



Press Release
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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Ahmedabad Zonal Office has filed Prosecution Complaints in the matter of M/s Avon Cold Storage Private Limited under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 before the Hon'ble Special Court (PMLA) on 31.05.2025. The Hon'ble Court has taken cognizance of the PC.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of FIR registered by the CBI, ACB, Gandhinagar against M/s Avon Cold Storage Private Limited, its Directors & other private persons and public servants, alleging that the accused person in criminal conspiracy cheated Union Bank of India by the means of falsification of the records and providing false/forged documents, and dishonestly availed the loan facility.

ED investigation revealed that the term loan facility was availed by M/s Avon Cold Storage Private Limited from Union Bank (earlier known as Andhra Bank) on the production of bogus proforma invoices from M/s Patmax Engineers Private Limited. These credits facilities were extended for purchase of plant & machinery for setting up of cold storage unit; however, the said amount was not utilized for the said operations. The term loan was re-routed through different entities and withdrawn in cash to the tune of Rs 3.92 Crore, leaving no money trail behind. The funds were further utilized for purposes other than stated in the loan agreement. Further, movable and immovable properties valued at Rs 1.30 Crore (approx.) have already been provisionally attached.

Further investigation is under progress.