



**Press Release**  
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**ED, Indore Sub-Zonal Office arrests three accused in Rs.70 Crore Mephedrone (MD)**  
**Drug Trafficking and Money Laundering Case**

Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Indore Sub Zonal Office, has arrested Ved Prakash Vyas, Dinesh Agarwal and Akshay Agarwal on 21.07.2026 in connection with an investigation relating to the alleged trafficking of 70 kilograms of MDMA (Mephedrone) drugs, valued at approximately Rs. 70 Crore.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of an FIR registered by the Crime Branch, Indore, against Ved Prakash Vyas, Dinesh Agarwal, Akshay Agarwal & others for offences punishable under Sections 8 and 22 of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985. The scheduled offence pertains to the illicit possession and trafficking of commercial quantities of Mephedrone (MD) valued at approximately Rs. 70 Crore.

Investigation under the PMLA has revealed that the accused persons generated substantial Proceeds of Crime through illicit narcotics trafficking and routed the cash through multiple personal and business bank accounts. Financial investigation uncovered significant cash transactions indicative of systematic placement, layering and concealment of proceeds of crime. Statements recorded during the course of investigation have also revealed the involvement of the accused persons in the supply and trafficking of narcotic drugs in addition to their regular business activities.

During the course of investigation, ED, Indore Office had conducted search operations on 17.07.2026 at multiple premises across Indore and Mandsaur, Madhya Pradesh. Extensive intelligence- gathering and sustained surveillance led to the apprehension of the accused. The searches resulted in the recovery and seizure of incriminating documents, digital devices and evidence relating to the assets, financial transactions and business affairs of the accused persons.

Further investigation is under progress.

## **Message to Society - Towards a *Nasha Muk*t Bharat**

- A drug-free India cannot be achieved by seizures alone—it requires dismantling the financial networks that sustain the illegal narcotics trade.
- Every rupee earned from narcotics strengthens organized crime, while every rupee attached and confiscated weakens criminal syndicates.
- Through action under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, the Directorate of Enforcement is committed to identifying, tracing and confiscating the proceeds of crime generated from drug trafficking.
- Protecting our youth from the menace of drugs requires collective action by law enforcement agencies and active public participation.
- Together, let us strengthen the national resolve towards a *Nasha Muk*t Bharat, where crime does not pay and our youth can thrive in a safe, healthy and drug-free society.