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Clarification of published news

The news item published in "Tripura Observer", dated, 25/08/2025 under caption "Smuggling of Burmese cigarettes raises alarms in North Tripura" has come to the notice of Home Department.

As per the report of the SP, North District, it is clarified that to prevent smuggling of Burmese Cigarettes / cattle and other narcotic items all Naka points under the various Police Stations of North District have been made operational round the clock, manned by personnel from Tripura Police and Tripura State Rifles. Intensive checking of vehicles and pedestrians are being carried out to prevent any attempts at smuggling through these check points. The SDPOs, along with the Officers-in-Charge of the respective Police Stations are conducting regular patrols with heightened vigilance during night hours to deter Burmese Cigarettes / cattle and other smuggling activities. The inter-state Naka points under North Tripura District have been further reinforced to prevent any smuggling activities.

During the year 2025 the following Burmese cigarette were seized by the North Tripura Police.

On 28.02.2025 total 19400 nos. Patron Goardian Cigarette were seized by Kanchanpur PS u/s 106 BNSS vide KCP PS GDE No. 12, dated, 28.02.2025.

Total 20 cartons Cigarette seized in c/w Panisagar PS Case No. 2025PNS011, Dated-14.02.2025 u/s 126(1)/127(2)/305/3(5) of BNS Act.

On 18.03.2025 Panisagar PS staff seized total 10 carton boxes of Auiz (silver) cigarette vide Panisagar PS GDE No. 06/09, dated 18.03.2025 u/s 106 BNSS Act.

On 27.03.2025 Dharmanagar PS staff seized 30 cartons of Burmese Cigarettes vide Dharmanagar PS GDE No. 02 & 06 dated 27.03.2025 u/s 106 BNSS.

On 16.06.2025 Panisagar PS staff seized total 15 Cartons of cigarette vide Panisagar PS GDE No. 6, Dated 16.06.2025, u/s 106 of BNSS Act.

On 31.05.2025 Dharmanagar PS staff seized total 07 carton Burmese cigarettes vide DMN PS GDE No. 3,7 & 11 dated 31.05.2025.

On 22.08.2025 Dharmanagar PS seized total 17 cartons of different branded cigarettes containing 1,70,000 nos. cigarette u/s 106 of BNSS vide DMN PS GDE No, 06, dated 22.08.2025.

On 28.08,2025 Dharmanagar PS staff seized total 129 cartoons Burmise Cigarettes vide Dharmanagar PS GDE No. 07, dated 28.08.2025.

As such, the news item which was published in the newspaper regarding the involvement of Police personnel in smuggling is factually not correct.
