

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO-795

ANSWERED ON-MONDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2022/AGRAHAYANA 21, 1944 (SAKA)

Gold Smuggling

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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

- a) whether the reporting of gold smuggling cases has increased sharply in the country;
- b) if so, the details of such cases reported during each of the last three years, State-wise;
- c) the steps taken by the Government to curb gold smuggling into the country;
- d) whether the Government suspects the role of gangs, who finance the anti-national elements; and
- e) if so, the details thereof and the reaction of the Government thereto?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE FOR FINANCE

(SHRI PANKAJ CHAUDHARY)

(a) & (b) Details enclosed as per Annexure-A.

(c) The Government makes policy interventions and takes operational measures to check smuggling.

To deter smuggling of gold, Customs field formations and Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) keep constant vigil and take operational measures such as passenger profiling, risk based interdiction and targeting of cargo consignments, non-intrusive inspection, rummaging of aircrafts and coordination with other agencies. Modus Operandi Circulars related to new modus/ method used by the gold smugglers are issued from time to time.

(d) & (e) In last three years, National Investigation Agency (NIA) has conducted investigations and filed charge sheets in three cases of gold smuggling.

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State-wise data

State/UT	Calendar Year	No. of cases of seizure of gold	Quantity of gold seized (in Kgs.)
North Eastern States (Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Mizoram, Meghalaya, Manipur, Nagaland, Tripura)	2019	50	166.849
	2020	49	242.845
	2021	54	296.580
	2022 (upto November)	60	191.062
Bihar, Jharkhand, Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand	2019	91	79.591
	2020	61	86.293
	2021	93	138.476
	2022 (upto November)	89	130.380
Goa	2019	11	5.496
	2020	7	7.735
	2021	13	12.215
	2022 (upto November)	14	8.635
Gujarat, Dadra and Nagar Haveli, Daman & Diu	2019	137	93.155
	2020	114	50.760
	2021	73	36.610
	2022 (upto November)	141	116.355
Delhi, Haryana, Rajasthan, Punjab, Himachal Pradesh, Chandigarh, Jammu & Kashmir, Leh & Laddakh	2019	502	567.421
	2020	309	404.124
	2021	359	379.125
	2022 (upto November)	528	431.611
Karnataka	2019	207	89.000
	2020	103	52.260
	2021	173	91.755
	2022 (upto November)	130	90.224
Kerala	2019	1073	725.251
	2020	672	406.390
	2021	738	586.952
	2022 (upto November)	948	690.134
Maharashtra	2019	812	674.841
	2020	389	191.429
	2021	210	119.223
	2022 (upto November)	484	473.909
Madhya Pradesh, Chattisgarh	2019	2	13.073
	2020	5	10.606
	2021	7	47.015
	2022 (upto November)	6	16.354
Odisha	2019	11	17.850
	2020	2	0.820
	2021	0	0.000
	2022 (upto November)	3	2.214
Tamil Nadu	2019	1186	652.542
	2020	676	375.007
	2021	521	322.114
	2022 (upto November)	809	439.787
Telangana, Andhra Pradesh	2019	117	177.790
	2020	94	104.330
	2021	95	98.130
	2022 (upto November)	162	124.334
West Bengal	2019	205	410.184
	2020	86	221.982
	2021	109	255.186
	2022 (upto November)	214	368.619
Total	2019	4404	3673.04336
	2020	2567	2154.5812
	2021	2445	2383.38128
	2022 (upto November)	3588	3083.61802

* States/UTs were grouped because their data was not available separately.