

26/11 ATTACK ACCUSED  
RANA IN NIA CUSTODY

Rana was brought to the court in a cavalcade of vehicles, including jail van, armoured SWAT vehicle & ambulance

PTI, NEW DELHI: The National Investigation Agency (NIA) on Thursday "formally arrested" Tahawwur Hussain Rana, the key accused in the deadly 26/11 Mumbai terror attacks, immediately after he landed at the Delhi airport following his extradition from the United States, according to an official statement.

Rana was escorted to Delhi by teams of NIA and National Security Guard (NSG), comprising senior officials, on a special plane from Los Angeles, the statement said.

The NIA investigation team at the airport arrested Rana, a Canadian national of Pakistani origin living primarily in Chicago (US), soon after he emerged from the airplane, after completing all the necessary legal formalities, it said.

The agency also shared a picture of Rana in custody of its officers after his extradition.

The NIA secured Rana's extradition following years of sustained and concerted efforts and after the terror mastermind's last-ditch efforts to get a stay on his extradition from the US failed, said the statement issued by the anti-terror agency.

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**WHAT LIES AHEAD FOR RANA**

**LEGAL REPRESENTATION:** Advocate Piyush Sachdeva from the Delhi Legal Services Authority (DLSA) has been appointed to represent Tahawwur Rana

**PROSECUTION:** The Central Government has appointed Advocate Narendra Mann as the Special Public Prosecutor for this case and other related matters

**COURT APPEARANCE:** Rana will be produced before Special NIA Judge Chandrajit Singh at Patiala House Court

**SECURITY ARRANGEMENTS:**

- Tight security has been deployed, with SWAT commandos from the Delhi Police Special Cell at the airport
- Rana is being transported in a bulletproof vehicle to the NIA Headquarters
- A special interrogation cell has been created at the NIA HQ.
- Only 12 personnel, including top NIA officials like DG Sadanand Date, IG Ashish Batra, and DIG Jaya Roy, have access
- Prior approval is mandatory for anyone who wishes to meet Rana

**CHARGES AGAINST RANA:**

- IPC:** Sections 120B (criminal conspiracy), 121 (waging war against the government), 121A (conspiracy to commit offenses against the state), 302 (murder), 468 (forgery for the purpose of cheating), and 471 (using forged documents)
- UAPA:** Sections 16 (terrorist act), 18 (conspiracy), and 20 (membership of a terrorist organisation)

A picture shared by NIA of Rana in custody

efforts of India's Ministry of External Affairs (MEA) and Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA), along with the relevant authorities in the United States, the NIA said it worked closely with other Indian intelligence agencies through the entire extradition process, which marked a major step in India's efforts to bring individuals involved in terrorism to justice, irrespective of which part of the world they had fled to.

100 students from IMS Bogda fall ill; food poisoning suspected

**Team Herald**

VASCO: In a major case of suspected food poisoning, around 100 students of the Institute of Maritime Studies (IMS) in Bogda, Vasco, fell ill after consuming chicken biryani served on campus. Shortly after the meal, several students began complaining of severe stomach pain, nausea, and vomiting. The affected students were rushed to various private hospitals in Vasco. While some have since been discharged, others remain admitted and under observation.

The incident triggered panic among students and their families. "We have received complaints that the biryani served at the institute could be the culprit. Some students had to be hospitalised, but they are stable and under close observation," a source revealed.

Mormugao Deputy Collector Bhagwant Karmali stated that the administration has taken serious note of the incident. "I have directed the Mormugao Police and the principal of the institute to conduct a thorough investigation to determine the cause of contamination and fix accountability," he said.

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