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Pak Terrorist arrested in NIA case RC-16/2018/NIA/DLI

(Encounter took place on 20 & 21 March 2018 at Halmatpora, Kupwara, Jammu & Kashmir)

Brief facts of the case are that, on 20th March 2018 during a joint cordon and search operation by Kupwara police, Army and Para Military Forces, terrorists hiding in the forest fired indiscriminately upon the security forces. During the exchange of fire, 5 terrorists were killed, all unidentified foreign terrorists. Three Army personnel and 02 Police personnel were martyred and 04 security personnel were injured. In this regard, the J&K Police had registered a case vide FIR no. 40/2018 dated 20.03.2018 at PS Kupwara u/s 307 of Ranbir Penal Code and 7/27 of Arms Act. During investigation, Sections 120-B, 121-A, 302 of RPC, Sections 16, 18, 20 of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967 were added. NIA re-registered the above said case on 17/04/2018 and took up the investigation after MHA's order.

2. Accused Zabiullah, @ Hamza, aged about 20 years, son of Sonauallah Saqib, resident of Bosan Road, Mehmood Kote, Gali no. 1, Near Markaz Ibnul Qasim, Multan, Pakistan who had escaped from the spot of encounter, was arrested by J&K Police on 6th April 2018. He was taken into custody by NIA on 04.05.2018 in this case. He has been produced before the NIA Special Court, Jammu on 05.05.2018 and remanded for 10 days NIA custody.

3. During initial questioning, accused Zabiullah revealed that he had come into India fully armed in March 2018, along with five other LeT cadres, with the aim to carry out large scale attacks on Indian Security Forces. However, before they could carry out any attack, they were confronted by the security forces and five of his associates namely (i) Darda, aged 22 years, r/o Lahore, Pakistan, (ii) Shuram, age 26 years, r/o Multan, Pakistan, (iii) Faidullah, age 20 years, r/o Gujrawalan, Pakistan, (iv) Ummar, age 19 years, r/o Sindh, Pakistan, (v) Kari, age 19 years, r/o Peshawar, Pakistan, were killed in encounter. He managed to escape from encounter site.
