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PRESS RELEASE

Sub: Seizure of gold worth Rs 43 lakhs weighing 1642 gms in three separate cases by the Customs Officials at the Cochin Airport - Reg.

The Customs Officials seized gold worth Rs. 43 lakhs within two days at the Cochin International Airport.

On the night of 17.12.2017, two seizures were effected by the intelligence team of the Airport Customs. The first one was from a native of Malappuram District, who arrived from Kuala Lumpur. Four gold biscuits worth Rs. 10.54 lakhs, totally weighing 400 gms, were seized which were concealed in the person of the passenger (rectum concealment).

The second seizure was two crude gold wires, concealed in the form of beading of trolley bag, totally weighing 583 gms, valued at Rs 15.36/-, from a native of Kasaragod District, who had arrived from Kuwait.

Today, on 18.12.2017, the Customs Intelligence team at the airport made a seizure of 15 numbers of gold pieces concealed in air pump, totally weighing 659 gms and valued at Rs 17.36 lakhs, from a resident of Kozhikode, who arrived from Jeddah.

The customs officials due to their high alertness and tight vigil again caught the passengers, contributing to the total gold haul worth Rs. 43 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.

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