



ECONOMIC OFFENCES WING
DELHI POLICE, NEW DELHI

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PRESS RELEASE

- **A PROCLAIMED PERSON AND REWARDEE OF RS. 50,000 WHO WAS ABSCONDING FOR MORE THAN 12 YEARS, HAS BEEN ARRESTED BY EOW, DELHI POLICE.**

The Economic Offences Wing, Delhi Police has arrested a proclaimed person and rewardee of Rs. 50,000 namely Raghunath Shahi S/o Sh. Ramodar Shahi R/o Township Kasimpur, Ghatampu, Kanpur, U.P in case FIR No. 637/2005, dated 26/08/2005, u/s 63/65/66 Copy Right Act r/w 420/467/468/471/174A IPC, PS: Preet Vihar, New Delhi. The accused was declared a Proclaimed Person by the Hon'ble Court on 24/01/2011.

BRIEF FACTS OF THE CASE:-

The case FIR No. 637/2005, dated 26.08.2005, u/s 63/65/66 C.R. Act r/w 420/467/468/471/174A IPC, PS Preet Vihar, New Delhi was registered on the complaint of Sh. Rajesh Bajaj of M/s Softmax Software Solution having its office in Delhi. In the said complaint, it was alleged that the accused Raghunath Shahi used to create animation short stories and sold its rights to the complainant Mr. Rajesh Bajaj on 09.04.2005 through his firm Bostan Software. The details of the cinematographic films are: Mack & Jack, Mermaid, The Real Princess, Sleeping Beauty, Wood-Cutter & Gingerman. The complainant claimed himself to be the exclusive owner of the aforesaid titled cinematographic films and held exclusive copyright over the same including the container box, its size, color scheme, lettering style, layout and their respective catalogues. That one Sh. Amit Sharma, Proprietor/Partner of M/s Interlude Technology, Janak Puri, New Delhi (the main accused in the case) had been deceiving and defrauding the general public as well as the complainant by preparing/reproducing the pirated version of the original work under the deceptive titles, the details of which is given as under: –

Sl. No.	Title of CD of the complainant	Title of CD of the accused
1.	Mack & Jack	The Jack & the Mack
2.	Mermaid	The Little Mermaid
3.	The Real Princess	Princess & the Pea
4.	Sleeping Beauty	The Sleeping Beauty
5.	Woodcutter	The Hansel & Gretel
6.	Gingerman	The Ginger Breadman

The case was registered, and later on, the investigation of the case was transferred to EOW.

INVESTIGATION:-

During the investigation, Amit Sharma joined investigation and submitted his agreement with the present accused Raghunath Shahi prior to the agreement executed with the complainant. The present accused didn't join investigation despite opportunities given to him and he was declared Proclaimed Person on 24/01/2011 by the Hon'ble Court. Main charge sheet was filed against the accused Amit Sharma in the Hon'ble Court. A supplementary PO chargesheet along with FSL report, was also filed against the present accused. Later on, a reward of Rs. 50,000 was also got declared on his arrest.

During investigation, consistent efforts were made to arrest him but he was so desperate to evade arrest that he changed his previous address and mobile number. However, after prolonged efforts and by mounting constant manual and technical surveillance, he was arrested from Kanpur, after several days of intense search in Muzaffarpur (Bihar) and Kanpur (UP). In Kanpur, he was found working as a store in-charge at the site of a thermal power plant situated in Neyveli, Kasimpur, District Kanpur, U.P.

TEAM AND ARREST:-

A team was formed consisting of investigating officer Inspector Nand Kishore with SI Surjeet, HC Amit and HC Dinesh Kumar to nab the accused under the supervision of ACP Hari Singh Section II/EOW, under overall supervision of Sh. M.I. Haider, DCP/EOW for arresting the accused. Accused was arrested on 01.07.2023 at

Kanpur. He has been taken on police custody remand for further investigation in the case.

PROFILE OF THE ACCUSED PERSON:-

The accused Raghunath Shahi is 49 years old and as he was absconding, as per the due procedure, he was declared Proclaimed Person by the Hon'ble Court on 24.01.2011. He used to prepare pirated version of the original work under deceptive titles and sold the same in the open market.

MESSAGE FOR PUBLIC AWARENESS:-

Be a smart customer and buy authentic products only, instead of the pirated ones. It is a clear message to the general public to keep themselves away from the cheaters, who make pirated CDs and cheat the gullible victim of their hard-earned money and also cause loss to the government economically, by evading taxes.

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