

HEADQUARTERS SOUTH BENGAL FRONTIER BSF KOLKATA

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**BSF APPREHENDED ONE BANGLADESHI NATIONAL AND SEIZED
FOREIGN CURRENCY (US DOLLAR, CANADIAN DOLLAR & THAILAND
BAHT) WORTH APPROX Rs.1,86,53,240/- IN INDIAN CURRENCY IN THE
AREA OF BOP PETRAPOLE EX-64 BN BSF UNDER SECTOR
HEADQUARTERS BSF KOLKATA**

1. Keeping in view the vulnerability of Border from smuggling point of view Shri P S R Anjaneyulu, IPS, Inspector General BSF South Bengal Frontier has issued operational guidelines to further strengthen Border domination so as to effectively check the menace of smuggling and other activities of Anti National Elements on South Bengal Border with Bangladesh. Accordingly, field Commanders ensure implementation of these instructions to maintain extra vigil on border to thwart the attempts of smugglers / Anti-National Elements. Tactical operations are being mounted to foil the attempts of the smugglers.

2. On 17th April' 2017, on receipt of information regarding smuggling of **Foreign Currency** in the area of Border Out Post Petrapole Ex 64 Bn BSF under Sector HQ Kolkata, a special patrolling was planned and carried out in the area of ICP Petrapole. At about 0920 hrs, the operation party observed suspicious movement of a miscreant near ICP Gate. Immediately, the operation party detained the miscreant. On search of miscreant, the party recovered the following foreign currencies from his possession which were concealed inside sweets packet:-

- a) US Dollar-1,40,000\$ (INR value Rs. 90,20,200/- approx)
- b) Canadian Dollar-1,60,000/ (INR value Rs. 77,56,800/- approx)
- c) Thai Baht-9,98,000/- (INR value Rs. 18,76,240/- approx)

Total value of the foreign currencies is Rs.1,86,53,240/- approximately. On further search of the miscreant, following items were recovered:-

- a) Passport bearing no-BN0302349 Valid up to 19.03.2020
- b) BD Taka-16,800/- (INR value Rs.13,272/- approx)
- c) INR-1400/-
- d) 01 Mobile

After preliminary questioning, the apprehended miscreant revealed his identity as Md Rasel Hossain, S/O-Emam Hossain Sarker, Vill-Shantipur, PS/Distt-

Munshiganj Bangladesh. He also accepted that he received this consignment from New Market area Kolkata. The apprehended Bangladeshi national and seized Foreign Currency have been handed over to Police Station Bangaon for further legal action.

3. During the year 2017, South Bengal Frontier has seized Foreign Currencies of different countries valued at approx. Rs.1,95,83,160/- in Indian Currency (including this seizure) and apprehended 14smugglers.

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