## Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) officials seizes nearly 9 kg cocaine, hashish and MDMA worth around Rs. 40 crore in Delhi under Operation "Rainbow"

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In a major strike against drug trafficking and distribution syndicates, the officers of the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) have seized a significant quantity of narcotic substances under Operation codenamed "Rainbow".

A specific intelligence on the modus of smuggling of narcotics viz cocaine, in small quantities, concealed in soft toys and smuggled using domestic courier networks, was further developed by the officers of DRI, New Delhi. The intelligence resulted in co-ordinated search operations at multiple premises located in Mehrauli, New Delhi. The operation led to the recovery of 3095.5 grams of Cocaine, 4421 grams of Hashish, 1305.5 grams of MDMA in tablets form and 46 grams of Amphetamine.

The seized drugs amounting to nearly 9 kg of narcotic drugs are valued at approximately Rs. 40 Crore in the international illicit market. A significant quantity of the seized drugs were found in the form of tablets/small pouches ready for distribution.



The operation included identifying and executing specific searches in a densely populated and highly congested locality of Delhi. So far, during the operation, one individual has been apprehended under the

provisions of the NDPS Act, 1985. Initial investigation indicates the role of an international syndicate operating through foreign nationals residing in Delhi, using courier networks for concealment, trafficking and distribution of narcotics.

Further investigations are in progress. The operation once again highlights the commitment of DRI in combating the menace of narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances in the country.

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