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## NSG men need not depose, says Nikam

October 16, 2009 | Swati Deshpande , TNN

MUMBAI: Special public prosecutor Ujjwal Nikam on Thursday said that "no useful purpose other than an academic interest" would be served by examining the national security guard (NSG) commandos as witnesses in the 26/11 trial against Mohammed Ajmal Kasab. Nikam informed the special 26/11 trial judge M L Tahaliyani that he did not wish to examine the NSG men who had bravely battled the terrorists during the attack on Mumbai last November. Nikam, in an eight-page response to a suggestion made by judge Tahaliyani on September 25 to consider examining the NSG men as state witness, said the prosecution's case "would not be advanced" by their deposition.

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MUMBAI

## Men in uniform get a shot in the arm from combat couple

September 27, 2009 | Nitasha Natu , TNN

MUMBAI: A four-foot tall Doberman stand guard at their house, the walls of which are adorned with army insignia. You can chance upon a gun among their stack of newspapers and their conversations are often interspersed with words like "maiming" and "paralysing". They are a couple extraordinaire, indeed. Deepak (45) and his wife Seema Rao (40) are both doctors, but for the past 17 years, they have been training Indian forces in commando warfare and counter-terrorism, their specialisation being "close-quarter combat", and that too, free of cost.

MUMBAI

## Two more witnesses depose

September 19, 2009 | TNN

MUMBAI: Two witnesses to the devastation wreaked by 26/11 terrorists at Nariman House in Colaba deposed in the special court on Friday. Shripad Hate told special prosecutor Ujjwal Nikam that he went through the entire building after the attack and it was in utter wreck. "The walls and ceilings were destroyed and there were glasses everywhere. The lift doors were broken, with ammunition strewn all over," Hate said. He was present at the site when the police drew a panchnama of the petrol pump that was attacked.

MUMBAI

## 26/11 trial: Witnesses at Nariman House depose

September 19, 2009 | TNN

MUMBAI: Two witnesses who had seen the devastation wreaked by terrorists at Nariman house in Colaba deposed before the special court on Friday. A resident, Shripad Hate, told special prosecutor Ujjwal Nikam that he had surveyed the entire building after the attack. He said that the entire building was a wreck after the incident. "There were heaps of glass and the walls and ceilings were destroyed. The doors of the lift were broken, with ammunition strewn all over," Hate said.

MUMBAI

## 'They called me kaafir and fired at me'

September 17, 2009 | TNN

MUMBAI: Kamal Singh, a businessman who had entered Nariman House during the 26/11 terror strike and come face to face with two terrorists, deposed in court on Wednesday. Singh saw the two terrorists--Abu Akasha and Nasir alias Abu Umar--on the first floor; they called him "kaafir" and fired at him, Singh told special prosecutor Ujjwal Nikam. He

ducked and managed to escape. The terrorists were later killed at Nariman House. Judge M L Tahaliyani also heard the testimony of another witness on Wednesday.

INDIA

## 26/11: Nariman house witness deposes in court

September 17, 2009 | TNN

MUMBAI: A witness who had entered Nariman house during the 26/11 terror strike and came face to face with the two terrorists deposed in court on Wednesday. Kamal Singh, a businessman, said he had stepped out his house to take a walk when he saw a huge crowd gather outside Nariman House. He picked up a bamboo and went inside to check what was happening. On the first floor he saw the two terrorists and they called him a "kaafir" before firing a volley of shots at him, Singh told special prosecutor Ujjwal Nikam.

INDIA

## Pak owns up to two more Mumbai attackers

July 20, 2009 | TNN

NEW DELHI: Islamabad has acknowledged that besides Ajmal Kasab, two more of the ten terrorists who attacked Mumbai on 26/11-- Imran Babar and Abdur Rahman Chota -- were Pakistani nationals. ( Watch ) The acknowledgment is part of the 26/11 dossier Pakistan handed over to India last week, which says that determination about the nationality of Babar and Abdur Rahman has been made on the basis of DNA samples. This marks the first time when Pakistan has accepted that the attackers of Mumbai, Kasab included, were its citizens.

MUMBAI

## LeT cell may not have been discovered

June 29, 2009 | AGENCIES

BBC journalist Richard Watson, who's carried out an investigation into the 26/11 attacks, countered the Mumbai police view that the terrorist leaders were able to pinpoint precise police positions by carefully monitoring live television coverage of the attacks. "These instructions seem remarkably precise for that. I know the kind of live shots used in these situations and they would be unlikely to yield that kind of detail. It is far more likely that they had spotters on the ground, who were feeding back information to their leaders about the police movements.

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## Mumbai cops reject BBC report

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MUMBAI

## Dance of death to date with democracy

April 16, 2009 | Kartikeya , TNN

MUMBAI: As dozens of party workers march in unison in support of their leader Murli Deora, it is hard to imagine that the 'gulli' adjacent to Nariman House was a battleground barely six months ago. On a wall are circled pockmarks left by AK-47 bullets, the only grim reminder in an otherwise bustling locality. Adding to the sense of ease a constable lazes on a chair below the building, shooing away inquisitive visitors. The picture though is misleading. Residents are unwilling to discuss if security will be on their mind when they vote, but discomfort at 26/11 is there to see. "What will I get out of telling you if that night plays on my mind?"

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