

CBI files supplementary chargesheet against 73 accused vyapam scam in a case related to mppmt-2012 examination

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The Central Bureau of Investigation has filed supplementary chargesheet in a Vyapam related case pertaining to MPPMT-2012 against 73 accused including 13 new accused.

CBI had registered the instant case on 31.07.2015 against 587 accused & taken over the investigation of the FIR No.12/2013, earlier registered at Police Station in STF, Bhopal(Madhya Pradesh) in compliance of the orders dated 09.07.2015 of Hon'ble Supreme Court of India transferring the investigation of Vyapam Scam cases from STF to CBI. It was alleged in the case that the accused persons had adopted a unique Engine Bogie system/method of cheating in MPPMT-2012 by engaging intelligent students from out of Madhya Pradesh as solver candidates for allowing copying of their answers by the beneficiary/bogie candidates and also manipulation of digital data & OMR answer sheets of accused candidates by the said persons for passing these candidates in MPPMT-2012.

CBI had earlier filed chargesheet against 592 accused including 245 new accused in the Court of Special Judge, Vyapam Cases, Bhopal on 23.11.2017. Further investigation was kept open U/s 173(8) of Cr.P.C.

During further investigation, CBI found real identities of impersonators, traced absconders etc. In the said supplementary chargesheet, 54 accused persons related to manipulation of digital data & OMR answer sheets and 19 accused related to impersonation were chargesheeted. It was alleged that 19 accused candidates had deliberately left ovals of 120 to 130 questions blank on their respective OMR answer sheets during the examination and the accused Vyapam Officials manipulated the digital data of OMR answer sheets (computer data) and subsequently blackened the corresponding answer circles in the

OMR answer sheets so as to illegally pass these candidates. Untampered data of accused candidates was also recovered and it showed that these candidates had filled up less answer circles. In conspiracy with these candidates, their guardians and middlemen, the said Vyapam officials manipulated digital data and OMR answer sheets of these candidates to enhance their marks and to illegally pass them in MPPMT-2012.

It was also alleged that the then Principal System Analyst of Vyapam, Bhopal had prepared the excel sheet containing the names of the accused candidates, their sponsors, the roll numbers, amounts paid / to be paid, marks & category etc. and the said excel sheet was also recovered.

It was further alleged that impersonation was found out during investigation and 16 accused candidates were named in chargesheet as the impersonators who belonged to Uttar Pradesh, Bihar and Rajasthan. The real identities of these impersonators were ascertained by making use of innovative techniques including obtaining & scrutinizing data of the candidates of PMT Examinations from 2010-2014 of some States & AIPMT etc; details of bank account, credit cards/debit cards used for making payment of the examination fees & identifying/checking social media profiles created by using the mobile phone numbers, email IDs which were filled in the application/counseling forms of impersonators; database of photos of more than 18 lakh aspirant PMT students, MBBS students as well as registered doctors collected from medical colleges, coaching centres, MCI, Medical Education Directorates of some states etc. and data base along with photos of untraceable/unidentified candidates scrutinised through experts and photo matching exercise.

After thorough investigation, CBI filed the chargesheet.

The public is reminded that the above findings are based on the investigation done by CBI and evidence collected by it. Under the Indian Law, the accused are presumed to be innocent till their guilt is finally established after a fair trial.

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