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## Bengaluru Customs seize ₹56.2 lakh worth gold, iPhones, cigarettes; two held

*Bengaluru Customs intercepted two passengers coming from Dubai who were trying to smuggle 630.26 grams of gold, 14 iPhones and 42,000 sticks of cigarettes.*

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The Bengaluru Customs Unit officials at Kempegowda International Airport intercepted two passengers who arrived in the city from Dubai who were trying to smuggle iPhones, gold and cigarettes without declaration to Customs. The officials at the KIA seized crude gold chains, iPhones and cigarettes without COTPA labelling at the airport and valued the items at Rs 56.2 lakhs.

According to the official statement from Bengaluru Customs, two persons were arrested in connection to the smuggling attempt. The passengers were arriving from Dubai on Sunday, but the Customs officers intercepted in a timely manner to bust the illegal trade.

"Two pax arriving from Dubai were intercepted on 11.07.2021 who were attempting to smuggle crude gold articles, cigarettes without COTPA Labelling and iPhones without declaration to Customs. Totalling 630.26 grams of gold, 14 iPhones and 42,000 sticks of cigarettes, totally valued at INR 56.2 Lakhs, were seized from the pax and were arrested," the official statement read.

Customs officials have registered the case against the duo and further investigation is underway.



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