Section 3, PMLA

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Cross References to Subordinate Legislation	Nil
Amendments	Two in total 1 st Amendment - in 2013 wef 15.02.2013 2 nd Amendment - in 2019 wef 1.04.2019
Abbreviations	PMLA- Prevention of Money Laundering Act Wef- With effect from AA- Amendment Act SubLeg- Subordinate Legislation

Changes via	2005	PML (Amendment) Act,	Finance (No. 2) Act, 2019	Final Enactment: As on 2022
Amendments	Original Text	2012	(w.e.f. 1-8-2019)	
	(w.e.f. 01.07.2005)	(w.e.f. 15.02.2013)		
Details/ Tags	- Name: Prevention of	- Name: Prevention of Money	- Name: the Finance (No. 2) Act,	
	Money-Laundering Act,	Laundering (Amendment) Act,	2019.	
	2002	2012	- No: Act No. 23 of 2019	
– Ei	- No: Act No. 15 of 2003	- No: Act No. 2 of 2013	 Enacted By: The Parliament 	
	Enacted By: The	- Enacted By: The Parliament	- Date of Publication: 1st August	
	Parliament	- Date of Publication: 3rd January	2019 (1.08.2019)	
	- Date of Publication: 17 th	2013 (3.01.2013)	- Commencements Date: 1st	
	January 2003 (17.01.2003)	- Commencements Date: 15 th	August 2019 (1.08.2019)	
July 2005, (1.0 - Chapter No: - Chapter Nam Money Laund - Section No: 3	- Commencements Date: 1st	February 2013 (15.02.2013)	- Part No: XIII (13th Part)	
	July 2005, (1.07.2005)	- Chapter No: -no chapters	 Part Name: Amendments to the 	
	- Chapter No: II	– Chapter Name: ~	Prevention of Money Laundering	
	 Chapter Name: Offence of 	- Section: Section 3	Act, 2002	
	Money Laundering	- Section Title: <i>no title</i>	- Section No.: 193	
	- Section No: 3	- Marginal Note: Amendment of	 Section Name: no name 	
	 Section Title: Offence of 	Section 3	- Marginal Notes: Amendment of	
	Money Laundering		Section 3	
	- Marginal Note: no			
	marginal note			

Main Provision Whosoever directly or indirectly attempts to indulge or knowingly assists or knowingly is a party or is actually involved in any process or activity connected with the proceeds of crime and projecting it as untainted property shall be guilty of offence of money laundering.

Whosoever directly or indirectly attempts to indulge or knowingly assists or knowingly is a party or is actually involved in any process or activity connected with the proceeds of crime *including its concealment, possession, acquisition or use* and projecting *or claiming* it as untainted property shall be guilty of offence of money-laundering.

The underlined portion was inserted by way of this Amendment.

Whosoever directly or indirectly attempts to indulge or knowingly assists or knowingly is a party or is actually involved in any process or activity connected with the proceeds of crime including its concealment, possession, acquisition or use and projecting or claiming it as untainted property shall be guilty of offence of money-laundering.

Explanation - For the removal of doubts, it is hereby clarified that,(i) a person shall be guilty of offence of moneylaundering if such person is found to have directly or indirectly attempted to indulge or knowingly assisted or knowingly is a party or is actually involved in one or more of the following processes or activities connected with proceeds of crime, namely:-

(a) concealment; or
(b) possession; or
(c) acquisition; or
(d) use; or
(e) projecting as untainted
property; or
(f) claiming as untainted
property,
in any manner whatsoever;

Whosoever directly or indirectly attempts to indulge or knowingly assists or knowingly is a party or is actually involved in any process or activity connected with the proceeds of crime including its concealment, possession, acquisition or use and projecting or claiming it as untainted property shall be guilty of offence of money laundering.

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 - (a) concealment; or
 - (b) possession; or
 - (c) acquisition; or
 - (d) use; or

			(ii) the process or activity connected with proceeds of crime is a continuing activity and continues till such time a person is directly or indirectly enjoying the proceeds of crime by its concealment or possession or acquisition or use or projecting it as untainted property or claiming it as untainted property in any manner whatsoever. The underlined portion was inserted by way of this Amendment.	(e) projecting as untainted property; or (f) claiming as untainted property, in any manner whatsoever; (ii) the process or activity connected with proceeds of crime is a continuing activity and continues till such time a person is directly or indirectly enjoying the proceeds of crime by its concealment or possession or acquisition or use or projecting it as untainted property or claiming it as untainted property in any manner whatsoever.
Cross Reference		No references		
Commencement:	Gazette of India,	Notification SO 343(E), dated 8th	No specific commencement	
Gazette Address	Extraordinary, Part II, sec.	February 2013	notification published.	
	3(i): Notification No. G.S.R.			
	436(E), dated 1st July, 2005			
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Miscellaneous	Section 1 (3) of PMLA	Section 1 (2) of PML (Amendment)	Section 1 of the Finance Act mentions	The Section thus stands
Note	provides It shall come into	Act provides that it shall come into	specific enforcement dates only for	amendment by 2 different
	force come into force on such date as the Central	force come into force on such date	certain sections. The other sections therefore come	amendments It contains no cross-references
	Government may, by	as the Central Government may, by Notification in the Official Gazette,	into force as on the DATE of the	to any Sub. Leg.
	Notification in the Official	appoint	publication	to any Sub. Leg.
	Gazette, appoint	appoint	publication	
	Sazette, appoint			