

## Drive to net criminals: At least 200 lawbreakers including 150 drug paddlers, robbers, rounded up in Mirpur AJK:



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MIRPUR (AJK): December 13: In an extensive drive against anti social elements including those involved in murder and robbery-like heinous crimes, local police arrested at least 200 accused including those wanted in illicit drug-trafficking in various parts of the Mangla lake-side Mirpur district of Azad Jammu Kashmir.

This was disclosed by Mirpur-AJK Senior Superintendent of Police Khawar Ali Shoukat while addressing a crowded news conference here late Thursday. Additional Superintendent Police Raja Aamer Nawabi, DSP Headquarters Seikh Abdul Rehman, Inspector Chaudhry Imran and other police officials were also present on this occasion.

Our Special Jammu Kashmir state Correspondent Altaf Hamid Rao reports from Mirpur that SSP said while unveiling the breakup of round up the criminals, said that during the last 03 months, 99 drug cases have been registered against 144 accused in which 1633 bottles, 524 liters of liquor, 19 kg of 118 grams of hashish, 03 kg of 103 grams of heroin, 230 grams of ice, about 02 kilos of cocaine and weapons have been recovered. In the wake of illicit arms recovery drive 39 accused have been registered, from whom 34 pistols, 20 rifles, 01 Kalashnikov, 744 rounds, 150 cartridges, 58 magazines have been recovered during this period. At least 161 criminals including proclaimed offenders have been arrested in fugitive cases., he said.

Unveiling the details about the nabbed accused including those involved in famous blind murder cases, house robberies and drug trafficking SSP Khawar Ali Shaukat said the most wanted accused of the blind murder of a woman in Sector F-1 of Mirpur city have been arrested. Likewise. the accused involved in the identical case of murder with a sharp weapon and robbery in Sector E-1 and Dhangali Road, have also been arrested and the stolen property was recovered. Police, he

continued, also arrested he accused involved in the case of an attempt of murder in local shopping centre Nangi.

Khawar Ali Shaukat SSP Mirpur while explaining his district police performance for the last three months said that on 26th of last Month of November, unknown suspects escaped after killing a woman Azmat Bibi, in housing Sector F-1 's Mahalla Sheikhan. After registering an FIR of the incident, police station Thothal took the body to the police possession rules and started searching of the unknown accused and on modern scientific grounds 02 suspects including Muhammad Ashfaq son of Abdul Majeed Kamana resident of Yarewala P/O Noor Shah Chak No. 65 GD Tehsil and District Sahiwal 2. Muhammad Faryad Chaudhry son of Abdul Karim Chaudhry of Gujjar resident of Khajurla P/O Khas Tehsil Khoi Ratta District Kotli were arrested and the the murder weapon was recovered.

The SSP continued that on 01-12-24 in Sector E-1B block, 03 unknown persons robbed Abdul Ghafoor Malik and his wife of two bangles and earrings weighing 08 tolas and cash worth about 22 lakh rupees at gunpoint and escaped. After receiving the information about the incident, Thothal police immediately took action and identified three unknown suspects: Shahzad Ahmed, son of Muhammad Anwar, Muslim Shaikh, Muhammad Usman, son of Muhammad Amin, Mochi resident of Chidi Gilan Tehsil and Gujranwala district, Ghulam Nabi son of Bahadur Khan, Gujjar

resident of Malikana, Keil tehsil Sharda district Neelam currently resident of Chidi Gilan

Gujranwala were arrested and the stolen property was recovered besides the weapon used in the incident were recovered from the possession of the accused besides the Magazine and 05 bullets were recovered from the possession of the accused Muhammad Usman.

Similarly, in another incident reported on 07-11-24, Zahoor Ahmad son of Zain Muhammad, resident of Abbottabad, Mandi Mor, Rawalpindi, hired a Mehran car number LXB-7643, type Mehran, as a taxi from Rawalpindi area at 10:00 p.m. for Dadyal Zaman Chowk. At 03:00 am when they reached the desolate place at Phaglian, the boy in jacket/trousers pulled out a pistol and threatened to shoot the car driver Zahoor Ahmed, got stopped the car and started thrashing him while firing 03 shots in the air, the car was stolen and money was stolen. 17,500/- in cash and escaped from the scene

After receiving the information of the incident, police station Dadyal took immediate action and traced and arrested Anas Shabir son of Shabir Ahmed, resident of Phagwati district, Kotli, Mubeen Rafiq, son of Muhammad Rafiq, resident of Jandrot district, Kotli, Imtiaz Aziz, son of Muhammad Aziz, resident of Muzaffarabad. A 30-bore pistol used in the incident with a total cash value of Rs.08 lakh were recovered from accused Anas Shabbir, said the SSP

The district police chief continued that on 08-11-24, one Shiraz Bashir, son of Muhammad Bashir, resident of Kashmir town, Chattarpari drove his car number ATW-884, Honda Civic to Mirpur city and parked at the main road outside Allama Iqbal Road and moved to JS Bank to use the ATM inside. When the said person came back near his vehicle, at 04:55 a Honda motorcycle STK-1625 driven by accused Jahangir with Abu Bakr sitting behind, allegedly fired straight shots at Shiraz Bashir, which hit him on the right and left side and escaped from the spot. After the incident, the accused Jahangir Kafayat son of Kafayatullah, Abu Bakr son of Muhammad Saleem, residents of Qila Didar Singh, Gujranwala district were arrested and the weapon of harm, pistol, 30-bore magazine and 09 rounds of ammunition were recovered from the accused Abu Bakr. Police is after other accused including Siddiqui son of Abdul Rehman, Arif Gujar son of Mir Muhammad, Ejaz Qureshi residents of Qila Deedar Singh to arrest them through the provincial Interior Department.

In an other incident reported on 13-10-24, Kushkeel Ahmed, son of Fateh Muhammad, resident of Ratta Dadyal, along with his other family including his wife, sisters and daughters, was returning to Dadyal from Islamgarh marriage ceremony. When they reached Aisha Marble at 09:40 at night, suddenly the wheel of their vehicle was jammed. They came out and found armed bandits who snatched a Sony mobile phone and 7000 rupees in cash from his wife Nazmin and 12000 rupees from his sister-in-law Shakila. 5000 rupees in cash and 37000 rupees in cash from 02 accomplices,

two gold hooks and a ring with a total value of 325000 rupees and escaped by force. In this case, 03 accused identified as Muhammad Shabir son of Muhammad Amin resident of Burotian, Bilal son of Aziz were arrested. The search for one accused, Wasif alias Amjad, a resident of Panyam Chakswari, is in progress, he added.

Khawer said that Mirpur district is a peace zone. and there is no place for criminal elements. Police is always trying to protect the life and property of the people. In the future also, police of Mirpur district will continue taking indiscriminate action against the criminal elements.