



# DRI NEWSLETTER

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## DRI in NEWS



### MESSAGE

Considering the wide spectrum of activities that DRI undertakes, it is quite appropriate that a Newsletter is published on a monthly basis to chronicle the activities undertaken by DRI including brief notes on important cases booked by it along with photographs of modus operandi adopted by the criminals in the cases.

I hope this newsletter will meet the long cherished demand of the officials of the Central Board of Indirect Taxes & Customs (CBIC) and other stakeholders and also help in improved cooperation amongst the agencies in safeguarding the interest of the country, specially its national security. I look forward to the suggestions of the readers so that appropriate changes can be made in the future issues of Newsletters.

**(Debi Prasad Dash)**  
**Director-General**



DRI is the apex agency of India enforcing over fifty laws including the Customs Act, 1962, the Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances Act, 1985, the Foreign Exchange Management Act, 1999, Foreign Trade (Development & Regulation) Act, 1992, the Arms Act, 1959, the Weapons of Mass Destruction (Prevention of Proliferation) Act 1995, the Chemical Weapons Convention Act, 2000, the Wildlife (Protection) Act, 1972, the Antiquities and Art Treasures Act, 1972, Food Safety and Standards Act, 2006 etc. Being an Intelligence Agency, it collects intelligence on various spheres of life, which have a bearing not only on the national security and economy of the country but also on its environment, ecology and culture.

With its offices spread across India and its presence in select countries abroad, DRI collects intelligence relating to smuggling, Drug trafficking, trade-based money laundering, black money, fake Indian currency notes (FICN), etc. and disseminates to other agencies. DRI also undertakes investigations into selected cases and launches prosecution in the courts.

DRI also assists the Special Investigation Team (SIT) on Black Money, set up by the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India. As a member of the Multi Agency Centre (MAC), which is an effective intelligence sharing mechanism functioning on 24X7 basis for real time collection and sharing of intelligence with other intelligence agencies, DRI discharge its role in safeguarding national security.

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## 1. Seizure of Gold and Currencies

### SEIZURE OF GOLD



Place: Delhi and Gandhidham  
Date: 21<sup>st</sup> May, 2017  
Seizure of 96 kgs of gold valued at ₹ 27.29 crore by DRI, Delhi Zonal Unit.

### SEIZURE OF GOLD



Place: Bangalore  
Date: 15<sup>th</sup> September, 2017  
Seizure of 20.120 kgs of gold valued at ₹ 6.24 crore by DRI, Bangalore Zonal Unit.

### SEIZURE OF GOLD



Place: Amritsar  
Date: 09<sup>th</sup> December, 2017  
Seizure of 15 kgs of gold valued at ₹ 4.5 crore by DRI, Ludhiana Zonal Unit.

### SEIZURE OF DEMONETISED INDIAN CURRENCY



Place: New Delhi  
Date: 09<sup>th</sup> April, 2017  
Seizure of Demonetised Indian Currency Notes having face value of ₹ 15.75 crore by DRI, Delhi Zonal Unit.

### SEIZURE OF FOREIGN CURRENCY



Place: New Delhi  
Date: 08<sup>th</sup> January, 2018  
Seizure of foreign currency (USD) equivalent to ₹ 3.24 crore by DRI, Delhi Zonal Unit.

## 2. Seizure of Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances



Place: Chennai  
Date: 4<sup>th</sup> May, 2017  
Seizure of 2 kgs of Heroin from passenger bound to Sri Lanka by DRI, Chennai Zonal Unit.



Place: Chennai  
Date: 15<sup>th</sup> June, 2017  
Seizure of 55.505 kgs of Pseudoephedrine and 110.34 kgs of Ketamine by DRI, Chennai Zonal Unit.



Place: Tarapur, Maharashtra  
Date: 04<sup>th</sup> August, 2017  
Seizure of 882.20 litres of Mephedrone in liquid form valued at ₹ 11.00 crore by DRI, Mumbai Zonal Unit.



Place: Hyderabad  
Date: 14<sup>th</sup> November, 2017  
Seizure of 179 kgs of Di-Benzoyl Tartaric Acid (DBTA) used in manufacturing of Ephedrine by DRI, Mumbai Zonal Unit.

### 3. Seizure of Antiques and Antiquities



Place: Chennai  
Date: 24<sup>th</sup> October, 2016  
Seizure of antiquity sculptures by DRI, Chennai Zonal Unit.



Place: Varanasi  
Date: 06<sup>th</sup> April, 2017  
Seizure of antiquity sculpture of "Lord Vishnu sitting on Garuda" by DRI, Lucknow Zonal Unit.

### 4. Seizure relating to Environmental Crimes

#### SEIZURE OF RED SANDER WOOD



Place: Kolkata  
Date: 9<sup>th</sup> May, 2017  
Seizure of 280 nos. of Red Sander Wood logs weighing 8.940 MT valued at ₹ 4.47 crore by DRI, Kolkata Zonal Unit.

#### SEIZURE OF OZONE DEPLETING SUBSTANCES



Place: Guwahati  
Date: 12<sup>th</sup> May, 2017  
Seizure of 548 Refrigerant Gas Cylinders valued at ₹ 0.33 crore by DRI, Guwahati Regional unit.

#### SEIZURE OF LIVE INDIAN STAR TORTOISES



Place: Chennai  
Date: 21<sup>st</sup> September, 2017  
Seizure of 2515 Tortoises valued at ₹ 0.25 crore by DRI, Chennai Zonal Unit.

#### FIGHTING AGAINST ILLEGAL IMPORT OF FIRE CRACKER



Place: Surat  
Date: 25<sup>th</sup> September, 2017  
Seizure of fire crackers of Chinese origin collectively valued at ₹ 1.13 crore by DRI, Regional Unit, Surat.

## 5. Glimpses of DRI Founding Day Celebrations



Hon'ble Finance Minister presenting DRI Martyr's Medal to the wife of Late Shri Tarun Kumar Dutt, Kirti Chakra



Hon'ble Finance Minister presenting DRI Martyr's Medal to the wife of Late Shri S N Dasgupta



Hon'ble Finance Minister, Hon'ble Minister of State for Finance, Chairman and Members of CBEC with Ex –DGs of DRI and other Senior Officers of DRI



Team DRI, DRI Founding Day 2017

