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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Chandigarh Zonal office has conducted search operations at 4 locations across Mohali and Zirakpur (Punjab) on 29/7/2025 under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 in connection with the case of cheating with US Citizen to the tune of approx Rs. 11.54 Crore by Vikramjeet Singh and others by impersonating as officials of Bank of America. During the search operations, various incriminating documents, digital evidences have been seized and numerous bank accounts having balance of Rs. 50 Lakh (approx.) associated to Vikramjeet Singh & Ors. were frozen. Besides, 3 immovable properties valued at more than Rs. 1.5 Crore have also been unearthed.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of FIR registered by the Haryana Police under various sections of IPC, 1860 and Information Technology (Amendment) Act, 2008, against Vikramjeet Singh and others on the complaint of Nishant Malhotra, authorized representative of Ms. Merle Lee Korejwo, a resident of Florida, USA.

ED investigation has revealed that Vikramjeet Singh, Anchal Mittal and Akshay Mittal in connivance with others had set up a fraudulent call Centre in Zirakpur wherein they impersonated as Bank employees and took illegal access of computer of foreign citizens and thereby committed fraud/online robbery to the tune of USD 13,87,100.29 (Approx Rs.11.54 Crore). ED investigation further revealed that the Proceeds of Crime (POC) generated by the aforesaid crime has been utilised for purchase of cryptocurrency which was further routed through more than 100 bank accounts to hide the source of illegal money. Several immovable properties have also been purchased using the POC to hide the source and project the same as untainted.

Further investigation is under progress.