

1,092 kg ganja seized, 6 held

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Hyderabad: Law-enforcement agencies have busted two gangs transporting ganja and seized 1,092 kilos of contraband in separate incidents. They also arrested six persons.

In the first case, Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) sleuths seized 962 kilos of ganja, worth Rs 1.9 crore after intercepting a Zaheerabad-bound truck in Siddipet and arrested two peddlers on Wednesday.

Acting on specific intelligence, a DRI team intercepted a truck (AP 23V 8055), which was coming from Andhra Pradesh and heading towards Zaheerabad, at Duddeda Crossroads in Siddipet. When the investigators asked the truck driver and another person accompanying him about goods they were transporting, the duo tried to mislead the sleuths. "The driver and his associate told us that they were transporting coconut and guava plants. Our team members boarded the truck for inspection and they noticed that gunny bags were concealed under the coconut plants. As a pungent smell was emanating from the bags, the team opened them and found ganja," a DRI official said.

In another case, excise sleuths intercepted a Hyundai Verna car near Kingsway family dhaba in Jangaon on Wednesday night and seized 130 kilos of ganja worth Rs 26 lakh.