



Press Release
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Directorate of Enforcement (ED) has provisionally attached 119 immovable properties worth approx. Rs. 121.87 Crore in respect of Anil Tuteja, Anwar Dhebar, Arunpati Tripathi, Arvind Singh and Vikas Agrawal in the ongoing investigation of liquor scam in the State of Chhattisgarh. The attached properties include 14 properties in respect of Anil Tuteja, IAS worth Rs. 8.83 Crore, 69 properties in respect of Anwar Dhebar worth of Rs. 98.78 Crore, 3 properties in respect of Vikash Agarwal @ Subbu worth Rs. 1.54 Crore, 32 properties in respect of Arvind Singh worth of Rs. 11.35 Crore and one property in respect of Arunpati Tripathi worth Rs. 1.35 Crore. The attached properties of Anwar Dhebar include Hotel Vennington Court, Raipur being run under the aegis of his firm, M/s A Dhebar Buildcon.

The corruption in liquor scam which ran between 2019 and 2022 was done in multiple ways:

- **PART-A Commission:** Bribe was collected from the distillers per each Case of liquor procured from them by the CSMCL (State body for purchase and sale of liquor).
- **PART-B Kacha liquor sale:** Sale of unaccounted kacha off-the-books Country Liquor. In this case, not even 1 rupee reached the State Exchequer, and all the sale proceeds were pocketed by the Syndicate. The illegal liquor was sold from State-run shops only.
- **PART-C commission:** Bribes taken from distillers to allow them to make a cartel and have fixed market share.
- **Commission from FL-10A License Holders** who were introduced to earn in foreign liquor segment also.

Earlier, ED had arrested Anwar Dhebar, Nitesh Purohit, Trilok Singh Dhillon and Arun Pati Tripathi for their role in the offence of money laundering.

ED has also conducted more than 50 search operations at various locations in Raipur, Bhilai, Delhi, Kolkata & Mumbai and has been successful in seizing movable assets worth **Rs. 58 Crore** including cash, fixed deposits, shares and jewellery. Thus, the total seizure and attachment in the case stand at **Rs 180 Crore (approx.)**.

Further investigation is going on.
