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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Imphal Sub zonal office has taken a significant step towards restitution of properties in a PMLA case involving Sanasam Jacky Singh and other officials of Lamjingba Group of Companies on the basis of 7(seven) FIRs registered by Manipur Police.

ED investigation revealed that Lamjingba Group of Companies headed by Sanasam Jacky Singh were operating a fraudulent "investment/deposit scheme", that promised investors very high returns and as a result, cheated more than 15000 gullible investors to the tune of Rs 600 Crore (approx.). These funds were used for acquisition of several properties. Sanasam Jacky Singh was also arrested in the case, followed by provisional attachment of movable and immovable properties to the tune of Rs. 63.52 Crore. Subsequently, Prosecution Complaint No. 02/2023 was filed on 20.03.2023 against Sanasam Jacky Singh, M. Robindro Singh, Lamjingba Group Companies and others. ED in the complaint also prayed for confiscation of the attached properties which also includes an under construction Hotel property. Charges have been framed against the accused in the case.

In this case, a Writ Petition no. 792 of 2024 titled as Wahengbam Pratap Singh and ors. Vs Union of India was filed before the Hon'ble High Court of Manipur wherein the Hon'ble High Court directed the Special Court (PMLA), Imphal East to consider the claims of the petitioners for restoration of the properties belonging to the claimants, strictly in terms of the relevant provisions of law. Subsequently, the investors filed petition before the PMLA Court, Imphal East praying for restoration of properties attached by auctioning the properties and to restitute the same. ED in its reply supported the claim. The Hon'ble Special Judge, PMLA, Imphal East thereby was pleased to pass an order on 21.03.2025 for publication as per Rule 3(A) of Prevention of Money Laundering (Restoration of Property) Rules, 2016 for inviting claims from interested persons and directing the petitioners for newspaper publication in two newspapers having statewide publication in vernacular language and another in English.