Cops arrest 9 bootleggers, seize 90 litre of illegal liquor in Lucknow

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LUCKNOW: As two people died and six fell ill after consuming spurious liquor in Kanpur, Lucknow police on Sunday arrested nine men in six separate raids and seized 90 litre of illegal liquor.

There is a ban on sale of liquor during lockdown, but 60 litre was confiscated in just two raids in Mohanlalganj.

Acting on a tip-off, police conducted a raid on the banks of River Sai in Mohanlalganj and arrested three men Ram Baksh, Prakash and Chhotu and seized 50 litre from them.

The accused confessed that they used to sell liquor to villagers and daily wagers after sunset, said SHO Mohanlalganj G D Shukla.

In another instance, Mohanlalganj police caught a man, identified as Bablu, smuggling 10 litre of country-made liquor.

Meanwhile, police caught a man in Naka police station area in the city and seized liquor bottles from his car besides cash. The accused Ashish Khurana, a resident of Naka, was caught selling liquor in Moti Nagar area following a tip-off. Police arrested Khurana and recovered 17 bottles of Indian Made Foreign Liquor and Rs 10,500 from his car.

"He confessed that he did not have any license to sell liquor. He further revealed that he got bottles from another man and was selling them at high price to make profits," said Sujeet Dubey, SHO Naka.

Police conducted similar raids in Chowk, Sarojini Nagar and Banthara and seized 22 litre of country-made liquor.

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