

Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Jalandhar Zonal Office, has carried out search operations at 8 locations across the state of Punjab on 20.08.2025 under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 in connection with a money laundering investigation related to M/s Golden Sandhar Mills Ltd. (erstwhile M/s Wahid Sandhar Sugar Mills Ltd.) and related entities and persons.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of an FIR registered by Vigilance Bureau Punjab Police under various sections of IPC, 1860 and Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988.

During the investigation, it has been revealed that Directors and Promoters of M/s Golden Sandhar Mills Ltd, had illegally sold and mortgaged Muafi land allotted by then Maharaja Jagatjit Singh, of the then State of Kapurthala, for the purpose of running a sugar mill, thereby generated huge Proceeds of Crime.

During the search operations, various incriminating records critical in establishing the financial trail and uncovering the modus operandi were seized which include copy of original agreement of 1933, made by the then Maharaja Jagatjit Singh, as well as later agreements and documents indicating involvement of dummy directors.

Further investigation is under progress.

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