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**BSF APPREHENDED A BANGLADESHI NATIONAL ALONG WITH
2.780 KGs SILVER ORNAMENTS IN THE AREA OF INTEGRATED
CHECK POST PETRAPOLE EX 64 BN BSF UNDER SECTOR
KOLKATA DISTRICT 24 PGS NORTH,
SIEZURE OF 103 KGs OF GANJA IN THE AREA OF 76/99 BNS BSF
IN TWO DIFFERENT INCIDENTS
AND
SEIZURE OF 7600 NOS PHENSEDYL IN THE AREA OF BOP
KANCHANTAR 24 BN BSF**

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.

FIRST INCIDENT

CLAIMED SEIZURE OF 2.780 KGs SILVER ORNAMENTS:- On 02nd July 2017, information was received regarding smuggling of Silver in the general area of ICP Petrapole. Accordingly a special operation was conducted by troops of 64 Bn BSF in the suspected areas around the vicinity of ICP gate Petrapole. At about 1150 hrs, the party observed a movement of suspicious person, party tracked his movements and on suspicion apprehended him. On thorough search following items were recovered from his possession:-

- a) Silver ornaments weighing appx-2.780 kg value appx Rs-1,10,058/-
- b) BD Taka-28,500/- (Indian value Rs.22,800/-)
- c) Mobile model-HTC (appx Rs- 5,000)
- d) Bangladesh Passport

After apprehension individual revealed that he is working in a jewellery shop in Dhaka. He visited Kolkata on multi entry visa in connection with purchasing of silver ornaments for selling to jewellery shop in Dhaka. He purchased ornaments from Bara Bazar. Apprehended person along with seized items has been handed over to Customs office Petrapole for further legal action.

SECOND INCIDENT-

SEIZURE of 79 KGs GANJA BY BSF TROOPS OF SECTOR KOLKATA:-

On 2nd July 2017 at about 1315 hrs, information was received regarding smuggling of Ganja in the area of Purandarpur nursery on Purandarpur-Panchpotta road under BOP Kalanchi ex-76 Bn BSF. Accordingly a special operation was conducted by troops of BOP Kalanchi in the specific area and its surroundings. Based on the information, on thorough search, they found an unattended Maruti Omni Van. On search they found 21 bundles, which contain Ganja weighing approx 79 Kgs appx value Rs 5,53,000/- and the total seizure value is Rs.7,53,000/- including approx. cost of Omni van 2,00,000/-. The seized ganja has been handed over to PS- Gaighata.

THIRD INCIDENT-

SEIZURE of 24 KGs GANJA BY BSF TROOPS OF SECTOR KRISHNANAGAR:-

On 2nd July 2017, specific information was received regarding smuggling of Ganja in the general area of BOP Pushtighata ex-99 Bn BSF under sector Krishnanagar. Accordingly a special operation was conducted by troops of BOP Pushtighata in the area of village Pushtighata. At about 1515 hrs the party observed suspicious movement of a persons approaching towards International Boundary. Immediately, the party challenged them to stop but they did not stop and managed to flee away from the spot. On search of the area the party recovered approx. 24 Kg Ganja. The seized ganja has been handed over to PS- Bagdah.

FOURTH INCIDENT –

CLAIMED SEIZURE OF 7600 NOS OF PHENSEDYL IN THE AREA OF BOP

KANCHANTAR OF 24 BN BSF :- On 03.07.17 an information was received through reliable source that some suspected person is going to deliver Phensedyl by a Bolero Mahindra Pickup from Kaliachak region to Balurghat. Based on the information, a special operations was conducted in two suspected areas of BOP Kanchantar of 24 Bn BSF, SHQ Malda. At about 0700 hrs Spl ops party observed that a suspected White bolero pickup WB 61 A 3387 has crossed Jalalpur market speedily. The suspected white colour Bolero Pickup was seen coming from Kaliachak side. After verifying the vehicle it was stopped. They were asked to show their vehicle as well as their identity and the veh was searched on spot and recovered approx 7600 Btls Phensedyl with 02 suspected pers. The apprehended persons accepted that

the product is Phensedyl and they were going to deliver the Consignment to Balurghat .

On initial questioning, the 02 apprehended persons revealed their identity as :-

1. Birat Kumar Das (34 yrs)

S/O Haripada Vill – Balurghat Mangalpur , PS+PO- Balurghat , Distt- Dakshin Dinajpur (WB)

2. Vivekanand Mandal (33 yrs)

S/O - Nairuddin Mondal Vill- Kharun, PO- Fatepur, PS- Hilly, Distt- Dakshin Dinajpur. (WB). Driver of Veh No- WB-61-A-3387.

Seizure Details:-

- a) Bolero Pickup (WB-61-A-3387) - Value appx Rs -5,00,000
- b) Phensedyl approx 7600 nos x 127.50 A/V Rs - 9,69,000/-
- c) Mobile phones:
- d) Samsung normal - 01
- e) Micromax- 01
- f) Genuine currency - 6470/-.
- g) ATM - 02
- h) D/Licence - 02
- i) RC of Veh.

The apprehended persons and seized goods have been handed over to PS- English Bazar for further legal action.

2. During this year BSF South Bengal Frontier has seized **82.715 Kgs of Silver** worth Rs.31,75,646/- (including this seizure) and apprehended 03 smugglers of Silver in different operations. BSF has also seized **451.57 Kgs of ganja** (including this seizure) and apprehended 03 Indian and 01 Bangladeshi national involved in ganja smuggling in different operations. Further 79595 Nos bottles of Phensedyl of value of Rs.93,54,235/- and 12 Indian and 03 BD Nationals have been apprehended (including this seizure) for phensedyl smuggling .

Note:- BSF Press Release can also be accessed on www.sb.bsf.gov.in

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