



Jharkhand CM Arrested in a Corruption Case

Why in News?

Hemant Soren, of the **Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM)** party, has been accused of corruption and **was arrested by the [Enforcement Directorate \(ED\)](#)** after seven hours of questioning.

Key Points

- JMM party has named transport minister **Champai Soren as the next chief minister of the eastern state.**
 - The case against him relates to a piece of land he allegedly owns in Ranchi city.
 - According to the ED, the property was **bought through "proceeds of crime" by illegally selling land owned by the Indian army.**
 - Hemant Soren **denies the charge** and claims the property was "wrongfully alleged to be owned" by him.
 - The JMM has called the investigation against him a **politically motivated "witch-hunt".**
- Several other chief ministers and opposition leaders are also facing [corruption](#) allegations.

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