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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Jaipur Zonal Office has arrested Dr. Pradeep Parasher under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 on 10.07.2024 in the matter of Rajasthan Eligibility Examination for Teachers (REET) Paper Leak case in Rajasthan. He was produced before the Hon'ble Special Court (PMLA), Jaipur and the Hon'ble Special Court has granted 03 days Custody to ED.

ED initiated investigation under on the basis of FIRs/Charge-sheets registered/filed by Rajasthan Police, under various sections of IPC, 1860 against Dr. Pradeep Parasher and other related persons.

ED investigation revealed that Dr. Pradeep Parashar, Retired Assistant Professor was appointed as District Coordinator of the District Level Committee by the Rajasthan Board of Secondary Education to conduct REET, 2021 which was scheduled to be conducted by RBSE at various places in Rajasthan on 26.09.2021. Dr. Pradeep Parashar had then appointed one assistant Ram Kripal Meena without any valid order, who was given unauthorized access to the strong room of Siksha Sankul, Jaipur wherein the question paper of REET, 2021 was stored. Ram Kripal Meena in connivance with Dr. Pradeep Parasher stole the question paper in the night of 24.09.2021 from Siksha Sankul, Jaipur in a well-planned manner and circulated the stolen question paper to other accused persons and in return acquired huge money.

ED has earlier conducted search operations at total 32 premises of accused persons on 05.06.2023, 20.06.2023, 07.08.2023, 17.10.2023 and 26.10.2023, resulting in recovery of incriminating documents/digital records and seizure of huge cash. In this case, ED had earlier arrested Pradeep Parasher's assistant Ram Kripal Meena, against which a Prosecution Complaint has been filed before Hon'ble Special Court (PMLA), Jaipur for which cognizance has already been taken by the Hon'ble Court.

Further investigation is under progress.