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Mohali NIA Court Convicts 9 Accused in Case of Dropping of Explosives & Arms Through Drones 2019 Punjab Case Linked with Designated Terrorists Bagga & Neeta

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The Mohali (Punjab) special court of the National Investigation Agency (NIA), has sentenced nine accused to imprisonment in a case of drone dropping of explosives and arms linked with designated individual terrorists Gurmeet Singh @Bagga and Ranjeet Singh@ Neeta.

The court found the accused guilty under various sections of IPC, UAPA, Arms Act and Explosives Substances Act in the case, linked with the proscribed terrorist organisation Khalistan Zindabad Force.

The accused, identified as Akashdeep Singh, Balwant Singh, Balbir Singh, Harbhajan Singh, Maan Singh, Shubhdeep Singh, Sajanpreet Singh, Gurdev Singh and Romandeep Singh, have been convicted and sentenced in the case RC-21/2019/NIA/DLI, taken over by NIA from Amritsar police in October 2019.

While Akashdeep Singh, Balwant Singh, Harbhajan Singh, Balbir Singh, Maan Singh and Gurudev Singh have been sentenced to life imprisonment and fine, accused Shubhdeep Singh, Sajanpreet Singh and Romandeep Singh have been sentenced to 10 years rigorous imprisonment (RI) and fine for their respective roles in the case.

As per NIA investigations, the accused were involved in collecting, transporting and smuggling huge caches of arms, ammunitions, explosives, communication devices and FICN sent into India via drones by Germany-based terrorist Bagga and Pakistan-based terrorist Neeta. The explosives and arms etc were drone-dropped at specified locations in Punjab's Tarn Taran district at various intervals during the months of August and September, 2019.

The entire conspiracy was aimed at unleashing a terrorist attack in Punjab with the aim of striking terror in the minds of the people of India and disrupting the nation's peace, security and unity with the eventual goal of waging a war against the Government of India.