

SCOOTER DICKEY GANG.

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This is an inter State Gang of Uttar Pradesh based in Kanpur Dist. 1) Rakesh Kumar @ Rakesh s/o late. Bharath Singh aged 30 years, r/o HNo.3, Rakji Unyani basathi. 2) Sathender kumar @ Vitti s/o Bildar singh aged 30 years, r/o HNo. 2, Rajki Unyani Basthi 9CPS Colony Kalyanapur, Kanpur U.P. 3) Ravi Singh @ Taran Singh @ Taran s/o Ram singh @ Pool singh aged 27 years N/o HNo.1/2 Rajki Unyani Basthi (CPS Colony) Kalyanpur, Kanpur U.P. 4) Deepak singh @ Deepak kumar @ Deepu, s/o Bhagawathi Prasad aged about 24 years, W-20, sector – A Old Mahanagar Lucknow, 5) Ravikumar singh @ Ravi s/o Bhadwathi Prasad aged 26 years r/o W-20 sector – A Old Mahanagar, Lucknow, 6) Chaturvedi @ Taran @ Karankumar aged about 23 years r/o Lucknow.

In Kanpur District there is a Kalyanpur village. Many “Rajput” families live in Rajki Unyani Basthi, committing petty offences of theft along with their country liquor business. Even the women commit such offences. Whenever they commit offences they divide into 5 to 6 members as a group and leave for Mumbai, Bangalore and Hyderabad etc. Among such groups the above group was formed in 1996 and used to come to Hyderabad in train by booking their motorcycles along with themselves. They look like business people and make others to believe them to be from business community. As most of them are between the age group of 25 to 27 years, sometimes they also try to pretend to be students going for fun trips to other states. They do not keep their vehicles at their places of residence but keep them at Railway Station parking lots.

Among the above, Rakesh Kumar and Deepak singh are the gang leaders and they own two-wheelers such as Hero Honda, Yamaha and LML Vespa and supply these vehicles to their gang to move in cities and conduct survey of busy Banks and keep an eye on heavy cash withdrawals by persons using two wheelers. Whoever draws heavy cash will be watched by one of their team with motorcycle who passes it to another motorcycle team. As and when that scooterist parks his motorcycles or scooter near a shop or anybody’s house , one of the gang opens the dickey with a screwdriver and another takes the booty and leaves the place very fast.. This gang was never caught in Hyderabad till this year and they went on committing a number of such dickey offences and amassed lakhs of rupees.

One Bhaghawathi Prasad ,aged 63 years ,is the father of absconding accused Deepak and Ravi Kumar, the leaders of the gang. He is a History Sheater of P.S. Mahanagar of Lucknow city, and had committed a number of dacoities and house breakings in his early years since 1960’s. He has (19)cases to his ‘credit’ as per history sheet record. Soon after his two sons Deepak and Ravi became gang leaders and committed a number of offences in Mahanagar PS area

but did not come on record. After amassing wealth he became a receiver of stolen properties and constructed posh buildings at Mahanagar. Apart from this, one of his sons became a lawyer to save these gang members. Now he involves himself in land grabbing cases taking support of this gang of thieves who are active in cities of Kanpur and Lucknow as they are known to be rowdies. Thus he occupied lands in Lucknow and Bhopal and has started living at Bhopal and visits Lucknow now and then and his family stays in a building constructed recently. They have 3 telephones in their house to communicate with the gangsters outside the state.

MODUS OPERANDI : 1) they stay in low class lodges. 2) The vehicles are parked in Railway station parking lot before and after committing the offences 3) they change lodges frequently, 4) they meet at a fixed point like a park or a hotel within half an hour after committing the offence. 5) If any body does not turn up within the stipulated time, it is understood that the particular person is caught by Police or public. In such case they immediately shift the place of stay without further loss of time and also shift the vehicles if they are parked in the parking lot of Railway Stations. 6) The person who is caught does not reveal the names of other gang members and place of stay and previous offences under any circumstances to the Police. 7) Visit the banks and maintain a watch and follow the heavy cash drawers on two wheelers. 8) They do not commit thefts in their local area to avoid identification.

50% of the booty is given to the Ravi and Deepak, as they are gang leaders and provide vehicles for committing the offences. 10% of share amount of each individual is kept aside from the share of booty, which is used for performing Poojas at their native place. They also use cell phones for communication.

OPERATIONS IN HYDERABAD CITY :

In the month of December, 2002 all the Gang members, Ravi Singh, Rakesh Kumar, Deepak Kumar, Amerjit Singh and Sathender singh came to Hyderabad along with a Yamaha Motor Cycle and an LML Vespa and parked them in the Nampally Railway parking lot and stayed in Gopi Lodge, Nampally. As per their plan Ravi singh and Amerjit Singh left the lodge on the LML Scooter towards SR Nagar for locating important and busy Banks with heavy gathering in the SR Nagar while others went on the Yamaha Motor Cycle to locate such banks in Punjagutta, Saifabad areas. After a week's survey they spotted some banks and parking places, counters in the Banks , entries and exits of the Banks carefully and determined their routes to escape.

They committed as many as 8 offences in Punjagutta and S.R. Nagar, Saifabad areas successfully as per their plan. They purchased two cell phones and some of them left for Mumbai to meet their girl friends and spent lavishly and some of the gang members purchased gold items and costly clothes.

On 11-03-2003 evening two of the gang members i.e., 1) Ravi Singh @ Phool Singh @ Taran age 27 years of Indranagar, Kalyanpur and 2) Amerjeet Singh S/o Jagatjeet singh @ Amer aged 25 years, R/o New Azad Nagar, Kalyanpur were arrested at S.R. Nagar, Andhra Bank and while the other absconded