

BRAVERY AWARD TO SHRI BIPUL BISWAS

Based on specific intelligence, DRI, KZU officers had intercepted a truck carrying Phensedyl at Palsit Toll Plaza on the Durgapur Expressway on 30.12.2021 around 07:00 PM. The driver of the intercepted truck jumped out of the vehicle and started to flee from the spot in order to avoid detention. Shri Bipul Biswas, Senior Intelligence Officer, DRI, KZU immediately started chasing the truck driver. The truck driver crossed the busy highway and started running on the highway with high-speed heavy vehicles coming from the opposite side. Shri Biswas showed exemplary courage by relentlessly chasing the said suspect even at the risk of life. Thereafter, the truck driver jumped into the marshland after crossing the highway. Even though the visibility was very poor owing to the darkness and the fact that the terrain was muddy and hostile, Shri Bipul Biswas continued the chase on foot with a single-minded objective of apprehending the suspect. Eventually, Shri Bipul Biswas flung himself on the suspect causing the suspect to slip and fall down in the marshland. Shri Biswas tried to pin the suspect down. The truck driver tried to wrestle with him but was finally over powered by Shri Biswas with great difficulty. Shri Bipul Biswas had to detain the suspect by sheer force at his disposal till reinforcements arrived. It is noteworthy that Shri Biswas had himself fallen down twice in this long chase but he refused to give up. He went beyond the call of duty by showing presence of mind, agility and bravery in chasing and apprehending the suspect. In this act, Shri Biswas also suffered some injuries which exemplify the grit, dedication and determination which are the hallmarks of a DRI officer.

In the instant case 14,970 bottles of Phensedyl Syrup (codine based which is covered under NDPS Act, 1985) were recovered from the truck concealed behind cartons containing chocolates. The contraband was meant for illegal export to Bangladesh. The case was eventually transferred to CC (P), West Bengal for further investigation.