## PRESS NOTE

SLUETHS OF CYBERCRIMES RACHAKONDA ARRESTED A NIGERIAN FOR MAKING FRIENDS ON SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS AND DUPING VICTIMS IN THE GUISE OF PROVIDING JOBS, SENDING GIFT PARCELS.

Cr.No. 44/2021, 140/2021 & 206/2021, U/s. 417, 419, 420 IPC & Sec. 66(C&D) IT Act of Cyber Crime PS, Rachakonda

DETAILS OF ACCUSED:

A1) Fidelis Obinna S/o Igboanugo, Age: 27 years, N/o Akili Ozuzor of Nigeria with Passport No A04281329; presently staying at 78, Phase 1A, Nawada Majra Village, New Delhi

A2) Anil Kumar Pandey S/o. Bharath Pandey, Age: 36 years, Occ: Business, r/o House No H/20, 2nd Floor, Back Side, Om Vihar, Phase-5, Uttam Nagar, West Delhi, N/o Muzafarpur of Bihar State

SEIZED ARTICLES-

Mobile phones - 04
Cheque books of different bank accounts - 13
Debit/ATM Card - 65
Swiping Machines- 19
Photo copy ofPassport of the accused issued by Republic of Nigeria.
Debit freeze marked for Rs 6,27,129/- in different bank accounts
Cash of Rs.30,000/-

MODUS OPERANDI (MO)

The accused A1) Initially came to India on visiting visa has come to know about online/cyber frauds through his Nigerian friends, that he can earn easy money through Facebook online friendship by duping as European and other citizens with Indians. In that process he downloaded many photos/pictures of European male and female from different Facebook accounts and also created several Facebook accounts (fake) with different names and uploaded those photos/pictures as profile pictures with intention to cheat the innocent by chatting with fake Facebook accounts. He used to share 10% of fraud amounts to POS person/who swipes the card money in to their available accounts and withdraws from nearby ATM centres. He destroys his Phone and SIM card soon after the amount transferred by victims in to his targeted accounts. He also started cheating the people on the name of providing jobs, Matrimonial relations, Gift packages etc. He used to gather the bank account passbooks and ATM/Debit Cards, SIM cards from people with the help of some agents by paying them for each account on regular basis without submitting any documents for making fraudulent calls and transactions. Since long the A1 having good contacts with A2 who allows A1 to swipe cards to transfer cheated amount in to his available accounts where in turn A1 repays the 10% of amount as a part of commission towards A2.

Accused A2 Anil Kumar Pandey born and brought up from Muzafarpur of Bihar and he studied 4th Class. In the year of 2002 he shifted to New Delhi, initially he worked in hotels as a server. From 2012 to 2016 he worked as a security guard at different hotels, Bar and restaurants. During Security guard duty at Bar & restaurants few Africans/Nigerians approached and offered him with commission for helping in Debit/Credit cards swiping. Initially A2 used to take tips from Africans/Nigerians for helping them in swiping Debit/Credit cards and money withdrawals. In 2017 Anil Kumar Pandey started business of Debit/Credit cards/POS swiping on the name of KOMAL KIRANA GENERAL STORE at Om Vihar, Phase-V, Uttamnagar, West Delhi. He procured more than 13 Bank accounts with Cheque books, Debit/Credit cards. He is possessing total 19 POS/swiping machines and 65 Debit/Credit Cards. He gains 10% of money on every transaction through his POS by cyber fraudsters.

While the investigation is in progress basing on the technical evidence collected, the IO along with the team proceeded to New Delhi and arrested the accused person on 18.07.2021, brought him to Hyderabad on transit warrant and being produced him before the Hon'ble court for judicial custody.

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## CAUTION: NETIZENS

should always be cautious and never respond to the friend requests from the strangers who approach through SOCIAL MEDIA platforms like FACEBOOK, INSTAGRAM, WHATSAPP and EMAILS and not to believe in such GIFTS sent on the name FRIENDSHIP.

Under the direct supervision and leadership of Sri. Mahesh M Bhagwat, IPS, Commissioner of Police with the guidance of Sri. P. Yadagiri, DCP Crimes and Sri. S. Harinath, Asst. Commissioner of Police the case investigated by Inspector R.Venkatesh of Cyber Crimes and apprehended the accused.







