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Acting on specific intelligence, Directorate of Revenue Intelligence, Mumbai Zonal Unit, that huge quantity of Tramadol, a psychotropic substance covered under the Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, 1985 was being manufactured and cleared from M/s Excel Pharmaceuticals Pvt Ltd, Plot No. 11, located in the said Diwan & Sons Udyog Nagar, Palghar. Searched conducted at the factory premises of M/s. Excel Pharmaceuticals Pvt. Ltd. resulted in recovery of Tramadol tablets and Tramadol powder running into several crores in International drug market were seized under the provisions of the NDPS Act, 1985.

2. Further searched conducted at warehouse situated at Dronagiri, Raigad Dt. resulted in further recovery of 959 cartons containing 44868000 Tramadol tablets having international value in crores. Thus the Tramadol tablets totally numbering 6,11,48,000, 2708 Kgs. of tablets in loose condition and 56.4 Kgs. Tramadol in powder form, having international value in crores which was manufactured and attempted to be cleared by the drug syndicate were seized.

3. The Director of the factory and the chemist have admitted their respective roles in the offence of illegal manufacture of psychotropic substance in large quantity on behalf of a merchant exporter based in Haryana. A middleman who had placed orders for such huge quantity on behalf of the exporters and had given him advance for procurement of raw materials was also apprehended. All the three have been arrested and will be produced before the Special Court for NDPS at Thane on 29-05-2018.

4. Tramadol is a painkiller which is generally abused all over the world by drug addicts. India recently brought the drug into the ambit of NDPS Act, making its production and sell without the approval of Central Bureau of Narcotics, Gwalior, is illegal.