



PRESS RELEASE

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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Hyderabad Zonal Office, has arrested Kailash Chand Mangla on 17.09.2026 under Section 19 of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002, in connection with the Tirumala Tirupati Devasthanams (TTD) ghee adulteration case. He was produced before the Hon'ble Special Court (PMLA), Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh, which remanded him to judicial custody.

ED investigation was initiated on the basis of an FIR registered at Tirupati East Police Station, alleging criminal conspiracy, cheating, forgery and corruption in relation to the fraudulent supply of adulterated ghee to TTD.

ED investigation revealed that adulterated ghee was allegedly manufactured using Refined Palm Oil, Palm Kernel Oil, Palmolein and various chemicals, including MG-90, Monoglycerides, Myvacet Soft 400 and Acetic Acid Ester, and was subsequently supplied as Agmark Special Grade Cow Ghee for supply to TTD. The alleged fraudulent supplies of ghee to TTD during the period 2019–2024 were valued at ₹230 Crore (Approx.) and out of this, ₹ 96 Crores (Approx.) of Adulterated Ghee was manufactured by Kailash Chand Mangla.

Kailash Chand Mangla, promoter of M/s Sukriti Foods Pvt. Ltd, is one of the co-conspirator in the case and facilitated the procurement of adulterants and manufactured adulterated ghee at his factory premises. He also coordinated the supply of adulterated ghee through various front entities, including M/s Sri Vyshnavi Dairy Specialities Pvt. Ltd., M/s Malganga Milk & Agro Products Pvt. Ltd. and M/s A.R. Dairy Foods Pvt. Ltd.

The investigation has further revealed that Kailash Chand Mangla created and maintained false records relating to the sale and purchase of ghee and refined palm oil, with the objective of concealing the actual utilisation of adulterants and creating an appearance of legitimate production and supply of genuine cow ghee.

Earlier, the ED had arrested Vipin Jain, promoter and director of M/s Bhole Baba Oroganic Dairy Milk Pvt. Ltd who is alleged to have orchestrated the manufacture and fraudulent supply of adulterated ghee to TTD, as part of the ongoing investigation into the case.

Further investigation is under progress.

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