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ED Attaches 56 Residential Plots in BEO Katthiwada Embezzlement Case

Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Indore Sub-Zonal Office, has provisionally attached **56 residential plots located in District Dhar**, under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002. The attachment has been made in connection with an ongoing investigation into the fraudulent clearance of bills and misappropriation of government funds amounting to Rs. 20.47 Crore from the Block Education Office (BEO), Katthiwada, District Alirajpur, Madhya Pradesh.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of FIR registered at Police Station Katthiwada, District Alirajpur, concerning fraudulent treasury payments of Rs. 20.47 Crore made from the Block Education Office, Katthiwada during the period 2018–2023.

ED investigation revealed that Kamal Rathore, in connivance with other accused persons, embezzled government funds from the Treasury at Alirajpur. The diverted funds were routed through various bank accounts controlled and managed by him and his family members, withdrawn in cash, and subsequently utilized for the purchase of agricultural land in Gandhwani, District Dhar.

Further investigation revealed that the agricultural land acquired from the Proceeds of Crime was subsequently developed into residential plots under the project “**Shri Balaji Dham**”. This development was undertaken with the intention of concealing the illicit origin of the assets and projecting the tainted property as untainted. The provisionally attached 56 residential plots of Shri Balaji Dham are having a market value exceeding Rs. 6 Crore.

Earlier, searches conducted under the provisions of the PMLA, 2002 resulted in the seizure of incriminating documents and the freezing of bank accounts. During the course of investigation, accused Kamal Rathore was arrested for his involvement in the offence of money laundering. Thereafter, Assets valued at Rs. 4.43 Crore belonging to the accused persons were provisionally attached and the attachment was subsequently confirmed on 10.03.2026. Further, a Prosecution Complaint was filed before the Special Court (PMLA), Indore on 29.09.2025 against Kamal Rathore and other accused persons.

Further investigation is under progress.