



Press Release
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Directorate of Enforcement (ED) has filed Prosecution Complaint on 29.09.2022 against Soumyendra Nath Banerjee, the then “Deputy Director General, New Technology, Department of Telecommunications (DoT), Kolkata” and others before the Learned Special Court at Calcutta under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002 in a Disproportionate Asset Case. The Hon’ble Special Court has taken cognizance of the offence of money laundering in the Prosecution Complaint filed by ED and also issued process thereupon.

ED initiated money laundering investigation on the basis of FIR registered by CBI, ACB, Kolkata for offences punishable under Section 109 of IPC and Section 13(2) read with Section 13(1)(e) of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988. As per the Charge-sheet filed by CBI, ACB, Kolkata, Shri Soumyendra Nath Banerjee had allegedly amassed huge assets beyond his known source of income and was in a possession of disproportionate assets worth Rs. 7.58 Crore in excess to his known sources of income.

Investigation by ED revealed that Soumyendra Nath Banerjee during the period from 01.04.2005 to 01.06.2013, while being posted and functioning in different capacities and different posts under Ministry of Telecommunication, Government of India has acquired huge amounts in cash through corrupt practices and by abusing his official capacity and afterwards the said cash amounts have been brought in the accounts of the companies floated by him by showing them as share allotment money. Further the said ill-gotten money have been used in purchasing shares/properties in his own name or in the name of his HUF/family members/his companies. The part amount of the said ill-gotten money has also been used for investment in another company (effectively controlled by him or his family members). The properties worth Rs. 6.32 Crore were provisionally attached by the ED during the course of its investigation (which were subsequently confirmed by the Ld. Adjudication Authority, PMLA).

Further investigation in the said case is in progress.
