

# Rani Gaidinliu

## 1915-1993

### India

Gaidinliu was a Naga spiritual and political leader who led a revolt against British rule in India. Gaidinliu was arrested in 1932 at the age of 16 and was sentenced to life imprisonment by the British rulers. She was released in 1947 after India's independence and continued to work for the upliftment of her people. An advocate of the ancestral Naga religious practices, she staunchly resisted the conversion of Nagas to Christianity. She was honoured as a freedom fighter and was awarded a Padma Bhushan by the Government of India.

