



Press Release

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ED, Jammu has provisionally attached Hotel Trinetra Resorts and Hotel Green Orchid both at Patnitop (J&K) worth Rs. 14.93 Crore (approx.) in the Patnitop Development Authority (PDA) case under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of FIR registered by CBI, ACB, Jammu against and various owners/Directors of the Hotels/Guest House/Resorts/ Cottages /Residences, in the Patnitop area, and officials of PDA, that such hotels/guest houses/ resorts indulged in commercial use of residential buildings, excess construction beyond approved limits, operating businesses in prohibited areas (dense forests, agricultural areas, residential areas) etc., wherein lapses of compliances were overlooked by PDA officials.

ED investigations revealed that Hotel Trinetra Resorts and Hotel Green Orchid were built beyond the area permitted by the PDA. Both had undertaken illegal construction beyond approved limits, and acquired illegally encroached land, while generating revenue from utilizing the same. The illegally acquired land and the revenue so generated constituting the Proceeds of Crime have been attached.

Further investigation is under progress.

