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Q. The challenge before the Enforcement Directorate -ate lies in showing Burdence and Professionalism in the exercise of its power. Discuss.

b) The Government recently listed 16 Entities including competition commission of India will have to mandatorily share information with Enforcement Directorate (ED)

under section 6b of the Prevention of Money Laundering Act (PMLA)

b) ED Functioning.

ED role comes into the picture only after registration of an offence.

Investigating officer with local police or → CBI find a case of theft (Disproportionate Asset) over 25 crore

Then register an ED Information Report ← Forward Details to Enforcement Directorate & probes money laundering aspect under PMLA.

b) Challenges

b) matters such as Mergers & Acquisition is often market sensitive and the regulator routinely deploys confidence building measures to ring fence such information.

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↳ But the regulator established under a civil statute has been asked to share such information with an agency probing criminality.

↳ The Government informed Parliament during Budget session that raids carried out by the ED have jumped nearly 27 times to 3000 in 2022.

↳ the most worrisome aspect of the ED's expanding powers is the stringent procedure under PMLA where even to be granted bail.

↳ The accused must prove his innocence even though he might well be unaware of the allegations against himself is not obligatory for agency to supply him with ECIR.

↳ Way Forward.

↳ Anxieties over sensitive information being leaked or misused should be addressed.

The key lies in the responsibility with which the ED uses the information at its command.