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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Indore Sub Zonal Office has arrested Ansh Trivedi and Raju Dashwant on 03.10.2025 under the PMLA, 2002 in connection with the investigation in the Liquor Fake Challan Scam.

ED initiated investigation based on an FIR registered at Raoji Police Station, Indore, under various sections of the IPC, 1860 against certain liquor contractors for allegedly causing a loss of approximately Rs. 49.42 Crore to the state exchequer through the manipulation and forgery of government treasury challans.

ED investigation has uncovered a fraudulent scheme wherein the accused contractors initially deposited treasury challans with nominal amounts, deliberately leaving the “Rupees in Words” section blank. After the deposit, they fraudulently filled in inflated amounts in both figures and words. These manipulated challan copies were subsequently submitted to country liquor warehouses or district excise offices (in the case of foreign liquor) as false proof of payment for excise duties, Basic License Fees, or Minimum Guarantee commitments. On the basis of these forged documents, the accused secured illegal NOCs and liquor license approvals, thereby defrauding the State Government.

Both Ansh Trivedi and Raju Dashwant have been identified as the key conspirators who devised and executed this fraudulent modus operandi. This enabled the liquor contractors to illicitly obtain profits while causing significant losses to the State Treasury. Both the accused were produced before the Hon’ble Magistrate and have been granted their custody till 08-10-2025.

Further investigation is under progress.