

DRI seizes gold worth Rs 25 lakh from passenger at Indore airport

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INDORE: The Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) Indore Zonal Unit on Tuesday night seized 612gm gold worth around Rs 25 lakh from a passenger coming from Dubai.

The DRI team intercepted the man at Devi Ahilya Bai Holkar (DABH) International Airport after he got off Air India flight 904 from Dubai and recovered the gold, an official release said. "He had concealed 612 gms in metallic parts of portable speakers and juicer mixer, it said adding the accused was expected to carry this gold to New Delhi. He was detained and further investigation is under progress," it further added.

Recent seizures are indicative of increased smuggling of gold from foreign countries, more specifically from Dubai. One of the main reasons behind this is the considerable price difference between Indian and international market price of gold, DRI said.

Last week also DRI Indore Zonal Unit had intercepted a passenger who arrived from Dubai and had recovered approx half kg gold in paste capsule form, from his rectum at Indore airport.