Hon'ble Minister of Home (Police & Jail) Shri. James P K Sangma, launched the e-Prisons Software in Shillong District Jails

Shillong, 26th April 18 : Hon'ble Minister of Home (Police & Jail) etc Shri. James P. K. Sangma, today launched the e-Prisons Software at District Jail, Shillong. Also present during the Inauguration were Director General of Prisons, R P Agarwal, Commissioner & Secretary, Prisons, T Dkhar, Joint Secretary, Prisons, F M Dopth and T Dkhar Sr. Technical Director and State Informatics Officer, Meghalaya.

Hon'ble Minister Home (Police & Jail) Shri. James P K Sangma launching the e-Prisons Application

Addressing the gathering, The Minister of Home (Jails), said that Meghalaya is one of the first few states in North East, to have launched the E-Prisons software and added that the inauguration in Shillong Jail is a beginning towards digitization and modernization of prisons in the state.

Mr. Sangma lauded the efforts of the National Informatics Centre and said that the e-Prisons software will digitize not only the record keeping of the jail but will bring in much more transparency and accountability in the functioning of the jails.

Director General of Prisons, R P Agarwal, informed the gathering, that the e-Prisons will computerize and integrate all the activities related to prisons and prisoner management in the jails, which would provide vital information about the inmates to the prison officials and others involved in the Criminal Justice System. He also said that it would facilitate and manage visits, jail administration and grievance redressal.

e-Prisons is a web based application software, developed by NIC , it is a cloud based product with the following functional modules integrated with it:

• 	Prison Inmate Management System [PIMS];
• 	Visitor Management System [VMS];
• 	Court Information System [CIS];
• 	Police Information System [PIS];
• 	Personnel Information System [PIS];
• 	Website of all the jails;
• 	Roaster Management System [RMS];
• 	Prosecution Information System (under discussions with ASG); and
• 	NCRB / SCRB system.

Hon'ble Minister addressing the gathering during the launch of the e-Prisons Application, also seen Director General of Prisons, R P Agarwal, Commissioner & Secretary, Prisons, T Dkhar, and T Dkhar Sr. Technical Director and State Informatics Officer, Meghalaya

E-prisons is designed with easy to use Graphical User Interface (GUI), that is embedded with a comprehensive security measures, it also provides national integrated information about inmates.

Implementation of E-prisons shall reduce the burden of government agencies by removing duplication of efforts. It shall also reduce the delay in processing of information, as it will automate processes and functions of the prisons department, that will foster efficiency, convenience and transparency of services to all the stakeholders through the use of ICT. The inmate's information shall be globally made available to all the prisons, police and intelligence and central agencies for various other purposes throughout the state.

Prior to its implementation, the officials of the Shillong Jail have been provided training by the NIC Meghalaya Team led by Shri. Sekhar Dey (ASIO) and Smt. Kenyir Olga J.Nongrum Ngomdir, (Scientist B) with active collaboration and guidance from the Central e-Prisons team at NIC Delhi led by Shri. Shashi Kant Sharma and Shri. Rakesh Srivastava, Shri. Rajendra Singh Gaur, NHRC & ePrison Project Division, National Informatics Centre, Ministry of Communications & IT | Department of IT, Government of India. The project will also be rolled out in two more District Jail sites of Meghalaya (Jowai, Nongpoh)

(First Row) Joint Secretary, Prisons, F M Dopth, Commissioner& Secretary, Prisons, T Dkhar, Hon'ble Minister Home (Police & Jail) Shri. James P K Sangma, Director General of Prisons, R P Agarwal, and T Dkhar Sr. Technical Director & SIO, S. Dey, Technical Director & ASIO Meghalaya.

(Last Row) and Smt. Kenyir Olga J.Nongrum Ngomdir, (Scientist B), Officers from PWD and Shillong Jail.