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ED, Dehradun Provisionally Attaches Properties worth Rs. 63.30 Lakh in UKSSSC Examination Paper Leak Case.

Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Dehradun Sub Zonal Office has provisionally attached movable and immovable properties worth Rs. 63.30 Lakh under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 in connection with the UKSSSC Examination Paper Leak Scam.

ED initiated investigation under PMLA on the basis of FIR registered by Raipur Police Station, Dehradun regarding leakage of the UKSSSC Graduate Level (VDO/VPDO) Examination, 2021, and FIR registered by Vigilance Sector, Dehradun relating to irregularities in the VDO/VPDO Examination, 2016.

Investigation revealed that an organized syndicate comprising **Hakam Singh Rawat**, employees of M/s RMS Techno Solutions Pvt. Ltd. (printing agency for exam), public servants, middlemen and facilitators dishonestly leaked confidential question papers, manipulated the examination process and collected huge sums of money from candidates. The leaked papers were distributed to candidates through a network of intermediaries in exchange for substantial monetary consideration. The Proceeds of Crime were acquired, possessed and utilized for acquisition of movable and immovable assets.

Financial investigation under PMLA revealed that Hakam Singh Rawat received approx. Rs. 95 lakh out of candidates and attempted to project illicit earnings from the UKSSSC examination paper leak as legitimate income. Analysis of his bank accounts showed substantial cash deposits inconsistent with his declared sources of income. Further scrutiny of his Income Tax Returns (ITRs) indicated disclosure of agricultural income, which was found to be disproportionate to the actual agricultural activity undertaken and used as a cover to justify unexplained cash deposits. The investigation established that Proceeds of Crime generated through the organized sale of leaked question papers were layered and integrated into the financial system by way of cash deposits, misrepresentation in ITRs, and claims of agricultural income. During the contemporaneous period to exam, Hakam Singh Rawat acquired movable and immovable assets, which have now been provisionally attached under Section 5 of PMLA, 2002.

Financial investigation and statements recorded under Section 50 of PMLA, bank account analysis, and searches conducted at 14 premises revealed incriminating documents, digital devices, property records and cash linked to the scam clearly establishes the role of Hakam Singh Rawat. Multiple charge-sheets filed by the Special Investigation Team (SIT), Uttarakhand Police, also established the role of Hakam Singh Rawat and associates in the organized racket.

ED has already filed **Prosecution Complaint** before the Hon’ble Special Court (PMLA), Dehradun against various accused persons including employees of RMS Techno Solutions Pvt. Ltd., public servants, middlemen and facilitators.

The UKSSSC examination scam involved large-scale malpractice in recruitment examinations conducted in 2016 and 2021. FIRs registered by Uttarakhand Police and Vigilance Sector revealed tampering of OMR sheets, leakage of confidential papers, and fraudulent facilitation of candidates. The organized conspiracy resulted in wrongful gain to the accused and unlawful loss to the integrity of the recruitment process.

Further investigation is under progress.