



## **NIA FILES THIRD CHARGESHEET IN 'LAWRENCE BISHNOI GANG AND BKI' TERROR-GANGSTER NETWORK CASE**

The National Investigation Agency (NIA) has taken significant steps in dismantling the gangster-terror network associated with Babbar Khalsa International and Lawrence Bishnoi Organised Criminal gang. On 10.11.2023, the agency filed a second supplementary chargesheet, with crucial details of their involvement in the terror related activities.

The four individuals named in the chargesheet are as follows:

- (i) Darman Singh alias Darmanjot Kahlon
- (ii) Parveen Wadhwa alias Prince
- (iii) Yudhvir Singh alias Sadhu
- (iv) Vikas Singh

All the accused have been charged with criminal conspiracy to unleash a wave of terror under Section 120(B) of IPC and Sections 17, 18, 18(B) of the UA (P) Act, 1967.

Darmanjot Singh @ Darman Kahlon is one of the key links between Canada based absconder Lakhbir Singh @ Landa, an operative of the banned terror outfit Babbar Khalsa International & Lawrence Bishnoi Terror & Crime Syndicate. Operating from the United States, Darmanjot Singh has been actively involved in a range of criminal activities, including the smuggling of weapons, explosives, and drugs/heroin from across the border – originating in Pakistan for consumption in India.

Parveen Wadhwa @ Prince is one of the associates of the Lawrence Bishnoi terror Syndicate. Prince was a linchpin in the dissemination of vital information among the members of the terror gang. Investigations indicate that he was instrumental in coordinating communication channels, enabling seamless interactions among gang members, even those incarcerated in different Jails.

Yudhvir Singh alias Sadhu has figured as the Chief Arms Procurer of the Lawrence Bishnoi terror Syndicate. Sadhu's role and expertise extends to facilitating the procurement of arms and ammunition from foreign countries.

Vikas Singh is another associate of the notorious Lawrence Bishnoi gang who has been involved in providing sanctuary to different gang members involved in executing terror attacks and criminal operations across multiple States. Notably, he provided safe harbour to the gang members responsible for the RPG terror attack at the Punjab Police State Intelligence Headquarters in Mohali.

NIA has seized arms, ammunition and other incriminatory digital devices and documents from the accused. The investigations further led the NIA to the hideouts set up across Haryana, Punjab and Uttar Pradesh, which were being used to harbour the gangsters and store weapons.

On 24.03.2023, the NIA filed its initial chargesheet against 14 accused, followed by the first supplementary chargesheet on 09.08.2023, against three additional individuals. Today's action takes the total number of accused charge-sheeted by the NIA so far in this case to 21.

Further investigations into the case (RC-39/2022/NIA/DLI) continue.

