



NIA PATNA COURT FINDS 3 GUILTY IN 2012 CPI (MAOIST) ARMS & AMMUNITION SEIZURE CASE OF AURANGABAD

The NIA Special Court Patna on Friday convicted three accused in a 2012 Naxal arms and ammunition seizure case of Aurangabad, Bihar.

The court has found Udit Narayan Singh @ Tulsi @ Tufan, Akhilesh Singh @ Manoj Singh and Arjunji @ Mani Yadav guilty of being in possession of prohibited and non-prohibited arms and ammunition as well as chemicals for making IEDs and bombs for use in terror attacks by the banned CPI (Maoist) outfit. The accused, all active cadres of CPI (Maoist), were also found in possession of cash collected as levy money for carrying out terrorist activities.

The quantum of punishment against the trio will be pronounced by the court on Monday, 4th December 2023.

The accused had been charged by the National Investigation Agency (NIA) under various sections of UA(P) Act, Arms Act and Explosive Substances Act in the case (RC-01/2013/NIA-DLI).

The Aurangabad Town police had initially registered the case on 26th March 2012, a day after raids in the houses of the three accused following the receipt of secret information that some active cadres of CPI (Maoist) had assembled in Aurangabad to execute some terrorist activities. During the raids, the police had seized prohibited arms, magazines, huge quantity of ammunition, RPG grenades, chemical substances, Bolero vehicle, mobile sets, Indian Currency of face value Rs. 3,34,000, as well as Naxal literature and other incriminating documents.

All the three accused were arrested after the raids. Subsequent investigation by the police led to the filing of a chargesheet and a supplementary chargesheet against the trio. The NIA, after taking over the case on 19th March 2013, conducted further investigation and filed another supplementary chargesheet on 6th June 2015 in the court of the special judge, NIA, Patna.