

Kolkata: DRI seizes Rs 10 crore gold from Sinthi More

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KOLKATA: In one of the largest gold hauls this year, the Department of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) on Tuesday seized 42 kg gold worth Rs 16.5 crore after busting a gold smuggling racket operating from Sinthi More, Kolkata. The agency has arrested 10 persons.

The DRI officers came to know about a racket active in India and Bangladesh and was operating from a residence at Sinthi More. They conducted a raid at a flat in a housing complex on Kali Charan Ghosh Road. Based on inputs, the DRI officers conducted further raids at another residence at Deshapriyanagar near Sinthi More. During the search operation, the officers found gold biscuits, bars and jewellery of more than 27 kg worth Rs 10.4 crore.

Seven persons, including the flat owners were arrested. During interrogation, the DRI came to know that two gold consignments were sent to Raipur and Mumbai. The officers arrested three carriers when they got down from Samarsata Express and Mumbai LTT Kurla Express at their respective locations. A total of 15 kg gold was recovered.