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.

CAFI book readings were held on 20, 24 and 29 August at various libraries and bookshops.

Visit of Woman Professor Surabhi Chopra, Associate Professor, Faculty of Law, Chinese University of Hong Kong at MWGSN office.

Weaving work at Langthabal MWGSN office.
PEACE & DISARMAMENT ISSUES

India has become a dystopia of extremes. But resistance is rising
Source: theguardian.com

India and multilateralism: United Nations and the World Trade Organisation
Source: orfonline.org

Youth exhorted to shun violence, pursue peace
Source: thehansindia.com

Coalition for Nuclear Disarmament and Peace condemns Narendra Modi’s ‘reckless rhetoric’ after Diwali nuke remark
Source: firstpost.com

War and Peace lands India activist in trouble
Source: bbc.com

Rajnath Singh says India could use nukes first if circumstances demand
Source: business-standard.com

We need to keep disarmament treaties, not scrap them
Source: news-decoder.com

GENDER AND CONFLICT

Time to jointly expose, shame rapists among us
Source: punchng.com

Ending Impunity for Gender-Based Violence in Genocide
Source: msmagazine.com

Myanmar military committed ‘routine, systematic’ sexual violence against ethnic minorities, UN experts find
Source: news.un.org

Pakistan leader Imran Khan warns of “genocide” as is India accused of torture in Kashmir
Source: cbsnews.com

India Disappointed in UN as Guterres Includes it in Report on Children in Armed Conflict
Source: news18.com

India’s progressive egalitarian society
Source: bbc.com

MILITARISATION AND HUMAN RIGHTS IN NORTHEAST INDIA

Manipur families want international norms on enforced disappearance ratified
Source: timesofindia.indiatimes.com

There Is Only Fear and No ‘Freedom’ in the Northeast and J&K
Source: thewire.in

Supreme Court Fines Meghalaya & Mizoram for Not Responding on Human Rights Courts
Source: sentinelassam.com

India must look Northeast before looking East
Source: eastasiaforum.org

'Northeast is a source of trafficking, rather than a destination'
Source: eastmojo.com

Of India, but apart
Source: indiatoday.in

NEWS FROM NORTHEAST

Rajya Sabha passes UAPA Bill to tag individuals as terrorists
Source: The North East Today, 2 August 2019
Minor girl from Meghalaya gang raped in Gurugram; 2 held
Source: The North East Today, 8 August 2019

Northeast has nothing to fear, Art 371 will stay as it is: DoNER Minister
Source: The North East Today, 8 August 2019

Huge cache of arms & ammunition recovered in ChhingaVeng
Source: The North East Today, 10 August 2019

At least 6 Rohingya immigrant held at Imphal airport
Source: The North East Today, 12 August 2019

Two injured in IED blast in Biswanath district
Source: The North East Today, 13 August 2019

Extortion racket busted in Nagaland; 5 NSCN (KN) cadres held
Source: The North East Today, 13 August 2019

Major General serving in NE dismissed sans pension for sexual harassment
Source: The North East Today, 17 August 2019

Bangladesh to continue working with India in fight against terrorism
Source: The North East Today, 20 August 2019

Two girls from Tripura rescued from clutches of traffickers in Haryana, probe on
Source: The North East Today, 27 August 2019

UPCOMING EVENTS IN THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

Book reading event in Manipur.