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PRESS RELEASE

Charge Sheet filed in RC-04/2016/NIA/HYD dated 8.12.16 **(Rudresh Murder Case)**

On 21st April, 2017, the Hyderabad Branch of National Investigation Agency filed Charge Sheet before the Hon'ble Special Court for NIA Cases, Bengaluru, in RC-04/2016/NIA/HYD (Rudresh Murder Case), against 05 arrested accused persons. Consequent to the orders from the Ministry of Home Affairs, Government of India, the NIA re-registered Crime No.124/2016 of Commercial Street Police Station in Bengaluru City of Karnataka State, against unknown accused persons for killing one Rudresh, a RSS member in uniform) by hacking on the right side of his neck with a sharp machete, as RC-04/2016/NIA/HYD on 8.12.16 and had taken up the case for investigation.

2. Five accused persons, namely, Irfan Pasha (A-1), 32 years, R/o Govindpura, Bengaluru; Waseem Ahmed @ Wasim (A-2), 32 years, R/o Austin Town, Bengaluru; Mohammad Sadiq @ Mohammad Mazar @ Mazar (A-3), 35 years, R/o Marappa Guarden, Bengaluru; Mohammed Mujeeb Ulla @ Mujeeb @ Maula (A-4), 46 years, R/o R T Nagar, Bangalore; Asim Sheriff (A-5), 40 years, Benson Town, Bengaluru have been charge sheeted under sections 302 r/w 34, 120-B IPC and sections 16 1(a), 18, 20 of the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act.

3. A-1, A-2, A-3 and A-4 were arrested on 27.10.2016 and A-5 was arrested on 02.11.2016 at Bengaluru by the Karnataka State Police. Investigation has established that all the 05 arrested accused persons are members of Popular Front of India (PFI) and its affiliated political organization i.e. the Social Democratic Party of India (SDPI). None of the accused had personal enmity with the deceased Rudresh. He was killed solely because of his leadership/membership to a particular organization. Investigation has established that the killing was a clear act of terror with the intention to strike terror among a section of the people. This was achieved by the broad daylight murder of a RSS member in uniform using a lethal weapon on 16 October 2016.

4 Investigation by the NIA has established that accused A-1 to A-5 and others had conspiracy meetings prior to the terrorist act near Aksa Masjid, and near Chota Charminar in Bengaluru in the month

of September 2016 and it was decided to kill at least two RSS workers in uniform soon after their procession, Patha sanchalan. The killing of RSS workers would immediately strike terror in a section of people and prevent many of them from joining the organization. Investigation has disclosed that the indoctrination of the members was done in order to make them believe that they were doing their act as part of fulfilling the objective of establishing Islam and Jihad by killing a Kafir (Member of RSS who is an Idol worshipper).

5. Further investigation will continue u/s 173 (8) of CrPC in this case.

