

## 27/09/2024

Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Lucknow has provisionally attached immovable properties worth Rs. 7.31 Crore in the form of agricultural lands admeasuring 3.345 hectares, duly approved for industrial use, situated at village Yusufpur Mustakam, Saharanpur pertaining to Liquor Manufacturing Unit viz. M/s Cooperative Company Limited (CCL), Tapri Saharanpur, (UP) under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of two FIRs registered by U.P. Police at Police Station Kotwali Saharanpur, U.P. and STF on 04/03/2021 & 06/03/2021 respectively, under various sections of IPC, 1860 against Directors/employees of M/s CCL along with others for illegal sale of unaccounted liquor manufactured by them with an intent to evade state excise duty thereby causing loss to Govt. revenue to the tune of Rs. 34.73 Crore and corresponding gain to the owner of the abovesaid company and its' associated persons.

ED investigation revealed that the officials of CCL, in collusion with CL-2 warehouse owners, conspired to make duplicate forged Bar Code and QR code for supply of illegally manufactured Desi Liquor on a single Gate Pass to CL2 godown owners. Subsequently, the liquor was sold to various liquor shops/market without any paper work with an intent to evade state excise duty, thereby causing loss to Govt. revenue to the tune of Rs. 34.73 Crore and corresponding gain to the owner of the abovesaid company and its' associated persons.

Earlier in the matter, 02 Provisional Attachment Orders dated 24/05/2023 and 03/05/2024, attaching various movable and immovable properties worth Rs. 27.42 Crore were issued. This is the 3<sup>rd</sup> Provisional Attachment Order in the case. The total value of attached properties stands at Rs. 34.73 Crore which is equal to the Proceeds of Crime generated in the case.



