



Press Release

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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Lucknow Zonal office has conducted searches under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 at 6 locations in Kanpur and Mumbai on 07-03-2024, in the case of Irfan Solanki and others. The search was conducted at the residence of Irfan Solanki, his brother Rizwan Solanki, his associate real estate builders Shaukat Ali and Haji Wasi of Kanpur.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of various FIRs registered by Kanpur City Police under various sections of IPC, 1860 and The Uttar Pradesh Gangsters and Anti-Social Activities (Prevention) Act, 1986 against Irfan Solanki and his associates related to extortion, land grabbing of both private and government land including Nazrul property by threat, muscle power and political influence, making illegal construction and sale of the same. Further alleged that Irfan Solanki was involved in aiding illegal Bangladeshi migrants to settle in India by procuring Aadhar Card on basis of false documents.

ED investigation has revealed that fake business entities have been created to route the illegal money and to give colour to the tainted income as legitimate businesses income. During the search it is revealed that Irfan Solanki and Rizwan Solanki has constructed and residing in ultra luxurious 3 floor Bungalow houses spread over more than 1000 Sq Mtrs. Considering the proceeds of crime was used to construct the house, the valuation of the property was made during the search action which is above Rs.10 Crore (approx.).

During the search operation, Cash worth Rs. 26 Lakh, digital devices, various incriminating documents in the form of handwritten dairies having description of illegal receipts, investment in partnership, land deals and cash expenses amounting to approximately 40-50 Crore, evidence of investment in property in Mumbai indicating investment of Rs. 5 Crore approx. were recovered and seized.

Further investigation is under progress.