## **History**

Nagaland Rifle Association (NRA) was founded in 2013 with a view to promote and popularize the shooting sports in Nagaland. The Founding members of NRA are Merang Jamir, Rongsen Jamir, Sentiyanger, Hito Swu, Toshi Imchen, Temsu Jamir and Ms. Chizou Sorhienuo. Merang Jamir, a very keen and skilled shooter is the first president of NRA.

Shooting (Hunting) in medieval times originated as a means of survival, as it was practiced to hunt animals and birds to supplement food requirement. As a result of Industrial Revolution and increased agricultural output, hunting for food became less necessary. However, affluent people continued to hunt as part of recreation. To preserve Wild Life and put an end to indiscriminate poaching, the Government has almost banned hunting. Some of these people took to target shooting as a sport.

Shooting has a varied history in Indian Sport and Society, ranging it from being a sport for Royalty in the past, it is now a major competitive sport among the masses. This sport is extremely popular all over the World.