

The NAC is conducting searches in a case of embezzlement of public funds intended for the National Forest Expansion and Rehabilitation Program. Estimated damage - 4 million lei



Officers of the National Anti-corruption Centre (NAC), jointly with prosecutors and with the support of the Moldsilva Agency, are conducting criminal prosecution in a case of embezzlement of foreign assets, aimed at the fraudulent management of public funds allocated for the implementation of the "National Forest Expansion and Rehabilitation Program". The searches target decision-makers of the State Enterprise "Forestry Enterprise Iargara".

According to the case materials, in the period November 2024 - present, the director and the chief accountant, acting jointly and using the positions held, allegedly implemented a scheme of systematic embezzlement of financial means intended for afforestation works. The suspects allegedly organized fictitious employment for planting saplings and afforestation of land included in the program financed by the Ministry of Environment. The amounts were paid from the program budget, but the services were not provided in reality.

Field checks established the lack of afforestation works on an area of approximately 60 hectares, with the estimated damage amounting to approximately 4 million lei. Also, situations of using the company's assets for personal purposes were documented, with maintenance and repair expenses being borne by the company.

Following the searches carried out at the offices, homes and cars of the persons concerned, relevant evidence for the criminal case was seized. Investigations continue to establish all the circumstances and identify the persons involved.

We remind that any person is presumed innocent until a final and irrevocable court decision is rendered.