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On 24-08-2022, NIA conducted simultaneous searches at 20 locations in various States (Delhi-14, Gujarat-2, Punjab-1 and West Bengal-3) in case RC 26/2021/NIA/DLI related to seizure of 2988 Kgs of Heroin at Mundra Port on 13-09-2021.

2. Based on investigations so far and incriminating evidence obtained during the searches, two key accused involved in smuggling of Heroin through import consignments from Afghanistan using maritime route, have been arrested today. The arrested accused are Harpreet Singh Talwar @ Kabir Talwar, r/o Delhi and Prince Sharma, r/o Delhi.

3. The arrested accused are a part of international drug smuggling network involved in smuggling of large commercial quantities of Heroin originating from Afghanistan into India. Heroin was being concealed in import consignments of material, such as semi-processed Talc, Bituminous coal etc. One such consignment of about 3000 kgs of Heroin was intercepted and seized at Mundra Port by DRI on 13-09-2021. The accused persons were involved in import of narcotics through fake/shell import companies and further facilitated its transport to Delhi based Afghan nationals involved in purification and of distribution of Heroin in many states including Delhi, Punjab, Haryana, U.P etc.

4. Investigation continues to unravel the entire supply chain and network of money laundering, drug distribution and other players involved in this international drug network.
