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NIA ARRESTS ONE MORE ACCUSED IN JMB OFFSHOOT'S TERROR CONSPIRACY TARGETING WEST BENGAL AND NORTH-EASTERN STATES.

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The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on 10th October 2026 arrested one more accused from West Bengal in connection with a terror conspiracy orchestrated by an offshoot of the proscribed terrorist organisation Jama'atul Mujahideen Bangladesh (JMB). Several digital devices, including mobile phones and memory cards, were seized from the possession of the accused during the arrest.

The arrest follows the arrest of 13 accused persons on 29th September 2026, after searches conducted at 16 locations across Assam, West Bengal and Kerala in connection with the same conspiracy. Earlier, on 25th June 2026, NIA had filed a chargesheet against 11 accused persons before the NIA Special Court, Guwahati (Assam), under various provisions of the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita (BNS), 2023, and the UA (P) Act, 1967.

NIA investigation has revealed the involvement of the accused in a conspiracy hatched by Imam Mahmuder Kafila (IMK), an offshoot of JMB, to spread the banned outfit's extremist ideology and expand its terrorist network in West Bengal and the north-eastern states of India. The conspiracy involved the radicalisation of vulnerable youth, the propagation of extremist ideology and the recruitment of individuals into the organisation. The investigation has further revealed that Imam Mahmud Habibullah, a senior member of JMB, had established IMK with the objective of promoting the banned organisation's agenda in India.

The accused allegedly conspired to expand the activities of IMK/JMB through clandestine meetings, religious indoctrination programmes, circulation of extremist literature and misuse of digital platforms, including Telegram, for radicalisation and dissemination of anti-India propaganda. They also sought to promote allegiance to the leadership of IMK/JMB and strengthen the organisation's network in India.

Further investigation in case RC-01/2026/NIA/GUW is continuing.