



Press Release
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Directorate of Enforcement, Raipur has issued a Provisional Attachment Order under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 (PMLA) attaching assets worth ₹ 29.75 Lakh in a naxal funding Case. The attached assets are in the form of an immovable property (agricultural land) situated at Rajnandgaon District, Chhattisgarh held in the name of Ashvini Varma and his younger brother Tamesh Verma.

ED initiated Investigation under PMLA on the basis of FIR registered by Chhattisgarh Police and Final Report dated 30.10.2018 under section 13, 21, 38 & 39 of the Unlawful Activities Prevention Act, 1967 against Ashvini Varma & others in the matter of assisting the banned naxal organization.

Investigation conducted under PMLA revealed that Ashvini Varma had received money in the form of demonetized currency from the Naxalites and gave this money to different persons/local farmers against purchase of grains and agricultural products. The money was received by Ashvini Varma during demonetization and this money was used to purchase the grains or agricultural products payment was made in the demonetized currency notes to the farmers. Later on, grains or agricultural products so purchased were sold and money was received. Further, he had invested this money in the purchase of a Agriculture land for Rs. 29,75,000/- at Rajnandgaon, Chhattisgarh.

Further investigation is in progress.