



**PRESS RELEASE**  
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Directorate of Enforcement(ED), Patna Zonal office has provisionally attached 7 immovable properties on 16/12/2024 worth Rs. 23.72 Crore (approx.) acquired by associates of Sanjeev Hans, IAS namely Praveen Chaudhary, Pushpraj Bajaj and his family members under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA),2002 in connection with money laundering case against **Sanjeev Hans, IAS (Bihar-1997)** and others. Investigation has revealed that these 7 immovable properties,viz. 3 land parcel at Nagpur, 1 flat at Delhi and 3 flats in Jaipur have been acquired in the name of close associates of Sanjeev Hans by utilizing Proceeds of Crime (POC) generated by him out of criminal activity.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of FIR No.18/2023 of PS-Rupaspur and subsequent FIR No. 5/2023 registered by Special Vigilance Unit, Bihar.

ED investigation revealed that Sanjeev Hans has earned illicit money by indulging in corrupt practices while holding various prime postings in Bihar Govt. and also during his Central Deputations during the period from year 2018 -2023.

Having noticed that Sanjeev Hans in connivance with some private individuals & entities has indulged in corrupt practices and also the role of his associates in generation and laundering of POC, searches were conducted at various locations in Delhi, Mumbai, Kolkata, Jaipur, Patna, Pune, Chandigarh, Amritsar, Nagpur. During the course of search operations, shares worth Rs. 60 Crore(approx.) found in the newly opened Demat Accounts of the family members of one of close associates of Sanjeev Hans and 70 bank accounts involving huge cash deposits of Rs. 6 Crore (approx.) therein have been freezed. Further, total seizure in this case includes gold jewelry and luxury watches amounting to Rs. 80 Lakh and Rs. 65 Lakh respectively recovered from the Patna and Delhi premises of Sanjeev Hans and unexplained cash of Rs. 1.07 Crore, 13 kg silver bullion worth Rs.11 lakhs (approx.) and 1.5 kg gold bullion -jewellery worth Rs. 1.25 Crore (approx.) and forex worth Rs.20 Lakh from premises of his associates.

Further investigation is under progress.