



## **PRESS RELEASE**

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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Jalandhar Zonal office has filed a Prosecution Complaint against five accused including Ms. Rumi Kalita, Arpit Rathore, Anand Chaudhary, Atanu Chaudhary and his firm M/s Frozenman Warehousing & Logistics in connection with money laundering investigation related to Digital Arrest case of Shri S. P. Oswal under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 before the Hon'ble Special Court PMLA, Jalandhar on 19.02.2026.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of FIR registered by the Cyber Crime Police Station, Ludhiana under BNSS, 2023. Investigation conducted so far revealed that Proceeds of Crime generated from eight other cyber-crime were also credited in bank account of M/s Frozenman Warehousing and Logistics on 28.08.2024.

ED investigation revealed that during the Digital Arrest of Shri S P Oswal the fraudsters impersonating officers of the Central Bureau of Investigation extorted Rs. 7 Crore from him. Proceeds of Crime were initially credited in the bank accounts of M/s Rigglo Ventures Private Limited and M/s Frozenman Warehousing & Logistics. Bank accounts of M/s Frozenman Warehousing and Logistics was controlled by accused Rumi Kalita of Guwahati and Arpit Rathore of Kanpur. An APK application 'AMMFORWARD' was used by the accused for speedy routing of Proceeds of Crime. Arpit Rathore had provided various mule bank accounts to persons belonging to Cambodia, Vietnam etc. and he received commission in the form of virtual digital assets (cryptocurrency) in his Binance account.

The Proceeds of Crime were subsequently transferred to multiple mule bank accounts in a systematic manner, thereby facilitating the diversion and concealment of the proceeds of cyber-crime. A portion of the Proceeds of Crime was further layered through various shell entities and remitted outside India by adopting trade-based money laundering mechanisms. Balance Proceeds of Crime were transferred to various mule bank accounts in small amounts in the range of Rs.2 to 5 Lakh and cash was immediately withdrawn from these bank accounts. The cash were utilized for acquisition of virtual digital assets and these virtual digital assets have been credited in the accounts of foreign nationals after retaining commission. These mule accounts were opened by inducing economically vulnerable individuals with false promises of arranging loans or providing employment.

Earlier, a Provisional Attachment Order was also issued by ED, vide which attachment of Rs. 1.76 Crore was provisionally made. Searches were conducted on 31.01.2025, 22.12.2025 and 31.12.2025 and in the case and the accused Ms. Rumi Kalita was arrested on 23.12.2025 and accused Arpit Rathore was also arrested on 31.12.2025 and the both accused are presently under judicial custody.

Further investigation is under progress.