



## Press Release

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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Chandigarh has filed a application before the Hon'ble Special Court (PMLA), Chandigarh under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 praying for confiscation of the attached movable property (cash) amounting to Rs.2.31 Crore in the matter of Sanchhunga and others. The Hon'ble Special Court (PMLA), Chandigarh has confiscated movable property amounting to Rs.2.31 Crore vide its order dated 28.02.2024, vested the same to the Centre Government as same was declared proceeds of crime.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of FIR registered by Chandigarh Police under various sections of NDPS Act and Arms Act.

ED investigation revealed that drugs weighing 176.5 Kgs of loose tablets containing Pseudoephedrine which is used for production of potent narcotic and Psychotropic substance were recovered from a vehicle involving four accused persons from North-East namely Sangchhunga, Zosanga @ Sanga, Lalnunhuia and Devitthang.

After investigation, ED provisionally attached movable property amounting to Rs.2.31 Crore in the form of Cash in August, 2018 and the said provisional attachment order was duly confirmed by Hon'ble Adjudicating Authority in March, 2019. Subsequently in June 2019, ED filed a Prosecution Complaint against Sangchhunga, Zosanga, Lalnunhuia and Devitthang before the Hon'ble Special Court (PMLA), Chandigarh. The Hon'ble Court took the cognizance of the offence.

Since the accused persons failed to comply with the summonses, the Hon'ble trial Court vide its order dated 07.10.2022 declared them "Proclaimed Offenders".