

FIRST INFORMATION REPORT

(Under Section 154 Cr. P.C.)

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Inspector-In-Charge
Pradhan Nagar Police Station
Siliguri Police Commissionerate



1. Dist. Pradhan Nagar P.S. Pradhan Nagar Year 2026 FIR No. 193/26 Date 10/03/26

2. i) Act Sections 21(e)/22(e) ii) Act Sections

iii) Act Sections iv) Others Acts & Sections

3. (a) Occurrence of offence : Day Tuesday Date From 10.03.2026 Date To
Time Period 01 Hrs. 03 minutes Time From 00:07 Hrs. Time To 01:10 Hrs.

(b) Information received at P.S. Date 10.03.2026 Time 01:30 Hrs.

(c) General Diary Reference : Entry No (s) 560 Time 01:3

4. Type of Information Written Written / Oral

5. Place of Occurrence : (a) Direction and Distance from P.S. South 1.5 km approx Beat No.

(b) Address Siliguri Junction, near Public Bus Entry Gate.
PS - Pradhan Nagar, Dist - Darjeeling

(c) In case outside limit of this Police Station, then the
Name of the P.S. District

6. Complainant / Informant :

(a) Name SI Biplab Barman

(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 Govt. Service (West Bengal Police)

(g) Address SI of Pradhan Nagar P.S., Siliguri Police Commissionerate.

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

(Attach separate sheet, if necessary) :
Bijay Mahato (26y), SI - Kapil Mahato of New Prakash
Nagar, Near Hanuman Mandir, c/o no - 43, PS - Bhaktinagar,
Dist - Jalpaiguri

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

No Delay

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

10. Tota (i) one (01) red and light blue colour bag styled as "Royal BAGS" containing one paper made cartoon which contain 46 (forty six) sealed bottles of Triprolidine Hydrochloride & Codeine Phosphate Syrup "BESCODEX" Cough Syrup, each bottle containing 100 ml. i.e total (46 x 100 ml= 4600 ml) having batch No TBHY0448, Mfg date 11/2025, Exp date 10/2027, MRP Rs 206.25 each - Marked as Exhibit - "A".

11. Inqu

12. FIR Contents (Attach separate sheets, if required) :
The original written complain which is treated as FIR is enclosed herewith.

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 Abir Dhar to take up investigation / refused investigation / transferred to P.S. on point of 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
On 10.03.26 at 10:00 Hrs.
15. Date & Time of despatch to the court :

Inspector-In-Charge
Pradhan Nagar Police Station
Siliguri Police Commissionerate
Signature of the Officer-in-Charge, Police Station
Name : Shekhar Adhikary
Rank : No. SI of Police



To,
The Inspector-In-Charge,
Pradhan Nagar PS,
Siliguri Police Commissionerate.

Sub: - F.I.R.

Sir,

In producing herewith one (01) arrested accused person namely Bijay Mahato (26 yrs) S/O Kapil Mahato of New Prakash Nagar near Hanuman Mandir, Ward No-43, PS- Bhakti Nagar, Dist. Jalpaiguri under arrest along with the following seizure articles viz :- (i) one (01) red and light blue colour bag styled as "Royal BAGS" containing one paper made cartoon which contain 46 (forty six) sealed bottles of Triprolidine Hydrochloride & Codeine Phosphate Syrup "BESCODEX" Cough Syrup, each bottle containing 100 ml. i.e total (46 x 100 ml= 4600 ml) having batch No TBHY0448, Mfg date 11/2025, Exp date 10/2027, MRP Rs 206.25 each - Marked as Exhibit- "A". I, SI Biplab Barman S/O Jharu Barman of Pradhan Nagar PS, Siliguri Police Commissionerate do hereby lodged this written complaint against the above noted arrested accused person namely Bijay Mahato (26 yrs) S/O Kapil Mahato of New Prakash Nagar near Hanuman Mandir, Ward No-43, PS- Bhakti Nagar, Dist. Jalpaiguri to the effect that on 09.03.2026 at 21.35 hrs I received a reliable specific secret source input that one person would be come to Siliguri Junction under PS - Pradhan Nagar, Dist. Darjeeling with huge quantity of illegal Cough Syrup in his possession to delivery the same to his design customer for his illegal gain. Accordingly, the matter was diarized in PS General Diary vide Pradhan Nagar PS GDE No. 542 dated 09.03.2026 and I informed to you in writing. Subsequently, being directed by you at about 21.50 hrs myself along with ASI Biplab Kr Das, ASI Prabal Sarkar, ASI Bikash Roy and others force of Pradhan Nagar PS, SPC left for Siliguri Junction under PS Pradhan Nagar, Dist. Darjeeling without any search warrant or authorization for search which could not be possible to obtain from a competent authority for sudden development of such a sensitive information and also for not giving him opportunity for concealment of evidence or facility for his escape. This refers to Pradhan Nagar PS GDE No. 543 dated 09.03.2026 and M.C.C. No. 470/26 dated 09.03.2026. I also informed one Videographer namely Somnath Chatterjee S/O Sushil Chatterjee of Gokhel Road, Arabinda Pally, Ward No-22, PS- Siliguri, Dist. Darjeeling over telephone and requested him to come to Siliguri Junction under PS Pradhan Nagar, Dist. Darjeeling with his video camera for the purpose of video graphs if required. On the way, I briefed all the Police personnel properly sharing them the nature of information in hand.

At around 22.05 hrs on 09.03.26 we arrived at Siliguri Junction under PS- Pradhan Nagar, Dist. Darjeeling and contacted with my source while he informed me that the person possessing cough syrup will come to Siliguri Junction near Public entry gate to deliver the same to his customers. Then, I contacted with two available independent persons namely (i) Raja Sahani (26 yrs), S/O Chunchun Sahani of Rajendra Nagar, Coolipara, Ward No. 01, PS- Pradhan Nagar, Dist. Darjeeling (Mobile No 9382167087) and (ii) Arun Sahani (25 yrs) S/O Upendar Sahani of Rejendra Nagar, Coolipara, Ward No-01, PS- Pradhan Nagar, Dist. Darjeeling (M. No 9339932433) and shared the information with them and requested them to remain present at the spot and act as independent witness if any search and seizure would be made upon which they agreed and expressed their willingness to co operate with me as well as to act witness. I also issued notice in writing upon both the above mentioned two independent witnesses which are acknowledge by them. There after, I again contacted my source while he stated that the suspect carrying illegal cough syrup will come shortly to deliver the same to his design customer at Siliguri Junction near public bus entry gate. Accordingly, I informed all of my raiding team regarding the information. At around 22.40 hrs I noticed that one person with a bag in his possession is coming from Hill Cart Road side towards public bus entry gate. Then, we cordoned the place from every possible corner with dure care and cautioned and at around 22.45 hrs we managed to detain him at near public bus entry gate, Siliguri Junction with a red and light blue colour bag in his possession. Thereafter, we disclosed our identities as Police personnel (as 4/5 police personnel were in civil dress for our convenience) and informed him regarding the information in hand. On interrogation, the detained person disclosed his identity as Bijay Mahato (26 yrs) S/O Kapil Mahato of New Prakash Nagar near Hanuman Mandir, Ward No-43, PS- Bhakti Nagar, Dist. Jalpaiguri and also disclosed that he is carrying 46 bottles of cough syrup inside the bag in his possession and came there to deliver the same to his designated customer for his wrongful gain. Then, I issued notice in writing to him whether he wanted to search the bag in his possession in presence of an Executive Magistrate or any Gazetted Officer as per norms of u/s 50 of NDPS Act, upon which he agreed to be searched in presence of any of the above noted officers.

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Accordingly, I informed the matter to you over mobile phone and requested you to arrange an executive Magistrate or Gazetted Officer to supervise the entire process of search and if required seizure. At around 23.40 hrs on 09.03.26 the above named videographer arrived at the spot at Siliguri Junction near public bus entry gate under PS- Pradhan Nagar, Dist. Darjeeling with his camera. Accordingly, I served a notice to him for videography the entire process of search and seizure if required. Further at around 23.55 hrs on 09.03.26 you arrived at the spot at Siliguri Junction near public bus entry gate under PS- Pradhan Nagar, Dist- Darjeeling to perform the duty of gazetted officer being the I/C of Pradhan Nagar PS and informed me that due to odd hours of night no Executive Magistrate was available and as a gazetted officer you are legally authorised to give order to search the bag under the possession of the suspect.

Then, I served a notice to you to supervise the entire process of search and if required of seizure. Thereafter on camera, I offered both the independent witnesses noted above and the detained person to search our Police Personnel as per provisions of law but they denied searching the Police personnel. Then, in presence of you and independent witnesses noted above, on camera, I searched the red and light blue colour bag under the possession of above mentioned detained person namely Bijay Mahato (26 yrs) S/O Kapil Mahato of New Prakash Nagar near Hanuman Mandir, Ward No-43, PS- Bhakti Nagar, Dist. Jalpaiguri and found one paper made carton was kept inside the bag. On search the paper made carton recovered 46 (forty six) sealed bottles of Triprolidine Hydrochloride & Codeine Phosphate Syrup "BESCODEX" Cough Syrup, each bottle containing 100 ml. i.e total (46 x 100 ml= 4600 ml) having batch No TBHY0448, Mfg date 11/2025, Exp date 10/2027, MRP Rs 206.25 each. On demand in presence of you and independent witnesses, the above named detained person namely Bijay Mahato (26 yrs) S/O Kapil Mahato of New Prakash Nagar near Hanuman Mandir, Ward No-43, PS- Bhakti Nagar, Dist. Jalpaiguri failed to produce any valid document/papers for possessing or carrying such huge quantities of Codeine Phosphate based Cough Syrup. On further grilling, he confessed his guilt and stated that he procured the said quantities of "Codeine Phosphate based Cough Syrup" clandestinely from one of his suppliers for the purpose of selling the same in high rates to his selected customers for his wrongful gain. He also stated that he was running such a business illegally for the last few months for his wrongful gain.

Accordingly, I seized the following articles viz :- i) one (01) red and light blue colour bag styled as "Royal BAGS" containing one paper made cartoon which contain 46 (forty six) sealed bottles of Triprolidine Hydrochloride & Codeine Phosphate Syrup "BESCODEX" Cough Syrup, each bottle containing 100 ml. i.e total (46 x 100 ml= 4600 ml) having batch No TBHY0448, Mfg date 11/2025, Exp date 10/2027, MRP Rs 206.25 each - Marked as Exhibit- "A" from the possession of accused person namely Bijay Mahato (26 yrs) S/O Kapil Mahato of New Prakash Nagar near Hanuman Mandir, Ward No-43, PS- Bhakti Nagar, Dist. Jalpaiguri under proper seizure list in presence of you and above mentioned two independent witnesses and obtained their signatures which is acknowledged by the accused person. Subsequently, I sealed and labelled the seized contraband articles in presence of you and independent witnesses and the above noted accused at the spot. The entire process of search, seizure and labelling were made in between 00.07 hrs to 01.10 hrs on 10.03.26 under the coverage of a videography executed by the videographer namely Somnath Chatterjee S/O Sushil Chatterjee of Gokhel Road, Arabinda Pally, Ward No-22, PS- Siliguri, Dist. Darjeeling at the spot.

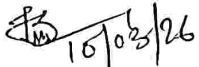
From the above noted facts and seizure of incriminating articles, it is quite evident that the offender namely Bijay Mahato (26 yrs) S/O Kapil Mahato of New Prakash Nagar near Hanuman Mandir, Ward No-43, PS- Bhakti Nagar, Dist. Jalpaiguri is involved in procuring and selling "Codeine Phosphate based Cough Syrup" illegally contravening the provisions of NDPS Act. Then, I arrested him after observing all formalities of arrest, informing him regarding the ground of his arrest and brought to Pradhan Nagar PS for further investigation. I also informed to the wife of the accused namely Guriya Mahato over Mobile phone having Mobile No 8250169291 duly provided by the accused regarding arrest of accused person namely Bijay Mahato from the spot.


Under the above fact and circumstances, I pray before you that a specific case under proper sections of law may kindly be registered against the arrested person namely Bijay Mahato (26 yrs) S/O Kapil Mahato of New Prakash Nagar near Hanuman Mandir, Ward No-43, PS- Bhakti Nagar, Dist. Jalpaiguri and arranged its investigation.

Enclosures:- (i) Original seizure list along with seized articles, (ii) Original Memo of Arrest, (iii) Written information regarding ground of arrest, (iv) Inspection Memo, (v) Pen drive with its hash value and other relevant documents.

Yours faithfully,

Received on 10.03.26 at 01:30 hrs vide PDN PS GDE NO-560
Dt. 10.03.26 and started PDN PS case NO-193/26 Dt. 10.03.26
V/S- 21(e)/22(e) of NDPS Act and endorsed to SI Abin Dhan
for its investigation.


(SI Biplab Barman)
Pradhan Nagar PS, SPC


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