



**NIA arrests JeM operative in terror attack on CRPF Group Centre Lethpora case**

NIA today arrested accused Fayaz Ahmad Magray son of Late Jalalludin Magray resident of village Lethpora, PS Awantipora, Distt Pulwama, Jammu & Kashmir, in Case RC No. 10/2018/NIA/DLI (Attack on CRPF Group Centre Lethpora).

2. Terrorist attack on CRPF Group Centre, Lethpora was carried out in the intervening night of 30-31.12.2017 by three terrorists of proscribed terrorist organisation Jaish-e-Mohammad (JeM). During investigation by NIA, the three terrorists were identified as i) Fardeen Ahmad Khandey s/o Ghulam Mohideen Khandey r/o Nazeempora, Tral, Distt Pulwama, ii) Manzoor Baba s/ o Ali Mohd. Baba r/o Drubgam, Distt Pulwama, and iii) A Pakistani terrorist namely Abdul Shakoor resident of Rawalakot area of POK. All the three terrorists were killed in the encounter. In this attack, 5 CRPF personnel were martyred and 3 were grievously injured.

3. Arrested accused Fayaz Ahmad Magray is an active OGW (Over Ground Worker) of proscribed terrorist organisation JeM. He is a key conspirator who provided logistical support such as providing shelter to the terrorists and conducting reconnaissance of the CRPF Group centre, Lethpora before the terrorist attack. In 2001 also, he was detained under Public Safety Act (PSA) by Jammu and Kashmir Police and he remained under detention for 16 months.

4. Accused Fayaz will be produced in the Special NIA Court, Jammu for seeking police custody for further investigation and unearthing of the larger conspiracy.

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