

ECONOMIC OFFENCES WING PRESS RELEASE INTERSTATE RAILWAY JOB RACKET HAS BEEN BUSTED AND TWO ACCUSED ARRESTED

ACCUSED NAMELY (1) PONNALA BHASKAR, AGE – 60 YEARS AND (2) UMA AGE – 61 YEARS ARRESTED BY ECONOMIC OFFENCES WING, DELHI POLICE

BRIEF FACTS OF THE CASE: - A case FIR no. 90/22 DATED 09/06/22 U/S 420/467/468/471/120(B) IPC, PS EOW was registered on the joint complaint of S. Ravichandran & 4 others against Ms S.Uma & Mr. Ponnala Bhaskar who alleged that the alleged persons represented themselves members of Railway Board in New Delhi and promised that they could secure employment in the Railways in group C & D services. The complainants, on inducement gave huge amounts for securing jobs in railways. The complainants were issued fake offer letters/joining letters of railways by the alleged persons and when the complainants went to the railway office for joining, they came to know that these letters were forged and had not been issued by Railway Board. The alleged persons have embezzled the money collected from the victims and ran away. Till date 15 complainants have given their complaints against the alleged persons. The amount involved is more than 3.5 crores.

MODUS OPERANDI: - Alleged Ponnala Bhaskar along with S.Uma and other associates fraudulently and dishonestly induced the complainants by representing themselves members of Railway Board and that they could arrange jobs in Indian Railways & tender and thus duped the complainants of more than Rs 3.5 Crore.

INVESTIGATION: During investigation complainants and co-complaint/job aspirants were examined and all forged letters issued by the alleged were seized. Bank statements of accused were analyzed which revealed that accused had collected huge amount, approx. 3.5 crores, from victims in their bank account as well as in cash. On verification it is found that all documents related to jobs in Indian Railways are false/forged and have never been issued by those department. After sufficient evidence both accused have been arrested and investigation is continued.

PROFILE OF ACCUSED PERSONS: -

PONNALA BHASKAR AGE – 60 Yrs. is 12thpass and had been engaged in Liaison work in Delhi for the last 12 years. He hatched a conspiracy with other co accused & planned to cheat people on pretext of providing jobs in government sector. There are five cases found registered against him.

Ms. S.Uma age-62 yrs is a social worker. She induced the complainants by showing her photographs with some politicians and cheated the victims.

TEAM AND ARREST: -It was a challenging task to trace the culprits. Accordingly, a special team was formed consisting of SI Avinash (I.O), Ct Vikas, W/HC Santosh under the supervision of ACP S M Sharma and overall supervision of Mohd Irshad Haider DCP/EOW to arrest the accused persons. The accused Ponalla Bhaskar was arrested on 27.06.23 while accused S.Uma was arrested on 29.06.2023

MESSAGE FOR PUBLIC AWARENESS: - Be a smart citizen and verify all the details of every such person. Always approach direct to the concerned department or its authorized website and not get trapped in the clutches of such cheats. Think twice before making any payments to any person.

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