



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Dehradun has conducted searches at 07 locations of Uttarakhand and Uttar Pradesh on 26.06.2025 in connection with the case of Dinesh Pratap Singh, Senior PCS officer currently working as Executive Director, Doiwala Sugar Mill in NH-74 Scam case. The search action resulted in seizure of cash worth Rs. 24.70 Lakh as well as other incriminating documents.

Dinesh Pratap Singh @ D.P. Singh, the then SLAO, Uttarakhand, while working in the capacity of Competent Authority of Land Acquisition (CALA), entered into conspiracy with Revenue Officer/Officials, Land Consolidation Officer/Officials, farmers/land owners, middlemen and others for misappropriation of the Government funds by manipulating the use of land by way of passing backdated orders u/s 143 of U.P. ZA & LR Act, 1950. This resulted in payment of higher compensation to land owners at non agriculture rates, as opposed to the legal & expected compensation. To achieve his ulterior motives, he resorted to fabrication/forgery by making back dated entries in revenue records/documents which were projected as genuine at the time of distributing compensation to land owners against land acquired for widening of NH-74 and NH-125. This resulted in loss of Rs.162.5 Crore (approx.) to the Government Treasury.

ED in this case had already attached movable and immovable properties amounting to Rs. 43 Crore (approx.) from various accused persons by issuing 03 PAOs which have duly been confirmed by the Ld. Adjudicating Authority, PMLA.

While the investigation is under progress against these officials and land owners, 07 Prosecution Complaints have already been filed before the Hon'ble Special Court (PMLA), Dehradun.

Further investigation is under progress.