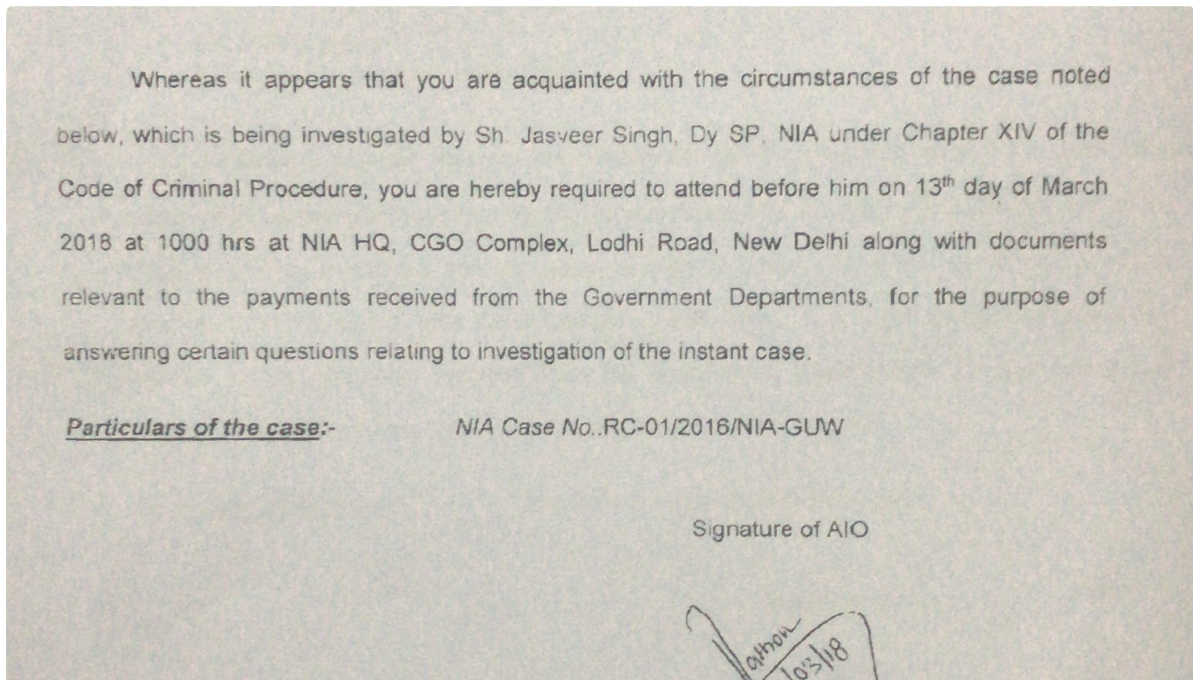


NIA summons to Zeliang strike controversy



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KOHIMA: An NIA letter to TR Zeliang triggers no less controversy across [Nagaland](#) on Monday just a day before the NDPP-led coalition government's floor test. NPF [leader](#) and former chief minister admits to have received two letters in the wee hours from NIA asking him to appear before the investigation agency on Tuesday at the [New Delhi](#) based office at 10 in the morning.

But, Zeliang, claimed to have received two NIA summons from the office of the Chief Minister. In a statement Zeliang disclosed that the summon was served through Fax no 0370-2244042 which, in fact, belongs to the Chief Minister's [Residential](#) Office 15 minutes past midnight on March 12.



He received yet another summon issued in his name from the same Fax no at 10:05 am the same day bearing the same content. According to the former chief minister, on February 15 and 16 NIA questioned three officials in Guwahati. On March 1 another officer attached to Zeliang was again questioned for 5 days in [New Delhi](#).

Zeliang, however, has written to the NIA expressing his inability to appear before the agency acting on the short notice in view of the Assembly Session.

Notably, NIA has been probing a few extortion cases in [Nagaland](#) since August 2016 where Zeliang claims to have been cooperating.

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