



## **Press Release**

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### **PMLA Court ordered for restitution of attached properties valued at Rs. 175 Crore (approx.) in the bank fraud case involving M/s Shree Ganesh Jewellery House (I) Limited**

The Hon'ble Chief Judge, City Sessions Court, Calcutta, vide order dated 10/12/2025 allowed restitution of the properties valued at Rs. 175 Crore (approx.), attached by the Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Kolkata Zonal Office under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 (PMLA) in the case of **M/s Shree Ganesh Jewellery House (I) Limited** and its Promotor-Director Nilesch Parekh, Umesh Parekh, Kamlesh Parekh & others, who defrauded consortium of 25 banks **to the tune of Rs. 2,672 Crore** through fraudulent banking transactions and diversion of loan funds.

ED investigation revealed that the promoters of SGJHIL had floated numerous companies in India and wholly owned subsidiaries abroad, including in Dubai, Singapore, and Hong Kong, to carry out a complex scheme of round-tripping gold, bullion, and jewellery. Jewellery manufactured in Manikanchan, Kolkata was shown as exported to overseas entities under their control, routed through other associated companies, and ultimately sold in foreign markets. However, the corresponding sale proceeds were never brought back to India to repay the consortium banks. Instead, the company availed export bill discounting facilities from Indian banks and received funds, while the banks were left unable to realize the export proceeds. Through this modus operandi, the promoters derived threefold benefits—misusing credit facilities, retaining export proceeds abroad, and concealing transactions. Further, ED initiated investigation under the provisions of PMLA, leading to attachment of multiple properties in West Bengal, Maharashtra, Gujarat and Telangana worth Rs. 193.11 Crore through two Provisional Attachment Orders.

Recognizing the urgent need to protect public interest and ensure recovery of public sector bank funds, several meetings were convened by the ED with Liquidator of company. Subsequently, the Liquidator filed its application for restitution of attached properties, which was supported through a consent petition filed by ED, enabling judicial consideration for restitution of properties to the Bank. On 10.12.2025, the Hon'ble Chief Judge, City Sessions Court, Calcutta, allowed restitution of the attached properties to Liquidator, holding that the bank is entitled to legitimate recovery of dues. The Court noted that the ED had no objection to the prayer, subject to fulfilment of dues and deposit of any surplus before the competent authority for adjudication under PMLA.

This restitution is an important step towards returning proceeds of financial fraud to rightful claimants, ensuring public money recovery, and reinforces ED's commitment to dismantling complex financial fraud networks and restoring the integrity of the banking system.