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Directorate of Enforcement (ED) has provisionally attached movable property in the form of fixed deposit of M/s Som Phytopharma (India) Ltd to the extent of Rs. 6.30 Lakh on 16/02/2024 under the provisions of Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002.

ED initiated investigation against M/s. Som Phytopharma (India) Ltd based on complaint filed by Telangana State Pollution Control Board (TSPCB) before the concerned Court. As per the complaint, M/s SOM Phytopharma (India) Ltd violated the mandatory guidelines of TSPCB laid down for disposal of liquid effluents generated during production of Bio-fertilizers/Bio-pesticides and thereby committed offence under various sections of the Water (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Act, 1974 and Air (Prevention and Control of Pollution) Amendment Act, 1987.

ED investigation revealed that M/s Som Phytopharma India Ltd was supposed to establish pre-treatment plant for treating the effluents before sending it to Common Effluent Treatment Plant. However, the company failed to do so and was carrying on its business without the requisite pretreatment facilities, thereby causing harm to the environment and resulting in severe water and air pollution. Investigation revealed that by committing the said scheduled offence, the company generated proceeds of crime amounting to Rs. 6.30 Lakh which has been provisionally attached during investigation.

Further investigation is under progress.
