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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Two accused charge sheeted for indoctrination of Keralite youths to join ISIS.** **(NIA Case No. RC 04/2016/NIA/Mumbai – Nagpada ISIS case)**

On 09.02.2017, the National Investigation Agency has filed charge sheet in RC No. 04/2016/NIA/Mumbai (Nagpada ISIS Case) in the Special NIA Court, Mumbai, against two accused persons, namely, 1) Arshi Qureshi @ Arshid, s/o Asif Qureshi, and, 2) wanted accused, Abdul Rashid Abdulla @ Rashi, s/o Thayyapurail Abdulla, for their involvement in unlawful activities and in spreading hatred against India and for providing support to the proscribed terrorist organisation, ISIS, by furthering its activities, under sections 13, 18, 38 & 39 of the Unlawful Activity (Prevention) Act, 1967, before the Special NIA Court, Mumbai. The details of the charged accused are as follows:

1. Arshi Qureshi @ Arshid s/o Asif Qureshi, age – 47 years, r/o 54, Saudagar Mohallah, Bhiwandi, District – Thane (Arrested Accused).
2. Abdul Rashid Abdulla @ Rashi s/o Thayyapurail Abdulla, age – 30 years, r/o Al Noor, opp. Juma Masjid, Udumbunthala PO, Kasaragod, District – Kasaragod, Kerala (Wanted Accused).

2. The case relates to the indoctrination of complainant's son, Ashfak Majeed, and his associates into extreme Jihadi ideology by a group of like-minded youths from Kasaragod district of Kerala and some members of the Islamic Research Foundation, Mumbai, who motivated and radicalized Ashfak and his associates to join the ISIS, a proscribed terrorist organisation. The case which was originally registered at Nagpada Police Station under FIR no. 271/2016 dated 06.08.2016 u/s u/s 10, 13 & 38 of UA (P) Act, 1967, and 120B of IPC, was re-registered at the NIA Police Station, Mumbai, as RC-04/2016/NIA/MUM on 20.09.2016.

3. Investigation by the NIA has established that the arrested accused Arshi Qureshi (A-2) was involved in unlawful activities and in spreading hatred against India and was furthering the activities of the proscribed terrorist organisation ISIS. The wanted accused, Abdul Rashid Abdulla (WA-1), was the main conspirator behind the offence of motivating Ashfak and a number of other youths from Kasargod and Pallakkad districts of Kerala to join the proscribed terrorist organisation, ISIS. He professed and furthered the activities of the proscribed terrorist organisation, ISIS, by showing them videos of the ISIS and also gave them lectures on violent Jihad. He also financed the travel and stay of some of the missing youths.

4. The Court has taken cognizance of the chargesheet and fixed 17<sup>th</sup> February, 2017, as the next date of hearing in the case. Efforts are on to locate and apprehend the wanted accused, Abdul Rashid Abdulla (WA-1), and further investigation u/s 173 (8) Cr.P.C. in the case is continuing.

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