

Two legends one charge



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Two prominent figures in the political area of [Nagaland](#) seems to have fetched no less shame to the restive north eastern [state](#). Till the other day, the Nagas lacked a proper word in the dictionary to heap praise on Dr TR Zeliang and Neiphu Rio. The NPF stalwarts enjoyed no less favour from the common people who defied security barricade to shake their hands with the duo.

But both of them have utterly disappointed the simple Naga people. Both them have been facing unprecedented charges. Rio, the former Chief Minister have mired in [controversy over](#) his educational certificate. Caught in a [criminal](#) charge, the former NPF stalwart has been fighting a legal [fight](#) in the court of law when a non governmental organization challenged his degree before the court. According to allegations, Rio had not cleared his degree with honours in political science from [Kohima](#) College under [North East](#) Hills University. But he was believed to have enclosed a fake certificate along with his affidavits before the [Election](#) Commission when he contested the last assembly polls. Now it is for the court to decide on his fate.

The charge [against](#) Dr TR Zeliang is not different. He was believed to have produced a fake degree certificate which is under judicial scrutiny.

Can anybody trust on these [leaders](#)? What the people of [Nagaland](#) get from these [leaders](#) who resort to false degree for personal pelf and power? That too in a [state](#) where the people have been fighting for self determination and where two or three armed groups have been knocking at the doors in [New Delhi](#) for a greater Nagalim?

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