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Medical certificate racket in jail busted by Delhi cops

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NEW DELHI: Delhi Police Special Cell <u>busted</u> a <u>racket</u> involved in the supply of fake <u>medical</u> certificates to incarcerated undertrials, which were used to seek bail or parole. A man claiming to be a doctor is being interrogated in custody, sources said.

The accused was identified as Ram Krishna Gupta, a resident of sector 75 in Noida. He is the alleged mastermind of the racket. More arrests are likely and the cops suspect the involvement of a middleman and an advocate too. Raids are being conducted to nab others.

The 'doctor', whose credentials are being verified, is suspected to have made over a dozen certificates for undertrials till date for pecuniary gains. Cops suspect he is a quack and impersonating a practicing doctor on the basis of forged documents.

As per his remand application, police have invoked sections of impersonation, providing false information to court, cheating and forgery, against the accused.

Gupta allegedly charged Rs 50,000-Rs 1,00,000 for each report based on the profile of the undertrial seeking the application. During initial investigation, cops have established his involvement in five such cases, a source said.

"During interrogation, the accused conceded preparation of several medical reports to aid undertrial prisoners, but he claims to be unable to recall their particulars. We are digging further," said an investigator.

The cops had started this investigation on the directions of Delhi High Court, which had flagged a case of a fictitious medical report during the hearing of a bail application of a drug trafficker, Rais Khan, who was arrested with 329.5kg of drugs in 2019. An FIR was registered and a team was formed to investigate the matter.

Cops tried to trace the alleged doctor who had issued the fake medical <u>certificate</u> to the undertrial, but found him untraceable. Several raids were conducted to nab him. Proclamation proceedings were then initiated to declare him an absconder.

On Thursday, the cops received information that the suspect in the case was in Noida. Technical surveillance was mounted and the suspect was tracked down and arrested.

During questioning, Gupta claimed that he was diagnosed with a brain-related ailment and was operated upon by a neurologist over the left temporal region for a brain tumour in the year 2002-03. He was then exposed to the working of doctors and decided to impersonate one.

The accused has been produced before a court and taken on remand for four days, his custody application states.

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