



## **NIA Files Charge-sheet in RC-13/2021/NIA/DLI (Darbhanga Railway Station Blast by operatives of LeT)**

Today (23.12.2021), NIA filed Charge-sheet in RC-13/2021/NIA/DLI in the NIA Special Court, Patna, Bihar under sections 120B, 468 and 471 of the IPC, Sections 3, 4 and 5 of the Explosive Substances Act, 1908 and sections 16, 17, 18, 18B, 20, 23, 38, 39 and 40 of the UA (P) Act against (1) Mohd Nasir Khan @ Nasir Malik, son of Musa Khan, resident of Kairana, Shamli, UP and presently residing at Hyderabad, Telangana, (2) Imran Malik, son of Musa Khan, resident of Kairana, Shamli, UP and presently residing at Hyderabad, Telangana, (3) Saleem Ahmed @ Haji Saleem @ Haji , son of Late Yaseen , resident of Kairana, Shamli, Uttar Pradesh (4) Kafil Ahmad @ Kafil , son of Shakeel Ahmed, resident of Kairana, Shamli, Uttar Pradesh (5) Iqbal Mohammed @ Md Iqbal @ Hafeez Iqbal @ Iqbal Kana @ Kana , son of Akbar Mohammed, resident of Shamli, UP and presently staying in Lahore, Pakistan.

2. The case relates to blast/explosion at Darbhanga Railway Station on 17.06.2021. Rail PS Darbhanga, Bihar registered a case FIR no 26/2021 dated 17.06.2021 regarding the incident. NIA took up the investigation of the case on 24.06.2021. Investigation revealed that LeT operatives had planned to set ablaze a moving long-distance train by placing incendiary Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs)/parcel bomb in the train so that whole train catches fire and there is huge loss of life of innocent people & damage to property.

3. In order to execute the task, on directions of Pakistan based LeT operative Hafeez Iqbal @ Iqbal Kana, accused Mohd. Nasir Khan and Imran Malik fabricated an IED using locally procured chemicals and placed the same in a parcel of clothes. The parcel was booked in Secunderabad-Darbhanga Express which departs in the night with an intention that on triggering of the Incendiary IED, the cloth parcel would ignite and further spread fire in other parcels booked in the van converting it into a large conflagration.

4. Investigation further revealed that accused Nasir Khan had travelled to Pakistan and received training in espionage, handling of arms and ammunition and fabricating IEDs. He also received funds from Pakistan on various occasions. After the incident the Pakistan based handlers had tried to facilitate the escape of arrested accused to foreign country through Nepal, however they were apprehended before they could escape.

5. Further investigation is continued.

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