



Press Release

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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Panaji Zonal Office, has carried out search operations on 28.09.2025 & 29.09.2025 under the provisions of the Foreign Exchange Management Act (FEMA), 1999, at 15 premises across Goa, Delhi-NCR, Mumbai and Rajkot, related to M/s. Golden Globe Hotels Pvt. Ltd., M/s. Worldwide Resorts and Entertainment Pvt. Ltd and Big Daddy Casino, Goa.

During the course of the search operations, cash amounting to approximately Rs. 2.25 Crore in Indian currency, USD 14,000 and other different foreign currency equivalent to around Rs. 8.50 Lakh were recovered and seized.

ED investigation revealed that poker chips were being provided to customers in lieu of foreign currency, and winnings were disbursed in foreign currency based on customer requirements. Further, it was found that multiple online casino platforms, namely, rolex777.co, iCasino247.com, play247s.com, Win Daddy, Poker Daddy, among others, were actively promoted by staff members of the casino under M/s. Golden Globe Hotels Pvt. Ltd.

It has also emerged that cryptocurrency wallets belonging to poker players were being used for carrying out financial transactions. The use of angadia services through crypto wallets to facilitate USDT transfers both to Dubai and various locations across the world have been unearthed. Moreover, several mule accounts were identified as being used for the deposit and withdrawal of gambling winnings which were subsequently transferred to different individuals abroad.

Further, different cryptocurrencies including USDT of more than Rs. 90 Lakh were found and freezed during the action. Incriminating documents and digital evidences have been seized, which establish violations of FEMA provisions as well as linkages with cross-border hawala/crypto transactions.

Further investigation is under progress.

