



Press Release

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Directorate of Enforcement (ED) has arrested Choudhary Lal Singh S/o Late Shri. Saran Singh (ex-Minister and two times ex-MP) on 07.11.2023 under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 (PMLA) in a case related to acquisition of land by RB Education Trust (RBET).

ED initiated investigation on the basis of the FIR and chargesheet filed by ACB, CBI Jammu against Smt. Kanta Andotra W/o Choudhary Lal Singh (Chairperson of RBET) and Ravinder Singh (the then Patwari).

ED investigation revealed that Choudhary Lal Singh in connivance with the then Revenue Official posted at Kathua during the period 2011 got transferred the said land forcibly in the name of RBET. Part of this land so acquired is being used in running DPS School. As per the investigation R B Education Trust was found to have acquired land in excess of permissible limit of 100 standard kanals to the extent of 328 kanals.

Earlier, ED conducted search operation on 17.10.2023 at eight locations spread over Jammu & Kathua districts in the Union Territory of J&K and Pathankot, Punjab including office of the trust situated at Vill. Karandi Khurd PO Rajbagh Kathua.

The Hon'ble Special Court PMLA, Jammu on 08.11.2023 has granted 07 days custody of Choudhary Lal Singh to ED.

Further investigation is under progress.
