

## Assam: 600 bottles of banned cough syrup seized, one arrested in Golokganj



In a major crackdown on drug smuggling, police on Sunday, December 31 morning arrested a peddler and confiscated a sizable amount of the outlawed phensedyl cough syrup during a checking at the Ratiadah barriers in Golokganj.

A group of police officers stationed at the barricades allegedly stopped a bolero pickup van that was without its licence plate. The driver and his accomplice tried to flee from the spot, but one of them was caught after a brief chase.

600 illegal bottles of phensedyl cough syrup had been found by the police concealed behind the seat after searching the car. Particularly in the Dhubri district, cough syrup is a commonly abused substance by drug addicts.

The arrested smuggler has been identified as Shahidul Islam, a resident of Jordanga Pt-II village of Mankachar area, under South Salmara Manlachar District. He confessed that he was supposed to supply the cough syrup to some dealers in Goalpara and Dhubri Districts.

Police registered a case against Islam under the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Act and are investigating the source and destination of the consignment. They are also looking for the other suspects who managed to escape.

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