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NIA SPECIAL COURT SENTENCES 1 MORE ACCUSED TO RIGOROUS IMPRISONMENT IN EAST CHAMPARAN FAKE CURRENCY CASE

The NIA Special Court, Patna, Bihar, on Saturday convicted one more accused in the East Champaran fake currency seizure case.

Umar Faruk of Malda, West Bengal, is the seventh person to be convicted in the case RC-15/2015/NIA-DLI. He has been charged u/s 120B, 489B of the IPC and sections 16, 18 & 20 of UA(P) Act.

He has been sentenced to 5 years of rigorous imprisonment (RI) with fine of Rs 5000 under sections 120B, 489B, 489 C r/w 120B of IPC and 9 years rigorous imprisonment with fine of Rs. 5000 under sections 16, 18 & 20 of UA(P) Act.

The case relates to the recovery and seizure of High Quality Fake Indian Currency Notes (FICNs) of face value of Rs. 5,94,000 from accused Afroz Ansari by the DRI on 19th September 2015 near Ramgarhwa, Motihari, East Champaran, Bihar. The accused was carrying this consignment of FICNs to Raxaul, near the Indo-Nepal border, for further delivery across the border in Nepal. The case was re-registered by NIA on 23rd December 2015.

NIA investigations had revealed that Umar Faruk was supplying FICN from Kaliachak area, Malda (WB), to the main accused Kabir Khan, for further supplying it to one accused in Birganj, Nepal.

During investigations, eight persons were arrested and chargesheeted between 2016 and 2023. Four accused persons,

Afroz Ansari, Sunny Kumar @ Sunny Shaw @ Sujit Kumar @ Kabir Khan, Ashraful Alam @ Ishraful Alam and Alomgir Seikh @ Raju were earlier convicted and sentenced to life imprisonment along with fine of Rs 30,000 in October 2018 under various sections of IPC and UA(P) Act. In August 2023, one accused Raisuddin was sentenced to 5 years rigorous imprisonment with fine of Rs. 5000 under relevant sections and another accused, Munna Singh was sentenced to 10 years RI with fine of Rs. 5000.