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Given *m* real vector fields $X = \{X_1, \dots, X_m\}$ on a C^{∞} manifold \mathcal{M} , their sublaplacian is defined by $\Delta_X \doteq -(X_1^2 + \dots + X_m^2)$. In general this is a degenerate elliptic operator. By the famous Hörmander's theorem it is locally, and therefore, globally hypoelliptic if all points of \mathcal{M} are of finite type. In this work we shall focus on global hypoellipticity when the manifold is a torus \mathbb{T}^N . The main motivation comes from the following result that has been proved by Himonas: the operator $-[\partial_{t_1}^2 + (\partial_{t_2} + a(t_1)\partial_x)^2]$ is globally hypoelliptic in \mathbb{T}^3 if and only if the range of $a(t_1)$ contains an irrational non-Liouville number. Our main theorem here extends this result in the case that the coefficient *a* depends on both variables t_1 and t_2 . (Received January 08, 2006)