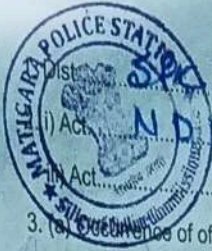


FIRST INFORMATION REPORT  
(Under Section 154 Cr. P.C.)



P.S. Matigara Year 2023 FIR No. 894/23 Date 02/11/23 <sup>2298</sup>

i) Act N.D.P.S. Sections 20(b)(ii)(C)/25/28/29 Sections

ii) Act  Sections  iv) Others Acts & Sections

3. (a) Occurrence of offence : Day  Date From 02/11/23 Date To 02/11/23

Time Period  Time From 13:05 hrs Time To 14:40 hrs.

(b) Information received at P.S. Date 02/11/23 Time 16:05 hrs

(c) General Diary Reference : Entry No (s) 91 Time 16:05 hr.

4. Type of Information Written Written / Oral

5. Place of Occurrence : (a) Direction and Distance from P.S.  Beat No.

(b) Address Near Phasidewa more underpass on NH-27  
P.S. Matigara Dist. Darjeeling

(c) In case outside limit of this Police Station, then the N/A

Name of the P.S.  District

6. Complainant / Informant :

(a) Name SI Natabu Wangdi Dikpa

(b) Father's / Husband's Name

(c) Date / Year of Birth  (d) Nationality Indian

(e) Passport No.  Date of Issue :  Place of Issue

(f) Occupation Grant. Employee (Police)

(g) Address S.T.F. WB, HQ at Siliguri

7. Details of known / suspected / unknown accused with full particulars

(Attach separate sheet, if necessary) :

(i) Preadip Sankar @ Joy Sankar & Sunil Sankar  
(ii) Sudip Das & Basu Das.

8. Reasons for delay in reporting by the Complainant / Information

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9. Particulars of properties stolen / involved (Attach separate sheet, if necessary) :

As Per Seizure List

10. Total value of properties stolen / involved

11. Inquest Report / U.D. Case No. If any

12. FIR Contents (Attach separate sheets, if required) : The Original written complaint which is  
treated as FIR is enclosed/reproduced over leaf.

13. Action Taken : Since the above report reveals commission of offence(s) as mentioned at item No. 2., Registered the case and took up the investigation / directed SI Md. Samaulah Officer-in-Charge  to take up investigation / refused investigation / transferred to P.S.  Matigara Police Station on point of Siliguri Police Commissionerate

jurisdiction. FIR read over to the Complaint / Informant, admitted to be correctly recorded and a copy given to the Complainant / informant free of cost.

14. Signature / Thumb impression of the Complainant / Informant Noted in Original Complaint DEOSHA  
on 03/11/23 at 11:00 hrs. Rank : No. INSP Commissioner of Police

15. Date & Time of despatch to the court on 03/11/23 at 11:00 hrs.



To,  
The Officer-in-Charge,  
Matigara Police Station,  
Siliguri Police Commissionerate,

Sub- F.I.R.

Sir,

In producing herewith two arrested accused persons namely (i) Pradip Sarkar @ Joy Sarkar (23yrs) s/o - Sunil Sarkar of Pilkhana , PO- Nilkuthir Babur hat, PS - Kotwali, Dist- Coochbehar and (2) Sudip Das (19 Yrs) S/O - Basu Das of Village - Chakchaka, PO- Nilkuthir Babur Hat, PS- Pundbari, Dist- Coochbehar along with the following seized articles:-

- i. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja weighing 6.181 Kgs marked as Exhibit -A.
- ii. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja weighing 6.327 Kgs marked as Exhibit -B
- iii. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja weighing 6.349 Kgs marked as Exhibit -C
- iv. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja weighing 6.356 Kgs marked as Exhibit -D
- v. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja weighing 6.222 Kgs marked as Exhibit -E.
- vi. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja weighing 6.273 Kgs marked as Exhibit -F
- vii. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja weighing 6.333 Kgs marked as Exhibit -G
- viii. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja weighing 6.340 Kgs marked as Exhibit -H
- ix. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja weighing 6.167 Kgs marked as Exhibit -I
- x. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja weighing 6.297 Kgs marked as Exhibit -J
- xi. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja weighing 6.437 Kgs marked as Exhibit -K
- xii. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja weighing 6.247 Kgs marked as Exhibit -L
- xiii. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja weighing 6.281 Kgs marked as Exhibit -M
- xiv. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja weighing 6.283 Kgs marked as Exhibit -N
- xv. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja weighing 6.373 Kgs marked as Exhibit -O
- xvi. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja weighing 6.309 Kgs marked as Exhibit -P
- xvii. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja weighing 6.261 Kgs marked as Exhibit -Q
- xviii. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja

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weighing 6.234 Kgs marked as Exhibit -R  
ix. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja weighing 6.291 Kgs marked as Exhibit -S  
xx. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja weighing 6.234 Kgs marked as Exhibit -T  
xxi. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja weighing 6.300 Kgs marked as Exhibit -U  
xxii. One packet wrapped with brown coloured plastic cellotape containing Ganja weighing 6.196 Kgs marked as Exhibit -V.  
**Total Weight – 138.291 kgs.**

(Exhibit A to Exhibit T were kept concealed inside the hidden chamber of backside of the four- wheeler white coloured Tata pickup van bearing Registration No- WB-71B/8748 where as Exhibit U & V were kept concealed inside the hidden chamber behind the driver seat of the said Pick Up van).

xxiii. One blue colored iron made cover measuring approx. 2.2 ft X 1.5 ft breadth which was tied with 04 nos of iron screw and bolt marked as Exhibit U, by which the hidden chamber was covered.

xxiv. One white coloured TATA Yodha 1700 pickup van having registration No- WB-71B/8748 along with its key.

xxv. One original Registration Certificate in r/o TATA Yodha 1700 pickup van having Registration No. WB-71B/8748 issued in the name of Gita Shil w/o Dilip Shil of Seagram, Purba Kharia, Debnagar, PS Kotwali, Dist- Jalpaiguri duly issued by Registering authority, Jalpaiguri TAX valid UPTO-09 May, 2023, Fitness valid upto-23 May, 2024 and the certificate is valid from 25 May 2022 to 24 May-2037.

xxvi. One original National Permit vide Permit No-WB2022-GP-2855B in r/o white coloured TATA Yodha 1700 pickup van no- WB-71B/8748 in the name of Gita Shil w/o Dilip Shil of Seagram, Purba Kharia, Debnagar, PS-kotwali Dist- Jalpaiguri.

xxvii. One original Tax receipt bearing application no./receipt no. WB231020V5804347/WB231020C088785 in the name of Gita Shil in r/o white colored TATA Yodha 1700 pickup van having Registration No. WB71B8748.

xxviii. One photocopy of Aadhar Card in the name of Pradip Sarkar S/O Sushil Sarkar of Station Choupathi, Ward no. 10, PS Kotwali, Coochbehar.

xxix. One photocopy of IndusInd Bank Pass Book having A/C No. 100218464455 in the name of Pradip Sarkar S/O Sushil Sarkar of Station Choupathi, Ward no. 10, PS Kotwali, Coochbehar.

xxx. One dark blue coloured TECHNO CAMON 20 android mobile phone having IMEI no- 350933415688900 & 350933415688918 having connection numbers 9749985020 and 7047499367 seized from Pradip Sarkar.

xxxi. Cash Rs. 2150/- (Two Thousand one hundred and fifty) seized from the driver Pradip Sarkar @ Joy Sarkar.

I, SI Norbu Wangdi Dukpa of Special Task Force, WB, HQ at Siliguri do here by lodge this written complaint to the effect that today i.e. on 02.11.2023 at about 10.20 hrs, I received a specific information from a credible source that 02 (two) male persons were coming by a Tata pick up van bearing Reg. No. WB71B/8748 from Coochbehar District

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ing huge quantity of illegal Ganja (Cannabis) and proceeding towards Bihar for its further disposal. He further stated that they had already started their journey from Coochbehar and would pass through Siliguri within few hours via Phansidewa More underpass on NH 27.

Hence, there was a strong reason to believe that there is every chance of committing a cognizable offence by the above noted miscreants under NDPS Act and to check the veracity of information, I reduced the information in writing vide Special Task Force West Bengal, HQ at Siliguri GDE No. 06, dated 02.11.2023 and I intimated the information to Shri Sudip Bhattacharjee, Dy. S.P., Special Task Force, West Bengal, HQ at Siliguri accordingly vide STF WB, HQ at Siliguri GDE No- 07 dated-02.11.2023. After obtaining necessary order from him, at about 11.05 hrs, myself, along with a team of Special Task Force, Siliguri consisting of SI Kishun Kerketta, SI Paribesh Chettri, SI Shambik Majumdar, ASI Shuvokar Kundu, C/111 Ekash Oroan, C/80 Pradip Roy and C/133 Pritam Pramanik all of STF, WB, HQ at Siliguri took departure to work on the information, vide C.C. No- 112/23 dated 02.11.2023 from STF WB, HQ at Siliguri Office for Phansidewa More underpass over NH 27 towards Shiv Mandir from Siliguri along with laptop, printer, UPS, weighing machine, Drug Testing Kits and other necessary documents and articles required for Narcotic Drug operations availing Govt. vehicle WB-58AF-9797 and WB24BG/3090 and the same was diarized vide STF, WB, HQ at Siliguri GDE No. 08, dated 02.11.2023

We reached Phansidewa More under over NH 27 at about 11.40 hrs, and met with my source and he briefed me about the detail information and stated that the suspected persons would be arriving the spot anytime. I then looked up for public witnesses to witness the entire process of search and seizure and found one Pulak Barman S/o Sunil Barman of Netaji Subhas Road, Bhaktinagar Sahid Colony, Siliguri (M. Crop), Siliguri PS, Dist. Jalpaiguri and I briefed him about the information we had and requested him to stand as witness. He agreed to be stand as witness during the process of search and seizure and other process thereafter. After that, Myself accompanied by the force and public witness Pulok Barman took an ambush at just ahead of Phansidewa More underpass over NH 27 towards Shiv Mandir from Siliguri.

At about 12.00 hrs, one white coloured Tata Yodha 1700 Pick Up van bearing Reg. No. WB71B/8748 approached towards us which was occupied by two persons at the front seats. My source identified the targeted Pick Up Van bearing Registration No. WB71B/8748 as well as the driver of the said Pick Up van. Accordingly, myself and my team restrained the way of the approaching Pick Up van. Seeing our team and vehicle, both the occupants of the truck jumped from the truck and tried to flee away from there but after a hot chase, we managed to apprehend both the persons.

We then cordoned them and introduced myself and the raid team members as Police officers and showed our ID cards. I appraised both the detainees about the information in hand and started to examine them thoroughly. On interrogation, they disclosed their name and addresses as mentioned above. Pradip Sarkar identified himself as the driver of the detained Pick up Van where as Sudip Das as his associate. On further interrogation, the detained persons confessed that they had procured the Narcotic Contrabands (Ganja) from one Taposh Barman of Nishighanj, Dist. Coochbehar which were to be carried to Mujjafarpur, Bihar for its clandestine disposal.

As per provisions of section 50 of the NDPS Act, 1985 (as amended), I explained both the above noted detained persons that they have legal rights to tender their personal search in front of an Executive Magistrate or a gazetted officer and the same was given to

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in writing. In reply, he wanted to be searched before an Executive Magistrate or any gazetted officer.

Accordingly I sent a requisition to the BDO, Matigara Block, Darjeeling for his presence during search and seizure procedure through a messengers C/133 Pritam Pramanik of STF, WB Siliguri Unit but he returned and informed that the BDO, Matigara Block, Darjeeling was not available today and he could not be contacted. I then brought this information to Shri Sudip Bhattacharaya Dy.SP STF, WB who directed me to contact with Shri Biswasroy Sarkar, Inspector of Police, STF, WB. Accordingly, I then contacted Shri. Biswasroy Sarkar, Inspector of Police, STF, WB and explained him about the information. In return, he told me that he would be arriving at the spot soon.

At about 12.40 Hrs Shri Biswasroy Sarkar, Inspector of Police, STF WB arrived at the spot i.e. ahead NH 27 ahead of Phansidewa More underpass, towards Shiv Mandir from Siliguri where I briefed him the information in a nutshell and introduced him to the detained persons. I also introduced the witness namely Pulak Barman S/o Sunil Barman of Netaji Subhas Road, Bhaktinagar Sahid Colony, Siliguri (M. Crop), Siliguri PS, Dist. Jalpaiguri to the detained person.

On further interrogation, the detained person confessed in front of the Gazetted officer Shri Biswasroy Sarkar, Inspector of Police, STF, WB that they were in conscious possessions of huge quantity of Ganja (Cannabis) which was kept concealed inside the hidden chamber at backside of the Pick Up van bearing No. WB71B/8748.

Thereafter, Inspector Biswasroy Sarkar intimated the above noted detained persons and also gave a Notice U/S 100 Cr.Pc that, if they wished, they might search every member of the searching team and the vehicles with us before the search of their persons and the Pick Up Van. They then searched the raid team including Inspector Biswasroy Sarkar and me, our vehicles in turn and found nothing with respect to Contraband, except our investigation tools. A Nil Seizure List was prepared duly signed by both the detainees and the witnesses.

Thereafter, in front of the Gazetted officer, Shri Biswasroy Sarkar, Inspector of Police, STF, WB and the independent witness namely Pulak Barman, the detained person namely Pradip Sarkar @ Joy Sarkar and Sudip Das opened the hidden chamber at the backside of the Pick Up Van and unfastened the 02 (Two) numbers of screw and bolts with the help of screw driver and produced 20 numbers of packets in total which were wrapped with brown coloured cello tape. They again opened the hidden Chamber behind the driver seat and produced two similar packets. Then I cut all the packets and took out some portions of Ganjas from each packet and tested them in our Drug detection Kits and found to be positive primarily and again sealed the same with cello tape. I then weighed all the packets individually in our Govt. supplied weighing machine and found in the following quantities:- (1) 6.181 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-A, (2) 6.327 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-B, (3) 6.349 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-C, (4) 6.356 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-D, (5) 6.222 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-E, (6) 6.273 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-F, (7) 6.333 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-G, (8) 6.340 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-H, (9) 6.167 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-I, (10) 6.297 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-J, (11) 6.437 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-K, (12) 6.247 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-L, (13) 6.281 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-M, (14) 6.283 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-N, (15) 6.373 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-O, (16) 6.309 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-P, (17) 6.261 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-Q, (18) 6.234 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-R, (19) 6.291 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-S, (20) 6.234 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-T, (21) 6.300 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-U and (22) 6.196 Kgs and marked as Exhibit-V total weighing **138.291 kgs** of Ganja (cannabis) from the hidden chamber of the Pick Up and marked as **Exhibit A to Exhibit V**. We also recovered other articles such as mobile phone, and other incriminating articles from their possessions.

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On interrogation, both the detainees stated that he had received the contraband narcotic substance like Ganja (Cannabis) from one Taposh Barman of Nishiganj, Coochbehar and were carrying the same to Mujjafarpur, Bihar for its clandestine disposal. Both the detainees further stated that one Ainul Haque and his associates namely Raju Alam and Raja Haque all of Coochbehar are directly involved in this smuggling of Ganja. They arrange vehicles for carrying Ganja. Then, I asked them to produce their valid license/ documents for carrying and possessing of the huge quantity of illegal narcotics contraband articles but they failed to produce any legal paper.

Thus, a reasonable belief having been found that an offence has been committed in contravention of the section 8C r/w 20(b)(ii)(C) of the NDPS Act, 1985 (as amended) and that recovered articles were liable to be confiscated U/S-60 & 61 of the NDPS Act, 1985. Accordingly, I have seized all the recovered packets filled with Ganja (Cannabis) U/S- 42 of the NDPS Act, 1985 (as amended) under proper seizure list duly prepared by me in presence of witnesses and Shri Biswasroy Sarkar (gazetted officer). I also took signature of the witnesses, accused persons, and Inspector Shri Biswasroy Sarkar as gazetted officer and put my signature as well as seizing officer. Copy of seizure lists were given to the detained person.

Thereafter, all the seized articles have been properly marked and labelled. Took signature of witnesses and accused persons in the labels in presence of the witnesses and Gazetted officer. I then prepared an inventory of all the articles recovered and used during the process of search and seizure of the contrabands.

I then arrested both the above noted accused persons after informing them the ground of their arrest for the possessions and carrying of contraband Narcotic drugs (Ganja) under the NDPS Act and issued arrest memos to them accordingly, duly signed by both the accused persons and witness.

The entire process of Search, seizure, Label, Seal & packing, inventory and arrest were done in between 13.05 hrs and 15.05 hrs.

The entire process of search, seizure, sealed and labelled were done under the supervision of Shri Sudip Bhattacharjee, Dy. SP, STF, WB HQ at Siliguri and videographed the entire procedure of search and seizure through the android mobile phone of C/111 Ekash Oroan of STF, WB Siliguri Unit in compliance to the Order of Hon'ble High Court, Kolkata.

Under the above noted fact and circumstances, a case under sections 20(b)(ii)(C)/25/28/29 of NDPS Act, 1985 may kindly be started against the two accused persons namely (i) Pradip Sarkar @ Joy Sarkar (23yrs) s/o - Sunil Sarkar of Pilkhana, PO- Nilkuthir Babur hat, PS - Kotwali, Dist- Coochbehar, (2) Sudip Das (19 Yrs) S/O - Basu Das of Village - Chakchaka, PO- Nilkuthir Babur Hat, PS- Pundbari, Dist- Coochbehar, (3) Taposh Barman of Nishiganj, Makpala, Dist. Coochbehar, (4) Ainul Haque of Sutkabari, Coochbehar, (5) Raju Alam of Sutkabari, Coochbehar, (6) Raja Haque of Coochbehar and (7) owner the Pick Up Van bearing Registration No- WB71B/8748 and arrange for its proper investigation.

Family members of both the arrested accused persons have been informed regarding the arrest of Pradip Sarkar @ Joy Sarkar and Sudip Das over phone and Whatsapp Messages.

Superiors of STF, WB have been apprised of the seizure, arrest and other proceedings made so far in this regard.

Enclosure

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1. Seizure List.
2. Copy of information to superior.
3. Permission Copy (Raid, Seizure and Arrest U/S 42 NDPS Act).
4. Nil Seizure List.
5. Arrest Memos.
6. Notice U/S- 50 of NDPS Act and U/S- 100 Cr.PC.
7. Statement of accused person U/S- 67 of NDPS Act.
8. Inventory.
9. Seal Impression.
10. Accused Medical checkup slip.
11. Labels (22 Nos).
12. Requisition to BDO, Matigara Block.
13. Certificate u/s 65 B (Videography).
14. Seizure List in respect of Memory card of Videography.

Yours faithfully

SI Norbu W. Dukpa  
(SI Norbu Wangdi Dukpa) 02/11/23

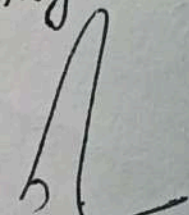
STF, WB, HQ at Siliguri.

Camped at Near Phansidewa Underpass on NH- 27

towards Shiv Mandir from Siliguri

Typed and printed by me.

Received on 02/11/23 at 16:05 hrs vide  
Matigara PS GDE No. 91 and started Matigara  
PS case No. 894/23 dt. 02/11/23 U/S 20(b)(1)(2)/25  
28/29 of the NDPS Act and endorsed to  
SI Md. Samuillah for its investigation.

  
02/11/23