



National Investigation Agency
Ministry of Home Affairs, Govt. of India



NIA files Chargesheet against 20 accused in Praveen Nettaru Murder Case

Yesterday (20.01.2023), NIA filed Charge-Sheet against 20 accused in NIA Special Court, Bengaluru in Case no. RC-36/2022/NIA/DLI, which pertains to murder of Praveen Nettaru, BJP Yuva Morcha member, by cadres/members of Popular Front of India on 26.07.2022, in Bellare village of Sullia Taluk in Dakshina Kannada District, with the intention to strike terror in the society and create fear among the people.

The case was initially registered as FIR no. 63/2022 dated 27.07.2022, at Bellare Police Station of Dakshina Kannada District and re-registered by NIA on 04.08.2022.

2. Investigations revealed that the PFI, as part of its agenda to create terror, communal hatred and unrest in society and to further its agenda of establishing Islamic Rule by 2047, formed secret teams called Service Teams or Killer Squads to carry out killings of its 'perceived enemies' and targets. These Service Team members were given Arms as well Attack training and training in surveillance techniques in order to identify, list out and to mount surveillance on individuals/leaders belonging to certain communities and groups. These Service Team members were further trained to assault/kill identified targets, on the instructions of senior PFI leaders. In furtherance of conspiracy meetings by PFI members and leaders held at Bengaluru city, Sullia Town and Bellare village, the head of District Service Team Mustafa Paichar was instructed to recce, identify and target a prominent member of a particular community. As per instructions, four persons were recced and identified and among them Praveen Nettaru, who was BJP Yuva Morcha, District Committee Member, was assaulted and killed on 26.07.2022 in full public view with lethal weapons to create a terror among the people at large and especially among members of a particular community.

3. The accused persons have been charge sheeted under various sections of 120B, 153A, 302 and 34 of IPC and sections 16, 18 and 20 of the UA (P) Act, 1967, Section 25(1)(a) of arms Act are listed below:

- 1) Mahammed Shiyab S/o Mahammad Sajid #7-109/1 Navoor House, Sulya Kasaba, Sullia Town, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka.
- 2) Abdul Basheer S/o Mohammed Kunhi, 29 years, r/o Yettinahole, Elimale, Sullia Taluk, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka.
- 3) Riyaz S/o Abdul Latheef, aged 28 years, 2-137, Ankathadka House, Puttur Taluk, Palthadi, Dakshina Kannada Karnataka.
- 4) Mustafa Paichar @ Mahmmad Musthaf S S/o Ummar, aged 43 years, #02-64, Shanthinagar, Sullia Kasaba, Sullia Taluk, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka.
- 5) Masud K A S/o Abubakkar K A, aged 40 years, r/o Agnady house, 34 Nekkiladi, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka.
- 6) Kodaje Mohammed Sherif S/o Kodaje Adda, aged 53 years, 1-12, Kodaje, Bantwal, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka.
- 7) Abubakkar Siddik S/o Ali Kunhi, 38 years, 1-17, Bellare House Main Road, Bellare, Bellare Post, Sullia Taluk, Dakshina Kannada Karnataka.
- 8) Noufal M S/o Mohammad T A, aged 38 years, Thambinamakki House, Bellare Post, Sullia taluk, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka.
- 9) Ismail Shafi K S/o Adam kunhi K, 1-53 KunhiGudde, Bellare village, Sullia Taluk, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka.

- 10) K Mahammad Iqbal s/o Adam Kunhi, r/o 1-53 Kunhi Gudde, Bellare village, Sullia Taluk, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka.
- 11) Shaheed M s/o Abdul karimaged 38 years, no 2-197(25), Kalkatta, Mangalanthi, Manjanady, Mangalanthi, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka
- 12) Mahammad Shafeek G S/O Ibrahim B A, aged 28 years, DOB: 10/04/1995, Darkhasthu House, Sullia Taluk, Post Bellare, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka.
- 13) Ummar Farook M R S/o Rafiq M R, DOB: 11.01.2001, aged 22 years, no 351, Kallumutlu House, Sullia, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka.
- 14) Abdul Kabeer C A S/o Abbas, aged 33 years, 8-102/1, Jattipalla House Near Masidi, Sullia, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka.
- 15) Muhammad Ibrahim Sha S/o Mohammad M A, aged 23 years, Jeermuki House, Nellurukemraje village and post, Sullia taluk, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka.
- 16) Sainul Abid Y S/o Yakoob, aged 23 years, 7-74 Gandinagar House, Navoor, Sullia Taluk, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka.
- 17) Shekh Saddam Hussain S/o Shekh Abdul Raheed, aged 28 years, 5-12/4 Beedu House Bellare Village, Sullia Taluk, Dakshina Kannada.
- 18) Zakiar A S/o Haneef, aged 30 years, r/o 1-168, Athikere House and Village, Puttur Taluk, Savanur, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka.
- 19) N Abdul Haris S/o N Ismail, aged 40 years, 5-22-5 Bodu House, Bellare Post and Village, Sullia Taluk, Dakshina Kannada District, Karnataka.
- 20) Thufail M H s/o Hameed M H, 24/126, Behand, Gaddige, Madikeri, Kodagu District, Karnataka.

4. Among the ChargeSheeted accused, Mustafa Paichar, Masud K A, Kodaje Mohammed Sherif, Abubakkar Siddik, Ummar Farook M R and Thufail M H are currently absconding and rewards have been declared for information leading to their arrest.

5. Further investigations in the case are in progress.
