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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Chennai Zonal Office has conducted search operations on 16/08/2025 at multiple locations in Dindigul and Chennai in Tamil Nadu linked to Shri I. Periyasamy, Minister for Panchayat Raj and Rural Development, his son I.P. Senthil Kumar, MLA, Palani Constituency and others under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002.

Investigation under the PMLA was initiated based on the disproportionate assets case registered by DVAC, Tamil Nadu, against Sh. I Periyasamy and his family. The offences invoked in the chargesheet are scheduled offences under the PMLA. As per the chargesheet filed by DVAC, Sh. Periyasamy and his family was in possession of disproportionate assets to the tune of about Rs. 2 Crore. It is alleged in the chargesheet that Sh. I Periyasamy generated the disproportionate assets when he was Minister for Revenue and Prisons. The Hon'ble Spl Court, Dindigal had discharged Sh. I Periyasamy and his family. However, on appeal by DVAC, the Hon'ble High Court of Madras set aside the discharge order in April, 2025 and directed the Spl. Court to conduct trial and complete the same early. However, the Hon'ble Supreme Court on 18-08-2025 stayed the trial before the Spl Court, Dindigal.

The search action resulted in seizure of documents relating to properties/ investments from the residences of Shri I.P. Senthil Kumar, Smt. Indra D/o Shri I. Periyasamy and the office premises of M/s Irulappa Mills India Pvt Ltd., in which Shri I. Periyasamy and his younger son P. Prabhu are the Directors. The search team also found certain paper companies being operated from the premises of M/s Irulappa Mills India Pvt. Ltd. The accounts of the said companies are being verified. The digital devices seized are also being analyzed.

Further investigation is under progress.