



Press Release

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Directorate of Enforcement (ED) has conducted searches on 27.06.2023 at 14 premises in Jaipur, Nagaur, Mathura, Kanpur, Allahabad and Lucknow in a case of fraud with foreign nationals in the guise of cheaper/concessional loans by mastermind Shahnawaz Ahmed Jeelani pseudonym David Morrison and Mahmud Khan and others.

As a result of searches conducted, ED seized a total cash of Rs 90.37 Lakhs from three different premises and also seized incriminating materials from live call centers at Mathura which contain the details of thousands of foreign nationals cheated by them over the years. ED has traced the money trail of approx. Rs 54 Crore proceeds of crime in-wired to India in more than 50 entities controlled by Shahnawaz Ahmed Jeelani, Mahmud Khan and others.

Presently, they were running two call centers in Mathura in night and cheating foreign nationals of the USA, Canada, Philippines, etc. Some of the people working in these call centers are found to be the same people who were working in Jaipur Call Centers while search and arrest done by the Rajasthan Police in FIRs by Cyber Police Station, ATS & SOG, Jaipur, Rajasthan based on which an ECIR was recorded and investigation was initiated by the ED. This syndicate opened virtual entities in the USA on the name of dummy persons of India by impersonating them.

Shahnawaz Ahamed Jeelani and his two close associates viz. Vipin Kumar Sharma and Viraj Singh Kuntal who were running the call centers at Mathura have been arrested by the ED. The Hon'ble Special Court granted custody of Shahnawaz Ahamed Jeelani and his two associates to ED till 5.07.2023.

Further investigation is in progress.