



Press Release
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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Raipur Zonal Office has filed a Supplementary Prosecution Complaint on 09.10.2026 before the Hon'ble Special Court (PMLA), Raipur against Ramgopal Agrawal, the then Treasurer of the Chhattisgarh Pradesh Congress Committee, under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 in the Chhattisgarh liquor scam case. ED has also issued Provisional Attachment Order on 08.10.2026 attaching two immovable properties at Raipur valued at Rs 9.06 crore. He was arrested by ED on 11.08.2026 in this case and is presently in judicial custody.

ED investigation was initiated on the basis of FIR registered by the EOW/ACB, Raipur under various Sections of the Indian Penal Code and the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 against Anil Tuteja, Anwar Dhebar, Arun Pati Tripathi, Kawasi Lakhma and others. Investigation revealed that a liquor syndicate controlled the Excise Department and the Chhattisgarh State Marketing Corporation Ltd (CSMCL) during 2019 to 2023 and generated Proceeds of Crime of more than Rs 2,883 crore through illegal commission on the supply of country liquor (Part A), sale of unaccounted liquor through government shops with duplicate holograms (Part B), annual commission from distillers (Part C) and the FL-10A licence mechanism for foreign liquor.

ED investigation has revealed that a substantial part of the cash generated by the syndicate was handled by Laxmi Narayan Bansal @ Pappu Bansal and delivered at Rajiv Bhawan, the office of the Chhattisgarh Pradesh Congress Committee at Shankar Nagar, Raipur, on the directions of Ramgopal Agrawal. The cash was carried by persons associated with the syndicate and handed over at Rajiv Bhawan to Devendra Dadsena, the accountant working under Ramgopal Agrawal. Investigation has revealed that cash of about Rs 860 to 880 crore connected with the liquor scam was delivered through this channel, of which about Rs 72 crore remained under the control of Ramgopal Agrawal and was retained, used or distributed on his directions. Contemporaneous digital records of the syndicate, call detail records and statements recorded under Section 50 of PMLA corroborate the delivery mechanism and his role. His two flats in Anupam Nagar and Katora Talab in Raipur, valued at Rs 9.06 crore, have been provisionally attached as property of equivalent value.

Earlier, in this case, ED had filed a Prosecution Complaint and six Supplementary Prosecution Complaints before the Special Court (PMLA), Raipur, arrested nine persons including former Excise Minister Kawasi Lakhma, Anil Tuteja, Anwar Dhebar, Arun Pati Tripathi and Chaitanya Baghel, and attached, seized or frozen assets worth more than Rs 601.28 crore. With the present attachment, the total stands at about Rs 610.34 Crore. Investigation into the identification of the other beneficiaries of the Proceeds of Crime is continuing.

Further investigation is under progress.

