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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Mumbai Zonal Office has arrested two persons namely Chirag Shah and Chintan Shah on 12.02.2025 under Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 as part of the ongoing probe in the case of "Fairplay" which was involved in illegal broadcasting of cricket/IPL matches and various illegal online betting activities. They were produced before the Hon'ble Special Court (PMLA), Mumbai on 13.02.2025 and the Hon'ble Court granted ED custody of both till 15.02.2025.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of FIR registered by M/s. Viacom18 Media Pvt Limited with Nodal Cyber Police, Mumbai against M/s. Fairplay and others for offences under various Sections of IPC, 1860 Information Technology Act, 2000 and Copyright Act, 1957 for causing loss of revenue of more than Rs.100 Crore.

ED investigation revealed that Chirag Shah and Chintan Shah are associated with operation of Fairplay platform. They both are involved in providing technical services and operational support to Fairplay through their entities M/s. Wohlig Transformations Private Limited, India and M/s. Wohlig Transformation FZE LLC, Dubai.

Earlier, ED has conducted search operations in this case on 12.06.2024, 27.08.2024, 27.09.2024 & 25.10.2024 resulting in seizure/freezing of various movable assets along with various other incriminating documents & digital devices and ED also issued a Provisional Attachment Orders on 22.11.2024, 26.12.2024 and 15.01.2025 in this case. Total attachment & seizure in this case till date amounts to **Rs. 344.15 Crore (approx.)**.

Further investigation is under progress.
