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PRESS RELEASE

Sub : Seizure of gold worth Rs. 30 lakhs weighing 1113 gms in four separate cases by the Customs Officials at the Cochin Airport - Reg.

The Customs Officials seized gold worth Rs. 30 lakhs within two days at the Cochin International Airport.

On 14.12.2017 the intelligence team of the Airport Customs subjected two suspicious passengers arriving from Dubai and Jeddah to personal search. Gold worth Rs. 18.36 lakhs weighing 680 gms was seized which was concealed in the underwear of the passengers who are both natives of Kozhikode district.

Today, on 15.12.2017, similar modus operandi was followed by two other passengers arriving from Abu Dhabi and Jeddah. They had hidden gold worth Rs. 11.7 lakhs in their underwear. The customs officials due to their high alertness and tight vigil again caught the passengers, contributing to the total gold haul worth Rs. 30 lakhs within two days.

The gold was seized by the officials under the provisions of Customs Act, 1962. Due to rise in smuggling activities, Customs officials are maintaining tight vigil at the airport and subjecting suspicious passengers arriving from vulnerable sectors to stringent checks.


(SUMIT KUMAR) 15/12/17
Commissioner of Customs

Place : Nedumbassery, Cochin

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