



NIA CHARGESHEETS 2 MORE ACCUSED IN CPI (MAOIST) MAGADH ZONE REVIVAL TERROR FINANCING CONSPIRACY

The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Monday chargesheeted two more accused persons in the CPI (Maoist) terror financing network case relating to the proscribed terror outfit's attempts to revive naxal activities in the Magadh region of Bihar in its efforts to dismantle the terror Infrastructure established in the country by CPI (Maoist) to carry out activities related to terror & violence.

The second Supplementary Chargesheet filed today before the NIA Special Court, Ranchi (Jharkhand), names Vijay Kumar Arya @ Vijay Arya @ Dilip and Anand Paswan @ Anandi Paswan, both residents of Bihar. They have both been charged under Section 120 (B) of IPC. Vijay has additionally been charged under Section 120B r/w sections 13, 18, 20, 38 & 39 of

UA(P) Act, 1967, while the additional charges against Anand relate to Section 39 of UA(P) Act and Section 25(1B)(a) of Arms Act.

The terror finance network connected with the case (RC-05/2021/NIA-RNC) was being operated by CPI (Maoist) cadres and OGWs in the Magadh Region of Bihar. The case was registered suo moto by the NIA on 30th December 2021 and five accused persons, namely Tarun Kumar, Pradyuman Sharma, Abinav @ Gaurav, Anandi Paswan and Vijay Kumar Arya, have so far been arrested. The first three arrested accused were chargesheeted on 20th January and 28th June this year.

As part of their sinister criminal conspiracy, the accused were all collecting funds for procurement of arms and ammunition, and for recruitment of new cadres in liaison with incarcerated Naxals and Over Ground Workers (OGWs) lodged in various Jails.

Investigations have revealed that Vijay Kumar Arya was a Central Committee Member of the CPI (Maoist) while Anand Paswan was a key supporter and ex-cadre of the banned organisation. Vijay was found involved in motivating the ex-cadres, and was also working as a conduit between the outfit's operatives and other stakeholders of the CPI (Maoist) Magadh Zone in Jharkhand and Bihar. Anand Paswan was also in possession of arms and ammunition.