



Press Release
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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Ahmedabad Zonal Office has arrested Bharatkumar Rambhai Patel alias Bobby Patel under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 in Human Trafficking case. Bharatkumar Rambhai Patel was produced before the Hon'ble Special Judge (PMLA), Mirzapura Court, Ahmedabad and the Hon'ble Special Judge (PMLA) has granted 04 days ED custody.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of an FIR registered by Shola High Court Police Station, Ahmedabad City, Ahmedabad, Gujarat, against Bharatkumar Rambhai Patel & others for illegally sending Indian Citizens abroad since 2015.

ED investigation revealed that Bharatkumar Rambhai Patel was found to have engaged in sending desirous Indian Nationals abroad illegally for exorbitant consideration on the basis of bogus or fabricated documents for getting visas of different countries with duplicate or bogus passports used as genuine by impersonating the passengers wrongly. For this purpose, they used to collect Rs. 60 to 75 Lakh for one passenger, Rs. 1 to 1.25 Crore for a couple (husband & wife) and Rs. 1.25 to 1.75 Crore if children were also accompanying the passengers desirous of going abroad.

In India, various FIRs have been registered against him in Gujarat, Delhi and West Bengal. The Proceeds of Crime (POC) generated in this case is atleast Rs. 7 Crore.

Further investigation is under progress.