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NIA COURT SENTENCES 1 MORE TO RI IN WEST BENGAL FAKE INDIAN CURRENCY SEIZURE CASE

The NIA Special Court, Kolkata, West Bengal, has sentenced one accused to Rigorous Imprisonment (RI), along with fine, in the 2021 fake Indian currency seizure case, taking the total number of convictions in the case to three.

Two of the four accused arrested and chargesheeted in the case (RC-08/2020/NIA/DLI) were convicted earlier under relevant sections of IPC and UA(P) Act.

The special NIA court in Kolkata has sentenced accused Akramul of district Malda of West Bengal to 5 years RI and Rs. 10,000 fine under sections 489C & 120B of IPC, as well as 7 years RI and Rs. 10,000 fine u/s 16 & 18 of UA(P) Act. All sentences shall run concurrently.

A special task force at Lalbazar Street police station in Kolkata had initially registered an FIR in the case on 22nd January 2020 against Akramul and Senaul Sk @ Senaul, following the seizure of huge quantity of High Quality Fake Indian Currency Notes (FICNs) in the denomination of Rs. 500. Subsequent questioning of Senaul led to the arrest of the third accused, Enamul Hoque, on 1st February 2020, along with seizure of more fake currency in the denominations of Rs. 2000 and Rs. 500.

The case was taken over and re-registered by NIA in March 2020, and investigations by the agency led to the arrest of the four accused. NIA found that all the four accused had hatched a criminal conspiracy for procuring and circulating high quality fake Indian currency notes with the intention to use the same for unlawful gains.

The trial against one accused is still continuing.