



Press Release

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The Hon'ble Special Judge (PMLA), SAS Nagar vide judgement dated 30.07.2024 has passed conviction order against all the available 17 accused persons (having total 23 accused persons out of whom 04 accused persons had died and 02 had been declared Proclaimed Offenders during trial). Total 7 Prosecution Complaints (01 Main Prosecution Complaint and 06 Supplementary Prosecution Complaints) were filed in the case after conclusion of the PMLA investigation.

ED initiated investigation in the year 2013 on the basis of multiple FIRs registered at different Police Stations in Punjab under the provisions of NDPS Act, 1985, IPC, 1860 and Arms Act, 1959 against Jagdish Singh @ Bhola and others.

The accused person namely Jagdish Singh @ Bhola, who was the main kingpin of the drug cartel and a former-wrestler/ DSP in Punjab Police has been awarded 10 years imprisonment sentence alongwith other accused persons namely Avtar Singh @ Tari, Sukhraj Singh @ Raja, Manpreet Singh @ Money Gill, Sukhjot Singh @ Sukha, Maninder Singh @ Bittu Aulakh, Devinder Singh @ Happy. Also, accused Gurpreet Kaur wife of Jagdish Singh @ Bhola, Dalip Singh Maan father-in-law of Jagdish Singh @ Bhola, Amarjit Kaur, Gurmeet Kaur, Jagminder Kaur, Sundeep Kaur have been awarded sentence for imprisonment for 03 years. Also, accused persons namely Gurdip Singh Manchanda, Sunil Bajaj, Ankur Bajaj and Subhash Bajaj, who assisted the drug smugglers in hawala activities have been awarded sentence for imprisonment for 05 years.

Further, the Hon'ble Court has further ordered for confiscation of assets to the tune of Rs 12.37 Crore related to above mentioned accused persons which were attached by the ED in years 2014, 2015 and 2018. In the case, ED had provisionally attached assets having worth to the tune of Rs.95 Crore.