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NIA ARRESTS SEVEN PERSONS IN KASHMIR TERROR FUNDING CASE

The National Investigation Agency (NIA) has today, i.e. on 24.07.2017, arrested 07 persons in connection with the NIA Case No. RC-10/2017/NIA/DLI (J&K Terror Funding Case) under sections 120B, 121, 121A of IPC and sections 13, 16, 17, 18, 20, 38, 39, 40 of Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967. Those arrested include Altaf Ahmad Shah Funtoosh Geelani, Ayaz Akbar Khandey, Raja Mehrajuddin Kalwal, Peer Saifullah, Aftab Hilali Shah @ Shahid-ul-Islam, Nayeem Khan and Farooq Ahmad Dar @ Bitta Karate. Farooq Ahmad Dar @ Bitta Karate has been arrested in New Delhi and the other accused persons have been arrested from Srinagar and are being brought to New Delhi. They will be produced before the Special Judge, NIA, Patiala House, New Delhi tomorrow.

2. The NIA had registered the instant case on 30.05.2017 against the separatist and secessionist leaders, including the members/cadres of the Hurriyat Conference, who have been acting in connivance with active militants of proscribed terrorist organizations Hizb-ul-Mujahideen (HM), Dukhtarane Millat, Lashkar-e-Toiba (LeT) and other terrorist organizations/associations and gangs for raising, receiving and collecting funds through various illegal means, including hawala, for funding separatist and terrorist activities in Jammu and Kashmir and for causing disruption in Kashmir Valley by way of pelting stones on the security forces, burning schools, damaging public property and waging war against India. In pursuance of this FIR, the National Investigation Agency had conducted widespread searches on the suspected persons in Jammu and Kashmir, Delhi and Haryana and incriminating documents, electronic devices, cash and other valuables worth crores were unearthed during those searches.
