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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Bhopal Zonal Office has provisionally attached immovable properties valued at Rs. 5 Crore (approx.) under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 in the case of Late Arvind Joshi, IAS (MP), the then Principal Secretary to MP Govt., and others.

ED initiated investigation based on FIR, registered by the Special Police Establishment, Lokayukta, Bhopal, for offences under Sections 13(1)(e) and 13(2) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (as amended), for accumulating assets disproportionate to their known sources of income to the tune of approx. Rs. **41.87 Crore (approx.)** during the from period July 1979 to 10.12.2010.

Investigation conducted under PMLA, 2002 uncovered structured placement and layering of illegal income by investment in several movable and immovable assets in the names of their family members and also accumulation of Benami properties in the name of S P Kohli and his family members. They had also opened shell company and acquired properties in its name by making S P Kohli as its “Manager” and issuing “Power of Attorney” in his name.

Three Provisional Attachment Orders have already been issued in this case with the combined worth of attached properties being Rs. 8.5 Crore (approx).

The properties being attached now include residential plots, agricultural lands, and a functional Resort located in the Bhopal district, being Proceeds of Crime in the names of Late Arvind Joshi, his family members as well as his associate S P Kohli.