



## **Press Release**

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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Bhubaneswar Zonal office has provisionally attached movable and immovable assets like parcels of land and buildings worth **Rs. 1.83** Crore belonging to the accused Rabindra Nath Pradhan and others under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 in connection with a case of Disproportionate Assets (DA) registered by the Vigilance Department, Odisha Police.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of FIR registered by the Vigilance Department, Odisha under section 13(2) read with Section 13(1)(b) of the Prevention of Corruption (Amendment) Act, 1988 against Rabindra Nath Pradhan, Ex- Asstt. Executive Engineer posted in Khurda District.

ED investigation revealed that during the relevant period, Rabindra Nath Pradhan and others has illicitly enriched himself and his family members by acquiring assets disproportionate to his known sources of income, totalling to the tune of **Rs. 5.21** Crore. Further, ED has taken similar action in various other DA cases as forwarded by Vigilance department of Odisha Police. Recently, ED was successful in attaching assets worth Rs. **2.84** Crore of one Bishkeshan Nayak, Ex- Senior environmental Scientist, State Pollution Control Board, Odisha on 24.03.2025. In another such case of Narayan Sahoo, Ex-Deputy Collector, Malkangiri District, Rs. **91** Lakh have been attached provisionally ED on 28.03.2025.

Further investigation is under progress.