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Directorate of Enforcement, Jaipur Zonal Office, initiated investigation under PMLA, 2002 based on the FIRs registered and charge sheet filed by CBI, BS & FC, New Delhi against the officials of erstwhile Syndicate Bank (now Canara Bank) and others. During investigation it is revealed that during year 2011 to 2016, main fraudster Bharat Bomb, Udaipur (Rajasthan) based Chartered Accountant, in collusion with the bank officials defrauded erstwhile Syndicate Bank to the tune of Rs. 1257 Crore by way of fraudulent loans, fake cheque discounting, etc.

During investigation conducted by the Directorate of Enforcement, it is revealed that Himanshu Verma alias Himansh Verma resident of Chandigarh was a key associate of Bharat Bomb and he received approximately Rs. 85 Crore proceeds of crime generated out of the fraud. The Directorate has attached various properties worth Rs 14.88 Crore of Himanshu Verma and his family members. He received proceeds of crime in various bank accounts operated/controlled by him through complex maze of transactions for placement, layering and integration of the tainted funds.

Himanshu Verma is a hard core criminal, multiple criminal FIRs are registered against him and his family members in various Police Station of Punjab and Chandigarh. He is wanted by Punjab Police, CBI and ED. He changed his name to Himansh Verma and fraudulently seeking police verification report got issued a new passport in name of Himansh Verma and travelling abroad via Nepal. The new passport was cancelled by the passport authorities after knowing about his criminal history. ED issued multiple summonses to Himanshu Verma to join the investigation but he always remained non cooperative in investigation and never appeared except once. Finally, the ED arrested Himanshu Verma on 15.10.2022. After the arrest, ED produced Himanshu

Verma before the Hon'ble Spl. Judge of Hon'ble PMLA Court, Jaipur, and the Ld. Judge has remanded Himanshu Verma to the ED custody for 10 days till 25.10.2022.

Further investigation is under progress.