



**PRESS RELEASE**

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Directorate of Enforcement (ED) has filed a Prosecution Complaint under Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 (PMLA) on 31.03.2023 against Anam Naik, erstwhile-MLA and others before the Special Court (PMLA), Bhubaneswar under PMLA, with prayer for conviction of these accused persons alongwith confiscation of properties worth Rs. 1.52 Crore. The Hon'ble Court, Bhubaneswar has taken cognizance on 13/4/2023.

ED initiated investigation under the provisions of PMLA on the basis of FIR registered at Vigilance P.S. Koraput, Odisha, under various sections of the Prevention of Corruption Act, 1988 (as amended) against Anam Naik for possession of disproportionate assets worth Rs. 1.54 Crore.

Investigation by ED revealed that Anam Naik has invested his ill-gotten income, which being over and above his known source of income, in acquiring various immovable properties and in making bank investments in his name and in the name of his family members, who were found to have actively assisted Anam Naik in such layering and concealing of proceeds of crime.

ED had already provisionally attached assets worth Rs. 1.52 Crore, which has been also confirmed by the Ld. Adjudicating Authority (PMLA) on 22/08/2022.

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