## **Press Release**

In a significant achievement, the Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB), Patna Zonal Unit, has successfully secured the conviction of two accused involved in inter-state drug trafficking. The case pertains to the seizure of a commercial quantity of Ganja from accused engaged in smuggling activities across state borders.

- 2. In September 2022, officers of the NCB Patna Zonal Unit intercepted a container truck and seized 337 kilograms of Ganja that was concealed in special made cavity in the upper part of the Driver's cabin and arrested Surendra Rajbhar& Virendra Rajbhar both resident of District-Ghazipur, UP. The investigation established that the accused were involved in the inter-state trafficking of Ganja, which was being transported from Tripura to Raghopur, Vaishali, Bihar.
- 3. Upon completion of the investigation and collection of evidence, a complaint was filed before the Hon'ble Court in April 2023. On 06.06.2025, the Hon'ble Exclusive Court No. 2, NDPS Act, Patna, convicted both accused and awarded each a sentence of 12 years of Rigorous Imprisonment (RI), along with a fine of ₹2 lakh under the provisions of the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act, 1985.
- 4. The conviction exemplifies the NCB's commitment to accomplish the vision of DRUG FREE INDIA through proper investigation & prosecution of case.
- 5. 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.

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