



PRESS NOTE

(FOUR HELD IN HAWALA RACKET & SIEZURE OF ILLEGALLY CIRCULATING AMOUNT OF Rs. 7,51,10,300/-)

Sleuths of Saifabad Police, along with City Taskforce, Flying Squad & Static Surveillance team (Model Code of Conduct teams pertaining GE-2018) have conducted the Joint operation at different locations on Illegal money transfers (Hawala Racket) in the early hours on 07-11-2018 at Rotary Circle, NTR Marg and Seized net cash of Rs. 7,51,10,300/- in Cr. No. 583/2018 U/s 171-B, 468, 471, 420 r/w 120 -B IPC of PS Saifabad.

The CP, Hyderabad got an input and movement of huge quantity of cash. He planned the operation with Sri P. Viswa Prasad, IPS, DCP, Central Zone, Hyderabad City, Sri Ch. Saidi Reddy, Inspector of Police of PS Saifabad, who is the Investigation Officer of the above crime along with the assistance of City Task Force, Flying Squad & Static Surveillance team has succeeded in arresting the (4) persons along with the Property mentioned below.

DETAILS OF ARRESTED ACCUSED AND PROPERTY SEIZED

Sl. No.	Name of the accused	Place of Seizure	Date & time of Seizure	Seizure details
1.	A3) Ashish Kumar Ahuja S/o Sunil Kumar Ahuja, aged 23 years, Occ: Business (Investments), R/o. H.No.6-3-596/72, Naveen Nagar, behind Taj Krishna, Hyderabad-9908793339	At Rotary Circle, NTR Marg, Saifabad, Hyderabad Saifabad PS Limits	07-11-2018 at 0400 hrs	1) Net Cash of Rs. 2,0007,500/- 2) One Volvo car B.No. TS-09 BP-T/R-1595 3) Two Cell Phones
2.	A4 Mohd Azam , S/o Mohd Ghouse, aged 31years, Occ: Driver, R/o 4-10-45/1/44, Huda Colony, Bahadurpura, Hyderabad-8688470761			
3.	A2) Sunil Kumar Ahuja , S/o Late KN Ahuja, aged 50 years, Occ: Business (Investments), R/o. H.No.6-3-596/72, Naveen Nagar, behind Taj Krishna, Hyderabad-9849015155	At Banjara Green Colony, Road No.12, Banjara Hills Banjara Hills PS	07-11-2018 at 0530 hrs	1) Net Cash of Rs. 5,47,75,150/- 2. Two laptops (Mac book pro 15 inch & 13 inch) 3. One Apple Ipad 4. Counting machine 5. 30 Cheque books of various banks 6. One Cell Phone
4.	A1) Bahbut Singh Raj Purohit , S/o Hemsingh Raj Purohit, aged 46 years, Occ: Business (PS Photo Traders at Goshamahal), R/o H.No.14-2-164, Opposite to LMG School, Joshwadi, Goshamahal, Hyderabad-984974506	At Joshwada, Shahinayathgunj Shahinayathgunj PS	07-11-2018 at 0730 hrs	1) Net Cash of Rs. 3.5 Lakhs 2) One .32 NP bore Revolver 3) One Cell Phone

The above mentioned Hawala Operators are working and are planning to distribute Crores of Rupees in Telangana. This money is coming from other States and abroad through Hawala channels illegally for use in forthcoming Legislative Assembly Elections - 2018 in Telangana. Sometimes the amounts have been transferred online into the accounts of Shell Companies of Hawala Operators. To facilitate this, Hawala Operators are falsifying documents, given false declarations to open such Bank accounts and thereby cheating the banks and the government. In this case efforts are under progress to apprehend the absconding accused persons namely, **Jayesh Patel, Shailesh, Kishan Lal Chand & Vidya Sagar.**

This money would have been used for bribing the voters involved in the election process. The seizure details are being intimated to the Enforcement

Directorate and the Income Tax Department so that they can examine the trail of financial transactions and involvement of Shell companies.

Modus operandi

A3 is son of A2. A4 is driver of A2. A1 is associate of A2. A2 finances A1 whenever he is need of money. A2 collects money from business people and advances to various needy persons on commission basis. The members of Hawala gang also telephone A2 and ask him to deliver money to the persons in and around Hyderabad. On the fateful day A2 (Sunil) has sent A3 (Ashish) and A4 (Azam) to A1 (Bahbut) to collect money of Rs. 2 crores and after collecting the same, A3 and A4 were arrested while in possession of Rs. 2 Crores in their Volvo Car.

Relationship between the accused

A-1 Sunil Kumar Ahuja is the kingpin in the Hawala money transaction and A-2 Ashish Kumar Ahuja is son of A-1 who recently (in May 2018) returned from U.S.A. after completing his graduation and looking after the accounts his father, while A-3 Mohd. Azam is the Car Driver of Sunil Kumar Ahuja who assists A-1 and A-2 in Hawala money transactions. A-1 and A-2 used to open bank accounts on the name of A-3 Mohd. Azam by furnishing fake documents and false declarations for which A-3 collects his commission from both A-1 and A-2 to make easy money. In the instant case, A-4 Bhabut Singh Raj Purohit who is one of the members of the Hawala directed A-1 to send his persons to collect money from one Champalal of Siddiambazar, Hyderabad. This amount is intended for delivery to some political leaders for distribution to the voters. In such deals he gets huge commission.

The information regarding arrest of Hawala operating gang is being furnished to the Director of Enforcement and Income Tax Department.

When the house of A-4 Bhabut Singh Raj Purohit was searched, **.32 N.P. bore revolver** pertaining to his brother Sumeet Singh was found in the house along with Hawala cash. His brother Sumeet Singh carried the said weapon to Hyderabad in contravention of license conditions by carrying the weapon from Karnataka State to Hyderabad. The accused (A4) is liable for offences under the Arms Act, 1959.

The case is being now investigated by Sri. Ch. Saidi Reddy, Inspector of Police, Saifabad Police Station. Because of the sensitivity and gravity of the case, it is decided to transfer the case to CCS and entrust the investigation to a senior officer of the rank of ACP under the direct supervision of DCP, DD, Hyderabad. The timely action taken by the Hyderabad City Police has been appreciated by one and all.

The Hyderabad City police is committed for free and fair election process. We will not allow any individual or political party to influence the election by use of cash.

All such Hawala operators and those running shell companies are strictly warned that similar firm action will be taken against them for any such illegal practices by them.

In the next few week the checking of vehicles and lodges will be more intensified.

In democracy the strength lies with people and many vital information comes from them

***Commissioner of Police,
Hyderabad***