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In the PMLA case against Sheikh Sahajhan & others, registered by Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Kolkata Zonal Office, the Hon'ble Special PMLA Court, Calcutta has framed the criminal charges on 15/06/2026 against Sheikh Sahajhan, Sheikh Alomgir, Shib Prasad Hazra and Didar Boksh under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 in the Prosecution Complaint filed by ED on 27/05/2024. The Court had taken cognizance of the case on 03/06/2024.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of multiple FIRS registered under various Sections of IPC 1860 and Arms Act, 1959, against Sheikh Sahajhan and his associates.

ED investigation revealed that Sheikh Sahajhan, with political support and an army of his goons, established a reign of terror in Sandeshkhali. Starting with petty crime, he has gradually expended his criminal empire with use of force and intimidation. His wealth accumulation involved land grabbing, illegal fish farming /trading, brick kiln grabbing getting contracts through his brother SK Alomgir, Shib Prasad Hazra and others, and collection of illegal levies. The ill-gotten money garnered by Sheikh Sahajhan is laundered by disguising it as income from fish business and employing many trusted associates to channelise the money to himself. During investigations, statements of various persons, including land grab, extortion, murder threat victims have been taken, searches have been conducted under section 17 of PMLA and multiple luxury vehicles have been seized. Earlier in the case ED has attached movable/immovable properties worth Rs. 27 Crore which have been confirmed by the Learned Adjudicating Authority.

Further, ED has arrested 4 persons in the case, namely Sheikh Sahajhan, Sheikh Alomgir (Brother of Sheikh Sahajhan), Shib Prasad Hazra (Sexual offender and accomplice of SK Sahajhan), Didar Boksh Molla (henchman of Sheikh Sahajhan who collected illegal levy in Sahajhan Market). All the arrested persons have been denied bail by the Hon'ble Special Court of Calcutta and presently are in judicial custody.