



## **Press Release**

**05.07.2024**

Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Jalandhar Zonal Office has arrested Sakatar Singh @ Laddi, a person involved in drug trafficking, on 4/7/2024 under the provisions of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA), 2002. He was produced before the Hon'ble Special Court (PMLA), Jalandhar on 05/07/2024. The Hon'ble Court has granted three days ED custody.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of 03 FIRs registered by Punjab Police. Thereafter, a search action under the provisions of Section 17 PMLA, 2002 was conducted at 10 premises located in villages Sheron and Nausheran Pannuan in Tehsil Nausheran Pannuan and village Bugha in Tehsil Tarn Taran on 03.02.2023. In addition to incriminating documents, narcotics and arms were recovered during the searches. NCB authorities registered a separate crime case under NDPS Act,

ED investigation revealed that Sakatar Singh & his extended family members are deeply involved in illicit drug trade since many years in Tarn Taran District of Punjab. It was found during investigation that Sakatar Singh has amassed huge number of immovable properties in his name and in the name of family members through Proceeds of Crime generated from illegal drug trade.

Further investigation is under progress.