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Today the National Investigation Agency (NIA) filed a charge-sheet against three accused persons of the proscribed terrorist organisation People's Liberation Army (PLA), for waging war against the country by indulging in terrorist activities, imparting training to the cadres of banned terrorist organisation CPI (Maoist) and supplying arms and ammunition to the said outfit, before the Ld. Special Court of NIA in Guwahati.

On 11, July 2011 the National Investigation Agency has registered a case on the basis of reliable information that People's Liberation Army (PLA), a proscribed terrorist organisation which operates in Manipur has formed alliance with the Communist Party of India (Maoist) another proscribed terrorist organisation for procuring arms, ammunition and communication devices for the latter for carrying out terrorist activities in India.

The investigation established that in and around June 2006 PLA leadership met the top leaders of CPI (Maoist), which followed several other meetings between the two terrorist organisations during the year 2006 to 2008. These meetings resulted in establishment of an office of PLA in Kolkata towards the end of 2006. The Kolkata office started co-ordinating the activities of these outfits in procurement of arms and ammunition and communication devices.

In the year 2008 some of the top echelons of the CPI (Maoist) met PLA members in a foreign country and signed a Joint Declaration for unified actions of waging war against India. The Self Styled President of the PLA Irengbum Chaoren had presided over this meeting. In this meeting the CPI (Maoist) had requested the PLA for providing them sophisticated weapons and PLA in turn had sought help for procurement of Ammonium Nitrate (explosive) from the CPI (Maoist).

As a part of the ongoing conspiracy CPI (Maoist) has been sending money from time to time for supply of arms, ammunition and communication devices to PLA. Some of these transactions have been brought on record in the investigation carried out by NIA. The office of PLA located in Kolkata played a crucial role in receiving money, co-ordinating meetings between the two organisations and supplying arms, ammunition and communication devices to the CPI (Maoist). The Kolkata link of PLA and CPI(Maoist) known as Arnold Singh @Becon, a PLA cadre was arrested by NIA on 02 April, 2012 from Siliguri where he was working under cover.

In order to establish the training camps for the CPI (Maoist) cadres in Jharkhand and Odisha, a team of PLA cadres comprising four senior functionaries of the said outfit had visited the Dandakaranya forest in Chhattisgarh sometime in the mid of 2009.

Investigation has established that two training programmes, comprising Signal Training and Military Training were carried out for the CPI (Maoist) cadres by the PLA in Saranda Forest of Jharkhand. The first training programme was carried out from 11 September, 2010 to 20 November, 2010 and the second training programme started on 07 October, 2010 and ended on 10 November, 2010.

In order to avoid detection of the Law Enforcement Authorities, the cadres of both the organisations had physically met, delivered consignments including arms, ammunition and communication devices involving different states such as Delhi, West Bengal, Assam, Mizoram, Odisha, Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh and so on.

In the instant case three accused persons were arrested. The accused persons are 1) N.Dilip Singh @Wangba, 2) Senjam Dhiren Singh @Raghu and 3) Kh Arnold Singh @Becon. N.Dilip Singh @Wangba was the Self Styled Chief of Foreign External Affairs Department of PLA and the other two accused persons were senior functionaries of PLA who were working under N.Dilip Singh.

The NIA investigation was carried out in several states which resulted in collection of tangible evidence against accused persons and a charge sheet was filed against the accused persons for commission of offences under Sections 120(B), 121(A) of IPC & Sections 18, 18A, 20 & 39 of UA (P) Act 1967.

The further investigation of the case is going on.