

## **NARCOTICS CONTROL BUREAU**

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### **Busting of a Clandestine Lab manufacturing Mephedrone by NCB Jodhpur Zonal Unit.**

NCB Jodhpur has busted a Clandestine Lab in Sri Ganganagar, Rajasthan, which had been set up for manufacturing Mephedrone (4-Methylmethcathinone), also known as MD. It is a synthetic stimulant drug in the cathinone family, which gives a feeling of euphoria immediately after consumption but is addictive and continuous use causes severe psychological and health conditions.

During the search conducted in a flat located in Dream Homes Apartments, Ridhi Sindhi Enclave, Sri Ganganagar in the early hours on July 8, 2025, the NCB team recovered about 780 gms. of MD. Besides, a lot of precursor chemicals, namely Acetone, Benzene, Sodium Hydrogen Carbonate, Bromine, Methylamine, Isopropyl Alcohol, 4 Methyl Propiophenone, N Methyl 2 Pyrrolidone and lab equipment were recovered which are used in the manufacturing of synthetic drugs.

The two accused who were involved in this activity were found present in the house and have been arrested for further investigation in the matter including finding the linkages of other accused involved in peddling of the drugs. One accused aged 35 years is a resident of district Sri Ganganagar and is working as chemistry teacher in private school. The other accused aged 25 years is also a resident of district Sri Ganganagar and is a science teacher in a government school.

It is learnt that the duo had taken the flat for rent about two months back for a purpose of setting up the Clandestine Lab and had sourced the chemicals and equipment from Delhi.

This seizure exemplifies the NCB's commitment to identify and bust clandestine facilities involved in making synthetic drugs. Recently NCB had shared the "red flag indicators" for identification of such facilities with the DGsP of State Police.

To fight against drug trafficking, NCB seeks support of the citizens. Any person can share information related to sale of narcotics by calling on MANAS- National Narcotics Helpline Toll Free Number-1933. The identity of the caller is kept confidential.