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INTER-STATE TRUCK THEFT AND DISMANTLING GANG BUSTED BY AATS/NORTH DISTRICT; 03 ACCUSED ARRESTED.

- **ALLEGED MASTERMIND BHARAT AND ASSOCIATES SHAMBHU MEHTO AND AMRITPAL SINGH ARRESTED THROUGH TECHNICAL INVESTIGATION.**
- **CCTV FOOTAGE, UPI TRANSACTIONS PROVIDED KEY INVESTIGATION LEADS.**
- **04 TRUCK THEFT CASES OF DELHI WORKED OUT; STOLEN TRUCKS LINKED TO BHARAT.**
- **STOLEN TRUCKS ALLEGEDLY SOLD IN PUNJAB FOR DISMANTLING AND SALE OF PARTS.**
- **DISMANTLED PARTS OF THE TRUCK IN THE PRESENT CASE RECOVERED FROM AMRITPAL SINGH'S GODOWN IN KHANAURI, PATRAN, PUNJAB.**
- **FURTHER INVESTIGATION IS UNDERWAY TO TRACE OTHER STOLEN VEHICLES AND IDENTIFY OTHER ASSOCIATES.**

INCIDENT:

On 27.09.2026, a truck bearing Registration No. DL1LAT31XX, which was newly registered on 20.07.2026, was stolen from the area of PS Gulabi Bagh. Accordingly, case E-FIR No. 023513/26, u/s 305(b) BNS, was registered at PS Gulabi Bagh.

TEAM AND INVESTIGATION:

Sensing the gravity of the case, a dedicated team was constituted under the overall supervision of **Ms. Niharika Bhatt, IPS, DCP/North and under the leadership of Sh. Vishesh Dhatteval, ACP/Operations/North District, and Insp. Sanjay Kumar Gupta (I/C AATS/North) comprising SI Heera Lal, SI Dinesh Singh, ASI Omprakash, HC Sandeep, HC Ravinder, HC Shakti, HC Alok, HC Rahul, W/HC Pooja, Ct. Nitesh, Ct. Sumeet, Ct. Vikram and W/Ct. Richa.**

Acting upon the available leads, **CCTV footage was analysed** revealing that the auto-lifter had **removed the GPS device installed in the truck** after committing the theft. The stolen truck subsequently proceeded via Outer Ring Road, Karnal Bypass, Sanjay Gandhi Transport Nagar and

Murthal, before reaching a **CNG pump at Malhana, Sonipat, where payment was made through PhonePe.**

Accordingly, **details of the UPI transaction were obtained**, and the **technical analysis was done**. Further investigation indicated that the stolen truck might have been taken towards **Patran, Punjab**. Based on technical surveillance, **Bharat, R/o Shiv Park, Nilothi, Nangloi Extension, Delhi was identified, apprehended from his rented accommodation and subsequently arrested** in the present case.

During interrogation, Bharat disclosed that he and his associate, **Shambhu Mehto, R/o Bindapur, Delhi had stolen the truck from the area of PS Gulabi Bagh**. Acting on this disclosure, **Shambhu Mehto was traced, apprehended from Bindapur and subsequently arrested**. Both accused further disclosed that they had **sold the stolen truck to Amritpal Singh, R/o Patran, Shergarh, Patiala, Punjab for dismantling**.

At the instance of accused Bharat, **Amritpal Singh was apprehended from Khanauri Market, Patran, Punjab, and subsequently arrested**. During interrogation he disclosed that he had dismantled the stolen truck and stored its various parts in his godown. Accordingly at the instance of the accused persons, **the dismantled parts of the stolen truck were recovered from Amritpal Singh's godown**.

MODUS OPERANDI:

Investigation revealed that the accused persons were allegedly operating an **organised truck theft network**. Bharat, along with his associates, allegedly targeted and stole trucks from Delhi and transported them to **Amritpal Singh at Khanauri, Patran, Punjab** for sale and dismantling. Amritpal Singh allegedly received the stolen trucks, **dismantled them and stored their parts in his godown**.

Further investigation revealed that Bharat had allegedly **stolen three additional trucks from Delhi and sold them to Amritpal Singh for dismantling**. Their details are as follows:

1. **Truck No. DL1LAH44XX** — Reported stolen vide E-FIR No. **021823/2026**, dated **13.09.2026**, PS **Nihal Vihar, Delhi**.
2. **Truck No. DL1LAE31XX** — Reported stolen vide E-FIR No. **021216/2026**, dated **07.09.2026**, PS **Janakpuri, Delhi**.
3. **Truck No. HR47E82XX** — Reported stolen vide E-FIR No. **017926/2026**, dated **02.08.2026**, PS **Alipur, Delhi**.

Thus, **04 stolen trucks, including the truck involved in the present case have been linked to accused Bharat** during the investigation.

INTERROGATION:

During interrogation and analysis of the accused persons' **WhatsApp chats and data**, it emerged that **Bharat had recently stolen three additional trucks from Delhi and sold them to Amritpal Singh for dismantling**. Technical investigation, including analysis of **CCTV footage, UPI transactions, and WhatsApp data** helped the police team establish links between the accused persons and trace the stolen truck's movement towards Punjab.

During interrogation, **Amritpal Singh** disclosed that he had dismantled the stolen truck and stored its parts in his godown for further sale in the market. Subsequently, the dismantled parts of the truck involved in the present case were recovered from the said godown.

RECOVERY:

- 03 mobile phones and SIM cards.
- UPI transaction details.
- All dismantled parts of the stolen truck involved in the present case.

PROFILE OF ACCUSED PERSONS:

1. **Bharat, aged 40 years**, R/o Nilothi, Nangloi Extension, Delhi, is presently works as a driver and was earlier engaged in the transport business. He has been **identified as the mastermind of the present case** and allegedly stole the truck along with co-accused Shambhu Mehto. He has **previous involvement in four cases of truck/motor vehicle theft** registered at PS Dwarka Sector-28, PS Paschim Vihar, PS Dwarka and PS Mundaka, Delhi.
2. **Shambhu Mehto, aged 36 years**, R/o Pratap Garden, Bindapur Uttam Nagar, Delhi. He along-with co-accused Bharat, allegedly committed the theft of the truck in the present case. He is presently working as a driver.
3. **Amrit Pal Singh @ Ambi @ Mulla Ji, aged 32 years**, R/o Shergarh Samna, Tehsil Patran, District Patiala, Punjab. He is presently working as a floral decorator in Punjab. He allegedly received stolen trucks from accused Bharat, got them dismantled into parts, and further disposed of/sold the dismantled parts in Punjab.

CASES WORKED OUT:

1. e-FIR No. 023513/26, dated 29.09.2026, u/s 305(b)/317(2)/112(2)/238/61(2)/3(5) BNS, PS Gulabi Bagh, Delhi.
2. e-FIR No. 021823/26, dated 13.09.2026, u/s 305(b) BNS, PS Nihal Vihar, Delhi.
3. e-FIR No. 021216/26, dated 07.09.2026, u/s 305(b) BNS, PS Janakpuri, Delhi.
4. e-FIR No. 017926/26, dated 02.08.2026, u/s 305(b) BNS, PS Alipur, Delhi.

FURTHER INVESTIGATION:

Further investigation is underway to identify and apprehend other persons involved in the truck theft network, trace the remaining stolen vehicles and their parts, and examine financial transactions between the accused persons. Efforts are also being made to identify other receivers of stolen vehicles and ascertain the accused persons' involvement in similar cases.

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