

Foreign cigarettes worth ₹ 1.61 lakh seized

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Margao police on Friday conducted four raids in Margao city and arrested four persons thereby seizing foreign cigarettes worth Rs 1.61 lakh.

Two persons were arrested in Ghandi market whose names have been disclosed as Aabdul Rehaman Momin and Syyed Ismail.

Police informed that they recovered cigarettes worth Rs 75,500 and Rs 52,300 respectively in two raids.

In new market, Margao police arrested Piedade Fernandes and seized cigarettes worth Rs 18,200, while Rohan Borker was arrested and cigarettes worth

Rs 15,200 was seized.

Police said that four of them have been arrested and further investigation is in progress.

Police said that based on the complaint the raid was conducted.

Police also informed that some days back in Colva more persons were arrested for selling similar types of cigarettes on the beach, and that the investigation is going on.

"We have kept strict watch on the beaches and any person found selling such products will be interrogated and necessary action will be initiated," said police officer on duty at Colva police station.

Police also said that it is learnt that such cigarettes are smuggled and sold.