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Fake notes with Rs 85 lakh face value seized from Surat

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The accused in police custody; (R) the seized notes

SURAT: Fake currency notes having face value of Rs85.22 lakh, a printer/scanner and several items were seized by police from a 10th floor flat of Shivranjani Apartment in Sachin area of the city on Friday.

Kanji Bharwad, 20, and Sunita Lakhman Bahu, 35, were arrested but main accused Sachin Parmar, a native of

Bhavnagar, managed to escape.

Police raided the flat on being tipped-off from where they found currency notes of Rs2,000 denomination having face value of Rs84.02 lakh and of Rs500 denomination having face value of Rs1.20 lakh. They also found a HP printer/scanner, a cello tape and many stamps. Many fake currency notes had same serial numbers and a few were printed on one side only.

Police said Sachin Parmar and Kanji Bharwad have been booked in the past for printing fake currency notes. Parmar was booked at Bharatnagar police station of Bhavnagar and Amroli rural police station and Bharwad at Panigate police station of Vadodara and Kamrej police station under IPC sections 308, 279, 290, 341, 503, 323 and 506 (2).

Vidhi Chaudhary, deputy commissioner of police, said, "The accused used to print fake notes on printer/scanner and then stick a green colour cello tape in place of security thread. They used white coloured Mahatma Gandhi stamp for water mark. We are interrogating the accused who have been arrested and trying to find out everything about the racket. The main accused would be arrested soon."

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