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Gold, cigarettes and drone seized from passengers at Chennai airport

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CHENNAI: Customs officials at Chennai international airport seized 667 grams of gold, worth Rs 34.1 lakh, 50 cartons of cigarettes and a drone worth Rs 1.30 lakh from passengers.



Customs said Abdul Saleem, 61, of Trichy and Kader Meeran, 45, of Oddanchatram, who arrived here from Dubai in a flydubai flight (FZ-8517) on Wednesday, were intercepted and searched. Two gold chains weighing 152 gram, worth Rs 7.7 lakh, were recovered.

On further examination of their check-in luggage, 10 white plastic sheets weighing 613 gram containing gold dust wrapped in carbon paper were found ingeniously concealed in it. On extraction, 235 gram of gold, worth Rs 12 lakh, was recovered and seized.

In another case on Wednesday, Jalalulla, 46, of Chennai, who arrived here from Dubai in an Air India Express flight (IX-1644), was intercepted and searched. Five gold cut bits weighing 280 gram, worth Rs 14 lakh, were recovered and seized.

On further examination of his check in baggage, 50 cartons of Esse Lights cigarettes and a drone were recovered.

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