

Interpol's Silver Notice

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The <u>Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI)</u> has emphasized that the new **Interpol 'Silver Notice'** is a **more effective** tool than <u>Mutual Legal Assistance Treaties (MLAT)</u> for tracing illicit assets across borders.

Silver Notice

- INTERPOL Silver Notice was launched in 2023 as part of a pilot phase, running until 2025, following consultations during the 2022 <u>United Nations (UN) General Assembly.</u>
 - The initiative involves 52 countries, including India.
- It is aimed at identifying and recovering criminal assets linked to illegal
 activities and trace laundered assets such as properties, vehicles, financial accounts, and
 businesses.
- It enables member countries to request information about assets connected to criminal activities like fraud, corruption, drug trafficking, and environmental crimes.

INTERPOL Notices:

- INTERPOL Notices are international alerts that enable police in member countries to share crime-related information.
- There are 8 types of Notices, in addition to the INTERPOL-<u>UN Security Council (UNSC)</u>
 Special Notice.

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- Notices can be requested by:
 - A member country's INTERPOL National Central Bureau (BHARATPOL in India).
 - <u>United Nations</u>, International Criminal Tribunals and the <u>International Criminal</u> <u>Court</u>.
- India has launched the <u>'BHARATPOL' portal</u> to enhance the efficiency of <u>Indian investigation</u> agencies.

INTERPOL:

- INTERPOL is a global police organization that facilitates international cooperation to control crime.
- It was founded in Vienna in 1923 and is headquartered in Lyon, France.
- India became a member of INTERPOL in 1949.

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