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## Banned cigarette seized in Aurangabad

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AURANGABAD: The Nanded police's local crime branch (LCB) has booked three



people and seized banned cigarette worth over Rs 41.47 lakh from a godown located in the city, making it one of the biggest seizures of banned imported cigarettes in the region.

According to police, the raid is part of an ongoing drive against illicit businesses discreetly operating in the limits of Nanded.

The action was taken after an offence in this regard was registered

with the Wazirabad police station late on Friday, catching the traders and consumers by surprise.

LCB inspector Dwarkadas Chikhlikar said that the action was initiated following a specific tip-off about imported cigarettes being stored in a godown. Son after, a team rushed to the godown and raided the place.

Considering the seizure of huge stock, the LCB has been directed to bust the entire chain, including those assisting in illegal importing of such banned products.

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