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

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The National Investigation Agency (NIA) has arrested Adesh Choudhary, resident of Gangoh Road, New Nandpuri Colony, Police Station Qutub Sher, Manak Mau, District Saharanpur, UP, a contractual driver working in Punjab National Bank's currency chest in Saharanpur, and one of the key accused in the conspiracy relating to counterfeit currency notes at the Punjab National Bank currency chest, Civil Lines, 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.

Earlier, on the 7th September 2026, NIA had arrested FIR-named accused Amit Kumar.

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