

Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Kolkata Zonal Office has taken **Shib Prasad Hazra**, **Sekh Alomgir and Didar Boksh Molla** (all associates of Shahjahan Seikh) into its custody on 12/04/2024 following the order of Hon'ble PMLA Court granting 10 days ED custody. Earlier, ED had obtained ED custody of Shahjahan Seikh for 13 days.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of multiple FIRs registered by West Bengal Police under various sections of IPC Act, 1860, Arms Act, 1959, SC & ST (Prevention of Atrocities) Act, Prevention of Damage to Public Property Act,1984 and West Bengal State Highways Act against Shahajahan Seikh and others which includes heinous offences in the nature of giving threats of injury, murder, attempt to murder, extortion, grabbing land of general public etc.

During the course of investigation, it is revealed that Shahjahan Seikh has been running fisheries on the illegally grabbed lands from tribals/farmers and has accrued Proceeds of Crime (PoC) by sale of fish/shrimp from the grabbed lands in the name of his firm M/s SK Sabina Fish Supplier and also from running various other businesses (including brick kilns) etc. The cash generated from the said criminal scheduled offences has been laundered through firms/ companies like M/s Magnum Export etc and projected such PoC as untainted money. Shahjahan Seikh in turn acquired huge number of movable and immovable properties from the said PoC derived, obtained and accrued from criminal activities relating to scheduled offences.

In this case, ED has already attached various movable and immovable properties belonging to Shahjahan Seikh of worth around Rs. 12.78 Crore vide Provisional Attachment Order dated 05/03/2024.

Further investigation is under progress.

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