



Press Release

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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Shillong Sub-Zonal office has issued a Provisional Attachment Order on 03/07/2025, attaching assets worth Rs. 20.28 Crore owned by Chandra Mohan Jha, Chancellor of CMJ University and his family members under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002. The attached assets comprises 4 immovable properties in New Delhi valued at Rs. 19.28 Crore and movable property worth Rs. 1 Crore in the form of bank balance. This move comes in pursuance of the ED's efforts to trace Proceeds of Crime (POC) generated by Chandra Mohan Jha, who, in collusion with other individuals issued fake degrees in exchange of money.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of an FIR registered at CID Police Station, East Khasi Hills, Shillong against CMJ University. The complaint was filed by Sh. M. S. Rao, IAS at the behest of the erstwhile Governor of Meghalaya, who also happened to be the Visitor of the University. Investigation into the matter by CID unearthed several irregularities in respect of the university, including but not limited to selling degrees, through which the stakeholders of the University generated an estimated POC of Rs. 83 Crore.

ED had traced out the POC generated by the sponsors of the university and has attached the same on multiple occasions. By issuing Provisional Attachment Orders on 31/03/2017, 30/11/2021 and 11/07/2024, ED has already attached assets worth Rs. 27.66 Crore, Rs. 13.54 Crore and Rs. 7.56 Crore in possession of Chandra Mohan Jha and his family members respectively.

In an effort to trace further POC, ED conducted searches on various premises on 12/12/2024, 21/12/2024 and 23/12/2024 which resulted in freezing of bank balances to the tune of Rs. 1.15 Crore. Prior to and during the course of these searches, several assets in possession of Chandra Mohan Jha and his family members, which they had procured by committing fraud came to light. These assets include 4 immovable properties purchased between 2013 and 2022. An amount of Rs. 1 Crore in bank balance, which Chandra Mohan Jha had deceptively transferred to one of his family members on 16/12/2024 in an attempt to hide the same from ED, was unearthed at a later date. These assets, valued at Rs. 20.28 Crore have now been attached through the Provisional Attachment dated 03/07/2025.

Further investigation is under progress.