

## **ECONOMIC OFFENCES WING**

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- WANTED ACCUSED ARRESTED FOR DUPING 02 COMPLAINANTS FOR MORE THAN RS. 08 CRORES (APPROX.)
- ACCUSED THROUGH HIS COMPANY RECEIVED MONEY ON THE PRETEXT OF PROVIDING GOVT. TENDER OF MANIPUR AND NAGALAND

BRIEF FACTS OF THE CASE: - Accused Prem Ratan Sharma at his rented office in posh areas in Delhi through one mediator Joji Reddy introduced himself as IAS officer in the states government in North-East Region and taking care of every projects of North Eastern States. He induced that he would provide the order of Rs. 58.49 crores of LED bulb supply from Govt of Nagaland and Rs. 27.40 crores of LED bulb supply from Govt. of Manipur to the two complainants. It was further alleged that in the name of security of the above two orders, alleged took Rs. 6.50 Crores and Rs. 4.80 Cr. from both the complainants. Further, fake work order/Tender documents of Nagaland government of Rs. 58.49 crores and Manipur Government of Rs. 27.40 crores handed over to the both the complainants by the accused. Later on, the accused stopped responding the complainants fled to and from the rented accommodation. Hence the present case was registered.

**INVESTIGATION:-** Verification was conducted from concerned department of Manipur and Nagaland where it was found that both the work/tender orders were forged and fabricated. Further verification of all the available addresses of the accused Prem Ratan Sharma were found as rented accommodation who fled from the rented addresses. Hence, LOC of the accused was opened and NBW of the accused was obtained. Subsequently, proceedings U/s 82 Cr.PC were also initiated. During the course of investigation, information was received that the accused Prem Rattan Sharma had been detained at Kolkata airport by officials of Immigration department on the LOC. Thereafter, he was arrested in the present case.

**MODUS OPERANDI:-** Accused introduced himself as an IAS officer in the government of North-Eastern states region, taking care of every project of North East States. He had forged letter heads/documents of

government authority i.e. Government Manipur and Nagaland with respect to the tender allotment of material and used it to win complainants' trust to cheat them.

**TEAM AND ARREST:-** The team of Inspector N.K. Singh arrested the accused Prem Ratan Sharma on the information of LOC detention from Immigration department of Kolkata, W.B. Further investigation is in progress in this case. The Hon'ble Court has granted 02 days Police Custody Remand of the accused person.

**PROFILE OF ARRESTED ACCUSED:-** Accused Prem Ratan Sharma S/o Late Sh. Hari Narain Sharma R/o VPO Didwana, Distt. Nagaur, Rajasthan studied 12<sup>th</sup> class from Rajasthan. Thereafter, he started working in the company situated in Assam and he also liaised for different government departments of North-East region with the help of Saman Sarma. He formed a proprietorship firm in the name and Style "Rudraksh Movies" and collected the cheated money to the tune of Rs. 48 lacs in its bank account and remaining cheated money in cash.

**MESSAGE FOR PUBLIC AWARENESS:-** Be a smart citizen and verify all the details of every such person. Always approach direct to the concerned department or its authorised persons to verify the genuineness of government schemes and not to get trapped in the clutches of such cheats. Think twice before making any payments to any person.

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