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Directorate of Enforcement (ED) has provisionally attached immovable and movable properties worth Rs. 7.88 Crore (approx.) belonging to Baljit Singh, legal heir of Late Karnail Singh, Late Pritam Singh, Late Ishar Singh, Late Sher Singh, Late Gulzar Singh and Late Jasmer Chand under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 in a case of fraudulent disbursement of enhanced compensation against acquisition of land by Land Acquisition Office (LAO), Panchkula, Haryana.

ED had initiated investigation on the basis of FIR registered by Haryana Police under various sections of the Indian Penal Code, 1860 against land owners and officials of Land Acquisition Office.

ED investigation revealed that the land owners in connivance with officials received wrongful enhanced compensation from LAO by quoting wrong Special Leave Petitions (SLPs) filed before Hon'ble Supreme Court leading to wrongful loss of Rs. 9.71 Crore to the state exchequer.

ED investigation further revealed that the ineligible beneficiaries and their legal heirs had invested the proceeds of crime generated from enhanced compensation in fixed deposits, shares, immovable properties and also consumed it for personal expenses. Accordingly, immovable/movable properties worth Rs. 7.88 Crore (approx.) have been provisionally attached as per provisions of PMLA. Earlier, movable and immovable properties worth Rs. 1.55 Crore approx. were attached and subsequently confirmed by the Ld Adjudicating Authority in this case. Total attachment of proceeds of crime in this case stands at Rs. 9.43 Crore approx.

Further investigation is under progress.
