

Directorate of Enforcement (ED) has conducted searches at various premises in Mumbai on 11.09.2023 and 12.09.2023 in connection with money laundering probe against M/s Max Flex Imaging and System. Ltd. managed & controlled by Hitesh R. Jobalia and Nimesh N. Shah. The said action has resulted into seizure of stocks of Flex, Vinyl and other items worth Rs. 12 Crore, FDRs amounting to Rs. 1.25 Crore, Demat accounts having balance Rs. 6.30 Crore, Foreign Currency, Cash, Gold Jewellery and Silver bars, totalling **Rs. 20.11 Crore**.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of FIR registered by BS & FB CBI, Mumbai under various sections of IPC and PC Act alleging wrongful loss of Rs. 464.41 Crore to Consortium group of SBI (lead bank) and eight other consortium members bank.

ED investigation revealed that M/s. Max Flex & Imaging Systems Ltd. and other accused persons entered into a criminal conspiracy to cheat Consortium group of State Bank of India (Lead Bank) and eight members by taking loans fraudulently by submitting inflated stock statements/balance sheet of the said company. The promoters of the company diverted and utilized the funds received from banks for purchasing various properties and diverted the same to various firms/companies incorporated in the name of the employees/exemployee/relatives of the said company and its directors.

Further investigation is under progress.