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Man held with € 64,500

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Officials of the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) recovered 64,500 euros, valued around Rs 50.75 lakh in Indian currency, from a passenger, who was boarding a flight to Dubai from the Chandigarh international airport at Mohali here on Monday.

The passenger has been identified as Nawanshahr-based Navjeet Singh (37).

The euros were concealed beneath a newspaper at the bottom of a bag of Navjeet Singh. Acting on a tip-off, the DRI officials checked his bag and recovered the foreign currency.

According to sources, Navjeet, who works as a salesman in a chemist shop at Nawanshahr, was to deliver the currency to somebody in Dubai. Under the norms, he had to declare the amount in the currency declaration form before boarding the flight. Besides, the foreign currency should also be purchased from some authorised foreign exchange dealer as per the norms.

The passenger was arrested, but later released on bail. —TNS