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4 charged for involvement in smuggling and circulation of FICN in Chargesheet in NIA RC-15/2015/NIA/DLI. (East Champaran FICNs case)

On 22nd July, 2016, the National Investigation Agency (NIA) has filed a charge sheet in the NIA case no. RC-15/2015/NIA/DLI before the NIA Special Court, Patna, Bihar, charging four accused persons for the commission of offences under sections 120B, 419, 489B, 489C IPC and Sections 16,18, 20 of UA (P) Act, 1967, for their involvement in the purchase, possession & smuggling and circulation of the High Quality Fake Indian Currency Notes of the face value Rs. 5,94,000/- with the intention to damage the monetary stability of the country. The names of the accused persons who were arrested and charge-sheeted are:

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| 1. Afroz Ansari , son of Late Md. Salim R/o Kaju, Post Kaju, PS Mandu, District Ramgarh, Jharkhand. |
| 2. Sunny Kumar @ Sunny Shaw @ Kabir Khan , son of Sh. Umesh Prasad Kadirganj, PS Town Thana, district Nawada, Bihar. |
| 3. Ashraful Alam @ Ishraful Alam , son of Farman Sekh, Mohanpur, Panchayat Sabdalpur, PS Baishnab Nagar, District Malda, West Bengal |
| 4. Alomgir Sheikh @ Raju , son of Irfan Ali resident of Mohanpur, PS Baishnab Nagar, District Malda, West Bengal. |

2. Initially, one person, named Afroz Ansari, was arrested by the DRI for possession of high quality FICNs. After taking over the case, NIA teams unearthed the involvement of other gang members, belonging to West Bengal, Bihar, Nepal and Bangladesh. Three more persons, namely, Sunny Kumar @ Kabir Khan, Ashraful Alam @ Ishraful Alam and Alomgir Sheikh @ Raju, were arrested by the NIA. During the investigation, high quality fake currency of the face value of Rs. 3 Lakh was also recovered from Alomgir Sheikh, on 9.6.2016, at Betiah, Bihar, which indicates the deep conspiracy of the gang to destabilize the monetary stability of the country. Further investigation is being conducted to arrest the remaining accused persons who are involved in the case.
