



**Press Release**

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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Delhi Zonal Office has filed Supplementary Prosecution Complaint (PC) against Amanatullah Khan and Smt Maryam Siddiqui under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 on 29.10.2024 in the case of irregularities committed during his tenure as Chairman of Delhi Waqf Board from 2016-2021.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of FIR registered by CBI under various sections of Prevention of Corruption Act (PC Act), 1988 and IPC, 1860 for the illegalities committed in the appointment of Group C and Group D employees in Delhi Waqf Board (DWB) causing a wrongful loss to the government exchequer and the FIR registered by ACB Delhi under PC Act, 1988 and IPC, 1860 for misuse and abuse of official position as Chairman, Waqf Board in allotment of the tenancy of properties of DWB without following proper procedure, and for possession of assets disproportionate to his known sources of income.

ED investigation revealed that under the directions of Amanatullah Khan, his associates viz. Zeeshan Haider and Daud Nasir were managing the ill-gotten money of Amanatullah Khan during his tenure as Chairman of Delhi Waqf Board and used the same to make cash payments via Kausar Imam Siddiqui for the purchase of property at 275-276, TTI Tikona Park, Okhla, Delhi belonging to Jawed Imam Siddiqui. From the seized white diary handwritten by Shri Kausar Imam Siddiqui, it was revealed that cash payments to the tune of Rs. 27 Crore was made by the close associates of Amanatullah Khan for the purchase this property at Tikona Park. ED investigation revealed huge amounts of suspicious cash deposits in the bank accounts of seller Jawed Imam Siddiqui and his wife with regard to the sale of the said property at Tikona Park.

ED investigation revealed that Amanatullah Khan, without taking any approval from the Delhi Waqf Board, floated "Delhi Waqf Board Relief Committee". In order to solicit funds in the name of Delhi Riot Victims, Amanatullah Khan opened an unauthorized bank account in the name of Delhi Waqf Board Relief Committee and some of the funds obtained from the public were withdrawn in cash under the directions of Amanatullah Khan and were handed over to him.

ED investigation also revealed that Amanatullah Khan did not reveal the complete details of his dependents in the Election Affidavit filed by him. Investigation revealed that Smt Maryam Siddiqui was married to Amanatullah Khan and is a complete dependent of Amanatullah Khan. It is to be mentioned that she does not have any known source of income and has not filed any Income Tax Returns. Investigation revealed that an immovable property worth Rs 19 Lakh was purchased in 2020 by Amanatullah Khan in the name of his second wife Smt Maryam Siddiqui and payment for the same was made partly in cash and partly from the amount received from his close associate Zeeshan Haider.

During the course of investigation, 14 summons were issued to Amanatullah Khan. However, he appeared in response to only one summon. Further, complaints under Section 174 of the IPC, 1860 and under Section 208 of BNS were filed by the ED against him before ACMM Rouse Avenue Court for non-compliance to the summon proceedings.

In this case, ED has arrested Amanatullah Khan, Zeeshan Haider, Daud Nasir, Kausar Imam Siddiqui and Jawed Imam Siddiqui and all the accused persons are in Judicial Custody.

Prosecution Complaints (PC) under PMLA were filed on 09.01.2024 against Zeeshan Haider, Daud Nasir, Kausar Imam Siddiqui and Jawed Imam Siddiqui in the Hon'ble Special Court (PMLA) and on 29.10.2024 against Amanatullah Khan and his second wife Smt Maryam Siddiqui. The Honorable Court has listed the case on 04.11.2024.