

# DRI seizes more than 300 kg of cocaine valued at approx. Rs. 2,000 crore in international market at Tuticorin Port

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Based on specific intelligence that cocaine will be concealed in a consignment imported in container reaching V O C Port, Tuticorin, the officers of Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) have intercepted the container declared to be containing wooden logs. The suspected container has originated from Panama, transited through the ports of Antwerp and Colombo.





On examination the suspected container was found to contain 9 bags concealed between the rows of wooden logs. On opening the said bags 302 white coloured compressed bricks wrapped in multiple layers of packing material were found. The contraband weighed 303 kg and it is highly suspected to be cocaine. The contraband along with cover goods i.e. wooden logs are seized under the provisions of the NDPS Act, 1985.

Further investigation about the origin of the consignment and concealment of narcotic drugs is being carried out.

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