



Press Release

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Directorate of Enforcement (ED), Kolkata Zonal Office has filed 3rd Supplementary Prosecution Complaint on 26.07.2024 before the Hon'ble Special Court (PMLA), Kolkata against 18 Newly added accused, comprising 15 persons, 2 companies and one proprietorship firm, in respect to an investigation being conducted relating to the Online Mobile Gaming Application, namely E-nuggets. These persons/firm/ companies were actively involved in money laundering activities. The Hon'ble Court has taken cognizance of the PC on 26.07.2024.

ED initiated investigation on the basis of FIR registered by Park Street Police Station, Kolkata Police under various section of IPC, 1860 against Aamir Khan & others, based on complaint filed by Federal Bank, in the court of Learned Chief Metropolitan Magistrate, Calcutta.

ED investigation revealed that Aamir Khan, S/o Nesar Ahmed Khan, and his other associates were involved in collection of money from the public through an online gaming App namely E-Nuggets, in the guise of higher returns/ earning of commissions on their investment made through this App. This App was designed for the purpose of defrauding the public. Further, after collecting handsome amount from the public running into crores of rupees, all of the sudden, the withdrawal from the said App, was stopped, on the pretext of one and other excuses, including investigation being conducted by various Law Enforcement Agencies. Finally, all data including profile information of the users was wiped off from the said App servers, resulting in losing the money deposited by its users.

ED investigation also revealed that the accused persons were involved in opening of hundreds of mule accounts, several proprietorship firms and companies which were used as a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) for accumulation of funds from public and further layering, laundering and diversion of the same, which were several proprietorship firms and companies which were used as a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) for accumulation of funds from public ultimately utilized for acquisition of properties in their name. Investigation conducted also revealed that the proceeds of crime generated by way of collection of funds from the public through E-Nuggets mobile gaming App, were also used to acquire movable/ immovable properties including Crypto currencies.

During investigation, movable/ immovable properties valued at Rs. 163 Crore were attached/ seized/ frozen, including cash amount of Rs. 19 Crore, account balances of Rs. 52 Crore, crypto currencies worth Rs. 90 Crore, and immovable property in the form of an office space worth Rs. 2.11 Crore.

During investigation, Prosecution Complaint and three Supplementary Prosecution Complaints, have been filed against twenty (20) accused including Aamir Khan and Romen Agarwal, who were arrested under the provisions of PMLA. Further, charges have been framed against the accused Aamir Khan and Romen Agarwal.