



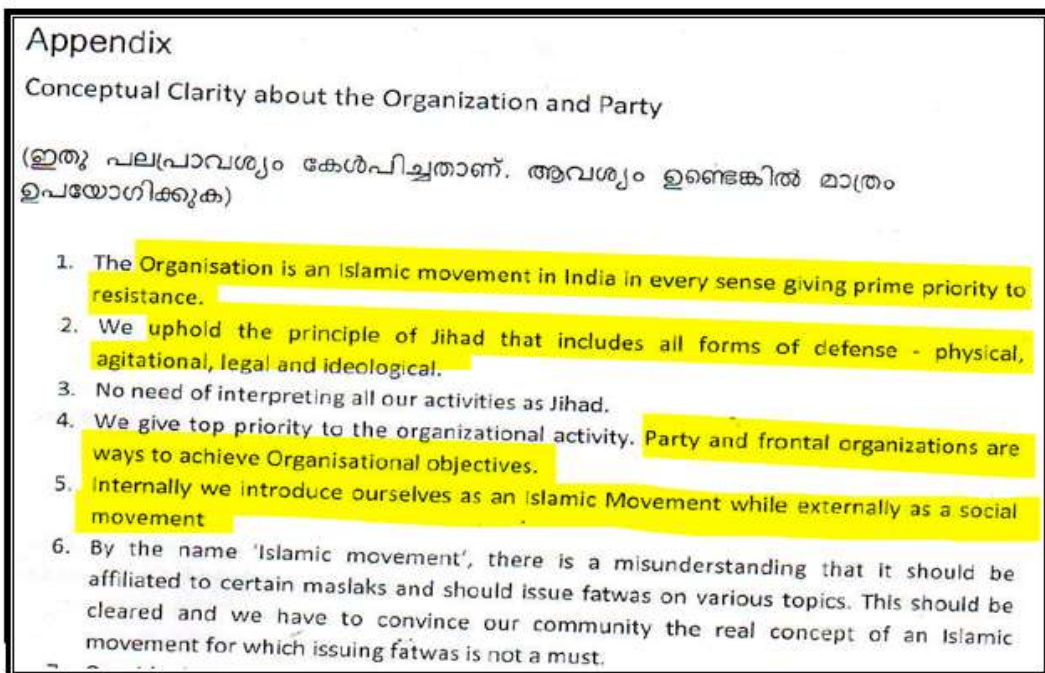
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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Hqrs. Office has arrested Moideen Kutty K @ M.K. Faizy who is the National President of Social Democratic Party of India (SDPI) on 03.03.2025 from Indira Gandhi International (IGI) Airport, New Delhi under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002. SDPI is a political front of PFI and M. K. Faizy is National President of SDPI since 2018. The Hon'ble Special Court, Patiala House Court has remanded him to ED custody for 06 days.

2. ED initiated investigation against Popular Front of India (PFI) and others under PMLA, 2002 on the basis of FIR No. RC-05/2013/NIA/KOC dated 07.08.2013 registered by NIA, Kochi & FIR No. RC-14/2022/NIA/DLI dated 13.04.2022 registered by the NIA, Delhi along with various FIRs registered by other Law Enforcement Agencies. Investigation revealed that the office bearers, members and cadres of Popular Front of India (PFI), were conspiring and raising/collecting funds from within India and abroad through banking channels, Hawala, donations etc. for committing and financing terrorist acts across India.

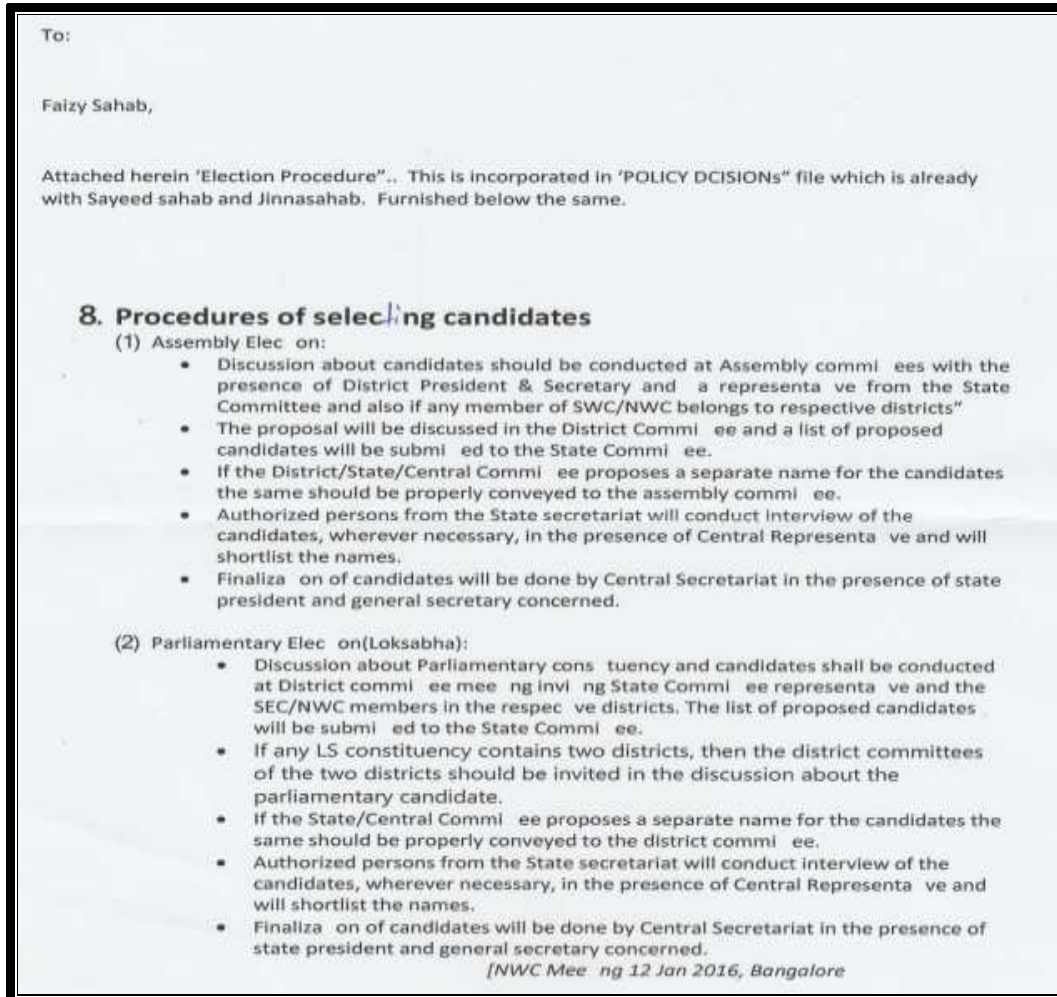
3. During search proceedings conducted on 03.12.2020 at various locations belonging to PFI and its office bearers, numerous incriminating documents and digital evidence were recovered and seized, that establishes that PFI used to control, fund and supervise the activities of SDPI; that SDPI is a front of PFI having common members/cadres and leaders; that SDPI was dependent on PFI for its day-to-day functions, policy making, selecting candidates for election campaign, public programs, cadre mobilization and other related activities. Some of the incriminating material seized during the **searches conducted at Unity House, Kozhikode (PFI's Kerala State HQ)** are as under:-

A) A document titled "**Conceptual clarity about Organization and Party**" was recovered during the searches conducted at Unity House, Kozhikode (PFI's Kerala State HQ):-



This document provides insight into the true objectives of the PFI, describing it as an organization committed to advancing an Islamic movement in India by **endorsing the principles of Jihad in all forms**. It positions itself internally as an Islamic movement and externally as a social movement. To achieve these goals, the PFI has established **SDPI (which is referred to as 'Party' at point 4 above)** and several front organizations.

B) A letter addressed to '**Faizy Sahab**' (i.e. M.K. Faizy) was recovered during the searches conducted at Unity House, Kozhikode (PFI's Kerala State HQ) which mentions about 'Procedures of selecting candidates' for state assembly and parliamentary elections:



The above document reveals that Popular Front of India (PFI) was directing Social Democratic Party of India (SDPI) on the process of selecting candidates for both Assembly and Parliamentary elections. The letter, addressed to "Faizy Sahab" (i.e. M.K. Faizy), lays out a detailed and structured framework for candidate selection, involving multiple levels of the organization.

C) Further, there are several copies of minutes of meeting and handwritten documents revealing evidence of PFI funding elections contested by SDPI, approval by the National Executive Council (NEC) of PFI for SDPI to collect funds in Gulf countries, and PFI covering legal expenses for SDPI members accused in criminal cases registered by the police which have seized during the searches conducted at Unity House, Kozhikode (PFI's Kerala State HQ). For example, a diary was seized which contains handwritten minutes of meetings of State Executive Committee (SEC) of PFI dated 16/17.03.2019 which reveals that PFI funded SDPI to the tune of **Rs. 3.75 crores** for the election related purpose.

4. The expenses made by PFI for and on behalf of SDPI, as mentioned in the dairies and other documents seized during the searches, are not reflected in the bank accounts of PFI. Such funds have been collected by PFI from foreign countries mainly gulf countries in furtherance of criminal conspiracy to raise funds to carry out violent and terrorist activities in India and such funds have also been raised locally in India in the name of Ramadan Collection (RC).

5. As the National President, M.K. Faizy exercised authority and control over the activities of SDPI, which is a recipient, beneficiary and user of Proceeds of Crime i.e. funds raised by PFI within and outside India as a part of larger criminal conspiracy knowing fully well that PFI is engaged in the fund-raising activities as a part of a deep- rooted criminal conspiracy to raise and use such funds in various unlawful violent and terrorist activities in India. The Proceeds of Crime quantified till date is **Rs. 4.07 Crore** which includes funding of SDPI by PFI was made through suspicious, undisclosed, and unaccounted funds as revealed during the investigation.

6. M.K. Faizy was summoned u/s 50 of PMLA, 2002 by this Directorate multiple times and was given as many as 12 opportunities, but he didn't appear and evaded the investigation. Hence, a complaint was filed on 28.03.2024 by this Directorate against M.K. Faizy u/s 174 of IPC before the Hon'ble Ld. Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Patiala House Court, New Delhi for his non-appearance before this Directorate. Further, Hon'ble Court issued a Bailable Warrant (BW) vide order dated 17.12.2024 against M. K. Faizy. Subsequently, upon non-execution of BW, a Non-Bailable warrant (NBW) was issued vide order dated 17.01.2025 against M. K. Faizy and the same also could not be executed despite best possible efforts made to trace the whereabouts of M. K. Faizy.

7. ED had attached the movable and immovable properties amounting to **Rs. 61.72 Crore** in this case till date. So far, **09 Prosecution Complaints (PCs)** have been filed in this case before the Hon'ble Special Courts (PMLA). Further, **26** office bearers/members/cadres of PFI have already been arrested in this case which include the Chairman, General Secretary, office bearers, and members of PFI and State Executive Councils (NEC & SEC) of the PFI, as well as Physical Education (PE) Coordinators and Trainers who were providing weapons training to the PFI members and cadres.

Further investigation is under progress.