

Directorate of Enforcement, Headquarters Office, New Delhi has issued a Provisional Attachment Order on 02.08.2025 attaching assets valued at Rs. 42.8 Crore belonging to Chirag Tomar, his family members, and associated entities. The provisionally attached assets include 18 immovable properties in Delhi and credits in bank accounts.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of newspaper report that an Indian National named Chirag Tomar was arrested in USA for stealing more than \$20 million through use of fake or spoofed websites mimicking the cryptocurrency exchange website Coinbase. The Investigation revealed that Chirag Tomar, currently in custody in USA, was involved in a large-scale cyber fraud by spoofing the website of the cryptocurrency exchange "Coinbase" and stealing cryptocurrency worth approximately USD 20 million.

ED investigation revealed that the trusted websites were spoofed in such a way by search engine optimization that when the website would be searched, the spoofed website would appear at the top. The spoofed website appeared exactly similar to the trusted website except the contact details. When the users would enter the login credentials, the spoofed website would show it wrong. Therefore, the users would contact the number given in the spoofed website which would eventually connect them to the designated call centre managed by Chirag Tomar. Once the fraudsters gained access to the victim's accounts, the fraudsters quickly transferred the victim's cryptocurrency holdings to crypto currency wallets under their control. The stolen crypto currency would then be sold on various P2P crypto platforms and converted to INR. Subsequently the money was transferred in the bank accounts of Chirag Tomar and his family members and used to buy immovable properties.

Further investigation is under progress