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Context

A number of national, local daily newspapers, channels and media agencies on 15 October 2018 reported an alleged case of terror-funding related to the construction of Khulafa-e-Rashideen Masjid in Palwal's Uttawar village. The reports were based on a National Investigation Agency (NIA) source.

It was reported that NIA probe has led investigators to atleast six instances where funds from terror outfit Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT)-linked charity Falah-e-Insaniyat Foundation (FIF) were distributed through a "hawala" network among poor families in Haryana's Mewat region to build goodwill for the terror group.

A very few newspapers quoting NIA officials reported that the NIA '*suspects*' that the hawala money was given for the construction of the Khulafa-e-Rashideen Masjid in Mewat's Uttawar village. But most of the news papers and news agencies claimed to have direct terror-funding in construction of the Khulafa-e-Rashideen Masjid.

Hindustan Times dated 16 October 2018, quoting an official of the NIA who spoke on condition of anonymity:

*“We suspect that the charity was done to create a base for **Lashkar or FIF** activities in the area. The idea was to generate goodwill by distributing money for organising weddings and the Masjid – to be encashed at the right opportunity”.*

“We have found records of around Rs 70 lakh being sent to India in instalments by the FIF network. We have seized books from the office of the Masjid to verify its accounts. Money for construction of Masjid may have been given by others in the area as well, but we believe that part of the funds came from FIF”.

Hindustan Times dated 16 October 2018 also reported that in an earlier statement on September 26, the NIA had said that FIF is based in Lahore and is a front of the LeT, which is headed by Pakistan-based Hafiz Saeed, who is on the list of the U.S. State Department's Specially Designated Global Terrorists. FIF is banned in India under the Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act and was declared as a terrorist entity by the US in 2010. Last month, NIA announced that it has busted a major terror funding ring that was being run from Delhi with money coming from FIF and arrested three persons in this regard. The agency has seized over Rs 1.5 crore in cash, mobiles phones, pen drives and several incriminating documents during various searches in connection with the case.

The media reported that *“among the arrested accused was Mohammed Salman, a native of Uttawar village and resident of Delhi’s Basti Hazrat Nizamuddin. The money was allegedly being distributed by Salman”*, NIA officials said.

In its second statement in the case on 12 October 2018, NIA said: *“Salman was in regular touch with one Dubai-based Pakistani national, who in turn is connected with the deputy chief of FIF.”* The agency added that the accused person was receiving funds, being sent by FIF operators and his associates, through hawala operators to further their *“nefarious activities and create unrest in India and carry out the terrorist activities”*.

The Khulafa-e-Rashideen Masjid at Uttawar village in Palwal was searched by NIA officers on 3 October 2018, days after the agency arrested three men, including the Imam of the Masjid, Mohammed Salman, in New Delhi in an alleged terror-funding case.

According to NIA, Salman was involved in taxi and dairy product businesses but had incurred losses. Later, he went to Saudi Arabia for Umrah. *“He also visited Dubai a few years back where he met few Pakistani nationals and thereafter started getting funds through hawala,”* said an NIA officer.

Some Urdu newspapers, a very few English newspapers and a BBC video story brought a different narrative. According to few news reports, in the village of Uttawar, very few buy the NIA story, most believe it is a result of a court battle between the villagers and some families squatting on the Masjid land.

Newspapers quoted Khalid Hussain. Hussain (who was present at the Masjid when it was searched and is the son of former Uttawar Sarpanch, Akhtar Hussain) and Pradhan Prajapati as follows:

“Because we are trying to evict them, it appears someone has given this wrong information to the police. No one in the village can believe such a thing. Salman comes from a very reputed family in the village. No one from his family has ever had a criminal case against them.”

Salman’s cousin Yaqub (77 years) also vouches for his innocence. *“In Islam, betraying the nation is a sin. Hafiz Saeed is a foreigner. A God-fearing man like Salman would never align with him,”* he said.

In one newspaper, the current Imam of the said Masjid, Mohammed Jamshed was mentioned. He had shown a ledger book which has entries of daily expenses to journalists. *“All you will find here is an account of onions, garlic and tomatoes. Our records are absolutely clean. We do not investigate the source of contributions. This Masjid has been built with contributions from a lot of people. We do not know where Salman got his money from. But I am not ready to believe he would put dirty money here. If at all it is dirty money, I doubt if he knew that himself”.*

According to Uttawar residents, Salman’s late father, Maulvi Dawood, is well-regarded among Muslims in the Mewat region. He migrated to Delhi more than 50 years ago and was a prominent person of a significant in Tablighi Markaz Nizamuddin till his death. For Uttawar, he was an authority on Islam and had the final say in all disputes in the village.

He had imparted the same knowledge to his oldest son Salman. *“That is why when in 2009 the village earmarked 10 acres for the Masjid and the work began the next year, Salman was not only made the in-charge of Masjid construction and fund collection, but also its Imam. There was no one else in the village better suited for this because of his pedigree,”* said Mohammed Saad, who runs the Masjid Madarsa.

For the past eight years, according to villagers, Salman visited Uttawar regularly where he stayed in a small, spartan room near the Masjid to oversee its construction. The Masjid is still under construction and villagers are waiting for more money to complete it.

The Committee

The Fact-Finding Committee consisted of the following:

1. Mr. Ovais Sultan Khan, Member of Delhi Minorities Commission’s advisory committee
2. Mr. A C Michael, Former Member of Delhi Minorities Commission, and member of DMC advisory committee
3. Mr. Abu Bakr Sabbaq, advocate and human rights worker, and
4. Sardar Gurmindar Singh Matharu, Member of Shiromani Gurudwara Parbandhak Committee, Amritsar

Testimonies from Uttawar village in Palwal

DMC’s Fact Finding Committee visited Khulafa-e-Rashideen Masjid, Uttawar, Palawal in Haryana on October 20th 2018, and took testimonies of the following persons.

1. Mohammad Yaqoob:

The cousin of arrested accused Mohammad Salman, whom we met at Khulafa-e-Rashideen Masjid, Uttawar said that the land of Masjid is about 10 acre is Shamlaati (collective land of the village) land. The villagers including Hindus collectively decided to build Masjid on the said land. The committee formed for the Masjid. And this committee did the fund raising and

collection for the construction of the proposed Masjid and Markaz of Tablighi Jamat in Haryana.

2. Akhtar Hussain:

A former Sarpanch, testified that when the construction of Masjid began he was the Sarpanch. After the completion of Tablighi Ijtimah an amount of Rs. 20 Lacs was surplus out of the collection amount and the money spent. This balance amount was used for the construction of the compound wall. He continues to be a member of the Masjid Committee. He said Mohammad Salman is an honest and religious personality of the area. Therefore, he was pressurized by the Committee and elders of the area to accept the responsibility of the Masjid. No one in the area can accept the allegation levelled against Salman.

He said that Maulana Dawood, the father of Mohammad Salman shifted to Hazrat Nizamuddin Markaz, New Delhi seventy years ago, where he served in the Markaz of Tablighi Jamaat.

He added the total population of Uttawar village is about 25,000 in which about 85 percent are Muslims, having a history of communal harmony among all the communities.

He said the construction of the Khulafa-e-Rashideen Masjid, Uttawar was started in 2009, some people had illegally encroached some parts of the 10 acre land donated for Masjid, a Government Hospital and an Old-age Home. The dispute for the land started with those illegal encroachers when Masjid Committee took a decision to uproot the encroachers of the said land. The value of one shop on the roadside is about 25 lakh, where more than 200 shops maybe constructed on the land at road side, this maybe an important reason for this false case where these persons supposed to be involved. These people filed about seven cases in local courts against the members of the Masjid Committee.

He said that they have started a Government Hospital too on the land, a Madarsa was also started, this Masjid was supposed to be the first State Markaz of Tablighi Jamaat. All the materials i.e. bricks, cement, *baalu*, *gitti*, *bajri*, *sariya*, *balli*, *patra*, crusher etc. donated by the well wishers without any cost while collective funds donated by all the districts even at the time of foundation stone members of 84 villages (all religions and caste groups) were present and participated in collection of funds and donations.

He told the Fact Finding Committee that on 4 October 2018 NIA for the first time visited for investigation, we had receipts of about One Crore rupees, all the records including receipts and registers in original were taken by NIA without giving any document about this to us.

He further added that for collection of funds, members of Masjid Committee used to go on visits, there were total collection done and entered by Mohammad Salman was approximately 30 lakhs in which about 22 lakhs was donated by him after selling his ancestral land in the village, remaining collections done by Masjid Committee along with villagers.

3. Mohammad Yunus (sitting Sarpanch):

The foundation stone ceremony was organized by 84 villages, the whole Mewat region is participating in fund raising and public collection for this Masjid as this is going to be the biggest Masjid in Haryana. It will act as the Markaz of Tablighi Jamaat in Haryana. People of the region from all religions are participating and supporting by providing funds and construction materials.

He further said on the links related with Pakistan in receiving of funds that they can't imagine having any links with Pakistan, as my maternal Uncles and Grandparents are living in Pakistan. My mother is aged 80 years but we are not able to call them on my mother's requests due to fear. They are unable to see each other.

He informed that Haji Hashim, member of Masjid Committee received a Notice by NIA through Local Police u/s 160 CrPC dated 03/10/2018 in the matter of RC-20/2018/NIA/DLI u/s 120B/121 IPC, 17/18/21/38/40 of UAPA to appear before Investigating Officer of the above mentioned case Mr. Nishant Singh Dy. S.P. NIA. After receiving the said Notice, Haji Hashim visited NIA Headquarters and he was called for further five more days where NIA took all original records of the Masjid including all receipts, registers and diaries etc., NIA not provided document to this effect.

4. Rohtas Kumar:

A native of the Maluka village who runs a photo studio namely R.K. Photo Studio in the Uttawar Market testified that in 2009/2010 the foundation stone ceremony was organized at this place of Masjid where videography and photography of the event done by him, in the said event people from all the villages of the Mewat region participated, from that day to till

date Hindu Muslim all are collecting and contributing funds to build this Masjid as we are living here in a friendly relations. Generally people used to give religious charity secretly.

All the news about funding from Pakistan for this Masjid is only propaganda to destroy the image of the Mewat region and to polarize the voters by communal forces.

5. Aas Mohammad:

Native of the village and well-known social worker said, the news propagated by media are completely baseless, since independence we are always known as loyal and honest, we can build our Masjid ourselves, we don't need any help from outsiders, there is a long list of people of this region who have given their life and blood for the struggle to freedom and also thereafter at the border.

Alleged case on Mohammad Salman is completely baseless, only due to his respect and dignity he was compelled by the society to accept the guardianship in constructing the Masjid. He used to come Uttawar only to offer Friday prayers. He even sold his ancestral property to contribute in the construction of Masjid.

He further said that NIA recovered only about 1,80,000/- Rupees which belong to his son who runs a shop of Mosquito-nets in Basti Hazrat Nizamuddin, Delhi.

6. Rohtash Jain:

Native of Uttawar Village, runs a general store in market, said, it was very defamatory, all the allegations seem to be false and baseless, news papers are known to publish anything. In this Masjid even Hindu community donated huge amount.

At the time of foundation stone ceremony, sitting MLA who was Minister in Haryana Government was present along with Molvi Ishaq Sahab of Nuh Madarasa, Mufti Zahid Hussain, etc were present and appealed with the public for donations and public contributions. Each and every family of the region especially of 84 villages donated thousands of rupees. And each person contributed 1000 Rs. who was present during the foundation stone ceremony.

7. Mohammad Hanif:

Member of the Masjid Committee, stated that all the funds for this Masjid was collected in Mewat region, some of us visited Jaipur, Chandigarh, Hapur and Delhi etc. for the fund raising and collection of money.

We used to maintain all income and expenditure details in our records, but all the records are with NIA who seized all the records and kept in NIA Headquarters at Delhi.

8. General perception of the local people:

Local people, including social worker Aas Mohammad and Mohammad Yunus (sitting Sarpanch) said that all this happened because of illegal encroachment of land by some of the villagers. Whereas, according to them, the villagers collectively decided that the 8 acres of land for Masjid and Madarsa, and 2 acres for Government Hospital and Old-age Home. They suspect that these illegal encroachers have given false complaint in ministries and police.

9. Advocate Ilyas:

He is the person looking into the matters of encroachment of the Masjid land in District Courts at Hathin. Advocate Ilyas told the DMC's Fact Finding Committee during telephonic communication that there were about 10 cases regarding the possession and land disputes.

10 & 11. Suresh Kumar (Dy. S.P.) and Ram Dayal (SHO):

During the interaction with local police officials the DMC Fact Finding Committee when inquired about the matter, they simply responded as – We never inquired in this regard, as we never received any complaint/intelligence input regarding any illegal or anti national activity in the region or against the accused Mohammad Salman or anyone else, neither we have any evidence against anyone.

Now the matter is being investigated by national agency, we can't do anything in this matter.

If NIA will ask for any cooperation we will help them.

Dy. S.P. Suresh Kumar and SHO Ram Dayal said that the generally to build religious places the donations are collected but proper maintenance of records is not possible.

Dy. S.P. Suresh Kumar said that in this Mewat region there is no rule of the Constitution. And when we tried to write it down, this senior Police officer stopped us and asked not to write it.

Testimonies from relatives of the accused in Delhi

DMC's Fact Finding Committee visited family of the accused Mohammad Salman in Hazrat Nizamuddin Basti, Delhi.

1. Mohammad Hassan:

Son of accused/arrestee Mohammad Salman informed that his father received a call from UCO Bank at Bhogal where he has a bank account. When he reached at Bhogal UCO Bank Branch at about 02:00 pm, some unknown persons abducted him.

Later by evening the family came to know when NIA raided his house at Nizamuddin Basti and informed that his father is in NIA Headquarters.

NIA officials informed him that someone complained against Mohammad Salman in Ministry, which was to NIA by the Ministry.

At the time of NIA raid, there was cash of rupees 2,60,900/- was found in the house. NIA returned 20,000/- and took away the remaining amount along with four mobile phones, one belongs to Mohammad Hassan, one belongs to his mother, two belong to his uncle Mohammad Ahmad.

Mohammad Hassan explained that One lakh Rupees was taken by himself from 'Chit-fund-Committee' namely 'Sahara Committee' for his shop.

NIA also seized many receipts, records, registers and diaries along with hard disk and pen drive but not prepared any seizure memo at spot at the time of seizure.

2. Mohammad Yusuf

Brother of Mohammad Salman, says that a Tablighi Jamaat Ijtima (congregation) was held in Uttawar in 2008, where Maulana Saad was present and they decided to construct a Masjid in Uttawar.

His father Maulana Dawood shifted to Basti Hazrat Nizamuddin in 1922 from Uttawar.

Mohammad Salman had visited UAE for Tablighi Jamaat in 2016 for about two weeks from 29 September 2016 to 17 October 2016, and visited KSA for Umrah (religious pilgrimage) from 3 June 2017 to 1 July 2017.

But we don't have any information that he received any money from hawala channels.

3. Mohammad Ahmad:

Brother of Mohammad Salman, says that we don't have any knowledge about any links with Pakistan. NIA raided and seized many documents but not provided any receiving.

NIA official took my signature on some documents but I don't know about the documents as it was in English language while I can't understand English.

NIA had taken him to NIA headquarters but later sent him back on the same day i.e. 25 September 2018, saying Mohammad Salman will be freed by tomorrow but in the night of 26 September 2018 NIA officials informed that they are going to arrest Mohammad Salman.

On 27 September 2018, they produced Mohammad Salman before the NIA Special Court at Patiala House District Court.

Observations

The Delhi Minorities Commission's Fact Finding Committee observed:

1. Committee did not come across any evidence to state that the terror-funding was received for the construction of the Khulafa-e-Rashideen Masjid.

2. Committee found during interaction with local people, including all religious and caste groups, they themselves have contributed and raised funds for building of the Khulafa-e-Rashideen Masjid.
3. Khulafa-e-Rashideen Masjid's name is dragged because of the internal property dispute.
4. The local Hindus and Muslims have together donated the total 10 acres land for Masjid and Madarsa (8 acre), Government Hospital and Old-age Home (2 acre) from their Shamlaati property (collective land).
5. Khulafa-e-Rashideen Masjid is of Tablighi Jamaat. Whereas, Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT)-and Falah-e-Insaniyat Foundation (FIF) belong to Salafi School of thought. These two does not agree with each others' teachings and practices. Therefore, there is no question of collaboration between them.
6. Harvindar Yadav (NIA Officer) told family of Mohammad Salman that somebody complained against Mohammad Salman in Ministry, which was referred to NIA.
7. The complaint, FIR, and arrest dates do not match the order of incidents.
8. Mohammad Salman was in illegal NIA detention on 25-26 September 2018. He was produced before the NIA Special Court at Patiala House District Court on 27 September 2018.
9. NIA allegation of Rs. 70 lacs received from overseas was found to be untrue.
10. NIA seized all original receipts, records, registers and diaries along with a hard disk and pen drive from Mohammad Salman's home but not prepared any seizure memo at spot at the time of seizure. Neither provided copy of the records.
11. NIA Team raided Khulafa-e-Rashideen Masjid, but it had not recorded the statement of any villagers and members of Masjid Committee.
12. NIA also seized all original receipts, records and registers from Khulafa-e-Rashideen Masjid Committee, but not prepared any seizure memo at the time of seizure. Neither provided any receipt.
13. There are many serious procedural lapses by NIA.
14. The name and details of the case are not available at the NIA website.
15. Two Press Releases (dated 26 September 2018 and 12 October 2018) issued by NIA does not mention Khulafa-e-Rashideen Masjid or its construction by terror-funding.

Recommendations

1. Delhi Minorities Commission should ask UCO Bank, Bhogal Branch, Delhi to submit the CCTV recording of 25th September 2018, from where Mohammad Salman was taken into illegal detention by NIA.
2. Delhi Minorities Commission should issue an advisory to all media houses and agencies to be careful in reporting the alleged terror related cases. They should not make it sensational.
3. Delhi Minorities Commission should write to Union Home Secretary about procedural lapses done by NIA in this case.
4. Delhi Minorities Commission should organise legal rights and procedural laws trainings in minority concentrated localities for awareness related to legal literacy among the common masses which are victims in many cases by law enforcement authorities.
5. The publication and distribution of small booklets about legal rights and procedural laws in Hindi, Urdu, Punjabi and English languages by Delhi Minorities Commission is recommended.

Annexure to the Report of the Delhi Minorities Commission's Fact-Finding Committee

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Media reports

Real Story: Mosque in Palwal built with Lashkar-e-Taiba funds, says NIA (BBC Hindi)

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दिल्ली से दो घंटे की दूरी पर उतावड़ मेवाती मुसलमानों का एक पिछड़ा गाँव है जहाँ सोमवार को दर्जनों मीडिया वाले आ धमके. फोकस में थी एक मस्जिद जो बाहर से जितनी छोटी और अधूरी थी अंदर से उतनी ही बड़ी और सुंदर. खुलफ़ए राशिदीन मस्जिद इतनी बड़ी है कि आस पास के गावों के 15 हजार मुसलमान एक साथ अंदर नमाज़ अदा कर सकते हैं. लेकिन मैं जब वहां पहुंचा तो मस्जिद काफी खाली थी. छोटी बच्चियां और बच्चे कुरान पढ़ते ज़रूर नज़र आए. मुझसे कहा गया कि ये मस्जिद भी है और मदरसा भी. इन दिनों ये मस्जिद सुर्खियों में है. राष्ट्रीय जाँच एजेंसी या एनआइए का इल्ज़ाम है कि मस्जिद के इमाम मोहम्मद सलमान ने पाकिस्तान के हाफ़िज़ सईद (जमात उद दावा प्रमुख) की संस्था से पैसे लेकर मस्जिद बनाई है. वीडियो: जुबैर अहमद/मनीष जालुई

Video: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0e0VUMci4XA>

Haryana: Mosque in Palwal built with Lashkar-e-Taiba funds, says NIA

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<https://indianexpress.com/article/india/haryana-mosque-in-palwal-built-with-lashkar-e-taiba-funds-says-nia-5402030/>

A mosque in Palwal district of Haryana has come under the scrutiny of security agencies after a National Investigation Agency (NIA) probe found that it was allegedly built with funds from the Hafiz Saeed-led Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) in Pakistan.

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While residents of Uttawar said the mosque is embroiled in a land dispute and were unaware of Salman's links to the LeT, the NIA is questioning office bearers of the mosque and scrutinising the account books, details of donations and documents seized.

Salman (52), Mohammed Salim and Sajjad Abdul Wani were arrested on September 26 for allegedly receiving terror funding from Lahore-based Falah-e-Insaniyat Foundation (FIF), an NGO set up by Hafiz Saeed's Jamaat-ud-Dawa (JuD), Lashkar's parent organisation.

NIA investigations, sources said, have found that Salman allegedly funnelled FIF money to build the mosque in Palwal. "Salman, who came in touch with LeT associated men when he was in Dubai, had been receiving funds from FIF. The organisation, we have learnt, gave him Rs 70 lakh to build a mosque in Uttawar. It even gave him money for the marriage of his daughters. We are now probing from where the mosque has been receiving its donations and how this money is being used," an NIA officer said.

The officer said that Salman, who hails from Uttawar but has been living in Delhi since childhood, was among the largest contributors to a fund that was raised to build the mosque. Sources said that residents of the village arranged for over 10 acres of land on its own while money for construction was given by Salman.

The NIA alleged that this money actually came from the FIF. "The village does not appear to be aware of the source of funds. They believe it has come from Salman," said another officer. After Salman's arrest in September, the NIA, in an official statement said: "During investigation, it emerged that one Mohammad Salman...is in regular touch with one Dubai-based Pakistani national, who in turn is connected with the Deputy Chief of Falah-e-Insaniyat Foundation. The accused person has been receiving funds, being sent by FIF operators and his associates through hawala operators."

According to the NIA, the FIF is a front-end organisation of "the LeT, a terror organisation proscribed under UAPA... FIF is placed on the list of terrorist organisations as per entry 33 in the First Schedule to the UAPA read with Prevention and Suppression of Terrorism (Implementation of Security Council Resolutions) Order 2016".

In the village of Uttawar, however, few buy the NIA story. Most believe it is a result of a court battle between the villagers and some families squatting on the mosque land. "Because we are trying to evict them, it appears someone has given this wrong information to the police. No one in the village can believe such a thing. Salman comes from a very reputed family in the village. No one from his family has ever had a criminal case against

them,” said Khalid Hussain. Hussain was present at the mosque when it was searched and is the son of former Uttawar Sarpanch, Akhtar Hussain.

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The NIA Friday also raided a Kashmiri shawl shop in Lajpat Nagar and a house in connection with its probe into the case. It has recovered several “incriminating documents” and Rs 18 lakh in cash apart from six mobile phones during the raids.

The premises belong to Hilal Ahmed Rather, who hails from Kashmir. It is suspected that Hilal was running the shop as a front to launder FIF money, said NIA sources. Hilal’s name cropped up when Salman and Sajjad Wani, were questioned.

NIA Probes Mosque In Haryana Allegedly Built With Funds From Lashkar

The Khulafala-e-Rashideen mosque in Palwal's Uttawar village was searched by the NIA's officers on October 3

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PALWAL: A mosque in Haryana's Palwal district has come under the scanner of the National Investigation Agency or NIA over alleged links with a terror group in funding its construction. The NIA has said its probe indicated that the mosque was built with the help of funds received from Pakistan-based terror group Lashkar-e-Taiba or LeT.

The LeT and the mastermind of the 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks, Hafiz Saeed, have been designated as global terrorists by the US government.

The Khulafala-e-Rashideen mosque in Uttawar village was searched by the NIA's officers on October 3, days after three men including the imam of the mosque, Mohammad Salman, were arrested in Delhi in a case linked to alleged terror-funding.

An NIA spokesperson said the imam got a huge sum of money from a Dubai-based Pakistani citizen. "The imam of the masjid, Mohammed Salman, received Rs. 70 lakh from a Dubai-based Pakistani citizen named Kamran. Salman received the money through hawala from Dubai. We believe that Kamran is working for LeT and also provide funds for terrorist activities in India," the spokesperson told news agency ANI.

Some residents of Palwal's Uttawar village, however, said their village mosque was not funded by the terror group. "The land is legal and people from many villages have funded construction of this mosque," said Ramesh Prajapati, village headman.

The NIA said it is also questioning other people at the mosque and checking the account books. Papers having details of donations have been seized, the probe agency said.

Haryana Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar on Monday said they will take action after a thorough investigation. "This issue has come to our notice. But only after investigations... what kind of issue it is will be known and whatever action will be needed, we will do that," Mr Khattar told reporters in Palwal when asked for his comments on the issue.

At a press conference in Chandigarh, senior Congress leader Randeep Singh Surjewala, when asked to comment on the matter, said, "If it is true, then it is worrisome".

"Terrorism has no colour, religion or caste. If any person is found involved in anti-India activities, then on the basis of the evidences and proof available, action as per law should be taken," the Congress leader told news agency Press Trust of India.

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Lashkar-e-Taiba funds helped build mosque in Haryana's Palwal, claims NIA

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Palwal: The National Investigation Agency (NIA) has found that a mosque in Palwal was allegedly built on funds received from wanted terrorist Hafiz Saeed-led Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT) of Pakistan, as per a report by *The Indian Express*. This came to light during the investigation into an alleged terror funding case, says the NIA.

Three men, including the Imam of the mosque, Mohammed Salman, were arrested for allegedly receiving a funding from Falah-e-Insaniyat Foundation (FIF) in Lahore. The NGO has been set up by the parent organisation of Lashkar, Hafiz Saeed's Jamaat-ud-Dawa (JuD).

On October 3, the NIA arrested Mohammed Salim and Sajjad Abdul Wani apart from the mosque's Imam. They are further questioning the office holders of the Khulafa-e-Rashideen masjid at Uttawar village in Palwal and probing the matter while scrutinizing account books, donations received and documents.

As per the NIA officers, LeT run organisation, FIF, gave Salman 70 lakhs to build the mosque. Salman, the Imam, came in touch with LeT men during his trip to Dubai. "It even gave him money for the marriage of his daughters. We are now probing from where the mosque has been receiving its donations and how this money is being used," an NIA officer was quoted as saying by *The Indian Express*.

Further, it has been found that 10 acres of land were arranged for the mosque to be built by the residents of the village while Salman provided the money for construction. Now, even though the villagers believe that the funds came from Salman, they are not aware that the money has actually come from FIF.

Meanwhile, the villagers have backed Salman saying that he comes from a "reputed family" and cannot have such criminal connections. However, the NIA has said that Salman went to Dubai after his Saudi Arabia trip for Umrah. He met a Pakistani national there and started getting funds through hawala, as per the report.

NIA alleges mosque in Haryana's Palwal was built with the help of funds received from Lashkar-e-Taiba

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Palwal (Haryana): A mosque in Haryana's Palwal district has come under the scanner of the National Investigation Agency (NIA) after a probe by the central agency revealed that it was allegedly built with the help of funds received from Pakistan-based terror organisation Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT).

The LeT is a terror outfit of Mumbai attack mastermind and US-designate terrorist Hafiz Saeed. [File image of Hafiz Saeed. Reuters]

The Khulafala-e-Rashideen mosque, located at Uttawar village, was searched by the NIA officers on 3 October, days after its sleuths arrested three men, including the *Imam* (priest) of the mosque, Mohammad Salman, in New Delhi in a terror-funding case.

A spokesperson for the NIA said that the *Imam* allegedly received a huge sum of money from a Dubai-based Pakistani citizen.

"The Imam of the Masjid, Mohammed Salman received Rs 70 lakh from a Dubai-based Pakistani citizen named Kamran. Salman received the money through Hawala from Dubai. We believe that Kamran is working for LeT and also provide funds for terrorist activities in India," the spokesperson told ANI.

However the residents of Palwal's Uttawar village maintain that Khulafa-e-Rashideen Masjid in the village is not funded by LeT as said by NIA

"The land is legal and people from many villages have funded construction of this mosque," says Ramesh Prajapati, Village headman.

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देश में यहां आतंकी हाफिज सईद के पैसों से बनाई जा रही मस्जिद

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नेशनल डेस्क/ पलवल: हरियाणा में पलवल के उटावड़ गांव में बन रही मस्जिद को पाकिस्तानी के आतंकी हाफिज सईद के संगठन लश्कर-ए-तैयबा के पैसों से बनाए जाने का मामला सामने आया है। इस संबंध में जांच एजेंसी एनआईए पिछले काफी समय से जांच कर रही है। जांच के दौरान पुलिस ने तीन लोगों को दिल्ली से गिरफ्तार किया था, जिनमें से एक मोहम्मद सलमान उटावड़ गांव का रहने वाला है, जिसकी देखरेख में यह मस्जिद बन रही थी।

3 अक्टूबर को एनआईए और पुलिस ने उटावड़ में की थी जांच बीती 3 अक्टूबर को उटावड़ गांव में पुलिस और एनआईए की टीम पहुंची थी, जिन्होंने मस्जिद से जुड़े कागजात और उसके निर्माण को लेकर गांव वालों से बातचीत की थी। एनआईए सूत्रों का कहना है कि सलमान, मोहम्मद सलीम और साजिद अब्दुल वाणी ने पाकिस्तान के लाहौर की एनजीओ फलाह-ए-इंसानियत (एफआईएफ) फाउंडेशन से पैसे लेकर इस मस्जिद का निर्माण करवाया है।

मस्जिद के लिए 70 लाख रुपये दिए गए रिपोर्ट्स के मुताबिक, जांच के दौरान पता चला कि फलाह-ए-इंसानियत के जरिए हाफिज सईद के जरिए इस मस्जिद को 70 लाख रुपये दिए गए। सूत्रों का ये भी कहना है कि यह फाउंडेशन पाकिस्तान के आतंकी संगठन लश्कर-ए-तैयबा से संबंधित है। सूत्रों के अनुसार सलमान दुबई में रहते हुए इसके संपर्क में आया और वहां से उटावड़ में मस्जिद बनाने के लिए उसने रकम ली। आरोप है कि सलमान ने बेटी की शादी के लिए भी पैसे लिए थे।

26/11 मुंबई हमले का मास्टर माइंड है हाफिज सईद

मुंबई में 26 नवंबर 2008 को हुए आतंकी हमलों का मास्टर माइंड आतंकी हाफिज सईद है, ये आतंकी संगठन जमात-उद-दावा का चीफ है। ये एक दूसरे आतंकी संगठन लश्कर-ए-तैयबा का को-फाउंडर भी है। अमेरिका सरकार ने हाफिज सईद के ऊपर 1 करोड़ डॉलर का इनाम भी रखा है। इतना ही नहीं बल्कि हाफिज के खिलाफ तो इंटरपोल का रेड कॉर्नर नोटिस भी जारी हो चुका है। पाक सरकार ने हाफिज का नाम एग्जिट कंट्रोल लिस्ट (ECL) में भी शामिल किया है।

हरियाणा की मस्जिद बनी हाफिज सईद के पैसे से: NIA

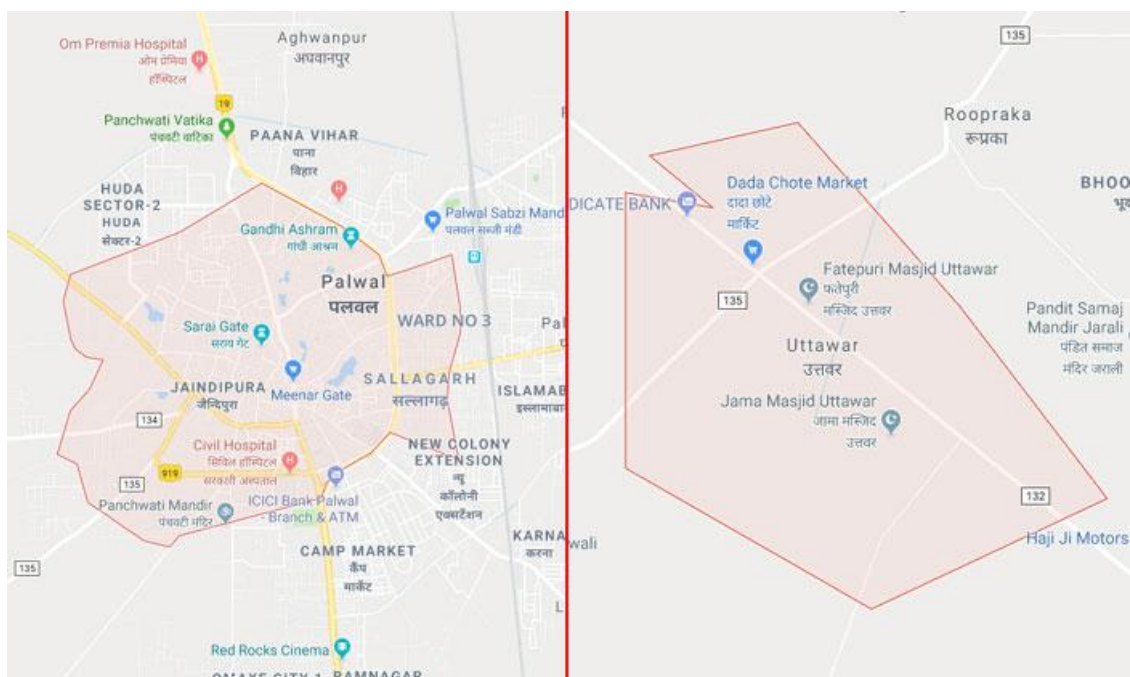
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दाहिनी तरफ है पलवल की 'खुलाफा-ए-राशिदीन' मस्जिद. NIA का कहना है कि इसे बनाने में आतंकवादी संगठन लश्कर-ए-तैयबा (LeT) का पैसा लगा है. लश्कर का सरगना है हाफिज सईद. हाफिज 2008 में हुए मुंबई टेरर अटैक का मुख्य आरोपी है (फोटो: रॉयटर्स+आज तक)

हरियाणा का पलवल. यहां का उटावड़ गांव. यहां एक मस्जिद है- खुलाफा-ए-राशिदीन. राष्ट्रीय जांच एजेंसी (NIA) का कहना है कि ये मस्जिद लश्कर-ए-तैयबा के पैसे से बनी है. लश्कर का सरगना है हाफिज सईद. वही हाफिज जो मुंबई में हुए आतंकी हमले का मुख्य आरोपी है. इसी साल सितंबर में मस्जिद के इमाम मुहम्मद सलमान को अरेस्ट किया गया था. उसके साथ दो और लोग भी गिरफ्तार हुए थे. इनमें से एक कश्मीर का रहने वाला था. NIA के मुताबिक, गांव के लोगों ने मस्जिद बनाने के लिए 10 एकड़ जमीन दी थी. मगर इसे बनाने में जो लागत आई, वो सलमान ने दिया. ये वही पैसा था, जो उसे आतंकियों से मिला था.



बाईं तरफ पलवल का मैप है। इसी पलवल में एक गांव है उटावड़ (दाहिनी तरफ)। NIA का कहना है कि यहां की एक मस्जिद हाफिज सईद के पैसों से बनाई गई है (फोटो: गूगल मैप्स)



यही है वो मस्जिद, जिसके बारे में NIA ने कहा है कि लश्कर-ए-तैयबा ने इस बनाने का पैसा हवाला के जरिये भारत भेजा (फोटो: आज तक)

NIA मस्जिद तक कैसे पहुंची?

26 सितंबर. इस दिन दिल्ली में तीन लोग पकड़े गए. इनके ऊपर पाकिस्तान के एक आतंकी संगठन ने फंड लेने का आरोप था. पकड़े गए लोगों में से एक- मुहम्मद सलमान 'खुलाफा-ए-राशिदीन' मस्जिद का इमाम था. 3 अक्टूबर को NIA की एक टीम उटावड़ पहुंची. मस्जिद की तलाशी ली गई. मस्जिद से जुड़े

लोगों से पूछताछ हुई. सारे बही-खातों को खंगाला गया. मस्जिद और उससे जुड़े लोगों के बैंक खातों की भी जांच हो रही है.

हाफिज का क्या कनेक्शन है?

लश्कर-ए-तैयबा तो सीधे-सीधे आतंकवादी संगठन है. लेकिन इसके अलावा हाफिज सईद के कुछ और ट्रस्ट और संगठन भी हैं. सबसे बड़ा नेटवर्क है जमात-उद-दावा (JuD) का. कहने को ये समाजसेवी संस्था है. मगर इसका असली काम आतंकवाद से ही जुड़ा हुआ है. इसी JuD का एक एनजीओ है- फलाह-ए-इंसानियत (FIF). संयुक्त राष्ट्र सुरक्षा परिषद (UNSC) ने जिन आतंकी संगठनों पर प्रतिबंध लगाया हुआ है, उनमें JuD और FIF दोनों शामिल हैं. NIA का कहना है कि इसी FIF ने पलवल में मस्जिद बनाने के पैसे भेजे.

2017 में जब पाकिस्तान ने हाफिज के खिलाफ कार्रवाई की थी, तब JuD और FIF के खातों को भी सील कर दिया गया था. इनके ऊपर आतंकी गतिविधियों में शामिल होने का इल्जाम था. हाफिज ने कोर्ट में अपील की. पहले लाहौर हाई कोर्ट ने उसके हक में फैसला सुनाया. कहा, वो 'परोपकार' के काम जारी रख सकता है. पाकिस्तान की हुकूमत ने इस फैसले के खिलाफ सुप्रीम कोर्ट में अपील की. मगर वहां भी हाफिज के पक्ष में गया फैसला. सितंबर 2018 को पाकिस्तान सुप्रीम कोर्ट ने FIF और JuD को अपना काम जारी रखने की इजाजत दे दी.

सलमान कैसे आया JuD के संपर्क में?

ये रहने वाला उतावड़ का है, लेकिन वहां रहना नहीं होता इसका. करीब 50 साल पहले उसके पिता दिल्ली आकर बस गए थे. वो निजामुद्दीन की एक मस्जिद में इमाम थे. सलमान बिजनेस करता था. NIA का कहना है कि उसे कारोबार में घाटा हुआ. इंडियन एक्सप्रेस ने NIA के एक अफसर से बात की. उनके मुताबिक, सलमान दुबई गया था. वहीं पर उसका संपर्क LeT के लोगों से हुआ. FIF हवाला के जरिये उसे फंड भेजने लगा. NIA का कहना है कि उतावड़ वाली मस्जिद बनाने के लिए FIF ने 70 लाख रुपये दिए. बस इतना ही नहीं, बल्कि मुहम्मद सलमान की बेटियों की शादी के लिए भी पैसा दिया उन्होंने. सलमान दुबई में रहने वाले एक पाकिस्तानी के साथ लगातार संपर्क में रहता था. वो आदमी FIF से जुड़ा हुआ था.

गांव के लोग भी आतंकियों वाली बात जानते थे?

नहीं. NIA का कहना है कि गांववालों को फंड की असलियत नहीं पता थी. उन्हें लगा, सारा पैसा सलमान ने दिया है.

गांव वालों को NIA की बात का भरोसा क्यों नहीं है?

मस्जिद की जमीन पर विवाद है. इसे लेकर कानूनी लड़ाई भी चल रही है. कई लोगों का कहना है कि कुछ लोग मस्जिद की जमीन हड़पना चाहते हैं. उन्हें लग रहा है कि इन्हीं में से किसी ने मस्जिद के बारे में गलत जानकारी दी है पुलिस को. सलमान को सपोर्ट करने वाले लोग भी हैं. उनका कहना है कि सलमान इज्जतदार परिवार का है. उसके परिवार का नाम कभी किसी गलत चीज में नहीं आया. लोगों ने इंडियन एक्सप्रेस को बताया कि सलमान के पिता मौलवी दाऊद की आस-पास के इलाकों में काफी इज्जत थी. उनका कहना है कि सलमान से ज्यादा भरोसे का आदमी पूरे गांव में नहीं है.

प्याज-लहसुन का खर्चा

इंडियन एक्सप्रेस ने मस्जिद के नए इमाम मुहम्मद जमशेद से बात की. उन्होंने मस्जिद का खाता दिखाया. इसमें रोजाना का खर्च दर्ज है. प्याज, लहसुन और टमाटर जैसी चीजों का खर्च. उनका कहना है कि सारे रिकॉर्ड्स साफ-सुथरे हैं. जमशेद के मुताबिक, मस्जिद चलाने के लिए कई सारे लोग खर्चा-पानी देते हैं. इस बात की तफ्तीश नहीं की जाती कि किसने कहां से पैसा कमाया है. सलमान के रिश्ते के भाई याकूब (77 बरस) ने इंडियन एक्सप्रेस से कहा-

मेरा भाई निर्दोष है. अपने मुल्क को दगा देना इस्लाम में हराम है. हाफिज सईद विदेशी है. सलमान जैसा अल्लाह का बंदा हाफिज सईद जैसे शख्स का साथ कभी नहीं देगा.

To create base, Lashkar distributed money among poor families in Mewat of Haryana: NIA

In an earlier statement on September 26, the NIA had said that Falah-e-Insaniyat (FIF) is based in Lahore and is a front of the Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT), which is headed by Hafiz Saeed, a designated global terrorist.

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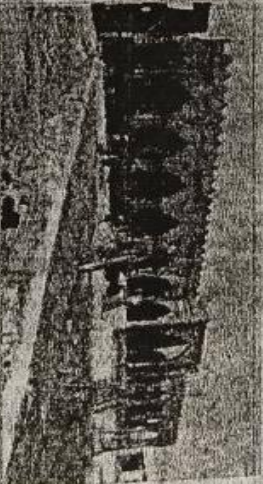
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کیلوں کی مسجد خلفائے راشدین کی تعمیر کے تعلق سے این آئی اے کا الزام بے بنیاد گاؤں کے باشندوں اور پڑھان پر جاتی نے کہا کہ گاؤں کے لوگوں کے چندے سے بنائی جا رہی ہے مسجد

بنائی جا رہی ہے۔ یہ 84 گاؤں کی مسجد ہے۔ اس کی تعمیر میں تمام گاؤں کے لوگوں نے اپنی حیثیت کے مطابق چندہ دیا ہے۔ ایک آفیسر نے بتایا کہ مسلمان بچوں سے بھی دہلی میں رہتا تھا اس نے مسجد کی تعمیر میں سب سے زیادہ فائدہ جمع کیا۔ ذرائع کے مطابق گاؤں والوں نے مسجد کی تعمیر میں دس ایکڑ زمین کا اشتہام کیا۔

جیران ملک سے لایا گیا تھا اس کی اطلاع انہیں نہیں تھی۔ تیز رفتاری سے این آئی اے کے مطابق گاؤں کے پڑھان رئیس پر جاتی نے بھی مسجد خلفائے راشدین کے حلقے کو بنایا قرار دیا ہے۔ انہوں نے اے این آئی کو بتایا کہ ”جہاں پر مسجد تعمیر ہو رہی ہے وہ قانونی ہے اور کئی گاؤں کے لوگوں نے اس کی تعمیر کے لیے چندہ دیا ہے۔“ واضح رہے کہ مسلمان کی گرفتاری کے بعد این آئی اے نے یہ بیان دیا تھا کہ مسلمان دہلی میں قیام کے دوران پاکستانی شہری سے رابطے میں تھا اور ملک ظاہر کیا کہ یہ رقم حوالہ کے ذریعہ لایا گیا ہے۔

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مسجد مقامی اور اس پاس کے لوگوں کے چندے سے

فرید آباد، 5 اکتوبر (پنج سیاں) امر پانہ کے نزدیک آباد کے پول میں نو تعمیر مسجد ان دنوں سرچیز میں ہے۔ پول کے گاؤں انار میں بھی اس مسجد پر قومی جانچ ایجنسی (این آئی اے) کی نظریں اور دہشت گردانہ سرگرمیوں کے شبہ میں جانچ شروع ہونے سے علاقائی مسلمانوں میں تشویش پائی جا رہی ہے۔ دریں اثناء گاؤں کے مقامی باشندوں اور گاؤں کے پڑھان نے این آئی اے کے تمام الزامات کو بے بنیاد قرار دیتے ہوئے بتایا کہ مسجد کی تعمیر میں غیر قانونی یا مبالغے کا بیس نہیں لگا ہے بلکہ اس کی تعمیر میں گاؤں والوں کے چندہ دیا ہے۔ تفصیلات کے مطابق اس مسجد کی تعمیر میں پاکستان کی دہشت گرد تنظیم شکر طیبہ کے ذریعہ غیر قانونی طور پر پیسے حاصل کرنے کا الزام عائد کیا جا رہا ہے۔

مسلم اکثریتی علاقے مہیوت نواح وغیرہ میں اس معاملے کو لے کر چھ بیگنیوں کا بازدار گرم سے گاؤں کے مقامی باشندوں نے تمام طرح کی قیاس آرائیوں کو بے بنیاد قرار دیا ہے۔ غور طلب ہے کہ گزشتہ دنوں دہلی کے تمام اندین علاقے سے ہشیہ طور پر دہشت گردانہ سرگرمیوں کے الزام میں بدکردہ

NIA SEARCHES IN NEW DELHI OVER TERROR FUNDING

New Delhi, Oct. 12: The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Friday conducted searches here in connection with its probe into a terror funding module linked to Pakistan-based terrorist Hafeez Saeed's Falah-e-Insaniyat Foundation (FIF), according to an official statement. The searches were conducted at the office premises and residence of Hilal Ahmed Rather in Lajpat Nagar, it said. Rather hails from Srinagar, Jammu and Kashmir. ₹18 lakh in cash, six mobile phones, SIMs and several incriminating documents were seized during the searches, the NIA said in the statement. The federal agency had in July this year filed a case to probe the terror funding module. Falah-e-Insaniyat Foundation is a Lahore-based organisation established by terrorist outfit Jamat-ud-Dawa. It is a front-end organisation of LeT, a terror organisation proscribed under anti-terrorism law. Falah-e-Insaniyat Foundation was also designated as a terrorist entity by the US in 2010. During the probe, it emerged that one Mohammad Salman, a resident of Nizamuddin, was in regular touch with a Dubai-based Pakistani national, who in turn is connected with the deputy chief of Falah-e-Insaniyat Foundation, it said. The accused person has been receiving funds, being sent by FIF operators and his associates, through hawala operators to further their nefarious activities and create unrest in India and carry out terrorist activities, the NIA said. — PTI

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Terror/Funding

Haryana CM: Probe to throw light on mosque allegedly funded by LeT

Chandigarh: As media reports claimed that a mosque in Palwal district of Haryana was built with funds from the terrorist group Lashkar-e-Tayyiba (LeT), Chief Minister Manohar Lal Khattar on Monday said only a proper investigation could throw light on the matter.

The reports claimed that the mosque had come under the scanner of security agencies after it was found that it was allegedly built with funds from the LeT.

"This issue has come to our notice. But only after investigations... What kind of issue it is (will be known) and

whatever action will be needed, we will do that," Khattar told reporters in Palwal when asked for his comments on the issue.

He said the Government's job is "to maintain a sense of security in society and for this, if anyone does any wrongdoing, if anyone commits a crime, we will use any agency needed for investigations. But there is no question of misuse or targeting anyone." At a Press conference in Chandigarh, senior Congress leader Randeep Singh Surjewala, when asked to comment on the matter, said, "If it is true, then it is worrisome".

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Huge cash seized in Delhi as NIA busts FIF Terror Funding Module

In a major operation carried out yesterday, NIA busted Falah-e-Insaniyat Foundation (FIF) terror funding module as it carried out searches at multiple places in Daryaganj, Nizamuddin and Kucha Ghasiram areas in Delhi.

2. FIF Terror Funding case was registered by NIA on 02.07.2018 as RC-20/2018/NIA/DLI u/s 17, 18, 21, 38 & 40 of Unlawful Activities (Prevention) Act, 1967. As per the FIR, some Delhi-based individuals were receiving funds from FIF operatives based abroad and were using the same to further the terror activities.

3. During investigation, it emerged that one Mohammad Salman s/o Mohammad Daud r/o Nizamuddin, New Delhi is in regular touch with one Dubai-based Pakistani national, who in turn is connected with the Deputy Chief of Falah-e-Insaniyat Foundation, a front-end organisation of proscribed terror group Lashkar-e-Taiba (LeT). The accused person has been receiving funds, being sent by FIF operators and his associates, through Hawala operators. Accused persons along with other persons in various countries including Pakistan, UAE etc are sending money through Hawala to India to further their nefarious activities and create unrest in India and carry out the terrorist activities.

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5. NIA, on 25.09.2018, conducted searches at the premises of 1) Mohammad Salman s/o Mohammad Daud r/o Nizamuddin, New Delhi, 2) Mohd Salim @ Mama r/o Daryaganj, New Delhi and 3) Rajaram and Company at Kucha Ghasiram, New Delhi and Seized Rs One crore and fifty six lacs cash, Rs 43,000/- in Nepali currency, 14 mobiles phones, 5 pen drives and several incriminating documents.

6. Following the seizure of incriminating material, NIA has arrested three persons i.e. 1) FIF operative Mohd. Salman (52 years) s/o Mohammad Daud r/o Nizamuddin, New Delhi, 2) Hawala Conduit Mohd Salim @ Mama (62 years) s/o Sahabuddin r/o Daryaganj, New Delhi and 3) Hawala courier Sajjad Abdul Wani (34 years) s/o Abdul Rasheed Wani r/o Srinagar, J&K, from Delhi.

7. Investigation is continuing to unearth the larger conspiracy, to collect evidence and to arrest the other accused persons.





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ARRESTED PERSONS' IN CUSTODY OF NIA

Name of Person in Custody : Sajad Ahmad Wani

Father's name : Abdul Rashid Wani

Case no :

Address : S K Colony Sector-1, Srinagar, (J&K)

In Custody of (CIO/AIO) : Sh. Vishal Garg, SP, CIO, (RC-20/2018/NIA/DLI)

Location / Branch office : NEW DELHI, NEW DELHI

In custody period : From : September 26, 2018 To : October 16, 2018

Name of Person in Custody : Mohd. Salman

Father's name : Mohammad Daud

Case no :

Address : H.No 160, Basti Nizamuddin, New Delhi

In Custody of (CIO/AIO) : Sh. Vishal Garg, SP, CIO, (RC-20/2018/NIA/DLI)

Location / Branch office : NEW DELHI, NEW DELHI

In custody period : From : September 26, 2018 To : October 16, 2018

Name of Person in Custody : Mohd. Salim @ Mama

Father's name : -

Case no :

Address : 1670, 2nd Floor, Kucha Dakhini Rai ,Daryaganj, New Delhi

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Location / Branch office : NEW DELHI, NEW DELHI

In custody period : From : September 26, 2018 To : October 16, 2018

Name of Person in Custody : Jahangir Ahmed Bhat (Age-28Years)

Father's name : Mushtaq Ahmed Bhat

Case no :

Address : Bandzoo, PS Pulwama Disst. Pulwama

In Custody of (CIO/AIO) : Sh. Rakesh Balwal, IPS SP

Location / Branch office : Jammu, Jammu

In custody period : From : October 12, 2018 To : October 18, 2018

Name of Person in Custody : Fainal Hasamali Mirza (Age 33 Years)

Father's name : -

Case no :

Address : Room no.09 Badar Masjid Chawl, Near Parsi Colony, Behrambaug(west Mumbai)

In Custody of (CIO/AIO) : Shri. Vikram Khalate, IPS SP

Location / Branch office : Mumbai, Mumbai

In custody period : From : October 13, 2018 To : October 20, 2018

Name of Person in Custody : Allahrakha Mansuri @ Kalu (Age 31 Years)

Father's name : -

Case no :

Address : R/O 9/A/E, Plot No. 9-10, Room No. 102, Bharat Nagar, Behind Khan Andewala, Kutch, Gandhidham, Gujarat

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NIA CASES

Total cases till date : 227

Police Station of NIA, New Delhi

Year	Case No	Case Title
2018	RC-01/2018/NIA/DLI	Seizure of money from CPI Maoist Cadre, Jharkhand
	RC-02/2018/NIA/DLI	Seizure of money from Head of PLFI, Jharkhand
	RC-03/2018/NIA/DLI	Sasi Kumar Murder Case
	RC-04/2018/NIA/DLI	Recovery and explosion of IED near Kalachakra Maidan, Bodhgaya, Gaya, Bihar
	RC-05/2018/NIA/DLI	Escape of Pakistani Terrorist Naved Jatt from SMHS Hospital Srinagar
	RC-06/2018/NIA/DLI	Extortion/Levy collection/ Money Laundering by the Maoist cadres.
	RC-07/2018/NIA/DLI	Arrest of two youths who were trying to enter POK, for arms training.
	RC-08/2018/NIA/DLI	FICN PS - Baishnabnagar, Distt. - Malda, West Bengal
	RC-09/2018/NIA/DLI	Attack on Army Station at Sunjawan, Jammu (J & K)

RC-10/2018/NIA/DLI	Attack on CRPF Group Centre at Lethpura, J & K
RC-11/2018/NIA/DLI	Arrest of three members of Ansarullah Bangla Team (ABT)
RC-12/2018/NIA/DLI	Seizure of FICN at PS Chikkodi, Karnataka
RC-13/2018/NIA/DLI	Arrest of Armed Cadres including functionaries of CPI (Maoist) in Jharkhand.
RC-14/2018/NIA/DLI	Three Naxalites of Muzaffarpur, Bihar, recovery of arms and ammunition and cash etc.
RC-15/2018/NIA/DLI	Conspiracy and planning by Hardeep Singh Nijjar to carry out terrorist attack in India
RC-16/2018/NIA/DLI	Terroist attack at forst area of Khan Chak, Halmapatra, Kupwara, J & K
RC-17/2018/NIA/DLI	Unlawful Activity of Aasiya Andrabi and her associates in J&K (DEM case)
RC-18/2018/NIA/DLI	Case against BKL member Hardeep Singh Nijjar
RC-19/2018/NIA/DLI	Arrest of Armed Cadres including functionaries of CPI (Maoist) in Jharkhand dated 09.05.2018
RC-21/2018/NIA/DLI	Seizure of Money From CPI(M) Naxali Manoj Kumar, District Giridih, Jharkhand
RC-22/2018/NIA/DLI	Seizure of Money, Arms & Amns from TSPC Naxali Kamlesh Ganju, Jharkhand dated 09.07.2018
RC-23/2018/NIA/DLI	Seizure of Money, Arms & Amns from TSPC Naxali Shya Bokhta, Jharkhand dated 09.07.2018
RC-24/2018/NIA/DLI	Recovery of large numbers of weapons etc from the house of CPI (Maoist) cadre Kamlesh Bhagat, Bihar
RC-25/2018/NIA/DLI	Seizure of FICN, PS-Farakka, Murshidabad, West Bengal
RC-26/2018/NIA/DLI	Seizure of FICN at PS Madanayakanahally, Bengaluru, Karnataka

	RC-27/2018/NIA/DLI	Seizure of FICN, PS - Shamserganj, Murshidabad, West Bengal
	RC-28/2018/NIA/DLI	Subversive activities by Munid Hamid Bhat, LET Case, Kulgam J & K
	RC-29/2018/NIA/DLI	Encounter between Police and terrorist at PS Katra, J & K
	RC-30/2018/NIA/DLI	Encounter between Police and terrorist at Suketar check point, PS Jhajjar Kotti, District Jammu
	RC-31/2018/NIA/DLI	Recovery of AK-47 weapons to Maoists and other criminals in various states from Bhopal.
2017	RC-01/2017/NIA/DLI	ISIS Case Kullu, Himachal Pradesh
	RC-02/2017/NIA/DLI	Planting of pressure cooker IED at Railway Track Ghorasan, Motihari, Bihar
	RC-03/2017/NIA/DLI	ISIS case Tamil Nadu
	RC-04/2017/NIA/DLI	Bhopal-Ujjain train bomb blast case
	RC-05/2017/NIA/DLI	Arrest of KCP Commander in Chief in Delhi
	RC-06/2017/NIA/DLI	FICN case Rajkot, Gujarat
	RC-07/2017/NIA/DLI	FICN PS- Kaliachak Case
	RC-08/2017/NIA/DLI	FICN PS - English Bazar Case
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