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## **NIA Press Release**

NIA Searches 6 Locations In 3 J&K Districts in LeT Linked Non-Locals Killing Case

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The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Tuesday conducted extensive searches in three districts of Jammu & Kashmir in a Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) linked case of killing of non-locals.

The case relates to the killing of two civilians belonging to Chamyari in Amritsar (Punjab) by terrorists, who opened fired at them on the evening of 7th February 2024 at Shalla Kadal in the Shaheed Ganj area of Srinagar. Amritpal Singh had died on the spot while the other victim, Rohit Masi, was critically injured and succumbed to his injuries at a Srinagar hospital the next day.

The searches were conducted today at six locations in the districts of Srinagar, Badgam & Sopore in the case RC-01/2024/NIA/JMU, registered by NIA on 15th June 2024 on the directions of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt of India. NIA had earlier chargesheeted four accused in the case.

NIA teams have seized several incriminating materials from the residential premises belonging to sympathisers, cadres and overground workers (OGWs) of the proscribed terror outfit, LeT, and its offshoot 'The Resistance Front' ('TRF'). The suspects were involved in harbouring, sheltering, and providing logistical assistance to terrorists.

NIA investigations in the case so far have revealed that masterminds of LeT and TRF were in touch with youth in the Kashmir Valley to orchestrate attacks on non-locals as part of a conspiracy to wage war against the Government of India. The criminal conspiracy was reportedly planned both physically and through cyberspace, using encrypted social media applications.

NIA is examining the materials seized during the searches and is continuing with its probe in the case.