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NIA Recovers more Arms and Ammunition in Arms Smuggling Case.

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The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Wednesday extensively searched the house of an accused in a 2024 arms smuggling case in Bihar, and recovered several more weapons along with other incriminating material.

The seizure from the house of Sandeep Kumar Sinha @ Chhotu Lala in Vaishali district of Bihar included one 9 mm Pistol, 18 live cartridges of 9 mm, two pistol magazines, one double-barrel 12-bore gun, 35 live cartridges of 12-bore ammunition and Rs. 4.21 lakh in cash.

Sandeep is a close associate of arrested prime accused Vikash Kumar and an active member of the arms trafficking network involved in the case RC-11/2024/NIA/DLI. The case was originally registered by the Bihar police following the recovery of an AK-47 rifle and live ammunition. In August 2024, NIA took over the case, which is related to smuggling of illegal arms and ammunition from the state of Nagaland for circulation across different parts of Bihar.

During investigation, four accused, identified as Vikash Kumar, Satyam Kumar, Devmani Rai @ Anish and Md. Ahmad Ansari, were arrested and chargesheeted. Recently, another accused, Manjoor Khan, was also arrested and is currently lodged in Beur Jail, Patna.

Furthermore investigations in the case are continuing.