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NIA ARRESTS KEY ABSCONDER FROM MUMBAI AIRPORT ON COMPLETION OF SIMPLIFIED EXTRADITION PROCESS FROM UAE IN KASARAGOD FAKE CURRENCY CASES

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More than 12 years after he absconded, the National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Friday arrested a key accused in the 2013 Kasaragod fake currency cases after successfully securing his extradition from the UAE, where he was in the custody of the local authorities since 2015.

Moideenabha Ummer Beary @ Moideen, wanted in four FICN cases (RC-01 to -04/2013/NIA/KOC), was taken into custody by the waiting NIA team on arrival at the Mumbai airport from Dubai today. He was subsequently taken to Kochi in Kerala and produced before the NIA Special Court, Ernakulam, Kerala.

NIA had secured the revocation of the accused's Indian passport and had also got an Interpol Red Notice issued against the fugitive in 2013, soon after the recovery of fake Indian currency notes (FICN) from four different locations in Kasaragod district of Kerala. Four cases were then registered in the matter. In 2015, the absconding accused was located and arrested by the UAE authorities, following which an extradition request was sent to that country by the NIA. On completion of the extradition process the UAE authorities have extradited the accused on 19/6/2025 to India.

NIA investigations into the cases had revealed that Moideen, a native of Udupi district of Karnataka, had conspired with co-accused to procure high-quality FICN with face value of Rs. 31 lakhs from UAE. The FICN was trafficked into India by another accused, Usman, by flight through Bengaluru. The accused had then circulated the FICN in and around Kasaragod district of Kerala.

NIA has so far chargesheeted six accused, including Moideen, in the cases under various sections of IPC.