

Directorate of Enforcement (ED) has carried out search operations on 08-08-2023 under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 at 17 locations in Chandigarh, Panchkula, Zirakpur and SAS Nagar Mohali belonging to Anil Bhalla and others, in an investigation relating to involvement of unscrupulous persons involved in illicit drug dealings, possessing illegal arms and ammunition, threatening people and extortion.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of 21 FIRs registered by Panchkula Police under various sections of IPC, NDPS and Arms Act against Anil Bhalla and others.

During the course of search operations, highly incriminating material and digital devices related to the above mentioned organized crime, Indian currency/foreign currency and FDRs valued at Rs. 6.25 Crore were recovered and seized, apart from arms and ammunition.

ED has so far arrested 5 persons namely Anil Bhalla S/o Charan Dass Bhalla, Akash Bhalla S/o Anil Bhalla, Sahil Bhalla S/o Anil Bhalla, Nirmal Singh S/o Narata Singh and Narinder Khillan S/o Shiv Nath Rai on 09/08/2023 and produced before the Hon'ble Special Court (PMLA) on 10/8/2023. The Hon'ble Court has granted ED custody till 17/08/2023.

Further investigation is under progress.