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DRI books 5 gold smuggling cases in a single day at RGIA

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Hyderabad: Hyderabad: DRI sleuths registered five cases of gold smuggling in a single day RGI Airport on Thursday and arrested four persons. "All seizures were made within 4-5 hours on Thursday. We seized about four kilo gold worth Rs. 1.66 crore," said a DRI official.

Early on Thursday, DRI officers rummaged an Air India flight from Dubai and recovered 841 grams of gold biscuits. "They were wrapped in tape and concealed inside a hollow tube under the seat," said an official.

Later, the sleuths intercepted an Omar Air flight passenger, from Muscat, at the customs check area. In his checked-in baggage, they found 700 grams of gold bars inside a microwave oven.

DRI also intercepted another passenger from Dubai in an Indigo flight and recovered 928 grams of gold paste in capsules in his rectum. Two more passengers from Saudi Arabia in a Saudi Airlines flight also were held for carrying capsules containing gold paste in their rectums. DRI team extracted 797 and 817 grams of gold from the two accused.