



# National Investigation Agency

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## NIA Press Release

NIA chargesheets 5th key accused in CPI (maoist) Magadh zone revival bid Case.

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The National Investigation Agency (NIA) has chargesheeted a key accused in a Bihar case of attempted revival of the banned CPI (Maoist) terror organisation in the Magadh zone.

Lakshman Paswan has been chargesheeted under various sections of IPC and UA (P) Act. He faces charges of active involvement in collection of levy from business establishments for providing logistical support to CPI (Maoist). He was also engaged in organising meetings for inciting and coercing people into joining the terror outfit, as per NIA's investigation.

The accused's activities were aimed at strengthening and re-energising the organisation in the Magadh region, NIA established through a meticulous probe.

The fifth accused to be chargesheeted in the case, Lakshman was arrested by NIA from Lutua in Gaya district of Bihar in August 2025.

NIA had initially chargesheeted top Naxal leaders Pramod Mishra (Politburo member) & Anil Yadav (Sub-Zonal Commander) in February 2024, followed by two supplementary chargesheets against Binod Mishra and Rakesh Kumar @ Bihari Paswan in September 2024 and February 2025 respectively. All four were previously arrested by NIA.

The state police had initially filed a case against Pramod Mishra and Anil Yadav in August 2023, following a search operation at the house of Binod Mishra where they were holding a meeting to further their CPI (Maoist) revival agenda.

NIA, which had subsequently taken over the case from the state police on the directions of the Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India, is currently investigating the role of Lakshman's associates and other co-accused in the case.