

Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Chandigarh has provisionally attached movable and immovable properties worth Rs. 17.82 Crore in the form of cash, bank account balances and land belonging to family members of Surender @ Chiku, a notorious gangster of Haryana under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002. The attached properties are situated at Narnaul, Haryana and Jaipur, Rajasthan.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of various FIRs registeredby Haryana Police under various sections of IPC, 1860 and theArms Act against Surender Singh alias Chiku, Vikash Kumar, brother-in-law of Surender Singh Chiku and others for kidnapping, murder, extortion etc.

ED investigation revealed there are links of Surender Singh @ Chikuwith Lawrence Bishnoi& other gang members. ED investigation also revealed that Surender Singh @ Chikuwas managing the crime money of Lawrence Bishnoithrough his gang members and acquired properties in the names of his family members and relatives.

ED investigation unearthed evidence of illegal involvement of Surender Singh Chiku in mining businesses in Narnaul area through M/s. Nimawat Granites Pvt. Ltd. Surender Singh Chiku wielded his criminal clout and introduced his brother-in -law,Vikash Kumar as aDirector and a shareholder in M/s. Nimawat Granites Pvt. Ltd., a company engaged in mining business and was awarded mining tender at Bakhrija Mines, Narnaul.Through this deal, Surender Singh Chiku and Vikash Kumar extorted Rs.2.84 Crorewithout business investment. ED investigation unraveled that the proceeds of crime extorted from mining businesses was acquired through legal banking channel, channelized into normal economy and used to purchase immovable properties and for personal consumption.

ED conducted drone survey of the mined area in the presence of mining and revenue officials to make calibrated estimates of the extorted money from mining businesses done under the patronage of gangster Surender Singh @ Chiku. It has emerged that the Quarrying has resulted in extraction of more than 1 Lakh metric ton of stones from these mines.

During the investigation, searches under PMLA, 2002 were conducted on 05.12.2023 at 13 different locations in Haryana and Rajasthan where proceeds of crime has been invested by him through his brother-in-law Vikash Kumar & other relatives and gang members. During PMLA searches, various incriminating documents, cash ledgers, property papers and cash were found and seized. After the search action, the ED has discovered additional proceeds of crime worth approx. Rs.20 Crore along with corresponding properties available for attachment.

During course of investigation, SurenderSingh @ Chiku was also arrested by ED on 21.02.2024. Presently, he is lodged in Tihar Jail.

Further investigation is under progress.





(Photo of the mining site taken through drones during survey conducted)



