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## MOST WANTED INTERSTATE CRIMINAL SOUMEN BANERJEE NABBED BY SOT MALKAJGIRI TEAM, RACHAKONDA – SEIZED FAKE ID/AADHAR/STAMPS/ EDUCATIONAL CERTIFICATES AND RS. 1 LAKH FROM HIS POSSESSION

The sleuths of Special Operations Team, Malkajgiri Zone alongwith local police apprehended One Soumen Banerjee of Kolkata for cheating people under the guise of customs officer and collected more than 5 cores to provide them gold coins and 30% interest on investments. Seized fake customs officer identity card, Aadhar cards, Voter ID cards, stamps, One Lakh cash and mobile phone from his possession.

## Cr. No. 457/2019 U/sec. 420, 406 IPC of Medipally Police Station.

The details of the accused person:-

1 : Soumen Banerjee S/O Suniti Banerjee age: 43 years, Occ: Security supervisor R/O plot no.551, White Rose Phase-II, Pubasasan, Kousalya Ganga, Puri District, Orissa, N/O Antila Village, Bagnan P.S, Uluberia Dist. West Bengal.

## **Brief Facts:-**

MODUS OPERANDI:- The accused Soumen Banerjee is native of Antila Village, Bagnan P.S, Uluberia Dist. West Bengal. In the year 2013, after committing cheating at native village he was absconding along with his wife Suparna Banerjee and son Susovan Banerjee. He came to Chengicherla at Medipally and introduced himself as customs officer working at Vizag port and informed to the local residents that during raids they seize gold biscuits from the passenger's who carry without bills and the same are seized by them and he can provide them at 50% rate and informed in locality to pay the money in advance to get gold coins. Believing him people started investing money for purchasing gold biscuits for lesser price. Initially he provided them gold coins to gain confidence of the public and collected cores of rupees from them. He also established grocery firms at three places Two at Chengicherla and One at Marredpally only with an intention to cheat the banks for obtaining loans. He took bank loans from private banks and purchased Two villas, two cars and three two wheelers. He informed the public to invest money in his business firms and he will pay them 30% interest and initially he has paid 30% interest to the investors and on coming to know about this, people started investing lakhs of rupees in his business firms for the sake of interest. He collected cores of rupees from the public.

Further to gain confidence of the public he used to arrange lavish parties at his house situated at chengicherla inviting to all his investors. Secondly he also arranged tours, excursion trips to his investors on a large scale by arranging Air tickets, luxurious rooms and other expenses. Further, he gifted costly mobiles phones to his investors with an intention for wide publicity of his activities. On coming to know about the activities and easy method of earning money people started investing huge amounts into his business. He collected around 5 cores from the public and was rotating the money among investors.

Finally,on 31.01.2017 morning he gave a shock to his investors by absconding without giving any intimation. He switched off all his mobiles phones, collected all his valuables and escaped in his Maruthi Ertiga vehicle Br. No. TS08 EJ 7471. People lodged complaint in Medipally police station and a case was registered against him vide Cr. No.77/2019 U/sec. 420, 406 IPC.

Immediately the special operations team started hunting for his whereabouts. Through technical analysis. The SOT teams visited his frequently travelled places to west Bengal, Goa, Shiridi, Pune, Mumbai, DelhiNagpur and enquired with his contacts whereabouts of absconding Soumen Banerjee. As there was no clue about him and even the SOT TEAMS approached airport, railways and collected all India passengers data and where working out for the clues. Finally, after wide search SOT MALKAJGIRI TEAM tracked his Maruthi Ertiga vehicle at Nagpur railway station and the teams were continuously working out technically and finally tracked his moment at Amritsar and immediately the team rushed to Amritsar and located his house which he vacated after staying there for period of six months and there also he cheated number of people by promising to provide them jobs and collected lakhs of rupees and on 16.09.2017 he escaped from Amritsar leaving all his house holds articles. People approached police and lodged complaint on Soumen Banerjee at CHHATRA Police Station. on verifying found he has taken two sim cards by submitting his neighbor's Aadhar card copies with out there knowledge and he was using them which he switch off on the day absconding from Amritsar, belongs to Jyotpreet Kaur and Harinatha Reddy.

The SOT TEAMS on further working out to locate him in the bordering states by technical analysis. His moment were tracked in Jharkhand state and suddenly disappeared. On further working out technically his moment was tracked at DHOULI AREA AT BHUNESHWAR IN ODISSA state. Immediately SOT MALKAJGIRI TEAM RUSHED TO BHUNESHWAR and while searching for him in a thickly populated area and finally located residing him at plot No. 551, Pubasasana, kausalya ganga, Bhuvaneshwar. After apprehending him found that he was having number of fake identity cards posing as

- Custom Officer.
- Anti Corruption as Investigator.
- As General Manager in Seahowk Security services Pvt.Ltd.
- As Marketing Manager/ Independent Business Associate in ADDWELL Global Services Pvt.Ltd.
- As Manager Marketing in nirApad Security Pvt.Ltd.
- Dual Aadhar cards of him, wife and son.
- Fake Voter ID cards
- Fake 25 Stamps
- Fake intermediate education certificate of his son Susovan Banerjee from Jharkhand.
- Two Sim Cards which he is using at Bhuvaneshwar belongs to 1.Sagarika Rout 2.Prafulla Kumar Panda.
- Seized one Santro car and one two wheeler (Twister).

The accused will be taken in Police custody for recovery of all the properties pertaining to victims. Finally, on interrogation he was found to be having 20 bank accounts in different public and private sector banks, gold mortgage in banks, obtained housing loans from India Bulls' bank and purchased two villas about 60 lakhs each, also purchased four wheeler Ertiga car, one Auto Trolley and three two wheelers on hire purchase through private banks. He has also purchased costly house hold electronic articles and costly mobile phones.

Further on the tip of, the SOT MALKAJGIRI TEAM APPREHENDED the absconding accused Soumen Benerjee and handed over to Medipally Police Station for further investigation.

Earlier Two cases were registred against him

- 1) Kushaiguda P.S.Vide Cr.No. 574/2016 U/S 420 IPC in which NBW warrant is pending against him.
- 2) Medipally Police station Cr. No. 77/2017 U/S 420, 406 IPC pending for arrest of the accused

It is an appeal to the public not to fail trap to the cheaters who cheats with false intention by showing high profits to give them 30% interest only to please the innocent public to invest money in his firms and later switch off their mobiles phones and absconds without giving any intimation. Also not to give them their identity copies to unknown persons who will take undue advantage by submitting identity cards and procure sim cards to commit crime.

The above raids where done by SOT MALKAJGIRI TEAM under the Direct Supervision of Sri Mahesh M Bhagwat and by Sri. J.Surender reddy, Addl. Dy. Commissioner of Police, Special Operations Team, Rachakonda by Sri. Naveen Kumar, Inspector SOT, Sri. Anji Reddy, Inspector of Police, Medipally PS and Sub-Inspectors T. Avinash babu, KS. Rathnam, the staff of SOT Malkajgiri Zone and local police.









