



### **NIA conducts searches at multiple locations in Kerala in PFI case**

1. Today (29.12.2022), NIA conducted searches at 56 locations in Kerala in NIA case no. RC-02/2022/NIA/KOC, which relates to unlawful and violent activities being carried out by Popular Front of India (PFI), its office bearers/cadres/members and affiliates. PFI has been found justifying the use of criminal force and encouraging vulnerable youth to join terrorist organisations. This case was registered suo-moto on 19.09.2022.
2. Searches were conducted at residences of 7 State Executive Committee members, 7 Zonal Heads of PFI, 15 Physical Training Instructors-Trainers of PFI, houses of 7 PFI cadres trained in use of knives, daggers, swords and other types of weapons to carry out murderous violent acts and 20 other suspects in the districts of Trivandrum (3), Kollam (3), Pathanamthitta (3), Kottayam (2), Alappuzha (3), Ernakulam (13), Thrissur (2), Palakkad (1), Malappuram (7), Kozhikode (4), Kannur (9) and Wayanad (6).
3. Earlier on 22.09.2022, NIA had conducted searches at 24 locations in Kerala, including Offices of PFI and residences of 13 accused.
4. Searches today have led to the recovery and seizure of sharp edged weapons, incriminating material and digital devices.
5. Further investigations in the case are in progress.

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