Press release

DETENTION OF FAISAL JAVED SHAIKH UNDER PIT NDPS ACT, 1988



In a significant crackdown on organized narco-criminal networks operating within the State of Maharashtra, particularly in Mumbai, Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) Mumbai has taken decisive action by preventively detaining Faisal Javed Shaikh under the Prevention of Illicit Traffic in Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (PIT-NDPS) Act, 1988.

- 2. Pursuant to the detention order dated 26.03.2025, issued by the Joint Secretary (PIT-NDPS), Government of India, Faisal Javed Shaikh has been transferred from Mumbai Central Jail, Arthur Road, to Puzhal Central Prison, Chennai, on 19.05.2025.
- 3. Faisal Javed Shaikh, a resident of the Dongri area in Mumbai, has gained notoriety as a key figure in the illicit narcotics trade, particularly within Dongri and its adjoining localities. His repeated involvement in narcotics trafficking and criminal conspiracies, with clear linkages to organized crime syndicates, has necessitated his detention under the PIT-NDPS Act to disrupt his influence and operational network in Mumbai.
- 3. Investigations have revealed his direct involvement in large-scale trafficking of narcotic substances, including Mephedrone and Cocaine. Total three NDPS cases are registered against him. Notable recoveries associated with him include:
 - 68 grams of Mephedrone (2017)
 - 20 kilograms of Mephedrone (2023)
 - 940 grams of Cocaine (2024)
- 4. Multiple criminal cases have been registered against him under various provisions of the Indian Penal Code (IPC) and the NDPS Act at different police stations. Additionally, assets believed to be proceeds of drug trafficking comprising cash, gold, silver, and immovable properties have been frozen by the NCB under NDPS Act. The total assets freezed worth Rs.6,40,65,887/-. The Mumbai Police have also invoked provisions of the Maharashtra Control of Organised Crime Act (MCOCA), 1999 against him in 2025.
- 5. Intelligence inputs further suggest that Faisal Shaikh maintains international linkages, with connections to global drug trafficking networks, posing a serious threat to national security and public health.
- 6. The detention order issued under PITNDPS Act 1988 exemplifies the NCB's commitment to successfully dismantle drug networks to accomplish the vision of DRUG FREE INDIA.
- 7. To fight against drug trafficking, NCB seeks support of the citizens. Any person can share information related to sale of narcotics by calling on MANAS-National Narcotics Helpline Toll Free Number-1933. The identity of the informer is kept confidential.
