are universal, indivisible, interconnected and interdependent.

In this month's newsletter, we share articles and stories covering three key issues related to our work. This is followed by important news from Northeast India where CAFI and MWGSN have been working for the past 15 years.

RECENT CAFI AND MWGSN ACTIVITIES

CAFI at Peace Con 2019 - one of the largest gathering in world on peace building efforts, 2-4 Oct 2019.

On 5th October 2019, at a live ceremony held at LSO St. Luke's (Barbican) in London, UK, CAFI Founder, Binalakshmi Nepram was honoured with Anna Politkovaya Award along with 2015 Nobel Literature Laureate from Belarus, Svetlana Alexievich.
CAl at South Asia and Southeast Asia - Regional Meeting on Best Practices on Ammunition and Weapons Regulations and Management, 25th & 26th September 2019, Siem Reap, Cambodia.

ARTICLES

PEACE & DISARMAMENT ISSUES

Elimination of nuclear weapons 'only real way' to allay fear of a constant threat, Guterres insists
Source: news.un.org

Secretary-General Deplores Reversals in Disarmament Efforts, as General Assembly Commemorates International Day for Total Elimination of Nuclear Weapons
Source: reliefweb.int

Modi says India has given world peace and not war, its voice against terrorism reflects seriousness, anger
Source: aninews.in

UN Denies Endorsement of India in Nuclear Suppliers Group
Source: indepthnews.net

PM Modi in America: Dawn of new era in US-India strategic and defence relationship
Source: financialexpress.com

GENDER AND CONFLICT

10 facts: Threats facing women forced to flee
Source: nrc.no

Can India Achieve The UN Goal Of Gender Equality By 2030?
Source: youthkiawaaz.com

How gender-based violence in India continues to rise
Source: yourstory.com

The Effects of Internal Armed Conflict on Women's Labour Rights
Source: prio.org

Gender inequality is one of the most persistent evils of our times
Source: edition.cnn.com

MILITARISATION AND HUMAN RIGHTS IN NORTHEAST INDIA

Assam: AFPSA extended for six months from August 28 in state
Source: thenortheasttoday.com

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Source: uniindia.com

‘Reporting Conflict Can Spring Surprises at Every Step’
Source: thecitizen.in

Northeast Indigenous groups want withdrawal of draft Indian Forest Act
Source: nenow.in
Kashmir after Article 370: UN High Commissioner for Human Rights asks India to ease restrictions in Valley, ensure access to basic services
Source: firstpost.com

No incursion by Chinese troops in Arunachal Pradesh: Army denies BJP MP’s claims
Source: indiatoday.in

NEWS FROM NORTHEAST

5 MP men booked for acquiring guns with forged arms licences from Nagaland
Source: The North East Today, 10 September 2019

2 from Manipur to be part of Delhi-Geneva peace march
Source: The North East Today, 10 September 2019

Two killed & 2 injured in gunshots between two Kuki-based outfit in Pherzawl
Source: The North East Today, 12 September 2019

‘Wanted’ area commander of NSCN (K-YA) held in Longding
Source: The North East Today, 14 September 2019

GSU leader arrested for raping, impregnating minor
Source: The North East Today, 17 September 2019

‘We are committed to conclude Naga Accord by year end’: Ram Madhav
Source: The North East Today, 19 September 2019

Powerful IED planted at NH-37 in Imphal
Source: The North East Today, 20 September 2019

Minor girl gang-raped; 3 arrested from Dimapur, Karbi Anglong
Source: The North East Today, 20 September 2019

North East | DoNER Ministry approves over 200 projects worth Rs 3,000 cr
Source: The North East Today, 20 September 2019

India, Bangladesh to conduct joint patrolling along frontiers
Source: The North East Today, 27 September 2019

State govt issues notice to set up 200 additional Foreigner Tribunals in 33 districts
Source: The North East Today, 27 September 2019