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CHENNAI: The Aminjikarai police busted a counterfeit currency racket with the arrest of two women.

The two were held for photocopying currency notes of ₹2,000 and ₹500 denominations and circulating them in the market.

Police said on Friday evening, Vanitha, 30, of Saidapet, approached a medical shop in Mehta Nagar railway colony to buy medicine.

The woman gave a note of ₹2,000 against a purchase of ₹300.

The medical shop owner returned the change but grew suspicious as the currency did not appear to be genuine.

She immediately tried to trace the woman but by then she had left the place.

However, the shop owner took the help of others in the area and chased Vanitha. They caught her as she was about to enter another medical shop to make a similar purchase.

The shop owners called police and handed Vanitha over to them.

During interrogation, initially she tried to evade questions with vague replies, police said.

However, when she was interrogated by women police, Vanitha revealed the name of her accomplice Sathiyavathi, a resident of Kolathur.

A special police team raided Sathiyavathi's house on Saturday and recovered photocopying machines and several notes. Fake currency notes with a face value of ₹35,000 in ₹2,000 and ₹500 denominations were recovered.

"We are trying to find out if a bigger racket is at play," said a police officer.

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