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ED strikes at multi-state drug trafficking network under ‘Nasha Mukt Bharat Abhiyan’

Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Indore Sub Zonal Office, has conducted simultaneous search operations across various locations in Indore and Mandsaur, Madhya Pradesh, in connection with an investigation relating to the alleged trafficking of 70 kilograms of MDMA (Mephedrone) drugs, valued at approximately Rs. 70 Crore.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of FIR registered by the Crime Branch, Indore, against various accused persons for offences punishable under Sections 8 and 22 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985.

During the course of investigation, it was revealed that one of the principal accused had become untraceable at his known addresses. The Directorate of Enforcement undertook extensive intelligence-led efforts, employing advanced analytical and investigative techniques to trace his movements over several days across Hyderabad, Bikaner, and Indore. Following sustained surveillance and intelligence development, the accused was successfully tracked down at a previously unknown address at Indore, paving the way for the execution of search proceedings.

The searches have resulted in the recovery of crucial incriminating documents and digital evidence, along with details relating to the assets and financial affairs of the accused persons. Several documents and digital devices have been seized for forensic examination and will be subjected to detailed financial analysis to identify the Proceeds of Crime, trace the money trail, and ascertain the extent of the laundering of funds generated from the scheduled offence.

During the course of search proceedings, one bank locker was also found in the name of a relative of one of the accused. Search and seizure operation on the bank locker is being undertaken separately.

Evidences gathered during the search are expected to provide significant leads regarding the financial network, assets, and other persons connected with the alleged offence. ED is examining the role of all persons involved and the financial transactions linked to the Proceeds of Crime.

Further investigation is under progress.