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Directorate of Enforcement (ED) has provisionally attached assets worth Rs. 76.54 Crore including residential properties worth Rs. 35 Crore in Jor Bagh, New Delhi owned by Sameer Mahandru & Smt Geetika Mahendru, residential premise of Rs. 7.68 Crore in Magnolias, Gurugram owned by Amit Arora, residential premise of Rs. 1.77 Crore in Crescent Bay, Parel, Mumbai, owned by Vijay Nair; assets of Rs. 3.18 Crore of "Chica", "La Roca", "Unplugged Courtyard" all restaurants owned by Dinesh Arora; land parcel worth Rs. 2.25 Crore in Vattinagulapalle, Hyderabad, owned by Arun Pillai; 50 vehicles worth Rs. 10.23 Crore owned by Indospirit Group and bank balance/fixed Deposits/financial instruments worth Rs. 14.39 Crore in the case of Delhi Liquor Scam.

Investigation by ED revealed that acts of corruption and conspiracy in the formulation and implementation of Delhi Excise Policy 2021-22 led to the loss of at least Rs. 2873 Crore to the Govt exchequer. Proceeds of Crime generated by the activities relating to the scheduled offence u/s 7 of PC Act, 2018 and 120 B of IPC, to the tune of Rs. 76.54 Crore has been traced so far and have been attached.

Till date, the ED has conducted searches on multiple locations across the country including Delhi, Hyderabad, Chennai, Mumbai and other places. After analysis of seized records followed by the disclosures of various persons, the above diversion of POC has been unearthed. Six accused namely, Vijay Nair, Sameer Mahandru, Amit Arora, Sarath Reddy, Benoy Babu and Abhishek Boinpally have been arrested. All are currently in judicial custody. Two Prosecution Complaints have been filed and cognizance of the offence has also been taken by the Hon'ble Special Court, PMLA.

Further investigation is in process.