



Press Release

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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Jalandhar Zonal Office has carried out search operations on 25/02/2025 at five business & residential premises in Ludhiana and Chandigarh related to M/s Red Leaf Immigration Private Limited, M/s Overseas Partner Education Consultants and M/s Infowiz Software Solution & others under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 in connection with a money laundering investigation related to fraud in providing immigration services. During the search operations, various incriminating documents, digital devices and cash of **Rs.19 Lakh** were recovered and seized.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of FIRs registered by Punjab Police and Delhi Police on the basis of complaint by Office of the Overseas Criminal Investigations, US Embassy, New Delhi, regarding fraudulent activities perpetrated by the visa consultants viz. M/s Red Leaf Immigration Private Limited, M/s Overseas Partner Education Consultants and others.

ED investigation revealed that the accused persons/entities had forged the education certificates/experience letters of ineligible visa applicants who were aspiring to study or work in United States of America and transferred funds to the accounts of various visa applicants to show minimum account balance for visa application in lieu of wrongful commission/charges & they wrongfully helped various visa applicants to show their eligibility for visa of United States of America by manipulating various facts & circumstances. By such criminal activities, the accused persons/entities charged hefty amounts from visa applicants and Proceeds of Crime (POC) generated through such criminal activities were further invested in purchase of movable & immovable properties and diverted in various banks accounts.

Further investigation is under progress.