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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), New Delhi has attached **19** immovable properties valued at **Rs. 35.43 Crore** on 16.10.2024 and **16** immovable properties valued at **Rs. 21.13 Crore** on 16.04.2024 (a total of **35** immovable properties valued at **Rs. 56.56 Crore**), beneficially owned and controlled by Popular Front of India (PFI) in the name of various trusts, companies and individuals, under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 in the Popular Front of India (PFI) & Ors. case.

ED initiated investigation against the office bearers, members and cadres of Popular Front of India (PFI) under PMLA, 2002 on the basis of various FIRs registered by the NIA, Delhi and other Law Enforcement Agencies.

Investigation revealed that the office bearers, members and cadres of Popular Front of India (PFI), were conspiring and raising/collecting funds from within India and abroad through banking channels, Hawala, donations etc. for committing and financing terrorist acts across India.

Quantum of Proceeds of Crime: Funds raised by PFI in India and abroad by using unlawful means were deposited in 29 bank accounts of PFI across the country located in Kerala, Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Telangana, Delhi, Rajasthan, Maharashtra, Bihar, West Bengal, Assam, Jammu & Kashmir and Manipur. The funds collected through unlawful means and dummy donors by PFI in cash or through bank account qualified as Proceeds of Crime which amounts to **Rs. 94 Crore**.

So far **26** members and cadres of PFI have been **arrested by ED** and **9 Prosecution Complaints** have been filed in the period February 2021 to May 2024. Following is the list of arrested PFI members by ED -

Sl. No	Name	Date of Arrest	Designation/Position held
1	KA Rauf Sherif	12.12.2020	National General Secretary of Campus Front of India (CFI)
2	Abdul Razak BP	10.03.2022	Divisional President of Perambadappu Division in Kerala
3	Ashraf MK	12.04.2022	Member of State Executive Council (SEC) of PFI Kerala Unit.
4	Shafeeque Payeth	22.09.2022	A PFI member based in Qatar.
5	Perwez Ahmed	22.09.2022	President of Delhi State PFI.
6	Md. Ilias	22.09.2022	Secretary of Delhi State PFI.
7	Abdul Muqet	22.09.2022	Office Secretary of Delhi State PFI
8	Sahul Hameed	07.06.2023	A PFI member dealing in Hawala for PFI from Singapore to India.
9	K.S.M. Ibrahim alias Asgar	23.08.2023	A PFI member who was secretary and authorized signatory of trust running Arivagam Madrasa used for religious conversions.
10	P Koya	05.12.2023	Member of National Executive Council (NEC) of PFI

11	Abdul Wahid Sait	05.12.2023	Member of NEC of PFI
12	Mohamed Ali Jinnah	05.12.2023	Member of NEC of PFI & National General Secretary of PFI.
13	O M A Salam	05.12.2023	Member of NEC of PFI & Chairman of PFI.
14	Nazrudeen V P	05.12.2023	Member of NEC of PFI & National Secretary of PFI.
15	Mohammad Basheer C P	17.12.2023	State President of PFI Kerala.
16	Anis Ahmed	21.12.2023	Member of NEC of PFI
17	E M Abdul Rahiman	21.12.2023	Member of NEC of PFI
18	Afsar Pasha	21.12.2023	Member of NEC of PFI
19	Mohammed Shakif	21.12.2023	Member of NEC of PFI
20	A S Ismail	21.12.2023	Member of NEC of PFI
21	A Mohamed Yusuff	11.01.2024	Member of NEC of PFI
22	Abdul Khader Puttur	19.03.2024	Physical Education Trainers who were imparting weapons training to the members/ cadres of PFI.
23	Anshad Baddrudin	18.03.2024	
24	Firoz K	18.03.2024	
25	E Abubacker	01.05.2024	Former Chairman and NEC member of PFI, SDPI and RIF
26	Shafeer KP	01.05.2024	Accountant of PFI

Presence of PFI abroad: Investigation has revealed that PFI had more than 13,000 active members in Singapore and Gulf countries including Kuwait, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia, and UAE. PFI has formed well defined District Executive Committees (DECs) for the Non-Resident Muslim diaspora living in the Gulf Countries, which was tasked with collection of funds. Each DEC was given target of several crores of rupees for funds collection. The funds which were raised abroad were transferred to India through circuitous banking channels, as well as through underground hawala channels so that their origins could not be traced and thereafter handed over to PFI and its office bearers to finance their terrorist and unlawful activities.

Real objectives of PFI: Investigation has revealed that the real objectives of PFI are different from the ones stated in its constitution. Real objectives of PFI include formation of an organization for carrying out an Islamic movement in India through **Jihad**, though PFI masquerade itself as a social movement. PFI claimed use of non-violent forms of protest but evidences reveal that the methods of protest employed by them are violent in nature. Some of the methods of protest used by them as found during investigation are explained as under:

- **Steps for preparation for a Civil War by creating unrest and strife in the society:** It includes Non-violent air raids, Guerrilla Theater, Alternative Communication Systems etc
- **Methods of cruelty and subjugation:** It includes Haunting Officials, Taunting Officials, Fraternalization, Mock Funerals, Interdict, Lysistratic Non-Action (Lysistratic non-action is to withhold sex from someone in order to achieve something) etc.
- **Methods employed for undermining unity and sovereignty of the nation:** It includes Civil Disobedience of Laws, Dual sovereignty, and parallel Government, disclosing identities of secret agents.

- **Economic Threat:** It includes employing the tactics of politically motivated counterfeiting, preclusive purchasing, nonviolent land seizure, seizure of assets, Selective patronage, dumping etc.

Façade of Physical Education (PE) classes: PFI was giving arms training under the garb of Physical Education (PE) classes for imparting offensive and defensive manoeuvres using different variations of blows, punches, kicks, knife and stick attacks. These classes were carried out on the properties registered under dummy owners' names. Interestingly, PFI does not have a single property registered in its own name.

One such case of conducting arms training under the garb of PE classes was the Narath Arms Camp case in 2013, wherein PFI was imparting training to its cadres in use of explosives and weapons in an arms camp at Narath, in Kannur District. The intention was to promote enmity between different religions and prepare the cadres for terrorist activities.

Screenshot of incriminating evidences regarding PE Classes and Jihadist agenda of PFI recovered during searches at Unity House, PFI Kerala state office, Kozhikode is as under:

Beginners Course Program Schedule	
Day-1 Forenoon session	
10.00 - 10.30	Registration
10.30 - 10.35	Prayer
10.35 - 10.55	Preface
10.55 - 11.05	Direction
11.05 - 11.25	Ice Break (Pine Apple show)
11.25 - 12.15	Subject: 1 La Ilaha Illallah
12.15 - 12.30	SAT
12.30 - 02.00	Break
Afternoon session	
02.00 - 02.15	Group formations
02.15 - 02.30	Self Introduction
02.30 - 02.45	Duty Distribution
02.45 - 03.45	Subject: 2 Fascism - Video & Explanation
03.45 - 04.30	Break
04.30 - 05.00	Subject: 3 Importance of Physical Education
05.00 - 06.15	PE- Stay fit and exercises
Forenoon session	
10.30 - 10.40	News Reading
10.40 - 10.55	Evaluation of Group
10.55 - 11.00	Duty change
11.00 - 11.50	Subject: 6 Jihad and Shahadath
11.50 - 12.30	Skill: 1 Writing
12.30 - 02.00	Break
12.30 - 02.00	Personal Mulaqath

Screenshot of training imparted in the basic course, recovered during search at Unity House, PFI Kerala state office which shows violent methods used by them:

Basic	
Warming	Push up
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pranayamam • Heel up & Down, Ankle up & down, Rotation • Bytex (Squatting) • Pumping heel • Knee Chest touch & Rotation • Hip-Rotation • Front touch, Back bend • Hip side bend • Back twist • Chest open • Finger tight, wrist up&down, rotation, hand up & down • Sholder rotation, hand rotation • Neck up & down, rotation • Eye rotation 	Open-10, Knickle-10, Five finger-5 Punch (4) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • single, double, triple, five Block (5) Upper, Out, Inn, Lower, Full body (Inn & Out)
Slow jumping (5 type normal)	Kick (4)
Body stretching exercise	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Front, Side, Snap, Back Trust (2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Open- (Single & Double) Elbow <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 Step Chop (2) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Front, Reverse Hammer <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • hammer fist, hammer Punch
Leg rising	Attacks
Leg straight, out side, Inside, Side, Back	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Block & Punch • Block, Kick & Hammer fist • Block hand beat, hand beat, kick • Three elbows • Tiger catch & throw • Kick-left leg to right L-shape & Block and Kick

Attacks 1 Left leg forward - left hand block and right hand punch (at one time) 2 Left leg front kick left hand block and reverse punch 3 Back bend kick with right leg and thrust both hands 4 Left hand block and right lower kick right hand hammer fist to nose (at one time) 5 Eagle block and lower kick, side forehead attack (yellow dragon) 6 Left hand Block and attack cheek, right hand attack to other side with right leg lower kick 7 Left leg cross forward left hand block and bear to face right leg tum kick 8 Right leg forward kiba stands right hand thigh elbow standing up chest & face elbow Locks - Chevidadappen Knife Lock & Defense - Right leg backward to left side left hand cutting block catch the hand and lower front kick - Skipping left leg to left side left hand open block right hand punch to rib moving forward right leg and right hand shooto moving forward left leg to scoop up leg & kick Knife Attack - Left hand upper block and knife handle attack to stomach cut the ankle nerve - Right leg moving forward Left hand block knife attack to upper thigh	Small Stick Defense - Turn and kneel, left hand upper block right hand lower punch at the time standing with chin punch. - Left hand pushing down block right leg moving forward right open block & catching th neck pull back to down Small Stick Attack - Attack to ankle and Side forehead - Attack to head pull the stick attack to chest Koduvall Chottachan - I Sword steps (4 side) Abdominal Exercise - Moving knee touch - Leg Up & Down - Leg Bend & Straight
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On perusal of the above, it is clear that PFI was imparting intensive violent training to the cadre for attacks using punches, kicks, blows and also the usage of weapons like knife, stick, sickle, swords etc.

Use of Proceeds of Crime in unlawful activities: Investigation has further revealed that PFI was using funds for their continuous unlawful activities. PFI members were actively involved in :

- Inciting violence and fomenting trouble leading to Delhi riots of February 2020;
- PFI/CFI members visited Hathras with an intent to disturb communal harmony, inciting communal riots and spreading terror;
- Plan to form a terrorist gang - collection of deadly weapons and explosive devices to launch attacks on important and sensitive places and individuals with an intent to undermine the unity, integrity and sovereignty of the nation and to disturb communal harmony;
- Organizing training camp with an intent to cause disturbance during Hon'ble Prime Minister's Patna visit on 12.07.2022;
- Preparing, printing and possessing incriminating literature having potential to pose threat to the unity, integrity and sovereignty of the nation.

Details of properties attached: Detailed investigation revealed that PFI beneficially owned and controlled various properties purchased in the name of multiple trusts, individuals and companies. The list of such properties was maintained by PFI in its office and the same was seized during the searches. Consequentially, **35 immovable properties** which were held in the name of following trusts/ individuals by PFI, worth **Rs. 56.56 Crore have been attached by ED:**

Sr. No.	Name of the owner / trust / company / individual in whose name the immovable property is registered	Address	Nature and use of the beneficially owned property
1	Sathya Sarani Educational & Charitable Trust	Manjeri, Malappuram	Property has a building constructed on it which runs a religious conversion centre under the pretext of an educational institute.
2		Manjeri, Malappuram	
3		Manjeri, Malappuram	
4		Manjeri, Malappuram	Land gifted to Sathya Sarani by purported donor.

5		Mongal, Malappuram	House is constructed at this property for PFI's use on a land gifted by a purported donor.
6		Malappuram	Land gifted to Sathya Sarini by purported donor.
7		Malappuram	Land gifted to Sathya Sarini by purported donor.
8	Obelisk Properties and Developers Pvt. Ltd.	Meenchanda, Kozhikode, Kerala	PFI hqrs. located in this building (Unity House) where all the administrative and financial works were carried out and plans for unlawful activities were formulated.
9	Institute of Objective Studies	Meenchanda, Kozhikode, Kerala	
10	Basheer T and Abdul Salam TP	Meenchanda, Kozhikode	A wet land purchased in the hinterlands.
11	Asryam Charitable Trust	Munnaru Desam, Kozhikode	Land registered under this trust.
12	Hill Valley Charitable Trust	Murikassery Village, Idukki	Houses are constructed from PFI funds on an undervalued land.
13	Vattamkund Charitable Trust	Tamarassery, Kozhikode	Land gifted by trustees.
14	Prateeksha Charitable Trust-Nadapuram	Vadakkara, Kozhikode	Meeting place for the PFI workers
15	Miraj Welfare Trust	Malappuram,	Meeting place for the PFI workers
16	Panamaram Islamic Charitable Trust	Mananthavady, Wayanad	Meeting place for the PFI workers
17	Karunya Foundation Trust	Karunagapalli, Kollam	Meeting place for the PFI workers
18	Karuna Education & Social Charitable Trust	Kozhikode, Kerala	Meeting place for the PFI workers
19	Sahridaya Charitable Trust	Kozhikode, Kerala	Various activities related to PFI and its associated / related / frontal organizations were being carried out.
20	Rahmath Education Charitable Trust	Malappuram, Kerala	Land gifted by trustees.
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23	Community Development Centre	Malappuram, Kerala	Used for carrying out various activities related to PFI
24	Sevana Charitable Foundation	Malappuram, Kerala	Used for carrying out various activities related to PFI
25	Access Educational & Charitable Trust	Malappuram, Kerala	Beneficially owned by PFI
26	Islamic Cultural Trust (ICF)	Chavakkad, Thrissur	Meeting place for the PFI workers
27	Community Care Foundation (CCF)	Edappaly, Kerala	Various activities related to PFI and its associated / related / frontal organizations were being carried out.
28	Foundation for Advanced Social Thought Pala	Kottayam, Kerala	Meeting place for the PFI trustees
29	Nanma Charitable Trust	Palakkad, Kerala	Meeting place for the PFI trustees
30	Peace Valley Cultural Trust	Paiyppad, Kerala	Meeting place for the PFI workers

31		Thalanadu, Kerala	Meeting place for the PFI workers
32	Hidayathul Islam Sabha/Peace Valley Cultural Trust	Kottayam, Kerala	Meeting place for the PFI workers
33	Human Welfare Trust	Karyavattam, Kerala	Various activities related to PFI and its associated / related / frontal organizations were being carried out.
34	Hekta Properties & Developers India Pvt. Ltd.	Kozhikode, Kerala	Beneficially owned by PFI and PFI parked their funds
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Earlier also ED has attached multiple properties worth Rs. 5.16 Crore of PFI and its related organisations/ trusts/ individuals. The details are as under:

Sl. No.	Details of Property attached by ED	Amount (in Rs.)
1.	23 Bank Accounts of Popular Front of India (PFI)	63,85,936
2.	7 Bank Accounts of Rehab India Foundation (RIF)	8,21,846
3.	1 Bank Account of Popular Front of India (PFI)	22,57,856
4.	16 Immovable Properties of Munnar Villa Vista Pvt. Ltd. (MVVPL)	2,53,22,402
5.	15 Bank Accounts of Multiflor Builders Pvt. Ltd. (MBPL)	1,19,81,250
6.	3 Bank Accounts & 2 Immovable Properties of K.A. Rauf Sherif (arrested by ED)	48,03,126
	Total	5,15,72,416

Hence, the total attachment in this case amounts to **Rs.61.72 Crore.**

Further investigation is under progress.
