



Press Release
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Directorate of Enforcement (ED) has provisionally attached immovable properties worth of Rs. 24.13 Lakh including residential properties in Prakasam Distt. (AP) worth of Rs. 8.1 lakh owned by M Hari Babu, Proprietor of M/s Bhavani Diamond Tools in the case of ‘undervaluation and subsequent short payment of Custom duties’.

Investigation by ED revealed modus-operandi that M Hari Babu, Proprietor of M/s Bhavani Diamond Tools with an intention to short pay the customs duties against the goods such as “Saw Blanc & Saw Blade” imported in the name of M/s Bhavani Diamond Tools collaborated with the representatives of Overseas suppliers of China and fabricated second set of invoices with lower value of the goods and submitted the same to the Customs at the time of import.

Further it was also revealed that M Hari Babu to align with lower values which were declared to the Customs at the time of import also lowered the sale price to that extent of the imported goods in domestic market and collected the differential values in cash. Subsequently M Hari Babu in terms of their prior arrangement with the overseas suppliers of China has paid the differential values [between the original value and the values declared to customs for payment of customs duties] to the representatives of the Overseas Suppliers of China at Ongole, Andhra Pradesh or Chennai, Tamil Nadu in cash.

M. Hari Babu by act of commission of under valuation and omission of payment of appropriate Custom duties at the time import of the goods made in the name of M/s Bhavani Diamond Tools evaded Custom Duty to tune of Rs. 2 Crore (approx.).

Further investigation is in process.