

Directorate of Enforcement (ED) is conducting money laundering investigation against the Coal Cartel of Suryakant Tiwari and Ms Saumya Chaurasia which was extorting illegal levy on the movement of Coal, Iron pellets etc in the State of Chhattisgarh. ED has done multiple searches, arrested 9 accused persons (all are in judicial custody) and has filed 2 prosecution complaints in the Hon'ble Special Court (PMLA) Raipur, against Suryakant Tiwari, Saumya Chaurasia, Sameer Vishnoi IAS and others. ED investigation has established that proceeds of crime worth Rs 540 Crore were acquired in this extortion racket and was utilized for political expenditure, creation of benami assets and bribing officials. ED has attached assets worth more than Rs 220 Crore approximately in this case.

Now, Hon'ble Special Court (PMLA) Raipur has taken cognizance of ED's prosecution complaints.

Further investigation is under progress.

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