

PRESS RELEASE

In a significant breakthrough, the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB), has secured deportation of a kingpin behind the trans-national drug trafficking syndicate from Malaysia with the assistance of other national and international agencies from Malaysia.

2. It started with the seizure of about 200 gms of Cocaine hidden in a projector from a parcel being sent from Mumbai to Australia through DHL Courier on January 21, 2025.

3. Following bottom to top approach during the investigation of the case NCB further effected seizure of 11.540 kgs Cocaine, 4.9 kgs Cannabis and 5.5 kgs Cannabis Gummies from the house of one of the members of the syndicate in Navi Mumbai.

4. Investigation disclosed a well-oiled trans-national syndicate involved in trafficking of Cocaine from USA to India and its further distribution within India and outside. Investigation further revealed the involvement of Clearing House Agent (CHA) and hawala operators. A total of 08 persons have been arrested so far and the kingpin who had located himself in Thailand in 2021 after absconding from an earlier case of NCB regarding trafficking of LSD was located in Malaysia subsequent to the Red Notice issued by NCB recently and has been brought to India

5. Investigation in this case has already revealed that the syndicate was operating for at least one year and multiple consignments of Cocaine to air cargo were received at Mumbai during this period.

7. Interrogation of the kingpin brought from Malaysia is likely to reveal more details of his operations including the source of drugs in USA. Financial investigation in the case has already led to identification of properties including properties and bank accounts in Thailand. Efforts are on for attachment of these properties.

6. Earlier this month only, NCB was successful in deportation of one accused from UAE who was involved in drug trafficking case in Bengaluru.

7. These operations exemplify NCB relentless approach to nab members of transnational drug syndicates involved in drug trafficking.

8. 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 informer is kept confidential.