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NIA CHARGESHEETS 2 ACCUSED IN PLFI REVIVAL ATEMPTS CASE

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The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Saturday chargesheeted two accused in a case related to revival and strengthening of the banned Peoples Liberation Front of India (PLFI) in Jharkhand and neighbouring states.

The supplementary chargesheet filed today named Kapil Pathak @ Rana Singh @ Arjun Rana @ Pandit Ji of district Dhemaji, Assam, and Binod Munda @ Sukhu @ Dahura of Khunti (Jharkhand) under various sections of IPC, Arms Act and UA (P) Act.

NIA had registered the case suo motu in October 2023 in connection with involvement of PLFI cadres in generating funds through extortion from various coal traders, transporters, railway contractors, businessmen, etc. in Jharkhand, Bihar, Chhattisgarh, and Odisha. These members of PLFI had also conspired to commit various terrorist activities, including murders, arson, and violent attacks, to create terror among public, especially businessmen and contractors.

NIA investigations established the involvement of the two men in the conspiracy. Accused Kapil Pathak was found to be the Odisha state committee head of PLFI while Binod Munda was area commander of Karra area of Khunti District of Jharkhand.

Kapil Pathak and Binod Munda were also involved in raising extortion money and channelising them from Jharkhand to Assam.

During investigation, NIA had also recovered 01 country made rifle, 01 Country made pistol, 57 rounds of 7.62 MM prohibited ammunition and 20 rounds of .315 (8mm) from Binod Munda. The arms and ammunition were supplied by accused Kapil Pathak, investigations had revealed.

The probe in the case RC-04/2023/NIA/RNC is ongoing.