



Press Release
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Directorate of Enforcement has arrested Raj Singh Gehlot, Chairman of Ambience Group companies under the Prevention of Money Laundering Act, 2002 (PMLA) on 28.07.2021 and he was produced before the Hon'ble Court on 29.07.2021. Hon'ble Court has granted custody of seven days to ED.

Enforcement Directorate initiated investigation on the basis of the FIR filed by Anti-Corruption Bureau, Jammu and Kashmir Police under Section 5(1) (d) read with Section 5(2) of J & K Prevention of Corruption Act Samvat., 2006 and section 120- B of Ranbir Penal Code, 1989 against officers of J&K Bank and others in respect of loan sanctioned to M/s Aman Hospitality Pvt Ltd (AHPL). M/s AHPL had taken a loan amount of Rs. 810 Crore from a consortium of banks led by J&K Bank. The loan was sanctioned for the purpose of construction and development of a 5 star hotel at CBD, Shahdara, New Delhi. The loan amount along with interest totaling to the tune of Rs. 902 Crore has been declared as NPA.

Investigation conducted so far has revealed that Raj Singh Gehlot entered into a criminal conspiracy to fraudulently siphon off the loan amount by diverting the funds for other purposes such as to settle the loan of other group companies and making Fixed Deposits as well as diversion of materials to other projects of the Ambience Group. An amount of Rs. 469 Crore was found to be diverted to entities and individuals, controlled by Raj Singh Gehlot and for which he is the authorized signatory. During the course of investigation, Raj Singh Gehlot had mislead the ED and continuously tried to show that he did not make any diversion of the sanctioned loans, whereas the documentary evidences collected during the search revealed that the submissions made by Raj Singh Gehlot were false and misleading.

Further investigation is in progress.
