



Terrorist Infiltration Probe in Jammu

Why in News?

[The National Investigation Agency \(NIA\)](#) searched various locations across Jammu, targeting premises linked to terrorist sympathizers while **investigating the infiltration of terrorists from across the border.**

Key Points

- **Focus on Over Ground Workers (OGWs):**
 - The NIA conducted **raids at the homes of Over Ground Workers (OGWs)** linked to banned terrorist organizations such as [Lashkar-e-Taiba \(LeT\)](#) and [Jaish-e-Mohammed \(JeM\)](#).
 - The raids also targeted sympathizers and cadres associated with these terrorist outfits.
 - The operation was based on intelligence inputs regarding the infiltration of LeT and JeM terrorists into India via the [International Border \(IB\)](#) and [the Line of Control \(LoC\)](#).
 - **Role of OGWs:**
 - Reports indicate that OGWs and terror associates in border areas provided logistical support for infiltrating terrorists.
 - These support activities included:
 - Providing food, shelter, and money
 - Guiding terrorists through difficult terrain
 - Ensuring their safe passage into India
- **Connection to Terrorist Infiltration Case:**
 - The investigation pertains to terrorist infiltration and a series of attacks on security forces and civilians in recent months.
 - The NIA described these incidents as **part of a larger criminal conspiracy by terror outfits to wage war** against the Indian government.
- **Movement of Infiltrated Terrorists:**
 - The infiltrated terrorists are suspected to have **spread across multiple districts in Jammu and Kashmir.**
 - Identified districts include **Kathua, Udhampur, Doda, Kishtwar, Reasi, Rajouri, Poonch, and the Valley.**

National Investigation Agency (NIA)

- **About:**
 - The **NIA** is the **Central Counter-Terrorism Law Enforcement Agency of India** mandated to investigate all the **offences affecting the sovereignty, security and integrity of India. It includes:**
 - Friendly relations with foreign states.
 - Against atomic and nuclear facilities.
 - **Smuggling of arms, drugs and fake Indian currency** and infiltration from across the borders.
 - The offences under the **statutory laws enacted to implement international treaties, agreements, conventions and resolutions of [the United Nations](#),**

its agencies and other international organisations.

- It was **constituted under the [National Investigation Agency \(NIA\) Act, 2008.](#)**
- The agency is empowered to deal with the investigation of terror related crimes across states **without special permission from the states** under **written proclamation from the Ministry of Home Affairs.**
- **Headquarters:** New Delhi

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