



Press Release

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Directorate of Enforcement (ED) has provisionally attached **24 immovable properties worth Rs. 8.02 Crore and filed Prosecution Complaint (PC) on 21.03.2025** seeking confiscation of the properties and conviction of accused persons Adv Bidyanand Singh, Adv Parmanand Sinha, Adv Kumari Rinki Sinha, Archana Sinha, Vijay Kumar, Nirmla Kumari and M/s Harijag Business and Development Pvt Ltd under the PMLA, 2002; in connection with money laundering case related to **Railway Claims Tribunal, Patna (RCT) scam**. The Hon'ble Special Court (PMLA), Patna has taken cognizance of the PC on 21.03.2025.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of FIRs registered by CBI, ACB, Patna regarding mass scale irregularity/ criminality in the death claim cases filed, processed and decided at RCT against unknown public servants of Railway, Bidyanand Singh, Parmanand Singh, Vijay Kumar and others under section 120-B, 420 of IPC, 1860 and section 7A of PC Act, 1988. As per the FIRs, in pursuance of the said criminal conspiracy, in accidental death claim cases, only a part of the decreed amount, actually awarded to the claimants, was received by the claimants and major chunk was siphoned off by the conspirators.

ED investigation revealed that Adv Bidyanand Singh and his team of advocates dealt **more than 900 claims** where decrees/execution orders were issued by Judge Shri R.K. Mittal. It is revealed that Adv Bidyanand Singh and his team of advocates opened and operated the bank accounts of claimants without their knowledge. They used the signatures and thumb impressions of these claimants to transfer the claim amount received from the railways to their own accounts or cash withdrawals. From the investigation it is revealed that the huge amount of **Rs. 10.27 Crore** was transferred from the claimants' bank account to the bank accounts of the advocates which is nothing but the proceeds of crime generated by them.

The advocates and their wives acquired 24 immovable properties in their own name and in the name of a company controlled by them by utilising this proceeds of crime in order to conceal the proceeds of crime and portray it as untainted. The immovable properties are located in Patna, Nalanda, Gaya (Bihar) and New Delhi.

Earlier in the instant case, searches were conducted at the premises linked with the advocates and Judge Shri RK Mittal. Adv Bidyanand Singh, Adv Parmanand Sinha, and Vijay Kumar were arrested and presently all are in the judicial custody.

Further investigation is under progress.