

Directorate of Enforcement (ED) has arrested Amit Katyal on 11-11-2023 with respect to money laundering investigations initiated under the Prevention of Money laundering Act (PMLA) 2002 in the Land for Job Scam.

ED initiated investigations on the basis of FIR registered by CBI related to Land for Job Scam alleging that Lalu Prasad Yadav, the then Railway Minister, indulged in corruption for appointment of Group D substitutes in Indian Railways during the period 2004- 2009. The poor candidates were told to transfer land as bribe in return for jobs in Indian Railways as per FIR. The CBI has also filed charge sheet. M/s AK Infosystems Pvt. Ltd. is one of the accused.

ED investigations revealed that Amit Katyal was the Director of M/s AK Infosystems Pvt. Ltd when one of the lands from candidates was acquired by the said company on behalf of Lalu Prasad Yadav. The registered address of the company is D-1088, New Friends Colony, New Delhi, which is the house belonging to Lalu Prasad Yadav and his family members. Several other lands were also acquired by Amit Katyal in the said company in return for giving undue favours by Lalu Prasad Yadav when he was Minister of Railways. After acquiring the lands, shares of the said company were transferred to the family members of Lalu Prasad Yadav in the year 2014.

Earlier, ED had conducted search operations on 10-03-2023 which resulted in seizure of cash of about Rs. 1 Crore and valuables equivalent to about Rs. 1.25 Crore. ED has also provisionally attached immovable properties worth Rs. 6.02 Crore on 29-07-2023.

Amit Katyal was produced before the Hon'ble Special Court on 11-11-2023. The Hon'ble Court has granted ED custody till 16-11-2023.

Further investigation is under progress.
