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NIA GETS 15 DAYS' CUSTODY OF TWO ACCUSED PERSONS ARRESTED IN THE CASE OF RECOVERY & EXPLOSION OF IED NEAR "KALCHAKRA MAIDAN" BODH GAYA, BIHAR

On 3.8.2018, NIA arrested 2 accused i) Abdul Karim @ Chhota aged 19 years, resident of Elizabad, District Murshidabad and ii) Mustafizur Rehman @ Shaheen @ Tuhin, aged 37 years, resident of District Birbhum, West Bengal from Malappuram in Kerala in connection with the planting of IED at Bodh Gaya complex on 19.1.2018. These accused persons were arrested from Labour Camp of Bengali speaking persons in Malappuram district where they had been hiding subsequent to planting of IEDs at Bodh Gaya. Searches were conducted at the hideouts of these two accused and incriminating material including circuit design of IED has been recovered by the NIA team.

2. NIA had registered a case vide RC-04/2018/NIA/DLI on 03.02.2018 under section 120, 121(A), 122, 123 & 153(A) of IPC, Sec. 16, 18 & 20 of UA (P) Act, 1967, Sec. 14, 17 & 19 of Weapons of Mass Destruction and Delivery System, UA (P) Act, 2005 and Section 4 & 5 of Explosive Substance Act to investigate the recovery & explosion of IED near "Kalchakra Maidan", Bodh Gaya, Bihar.

3. During investigation of the case, identity of 10 accused persons has been established so far who were involved in this conspiracy. On 3.4.2018, NIA had arrested 3 accused persons i) Ahmad Ali @ Kalu, ii) Md. Paigambar and iii) Noor Alam.

4. The 2 accused persons arrested on 3.8.2018, were produced before the NIA Special Court, Kochi on 4.8.2018 which granted NIA 4 days' transit remand. On 6.8.2018, these accused were produced before the NIA Special court, Patna and the Court has granted 15 days' of NIA custody.

5. The investigation revealed that a group of terrorists belonging to JMB (Jamat-ul-Mujahidin Bangladesh) operating under Boma Mizan @ Kausar @ Munna @ Badabhai and Mustafizur Rehman @ Tuhin @ Shahin (Both are Bangladeshis and have been charge-sheeted as absconders in Burdwan Blast Case, RC-03/2014/NIA/DLI) hatched a conspiracy to commit terrorist acts in Bodhgaya, Bihar.

6. Interrogation further revealed that arrested accused Abdul Karim @ Chhota at the time of incident

was present at the hideout at Jehanabad and was part of the Gang and was involved in preparation of IED, conspiracy and planning. Other arrested accused Mustafizur Rehman @ Shaheen @ Tuhin is a chargesheeted accused of Burdwan blast case and is also a close associate of Boma Mizan @ Kausar @ Munna @ Badabhai. He was part of the conspiracy, collected material for IED and conducted reeve of the place of incident i.e. Kalchakra Maidan, Bodh Gaya, Bihar.

7. A total of 5 persons have been arrested in this case so far. Further investigation is underway.

