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Nagaland PWD Case of Dimapur Sub Zone

Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Dimapur Sub Zonal Office, has filed a Prosecution Complaint (PC) before the Hon'ble Special Court (PMLA), Dimapur in the case of Avituo Sekhose, M/s Hexad Syndicate, Thepfusatuo Rio, Mhalelie Rio and Vibeilietuo Kets, on 29.12.2025 under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002. The Hon'ble Court has taken cognizance of the PC on 12.01.2026.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of an FIR registered by CBI, ACB, Imphal vide Crime No. RC 021 2019 A0002(RC-2A/2019-IMP), dated 17.06.2019, which was registered by the CBI on the directions of the Hon'ble High Court of Guwahati, Kohima Bench Guwahati in PIL (Suo Moto) No. 05/2017 for the alleged misappropriation of public money and the sub-standard construction work of New High Court Complex at Kohima, Nagaland. The FIR was filed for the violation of Section 120B and 420 of IPC and Sections 13(2) and 13(1)(d) r/w Section 7 of Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988, specifically alleging that the government servants of Nagaland PWD in criminal conspiracy with the government contractors have misappropriated the funds from the public exchequer while executing the work of the New High Court Complex at Kohima, Nagaland.

During investigation under PMLA it was found that Nagaland PWD officials have fraudulently inflated the costs of the work of construction of two retaining walls in the New High Court Complex and have paid excess amount to the tune of Rs. 80.25 Lakh (approx.) to government contractor Avituo Sekhose. Similarly, the cost of the work for construction of High Court Complex Road and footpath with chequered tiles was also inflated as part of the conspiracy between the government contractors and Nagaland PWD officials, resulting in the excess payment of Rs. 29.68 Lakh (approx.) to the firm M/s Hexad Syndicate and its partners Thepfusatuo Rio, Mhalelie Rio and Vibeilietuo Kets.

The Proceeds of Crime (POC) in the matter have been identified to be Rs. 1.09 Crore (approx.). During the course of investigation, ED had also issued Provisional Attachment Order amounting to Rs. 96.67 Lakh.

The investigation has revealed the involvement of several officials of the Nagaland PWD, leading to the huge loss to the public exchequer.