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Fake notes seized from house of suspected gunrunner



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Counterfeit currency of ₹64,000 face value seized

Following the arrest of three persons in Tiruchi for carrying guns and ammunition, the Chennai police raided the house of one of the suspects in Kilpauk and seized fake notes with a face value of ₹64,000 from his relatives. Two women were arrested. Parameswaran, a police constable, Nagaraj and Siva were arrested by the Organised Crime Intelligence Unit (OCIU), which seized the arms and ammunition two days ago.

During investigation, the police found that Nagaraj had hid the fake currency in his house in Chennai.

The Secretariat Colony police raided the house in Nammalwarpet and found the notes.

His mother Kuppu, 48, allegedly told the police that Nagaraj had given her the money three months ago.

She also admitted that some money was kept in the house of her sister Nagalakshmi in Aynavaram.

The police seized around ₹64,000 in fake notes from both the houses and arrested the two women.

Source of money

"They said Nagaraj had found the money in his autorickshaw and given it to them," said a police officer attached to the Secretariat Colony police.

The police said they have to take Nagaraj into custody and interrogate him to find the source of the money.

"During the investigation, residents of the locality said they had seen Parameswaran and Nagaraj talking to each other frequently. A case is pending against Nagaraj with regard to a scufifle. Only after interrogating him will we get a clearer picture," added the officer.

Further investigation is on.

"We are also checking if there is any link between Nagaraj and his accomplices and another gang of gun smugglers who were arrested in Tiruvottiyur a few days ago," added the officer.

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