



**Press Release**  
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## **ED files three Prosecution Complaints in Tripura in relation to smuggling of contraband narcotic substances**

In a major blow to the smuggling and trafficking of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances in the State of Tripura, the Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Agartala Sub Zonal Office has filed three Prosecution Complaints (PCs) under Sections 44 and 45 of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 before the Hon'ble Special Court (PMLA), West Tripura, Agartala, against a total of fourteen accused persons. All three complaints arise from scheduled offences under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985 (NDPS Act) committed in the State of Tripura and pertain to the laundering of Proceeds of Crime generated from systematic drug trafficking activities.

### **1. Litan Saha and Another**

ED initiated this investigation on the basis of FIR registered by Tripura Police (Jirania P.S.) against Litan Saha and others for commission of offences under Sections 21(c)/29 of the NDPS Act, 1985. A Chargesheet No. 17/2024 dated 31.05.2024 was filed by Tripura Police before the Special Court, Sonamura, Tripura.

Investigation under PMLA revealed that Litan Saha was actively involved in the illegal trafficking of codeine-based cough syrups (Eskuf), including 9,590 bottles seized by Tripura Police, which were being transported through his logistics firm M/s Swastik Roadways. During the investigation under PMLA, 2002, it was revealed that the accused Litan Saha had routed his Proceeds of Crime through his various bank account under the disguise of transport business.

### **2. Debabrata Dey and Others**

ED initiated this investigation on the basis of two FIRs registered by Tripura Police: FIR No. 2018PNS022 dated 20.05.2018 (Panisagar P.S.) for the seizure of 1,352 kg of dry Ganja/Cannabis, and FIR No. 2021MGK015 dated 30.05.2021 (Mungiakami P.S.) for the seizure of 14,400 bottles of Phensedyl Cough Linctus. Charge-sheets were filed before the Special Courts at Dharmanagar and Khowai, Tripura, respectively.

Investigation under PMLA revealed that Debabrata Dey and Apu Ranjan Das are habitual drug trafficker who led an organized, inter-state drug smuggling network transporting Ganja and other psychotropic substances from Tripura to Bihar and other states. His associate Dhruva Majumder, a serving police officer, was a partner in the drug trafficking conspiracy and invested illicit proceeds in immovable properties registered in the name of his wife. ED has attached multiple properties of the accused persons which were amassed through criminal activities.

### **3. Bishu Kumar Tripura and Others**

ED initiated this investigation on the basis of multiple FIRs registered by Tripura Police: FIR No. 2020MLG028 dated 19.06.2020 (Melaghar P.S.) for the seizure of 243 kg of dry Ganja; FIR No. 2021BLG059 dated 24.07.2021 (Bishalgarh P.S.) for the seizure of 3,390 kg of dry Ganja; and FIR No. 2025MLG002 dated 10.01.2025 (Melaghar P.S.) for 66 kg of Ganja recovered from the residential premises of Bishu Kumar Tripura during a search operation by ED. Charge-sheets were filed before the Special Court (NDPS), Bishalgarh, Sepahijala, Tripura.

Investigation under PMLA revealed that Bishu Kumar Tripura is the prime accused and principal organizer of a large-scale inter-state Ganja trafficking network operating since 2015 in partnership with Kamini Debbarma. Both accused admitted their involvement in drug trafficking and their partnership in this illegal enterprise. The duo generated and laundered Proceeds of Crime through multiple bank accounts of themselves and their family members, mule accounts, hawala/hundi channels, investment in a bricks industry, and acquisition of immovable properties. Bikash Debbarma admitted his involvement in the trafficking network and knowingly allowed his bank accounts to be used for routing illicit funds as a mule account holder.

In total, across all three cases, the Agartala Sub Zonal Office of ED has frozen/seized/provisionally attached movable and immovable properties aggregating approximately Rs.6.85 Crore from the accused persons as Proceeds of Crime.

Further investigation in all three cases is under progress.