



**Press Release**  
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Directorate of Enforcement (ED) has provisionally attached properties worth Rs.62.05 Crore under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 against Chitra Poornima and others in a case related to encroachment of Government land and cheating. The attached properties are in the form of one immovable property located at Indira Nagar, Bangalore and fixed deposits worth Rs.2.63 Crore in the name of the accused persons.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of 2 FIRs registered by Indira Nagar and Ashok Nagar Police stations in Bengaluru and one FIR registered by Bengaluru Metropolitan Task Force Police Station alleging cheating and encroachment of Government Land by the accused persons.

ED investigation revealed that Late Mr. George Thangiah entered into Joint Development Agreement with Nitesh Indira Nagar Retail Private Limited for development of commercial complex at Indira Nagar, Bangalore for which he received Rs.105.50 Crore from the developer. Investigation further revealed that the said land includes a part of Government land (Water body and public road) which was encroached by Thangiah and duplicate documents for the same has been created by him. The money received from the developer was diverted by late Thangiah by way of gift and salary to his wife, daughter and son, expenses on foreign trips, shopping, payment towards tax liability and payment to other third parties. Out of Rs.105.50 Crore received from the developer, Rs.62.05 Crore was not repaid to the developer till date.

Further investigation is under progress.