



Press Release
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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Jalandhar Zonal Office has filed Prosecution Complaint against Chamkaur Lal Patwari and four others before Hon'ble Special Court (PMLA), SAS Nagar, Mohali under the provisions of the Prevention of Money-laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 on 11.03.2026 and the Hon'ble Court issued summons to all accused persons on 24.03.2026 for appearing before the Hon'ble court in the pre cognizance stage.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of FIR registered by Vigilance Bureau, Punjab under sections 13(1)(b) and 13(2) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 for amassing assets disproportionate to his known sources of incomes during check period 01.04.2017 to 31.03.2023.

ED investigation revealed that Chamkaur Lal, while serving as a Patwari in Dera Bassi and Kharar Tehsils of Government of Punjab, had amassed assets disproportionate to the legitimate income of himself and his family members. The investigation established that Proceeds of Crime were further invested in purchase of immovable and movable properties.

The investigation further revealed that Chamkaur Lal, Patwari, routed illicit funds into accounts held by himself and his family members by disguising them as loans from relatives and acquaintances, thereby attempting to present these tainted funds as legitimate. He acquired a palatial house through Proceeds of Crime generated from misuse of his official position. Investigation revealed that minimal cash was withdrawn from bank accounts so that legal income might be available to investment and the cash withdrawals do not commensurate the life style and other day to day expenditure incurred by Chamkaur Lal and his family members. It is also established that Chamkaur Lal, Patwari, had acquired disproportionate assets amounting to Rs.2.76 Crore (approx.) through Proceeds of Crime linked to scheduled offences. Earlier, a Provisional Attachment Order was issued in this case, attaching thereby immovable property worth Rs.2.76 Crore acquired from Proceeds of Crime.