

The Smugglers and Foreign Exchange Manipulators (Forfeiture of Property) Act, 1976

One-page Finin2min decision sheet

1. Fix facts, parties, asset/right and event date.
2. Identify exact section, definitions, provisos, schedules and current amendment.
3. Map the enabling Rule/Regulation, notification, form, fee, portal and authority.
4. Compute value, threshold, period, duty, fee, compensation, interest or penalty.
5. Obtain authority and preserve the official source, working paper and filing/service proof.
6. Record forum, limitation, cure, appeal, stay, settlement and enforcement.

High-risk checks

• Superseded forms or instruments • Wrong State/territorial layer • Invalid execution authority • Missing electronic metadata • Incorrect valuation/deadline • Private contract used to override mandatory law

Core instruments

- SAFEMA Rules and prescribed forms
- Competent Authority jurisdiction notifications
- Appellate Tribunal procedure
- COFEPOSA and NDPS forfeiture crosswalk
- Attachment, valuation and possession processes