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NIA ARRESTS KEY ACCUSED IN COUNTERFEIT CURRENCY CONSPIRACY AT PUNJAB NATIONAL BANK CURRENCY CHEST, SAHARANPUR, UP.

New Delhi, 7th September 2026

The National Investigation Agency (NIA) has arrested an absconding accused, Amit Kumar, a bank employee and a key FIR-named accused in the conspiracy relating to counterfeit currency notes at the Punjab National Bank currency chest, Saharanpur, UP, in case RC-02/2026/NIA/LKW.

On 29th August 2026, PS Sadar Bazar, District Saharanpur, UP, received credible information regarding the recovery of counterfeit Indian currency notes with a face value of Rs 17.29 Crores from the currency chest of Punjab National Bank, Saharanpur, UP. The involvement of 3 employees of the bank also surfaced during the inquiry, and they were accordingly suspended by the bank.

The case was initially registered as FIR No. 0431/2026, dated 29th August 2026, at PS Sadar Bazar, District Saharanpur, UP, under section 178 of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), 2023, against 3 accused persons, and was re-registered by NIA on 3rd September 2026.

Investigation is ongoing to unfold the complete conspiracy and to arrest the co-accused persons.

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