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## NIA CHARGESHEETS UDHAMPUR IED BLAST CASES CARRIED OUT BY THE LeT

Following through on investigations into the Udhampur IED blast cases by the LeT through their Pak based handlers, NIA filed a chargesheet against 2 LeT operatives today.

Mohd Aslam Sheikh @ Adil and Mohd Amin Bhat @ Abu Khubaib @ Pinna have been charged for their efforts towards revival of terrorist activities in Jammu by carrying out recruitments from the pool of OGWs and surrendered terrorists and activating & motivating them to carry out terrorist acts.

NIA had taken over investigations into the case in 15th of November 2022 from Jammu & Kashmir Police.

NIA Investigations revealed that Mohd Aslam Sheikh @ Adil was in touch with Mohd Amin Bhat @ Abu Khubaib @ Pinna, an 'individual terrorist' of the LeT listed by Government of India, who was now operating from Pakistan. Pinna recruited Adil to carry out the two IED blasts on buses parked in the public areas of Udhampur District of J&K, which had inflicted injuries to two persons.

Mohd Amin Bhat @ Abu Khubaib @ Pinna was initially a resident of Doda district in J&K. In 1997, he joined the terrorist ranks of Hizb Ul Mujahideen and was involved in the execution of various terrorist acts in J&K. He escaped to Pakistan in 2009 and is presently an active LeT handler who is playing a vital role to revive and accelerate terrorist activities in the Jammu region of J&K.

Adil collected the explosives consignment delivered Pinna's associates from across the border in Kathua sector. Pinna used drones and dead drop method for this delivery. Pinna trained Adil in cyberspace on how to prime the IEDs. On 28th September, Adil planted 2 IEDs in two different buses, which were plying between Basnatgarh and Udhampur. One blast took place around midnight on 28th and the other in the early hours of 29th September.

After his arrest, Adil made disclosures about hoarding of explosives for future attacks. Two more IEDs, three Sticky bombs, three detonators and two PTD timers were recovered from Adil's residence. These were part of the consignment that was delivered from Pakistan.

NIA unravelled all these facts and has filed a chargesheet on 28th against Mohd Aslam Sheikh @ Adil and Mohd Amin Bhat @ Abu Khubaib under sections 120B, 121A, 122, 307 and 407 of IPC, sections 3 & 4 of the Explosives Substances Act, 1908 and sections 16, 18, 18B, 20, 23, 38 & 39 of the UA (P) Act, 1967.

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