



**प्रधान आयुक्तकाकार्यालय, सीमाशुल्क, अहमदाबाद**

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**SHOW CAUSE NOTICE**

**(Issued under Section 124 of the Customs Act, 1962)**

**Shri Vijayan S/o Shri Karuppian** having Aadhar No. 2223 8651 7832 (hereinafter referred to as 'the passenger/ Noticee') residing at 3-11-A, Kottayanthoppu, Mimisal, Post - Avudaiyarkovil Taluk, Mimisal, Chatrapattinam Pudukkottai, Tamilnadu - 614621 arrived from Indigo Flight No. 6E446, which is arriving from Mumbai to SVPI Airport, Ahmedabad (Domestic Airport, Terminal -1) at around 07:30 AM on 19.12.2023. On the basis of specific intelligence that one Passenger namely Shri Mahesh Mahesh (Pseudo name), is suspected to be carrying restricted/ prohibited goods through Domestic Indigo Flight No. 6E446 and therefore a thorough search of all the baggage of the passenger as well as his personal search is required to be carried out. Also, there was a need to guide the passenger from the airplane to ensure that the goods are not handed over to someone else. The passenger would be arriving by Flight No. 6E446 of Indigo Airlines at Terminal-1 of SVPI Airport which will be landing at 07:30 on 19.12.2023.

2. Accordingly, Panchas have been informed and they gave their consent to remain present in entire search proceedings, the AIU officer has reached to the Airplane which has carried the flight No. 6E446 arriving from Mumbai to Ahmedabad. The officers then checked the passport of all the passengers deplaning from the flight. They find a passenger namely Shri Mahesh Mahesh having Seat No. 10E and informed him that they will guide him from the airplane.

3. As there was no Customs Office at Domestic Airport Ahmedabad, the AIU Officers along with the panchas and the passenger Shri Mahesh Mahesh reached the Customs AIU section situated at Arrival Hall of

Terminal - 2, SVPI Airport Ahmedabad at around 08:30 AM on 19.12.2023. The AIU Officers in presence of the panchas asked the Passenger, if he wanted to declare any dutiable items to Customs, to which the said Passenger denied having anything dutiable with him.

2.1 The AIU officers under Panchnama proceedings dated 19.12.2023 **[RUD No.-01]** in presence of two independent witnesses asked the passenger, if he had anything dutiable to declare to the Customs authorities, to which the said passenger replied in negative. The AIU officers informed the passenger that they would be conducting his personal search and detailed examination of his baggage. The said passenger was asked by officers whether he wished to be searched before a Gazetted officer or Magistrate for which he agreed to being searched by a Gazetted officer. Before conducting the search, the AIU officers offered their personal search to which he denies and said that it is not necessary, and he has full faith in the officers. Thereafter, the AIU officer proceeded to examine the said passenger personally and the shoulder bag brought by him. The AIU officer asked the said passenger to place the articles he was carrying in his clothes in a Plastic tray. The passenger took out mobile, belt, wallet etc. and took out some heavy paste like substance of yellow colour packed in transparent pouches from the jeans zip covering cloth of his jeans. The AIU officers asked the said passenger about the heavy paste like substance of yellow colour packed in transparent pouches, to which the passenger replied that these pouches contain gold in paste form. Thereafter, examination viz. scanning of Black coloured shoulder bag was done in the X-ray Baggage Scanning Machine, however, nothing objectionable was noticed.

The officers asked the passenger to pass through the Door Frame Metal Detector (DFMD) Machine installed near the green channel in the Arrival Hall of Terminal 2 building, after removing all metallic objects from his body/ clothes. The passenger was asked to pass through the Door Frame Metal Detector placed in the hall in front of Belt No.2 near green channel in the arrival hall of Terminal-2, SVPI Airport, but nothing objectionable is observed.

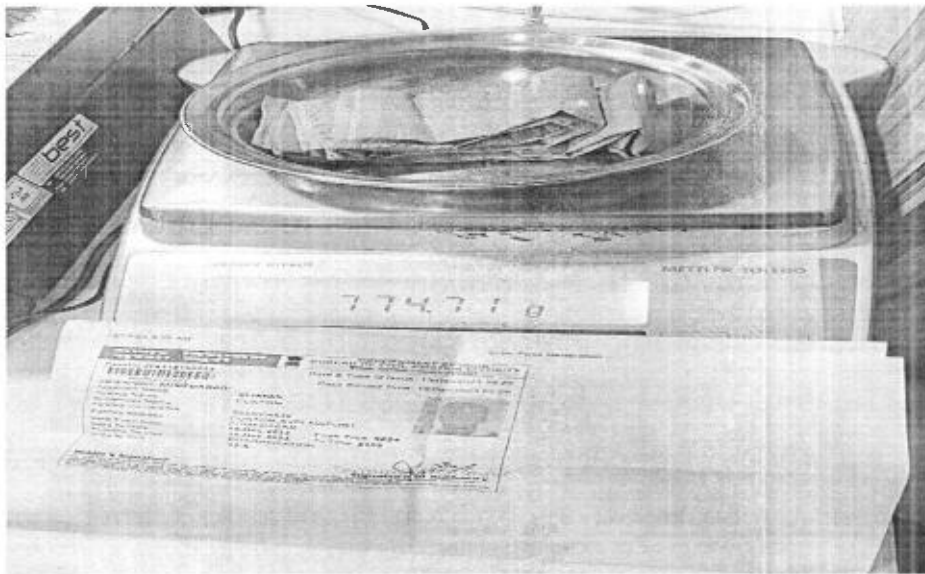
The AIU officers asked the said passenger about the ownership of the said gold paste material, to which the passenger replied that a person namely Rahul who lives in Chennai, asked him to go to Mumbai and collect the Gold Paste carried by International transit passengers (Dubai to Srilanka) at Mumbai International Airport, Sahar, Mumbai. He further stated that he was told to collect gold paste placed in dustbin near Gate No. 2 of transit area. He further stated that he knew that the gold was smuggled in to India by Sri Lankan carriers at Mumbai Airport and his job was to collect the gold and bring it out of Mumbai International Airport and hand it over to the person Rahul in Chennai, in execution of this planning, the passenger firstly travelled to Mumbai on 16.12.2023 and stayed there for 02 days after that he collected the gold from some area near to exit of Mumbai international Airport and got the ticket of Mumbai to Hyderabad on his name i.e. Vijayan vide which he entered the Mumbai Airport Departure Area, after that he got the instructions to collect a boarding pass (from the dustbin of some particular bathroom of departure area) having "Shri Mahesh Mahesh" name on it of Indigo 6E446 flight from Mumbai to Ahmedabad vide which he travelled to Ahmedabad today i.e. 19.12.2023. He further stated that from Ahmedabad he has to go to Chennai by purchasing new flight ticket from Ahmedabad to Chennai and deliver the gold paste material to Rahul. He further stated that he would get Rs. 5000 from Rahul in favour of supplying this material to him.

2.2 Thereafter, the Customs officers called the Government Approved Valuer and informed him that some yellow coloured pouches have been recovered from one passenger and he has informed that it is gold in paste form and hence, he needed to come to the Airport for testing and valuation of the said material. In reply, the Government Approved Valuer informed the Customs officer that the testing of the said material is only possible at his workshop as gold must be extracted from such paste form by melting it and informed the address of his workshop.

2.3 Thereafter, at around 10.00 AM, two panchas along with the passenger, the AIU officers leave the Airport premises in a Government Vehicle and reach at the premises of the Government Approved Valuer

located at 301, Golden Signature, Bh. Ratnam Complex, C.G Road, Ahmedabad-380006.

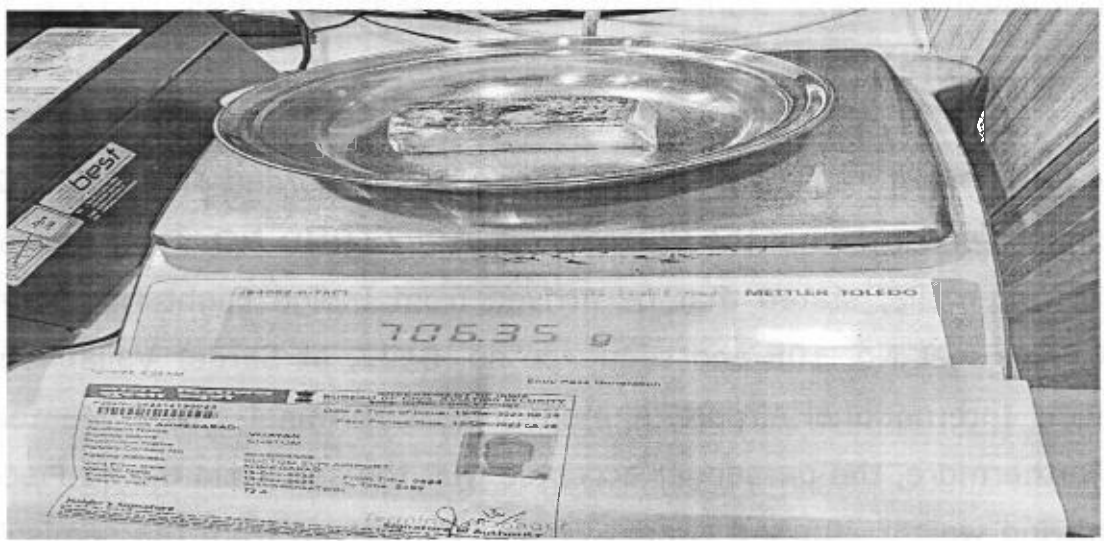
2.4 On reaching the above referred premises, the AIU officer introduced the panchas as well as the passenger to one person named Mr. Kartikey Vasantrai Soni, Government Approved Valuer. Here, after weighing the said pouches on his weighing scale, Mr. Kartikey Vasantrai Soni informed that the pouches' gross weight is 774.710 gms, photograph of the same is as under:



2.5 Thereafter, Shri Kartikey Vasantrai Soni, the Government Approved Valuer, lead them to the furnace, inside his workshop. Here, Mr. Kartikey Vasantrai Soni started the process of converting the said paste like substances into solid gold by putting the yellow-coloured pouches fully into the furnace and upon heating the said semi-solid substances, turned into liquid material. The said substance in liquid state was taken out of furnace, and poured in a bar shaped plate and after cooling for some time, it became yellow coloured solid metal in form of a bar. After completion of the procedure, Government Approved Valuer informed that the gold bar weighing **706.350** Grams having purity 999.0/24kt was derived from the 774.710 Grams of semisolid paste substance consisting of gold paste and chemical mix. After testing and valuation, the Govt. Approved Valuer vide his certificate No. 1003/2023-24 dated 19.12.2023 (**RUD-2**) confirmed that it is gold having purity 999.0/24 Kt. Further, the Govt. Approved Valuer informed that the total Tariff Value of the said gold bar is **Rs.39,24,036/-** (Rupees Thirty-Nine Lakhs Twenty-Four Thousand

and Thirty-Six only) and market value is **Rs.45,22,759/-** (Rupees Forty-Five Lakh Twenty-Two Thousand Seven Hundred Fifty-Nine only) which has been calculated as per the Notification No. 91/2023-Customs (N.T.) dated 15.12.2023 (gold) and Notification No. 90/2023-Customs (N.T.) dated 07.12.2023(exchange rate).

2.6. The Photograph of recovered gold bar derived from the semisolid paste substance consisting of Gold paste and chemical mix pouches is as under :-



The outcome of the said testing is summarized in below table.

Sl. No.	Details of Items	PCS	Net Weight in Gram	Purity	Market Value (Rs.)	Tariff Value (Rs.)
1.	Gold Bar	1	706.350	999.0 24Kt.	45,22,759/-	39,24,036/-

3. The said pure gold of 24 kt. having 999.0 purity retrieved from the semisolid paste substance consisting of gold paste and chemical mix pouches from the passenger, weighing 706.350 Grams, has Market Value at Rs.45,22,759/- and tariff value at Rs.39,24,036/-. The said gold recovered from the passenger was attempted to be smuggled inside India with intent to evade payment of Customs duty and was a clear violation of the provisions of the Customs Act, 1962. Thus, having a reasonable belief that the said gold bar (1 piece) having weight 706.350 Grams was attempted to be smuggled by the passenger, was liable for confiscation under the provisions of the Customs Act, 1962 and was placed under seizure vide Panchnama dated 19.12.2023 under a reasonable belief that the subject Gold was attempted to be smuggled into India and was liable for confiscation

under Section 111 of the Customs Act, 1962 **(Seizure Report dated 19.12.2023- RUD No. 03)**. Further, the gold, recovered from the passenger, was placed under seizure under section 110 of the Customs Act, 1962 vide Panchnama dated 19.12.2023 drawn by the Officer of Customs, AIU, at SVPI Airport, Ahmedabad.

The following travelling documents and identity documents of the passenger were recovered and withdrawn for further investigation.

- (i) Copy of Aadhar Card No. 222386517832 **(RUD No. 04)**.
- (ii) Boarding pass of Indigo Flight No. 6E446 having seat No. 10E and sequence no. 0122 from Mumbai to Ahmedabad dated 19.12.2023. **(RUD No.05)**.

4. The statement of the passenger was recorded on 19.12.2023 under Section 108 of the Customs Act, 1962 **(RUD NO.-06)**, wherein he, inter alia, stated that he arrived from Indigo Flight No. 6E446 having seat No. 10E and sequence no. 0122, at Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel International Airport, Ahmedabad, at Terminal-1 from Mumbai. Furthermore, the passenger accepted that the said Gold Bar (1 Piece) having weight 706.350 Grams which was derived from the semisolid paste substance consisting of gold paste and chemical mix pouches from the passenger having gross weight 774.710 concealed the semisolid paste substance consisting of gold paste and chemical mix pouches from the passenger. Under his statement, the passenger admitted that he is only the carrier, he did not know who purchased gold paste. He only knew that, a person namely Rahul who lives in Chennai, asked me to go to Mumbai and collect the gold paste carried by International Transit passengers (Dubai to Sri Lanka) at Mumbai International Airport, Sahar, Mumbai. He stated that he was told to collect gold paste placed in dustbin near Gate No. 2 of transit area. He stated that he knew that the gold was smuggled in to India by Sri Lankan Carriers at Mumbai Airport but his job was only to collect the gold and bring it out from Mumbai International Airport and hand it over to the person Rahul in Chennai for which he will give him Rs.5,000/- Further, he again confirmed the recovery of gold bar weighing 706.350 Grams, has Market Value at Rs.45,22,759/- and

tariff value at Rs. 39,24,036/- from him during the course of Panchnama dated 19.12.2023.

5. Therefore, on the basis of facts narrated above, the said gold Bar (1 Piece) weighing 706.350 grams of 999.0/24 Kt purity valued at Rs.45,22,759/- (market value) and Rs.39,24,036/- (tariff value), derived from 774.710 grams pouches from the passenger, appeared liable for confiscation, was placed under seizure under Panchnama dated 19.12.2023 as said gold totally weighing 706.350 grams seized under Panchnama dated 19.12.2023 was "smuggled goods" as defined under Section 2(39) of Customs Act, 1962. It also appeared that the said passenger has conspired to smuggle the said gold into India. The offence committed has been admitted by the said passenger in his statement recorded on 19.12.2023 under Section 108 of the Customs Act, 1962. He has committed an offence punishable under Section 135 (1) (a) & (b) of the Customs Act, 1962.

## **6. RELEVANT LEGAL PROVISIONS:**

### **A. THE CUSTOMS ACT, 1962:**

**I) Section 2 - Definitions.**—*In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—*

(22) "goods" includes—

- (a) vessels, aircrafts and vehicles;
- (b) stores;
- (c) baggage;
- (d) currency and negotiable instruments; and
- (d) any other kind of movable property;

(3) "baggage" includes unaccompanied baggage but does not include motor vehicles;

(33) "prohibited goods" means any goods the import or export of which is subject to any prohibition under this Act or any other law for the time being in force but does not include any such goods in respect of which the conditions subject to which the goods are permitted to be imported or exported have been complied with;

(39) "smuggling", in relation to any goods, means any act or omission which will render such goods liable to confiscation under section 111 or section 113;"

**II) Section 11A – Definitions** -*In this Chapter, unless the context otherwise requires,*

(a) "illegal import" means the import of any goods in contravention of the provisions of this Act or any other law for the time being in force;"

**III) "Section 77 – Declaration by owner of baggage.—***The owner of any baggage shall, for the purpose of clearing it, make a declaration of its contents to the proper officer."*

**IV) "Section 110 – Seizure of goods, documents and things.—***(1) If the proper officer has reason to believe that any goods are liable to confiscation under this Act, he may seize such goods:"*

**V) "Section 111 – Confiscation of improperly imported goods, etc.—***The following goods brought from a place outside India shall be liable to confiscation:-*

*(d) any goods which are imported or attempted to be imported or are brought within the Indian customs waters for the purpose of being imported, contrary to any prohibition imposed by or under this Act or any other law for the time being in force;*

*(f) any dutiable or prohibited goods required to be mentioned under the regulations in an arrival manifest or import manifest or import report which are not so mentioned;*

*(i) any dutiable or prohibited goods found concealed in any manner in any package either before or after the unloading thereof;*

*(j) any dutiable or prohibited goods removed or attempted to be removed from a customs area or a warehouse without the permission of the proper officer or contrary to the terms of such permission;*

*(l) any dutiable or prohibited goods which are not included or are in excess of those included in the entry made under this Act, or in the case of baggage in the declaration made under section 77;*

*(m) any goods which do not correspond in respect of value or in any other particular with the entry made under this Act or in the case of baggage with the declaration made under section 77 in respect thereof, or in the case of goods under transshipment, with the declaration for transshipment referred to in the proviso to sub-section (1) of section 54;"*

**VI) "Section 112 – Penalty for improper importation of goods, etc.—***Any person,-*

*(a) who, in relation to any goods, does or omits to do any act which act or omission would render such goods liable to confiscation under Section 111, or abets the doing or omission of such an act, or*

*(b) who acquires possession of or is in any way concerned in carrying, removing, depositing, harboring, keeping, concealing, selling or purchasing or in any manner dealing with any goods which he know or has reason to believe are liable to confiscation under Section 111, shall be liable to penalty.*

**VII) "SECTION 119- Confiscation of goods used for concealing smuggled goods –***Any goods used for concealing smuggled goods shall also be liable to confiscation.*

*Explanation.— In this section, "goods" does not include a conveyance used as a means of transport.*

**B. THE FOREIGN TRADE (DEVELOPMENT AND REGULATION) ACT, 1992;**



**I) "Section 3(2) - The Central Government may also, by Order published in the Official Gazette, make provision for prohibiting, restricting or otherwise regulating, in all cases or in specified classes of cases and subject to such exceptions, if any, as may be made by or under the Order, the import or export of goods or services or technology."**

**II) "Section 3(3) - All goods to which any Order under sub-section (2) applies shall be deemed to be goods the import or export of which has been prohibited under section 11 of the Customs Act, 1962 (52 of 1962) and all the provisions of that Act shall have effect accordingly."**

**III) "Section 11(1) - No export or import shall be made by any person except in accordance with the provisions of this Act, the rules and orders made thereunder and the foreign trade policy for the time being in force."**

**C. THE CUSTOMS BAGGAGE DECLARATIONS REGULATIONS, 2013:**

**I) Regulation 3 (as amended) - All passengers who come to India and having anything to declare or are carrying dutiable or prohibited goods shall declare their accompanied baggage in the prescribed form.**

**CONTRAVENTION AND VIOLATION OF LAWS**

**7.** It therefore appears that:

**(a)** Shri Vijayan (Pseudo name Shri Mahesh Mahesh) improperly imported the One Gold Bar one (01), weighing 706.350 Grams of purity 999.0 (24KT) having Market Value at Rs.45,22,759/- and tariff value at Rs.39,24,036/- derived from 774.710 grams of gold paste pouches from the passenger (as discussed herein above) without declaring it to the Customs by denying that he has nothing to declare to Customs with a deliberate intention to evade the payment of Customs duty and fraudulently circumventing the restrictions and prohibitions imposed under the Customs Act, 1962 and other allied Acts, Rules and Regulations. The passenger had knowingly and intentionally imported the said Gold Bar improperly without declaring the same to the Customs authority under temptation to evade Customs Duty. Therefore, the gold imported by the passenger was not declared to the Customs on arrival in India cannot be treated as bonafide household goods or personal effects. Shri Vijayan (Pseudo

name Shri Mahesh Mahesh) has thus contravened the Foreign Trade Policy 2015-20 and Section 11(1) of the Foreign Trade (Development and Regulation) Act, 1992 read with Section 3(2) and 3(3) of the Foreign Trade (Development and Regulation) Act, 1992.

**(b)** The passenger, by not declaring the contents of his baggage which included dutiable and prohibited goods to the proper officer of the Customs has contravened Section 77 of the Customs Act, 1962 read with Regulation 3 of Customs Baggage Declaration Regulations, 2013.

**(c)** The improperly imported gold paste concealed inside the pouches by the passenger without declaring it to the Customs is thus liable for confiscation under Section 111(d), 111(i) and 111(j) read with Section 2 (22), (33), (39) of the Customs Act, 1962 and further read in conjunction with Section 11(3) of the Customs Act, 1962.

**(d)** The passenger, by his above-described acts of omission and commission on his part has rendered himself liable to penalty under Section 112 of the Customs Act, 1962.

**(e)** As per Section 123 of the Customs Act, 1962, the burden of proving that the One Gold Bar, weighing 706.350 grams having purity 999.0 (24KT), Market Value at Rs.45,22,759/- and tariff value at Rs.39,24,036/- recovered/ derived from 774.710 grams derived from semisolid/ paste substance/ material consisting of Gold from the passenger without declaring it to the Customs, are not smuggled goods, is upon the passenger and Noticee, Shri Vijayan (Pseudo name Shri Mahesh Mahesh).

**8.** Now, therefore, Shri Vijayan (Pseudo name Shri Mahesh Mahesh), resident of 3-11-A, Kottayanthoppu, Mimisal, Post - Avudaiyarkovil Taluk, Mimisal, Chatrapattinam Pudukkottai, Tamilnadu - 614621, holding Aadhar Card bearing No. 2223 8651 7832, is called upon to show cause in writing to the Additional Commissioner of Customs, Ahmedabad having his office at Custom House, Nr. All India Radio, Income Tax Circle, Navrangpura, Ahmedabad, as to why:

- (i) One Gold Bar, weighing **706.350** grams having purity 999.0 (24KT) recovered/ derived from semisolid/ paste substance/ material consisting of weight 774.710 grams, having Market Value at **Rs.45,22,759/-** (Rupees Forty-Five Lakh Twenty-Two Thousand Seven hundred and Fifty-Nine only) and tariff value at **Rs.39,24,036/-** (Rupees Thirty Nine Lakhs Twenty Four Thousand and Thirty Six only) placed under seizure under panchnama dated 19.12.2023 and seizure memo order dated 19.12.2023 should not be confiscated under Section 111(d), 111(f), 111(i), 111(j), 111(l) and 111(m) of the Customs Act, 1962;
- (j) Penalty should not be imposed upon the passenger, under Section 112(a) and 112(b) of the Customs Act, 1962.

9. Shri Vijayan (Pseudo name Shri Mahesh Mahesh) is further required to state specifically in his written reply as to whether he wishes to be heard in person before the case is adjudicated. If no specific mention is made about this in his written submissions, it shall be presumed that he does not wish to be heard in person. He should produce at the time of showing cause, all the evidence upon which he intends to rely in support of his defense.

10. The passenger is further required to note that his reply should reach within 30 (thirty) days from the receipt of this SCN or within such extended period as may be allowed by the adjudicating authority. If no cause is shown against the action proposed above, within 30 days from the receipt of this SCN or if he does not appear before the adjudicating authority as and when the case is posted for hearing, the case is liable to be decided ex-parte on the basis of facts and evidence available on record.

11. The relied upon documents for the purpose of this notice are listed in the **Annexure-R** and copies thereof are enclosed with this notice.

12. This Show Cause Notice is issued without prejudice to any other action that may be taken against him, under this Act or any other law for the time being in force, or against any other company, person(s), goods and conveyances whether named in this notice or not.

13. The Department reserves its right to amend, modify or supplement this notice at any time prior to the adjudication of the case.

*V. Malani*  
9/5/24

**(Vishal Malani)**

Additional Commissioner,  
Customs, Ahmedabad

F. No. VIII/10-263/SVPIA-D/O&A/HQ/2023-24

Date: 09/05/2024

DIN : 20240571MN0000776007

**BY SPEED POST**

To,

**Shri Vijayan S/o Shri Karuppian**

**(Pseudo name Shri Mahesh Mahesh),**

3-11-A, Kottayanthoppu, Mimisal, Post - Avudaiyarkovil Taluk,  
Mimisal, Chatrapattinam Pudukkottai, Tamilnadu-614621.

**Copy to:**

- (i) The Deputy/Assistant Commissioner of Customs (AIU), SVPIA, Ahmedabad-380003.
- (ii) The System In charge, Customs HQ, Ahmedabad for uploading on official web-site i.e. <http://www.ahmedabadcustoms.gov.in>.
- (iii) Guard File.

**ANNEXURE - 'R'**

LIST OF DOCUMENTS/ RECORDS RELIED UPON FOR THE PURPOSE OF SHOW CAUSE NOTICE ISSUED TO Shri Vijayan S/o Shri Karuppian (Pseudo name Shri Mahesh Mahesh)

S. No.	Nature of document	Remarks
1	Panchnama dated 19.12.2023 drawn at SVPI Airport, Ahmedabad	Copy already provided
2	Valuation Report of Government Approved Valuer Shri Kartikey Vasantraai Soni vide his report dated 19.12.2023.	Copy enclosed
3	Seizure memo Order dated 19.12.2023 issued under Section 110(1) of the Customs Act, 1962.	Copy enclosed
4	Copy of Boarding Pass showing Seat No. 10E of the passenger in Indigo Airlines Flight No. 6E446 from Mumbai to Ahmedabad dated 19.12.2023.	Copy enclosed
5	Statement of Shri Vijayan recorded on 19.12.2023	Copy enclosed

**Panchanama dated 19.12.2023 drawn in the Arrival Hall of Terminal  
1 & 2 of SVPI Airport, Ahmedabad**

Sr. No.	Name & Address of the Panchas	Age	Occupation
1.	Ajaypalsinh Vakhatsinh Jetavat, C/O Vakhtsinh Jetavat, E404, Galaxy Spacia BH Uday Autolink, Sardar Patel Ringroad, Kathwada, Ahmedabad-382430 (Adhaar No. 7198 7919 7398)	29	Service
.	Priyadarshi Giraben Lavajibhai, D/o Priyadarshi Lavajibhai, 110, Gurukul Society, Ayodhyapuri Township pase, Modasa, Sabarkantha, Modas, Gujarat-383315 (Adhaar 3865 7880 5640)	25	Service

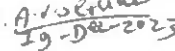
We the above named panchas are called upon by a person today (on 19.12.2023) at around 07:00 AM, who introduces himself as Shri Ajay, Inspector of Customs, Air Intelligence Unit (AIU), SVP International Airport, Ahmedabad, by showing his identity card near the Arrival Hall at Terminal-1 of Ahmedabad Airport and requests us to remain present as panch witnesses during the course of personal search and examination of the baggage of a passenger. Further, the officer also introduces other officer namely Shri B N Doria, Superintendent of Customs, Air Intelligence Unit (AIU), SVP International Airport, Ahmedabad.


Now, the AIU Officer informs us that they have a specific input from DRI, Hyderabad Zonal Unit, that a male passenger namely Shri Mahesh Mahesh travelling by Indigo Flight No. 6E446, which is arriving from Mumbai to SVPI Airport, Ahmedabad (domestic Airport, Terminal -1) at around 07:30 AM on 19.12.2023 is suspected to be carrying smuggled gold either in his baggage or concealed in his clothes/body and therefore a thorough personal search along with search of all the baggages of the passenger is required to be carried out and Also they need to guide the passenger from the airplane to ensure that the goods are not handed over to someone else. The passengers would be arriving by flight No. 6E446 of Indigo Air Airlines which will be landing at approximately 07:30 AM and for which we are requested to go along with the AIU team as independent panchas and to be present during the entire proceedings. Therefore, as requested, we the above mentioned panchas give our consent to remain present as panchas for the entire proceedings.

Before me,

  
19/12/23

(Ajay)  
Inspector, AIU  
SVPIA, Ahmedabad,

Pancha 1.   
19-Dec-2023

Pancha 2.   
19-Dec-2023


  
19/12/2023  
(Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh)


Accordingly, in the presence of we the panchas, the AIU officers reached the Airplane which has carried the flight no. 6E 446 of Indigo Air Airlines from Mumbai to Ahmedabad. The officers then check the boarding pass of all the passengers deplaning from the flight. They find the passengers namely Shri Mahesh Mahesh having seat no. 10E and inform him that they will guide him from the airplane.


As there is no customs Office at Domestic Airport Ahmedabad, the AIU Officers alongwith we the panchas and the passenger Shri Mahesh Mahesh reach the Customs AIU section situated at Arrival Hall of Terminal -2, SVPI Airport Ahmedabad at around 08:30 AM on 19.12.2023. Thereafter, we the panchas and the AIU officers along with all aforesaid passenger found three other persons are already present there who introduce themselves as Shri Mahendra Kumar, Deputy Commissioner, Air Intelligence Unit (AIU), SVP International Airport, Ahmedabad and Smt. Sarjula Vasava & Shri Kalyan Prasad, both Superintendents, Air Intelligence Unit (AIU), SVP International Airport, Ahmedabad. We the Panchas alongwith the Officers observe that the passenger is carrying one Black coloured shoulder bag. The AIU Officers in presence of we the panchas asks the Pax if he wants to declare any dutiable items to Customs, to which the said Pax denied having anything dutiable with him.

The officers again asks Shri Mahesh Mahesh, if he has anything to declare to the Customs, in reply to which he denies. The officer informs Shri Mahesh Mahesh that they would be conducting his personal search and detailed examination of his baggage (Black coloured shoulder bag). The officers, then, offer their personal search to Shri Mahesh Mahesh, but he politely decline the same and he also states that his name is not Mahesh and tells the officers that his original name is Vijayan and he is from Pudukottai, Tamilnadu, the officer asks Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh whether he wants to be searched in front of an Executive Magistrate or a Gazetted Officer of Customs. In reply Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh gives his consent to be searched in front of the Superintendent of Customs. Thereafter, the AIU officer, in presence of we the panchas, proceed to examine the said passenger personally and the shoulder bag brought by him. The AIU officer asks the said passenger to place the articles he is carrying in his clothes in

Before me,

  
(Ajay)  
Inspector, AIU  
SVPIA, Ahmedabad.

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19/12/2023  
(Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh)

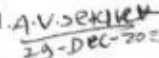
a Plastic tray. The passenger takes out mobile, belt, wallet etc and takes out some heavy paste like substance of yellow colour packed in transparent pouches from the jeans zip covering cloth of his jeans. The AIU officer asks the said passenger about the heavy paste like substance of yellow colour packed in transparent pouches, to which the passenger replies that these pouches contain gold in paste form. The passenger in presence of we the panchas hands over the yellow coloured pouches to the AIU officer. Thereafter, examination viz. scanning of Black coloured shoulder bag was done in the X-ray Baggage Scanning Machine, however, nothing objectionable is noticed.

Now, the officers asks Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh to pass through the Door Frame Metal Detector (DFMD) Machine installed near the green channel in the Arrival hall of Terminal 2 building, after removing all metallic objects from his body/clothes. Further, Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh readily removes all the metallic objects such as mobile phone etc., and keeps in a plastic tray and passes through the DFMD. However, no beep sound is heard. Now personal search of Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh is carried out by Superintendent of Customs, AIU. However, nothing objectionable was noticed.

The AIU officer in presence of we the panchas asks the said passenger about the ownership of the said gold paste material, to which the passenger replied that a person namely Rahul who lives in Chennai, asked him to go to Mumbai and collect the Gold Paste carried by International transit passengers (Dubai to Srilanka) at Mumbai International Airport, Sahar, Mumbai. He further states that he was told to collect gold paste placed in dustbin near Gate No. 2 of transit area. He further states that he knows that the gold was smuggled in to India by Sri Lankan carriers at Mumbai Airport and his job was to collect the gold and bring it out of Mumbai International Airport and hand it over to the person Rahul in Chennai, in execution of this planning, the passenger firstly travelled to Mumbai on 16.12.2023 and stayed there for 02 days after that he collected the gold from some area near to exit of Mumbai international Airport and got the ticket of Mumbai to Hyderabad on his name i.e. Vijayan vide which he entered the Mumbai Airport Departure Area, after that he got the

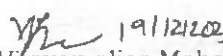
Before me,

  
(Ajay)  
Inspector, AIU  
SVPIA, Ahmedabad.

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(Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh)

instructions to collect the a boarding pass (from the dustbin of some particular bathroom of departure area) having "Shri Mahesh Mahesh" name on it of Indigo 6E446 flight from Mumbai to Ahmedabad vide which he travelled to Ahmedabad today i.e. 19.12.2023. He further states that from Ahmedabad he has to go to Chennai by purchasing new flight ticket from Ahmedabad to Chennai and deliver the gold paste material to Rahul. He further states that he would get Re. 5000 from Rahul in favour of supplying this material to him.

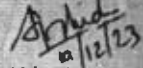
Thereafter, the officer calls the Government Approved Valuer and informs him that some yellow coloured pouches are recovered from a passenger and the passenger has informed that it is gold in the form of solid paste material and hence, he needs to come to the Airport for testing and Valuation of the said material. In reply, the Government Approved Valuer informs the Customs (AIU) officer that the testing of the said material is only possible at his workshop as gold has to be extracted from such semisolid paste material form by melting it and also informs the address of his workshop.

Thereafter, at around 10:00 am we the panchas along with the passenger and the AIU officers leave the Airport premises in a Government Vehicle and reach at the premises of the Government Approved Valuer located at 301, Golden Signature, Behind Ratnam Complex, Nr. National Handloom, C.G. Road, Ahmedabad-380006.

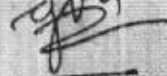
On reaching the above referred premises, the AIU officer introduces the panchas as well as passenger to one person named Mr. Kartikey Vasantrai Soni, Government Approved Valuer. Thereafter, Shri Mr. Kartikey Vasantrai Soni, weigh the said semi-solid/paste substance packed in transparent pouches recovered from the passenger on his weighing scale.

After weighing the above said pouches recovered from Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh, Mr. Kartikey Vasantrai Soni informs that the gross weight of said semisolid like substances (pouches) is 774.710 grams. Thereafter, he leads us to the furnace, inside his workshop. Here, Mr. Kartikey Vasantrai Soni starts the process of converting the said paste like substances into

Before me,

  
(Ajay)  
Inspector, AIU  
SVPIA, Ahmedabad.

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(Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh)



solid gold by putting the yellow coloured pouches fully into the furnace and upon heating the said semi-solid substances, turns into liquid material. The said substance in liquid state is taken out of furnace, and poured in a bar shaped plate and after cooling for some time, it becomes yellow coloured solid metal in form of a bar. After completion of the procedure, Government Approved Valuer informs that Gold bar weighing 706.350 Grams having purity 999.0/24kt is derived from the 774.710 Grams of semisolid paste substance consisting of Gold paste and chemical mix.

After testing the said yellow coloured metal, the Government Approved Valuer confirms that it is pure gold. Further, he informs that the said recovered gold bar having net weighing 706.350 Grams derived from semisolid/paste substance/material consisting of Gold. The gold bar is having purity 999.0/24kt and Market Value at Rs. 45,22,759/- (Rupees Forty Five Lakh Twenty Two Thousand Seven hundred and Fifty Nine only) and tariff value at Rs. 39,24,036/- (Rupees Thirty Nine Lakhs Twenty Four Thousand and Thirty Six only). The value of the gold bar has been calculated as per the Notification No. 91/2023-Customs (N.T.) dated 15.12.2023 (gold) and Notification No. 90/2023-Customs (N.T.) dated 07.12.2023(exchange rate). Further details are produced in below table:

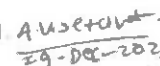
Sl. No.	Details of Items	PCS	Gross Weight In Gram	Net Weight in Gram	Purity	Market Value (Rs.)	Tariff Value (Rs.)
1.	Gold bar	1	774.710	706.350	999.0 24Kt.	45,22,759/-	39,24,036/-
	Total	1	774.710	706.350	999.0 24Kt.	45,22,759/-	39,24,036/-

Then, the AIU officer placed the recovered gold bar derived from yellow semisolid substance material consisting of Gold on a table and photograph of it which is as follows:-


Before me,



(Ajay)  
Inspector, AIU  
SVPIA, Ahmedabad

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(Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh)



The method of testing and the valuation used by Shri Soni Kartikey Vasantrao is done in a perfect manner in presence of we the independent panchas and the passenger (Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh) and we are satisfied and agreed with the testing and Valuation Report (Annexure-A and B) given by Shri Soni Kartikey Vasantrao and in token of the same, we independent Panchas and the passenger put our dated signature on the said valuation report.

After the proceedings of the extraction of gold at the workshop, we panchas, customs (AIU) officers and the passengers come back to the Airport in government vehicle along with the extracted gold bar at 12:15 pm on 19.12.2023.

The details of travelling documents (Boarding Pass), Aadhar Card produced by the said passenger are as under:-

Before me,

*[Signature]*  
19/12/23

(Ajay)  
Inspector, AIU  
SVPIA, Ahmedabad.

Pancha 1. A V. S. Bhatnagar  
19-Dec-2023

Pancha 2. *[Signature]*  
19-Dec-2023

*[Signature]* 19/12/2023  
(Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh)

S. No.	Name of the Passenger	Boarding pass PNR No. & Flight No.	date	Seat Number/Sequence No.	Aadhar Number
1	Shri Vijayan (as per Adhaar Card) and Shri Mahesh Mahesh (as per Boarding Pass)	OUQZGG, Flight No. 6E446	19.12.2023	10E/0122	2223 8651 7832


We the panchas as well as the passenger put our dated signatures on copies of all the above mentioned travelling documents and the above passenger manifest, as a token of having seen and agreed to the same.

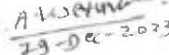
The AIU officer in presence of we the Panchas inform Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh that the one gold bar having weight of 706.350 grams having purity 999.0/24kt recovered from his jeans's Zip outer cloth tantamount to smuggling of gold. Therefore, the same is liable for confiscation under the provisions of the Customs Act, 1962. The officer informs Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh that the one gold bar weighing 706.350 grams is liable to be seized under the provisions of the Customs Act, 1962. The officers place the 01 gold bar weighing 706.350 grams in a plastic container. The officers tie the plastic container with a cotton thread and seal the same with Customs lac seal in such a manner that same cannot be opened without tempering the Customs lac seal.


We, the above mentioned two panchas, the AIU officer and the passenger put our dated signature on the packing lists placed over the plastic box as a token of having packed and sealed in our presence and in the presence of the passenger Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh. The said sealed transparent plastic container containing 1 piece of gold bar is handed over to the Ware House Incharge, SVPI Airport, Ahmedabad vide Ware House Entry No. 5505 dated 19.12.2023.

The AIU officers inform that the copies of travelling documents and identity proof documents mentioned above are being taken into possession

Before me,

  
(Ajay)  
Inspector, AIU  
SVPIA, Ahmedabad.

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(Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh)

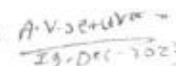
for further investigation and are signed by we the panchas, AIU Officer and the passenger Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh.

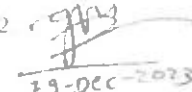
Nothing else is seized or taken over from the passenger - Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh except what has been mentioned above in the Panchnama. The officers then offer their personal search to which the passenger denies saying that he has full trust in the AIU Officers. No threat, coercion or inducement is made during the entire proceedings. No religious sentiments of the passenger are hurt during the course of Panchnama. The Panchnama is recorded on a computer installed in the office of the Air Intelligence Unit at SVPI Airport, Ahmedabad. We the panchas have gone through the above said Panchnama and the said Panchnama has been explained to the passenger by us in vernacular language and we all find that the Panchnama is recorded as per our say and is true and correct. After understanding the same, we and the passenger put our dated signature on it. The Panchnama concluded in a peaceful manner at 01:30 PM on 19.12.2023.

Before me,

  
19/12/23

(Ajay)  
Inspector, AIU  
SVPIA, Ahmedabad.

Pancha 1   
19-Dec-2023

Pancha 2   
19-Dec-2023

 19/12/2023  
(Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh)

Statement of Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh S/o Shri Karuppian, DOB: 24.09.1992, residing at 3-11-A, Kottayanthoppu, Mimisal, Post-Avudaiyarkovil Taluk, Mimisal, Chatrapattinam Pudukkottai, Tamilnadu-614621 Mobile No.+919342316104 recorded under Section 108 of the Customs Act, 1962 on 19.12.2023.

I, Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh S/o Shri Karuppian, DOB: 24.09.1992, residing at 3-11-A, Kottayanthoppu, Mimisal, Post-Avudaiyarkovil Taluk, Mimisal, Chatrapattinam Pudukkottai, Tamilnadu-614621, on being called by the Superintendent (AIU), Customs, at SVPI Airport, Ahmedabad, appear before you to give my true and correct statement today i.e. on 19.12.2023 in response to the summons dated 19.12.2023 issued to me under Section 108 of the Customs Act, 1962. Before giving my statement, I have been explained the provisions of Section 108 of the Customs Act, 1962, wherein, I have been made to understand that I have to give my true and correct statement. I have been explained that if my statement is found to be false or incorrect, action can be taken against me under the provisions of the Indian Penal Code. I have also been explained that my statement can be used as legal evidence against me or any other person in the Court of Law. Now, I give my statement in question answer form as under:

Q.1 Please state your name, age, address and profession?

Ans- My name, age and address stated above are true and correct. I am doing labour work on construction site. I can read, write and understand Tamil easily and little bit Hindi & English language.

Q.2 Please give the details of your family residing with you and their profession?

Ans- There are 05 members in my family (Myself, Wife, Son and Mother, Father). I do labour work in construction of buildings.

Q.3 What is your monthly income?

Ans- My monthly income is Rs.18,000/- approx.

Q.4 Please explain regarding your overseas travels?

Ans- I state that I do labour work on construction site and never going abroad or visited foreign country.

Q.5 How many times have you arrived at Ahmedabad and where do you generally board the flight from?


Ans:- First time.

Q.6 How do you book your ticket?

Ans:- I state that tickets arranged by the person Rahul.

Q.7 Who makes the payment for the ticket and what is the source of the funds?

Before me

  
(Sarjula Vasava)  
Superintendent (AIU)  
Customs, Ahmedabad

 19/12/2023  
(Vijayan Alias Mahesh)  
Pax

Ans:- I state that the payments for tickets are made by Rahul who lives in Chennai.

Q.8 Please peruse Panchnama dated 19.12.2023 drawn at SVP International Airport, Ahmedabad and offer your comments.

Ans: I have perused the said Panchnama Dated 19.12.2023 drawn at Terminal-2 of SVP International Airport, Ahmedabad and I state that I have been present during the entire course of the said panchnama proceedings and I agree with the contents of the said Panchnama. I put my dated signature on last page of the panchnama.

Q.9 The Gold Paste which has been recovered from your possession and recorded under panchnama dated 19.12.2023, please state who has purchased the said Gold in the form of paste and handed over the same to you? And why not given any declaration about the gold.

Ans - I state that I am only the carrier, who purchased gold paste I don't know. I only know that, a person namely Rahul who lives in Chennai, asked me to go to Mumbai and collect the Gold Paste carried by International transit passengers (Dubai to Srilanka) at Mumbai International Airport, Sahar, Mumbai. I further state that I were told to collect gold paste placed in dustbin near Gate No. 2 of transit area. I further state that I know that the gold was smuggled in to India by Sri Lankan carriers at Mumbai Airport but my job was only to collect the gold and bring it out from Mumbai International Airport and hand it over to the person Rahul in Chennai for which he will give me Rs. 5000/-.

Q.10 How you have arranged funds for this purchase as you stated that your monthly income is very low i.e. only Rs.28000/-?

Ans - I state that the gold paste is not mine, I am not the owner of the gold paste material. A person namely Rahul who lives in Chennai told me to collect gold paste material from Mumbai Airport and I will get Rs. 5000/- to deliver the same to Rahul.

Q.11 Please give the details of the property owned by you and your family members.

Ans - I have one house in Tamilnadu on my Father's name.


Q.12 Please give the details of Bank Accounts in your name and in the name of your family members.

Ans - No I don't have any bank account.

Q.13 Please explain in detail about your journey from Mumbai to Ahmedabad and the incidents took place on 19.12.2023 at the time of arrival at Ahmedabad Airport?

Ans:- I state that I do labour work on construction sites, in Chennai a person namely Rahul told me to collect gold paste substance from Mumbai International Airport and deliver the same to Chennai for which you will get Rs. 5000/-. In execution of this planning, I travelled to Mumbai on 16.12.2023 and stayed 02 days in Mumbai after that I got tickets of Mumbai

Before me

  
(Sarjula Vasava)  
Superintendent (AIU)  
Customs, Ahmedabad

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(Vijayan Alias Mahesh)  
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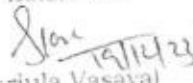
to Hyderabad on my name i.e. Vijayan vide which I entered into Mumbai Airport, after that I got the instructions to collect the Gold paste substance from the transit area and boarding pass(from the dustbin of some particular bathroom of departure area) having "Shri Mahesh Mahesh" name on it of Indigo 6E446 flight from Mumbai to Ahmedabad vide which travelled to Ahmedabad today i.e. 19.12.2023.

Q.14 Are you aware that bringing dutiable/prohibited/restricted goods without declaration and without payment of duty is an offence?

Ans: -Yes, I am aware that bringing dutiable/prohibited/restricted goods without declaration and without payment of duty is an offence.

I have given my above statement voluntarily and willingly without any threat, coercion or duress and I have been explained my above statement in Gujarati and Hindi and after understanding the same, in token of the above statement being true and correct, I put my signature on all pages of this statement. I further state that I will present myself before you whenever I will be called upon. I have requested the officer to type the statement on the computer and the same has been recorded as per my say and my above statement is true and correct.

Before me

  
(Sarjula Vasava)  
Superintendent (AIU)  
Customs, Ahmedabad

 19/12/2023  
(Vijayan Alias Mahesh)  
Pax



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AHMEDABAD 38 00 04  
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F. No. VHI/10-220/AIU/D/2022-23

Date: 19.12.2023

**ORDER UNDER SECTION 110 (1) AND (3) OF THE CUSTOMS ACT, 1962**

In exercise of the power conferred under sub-section (1) of Section 110 of the Customs Act, 1962, I, the undersigned, order to One gold bar having net weight of 706.350 Grams having purity 999.0/24 KT recovered from semi-solid yellow coloured transparent pouches found in outer cloth of jeans Zip, having Market Value at Rs. 45,22,759/- (Rupees Forty Five Lakh Twenty Two Thousand Seven hundred and Fifty Nine only) and tariff value at Rs. 39,24,036/- (Rupees Thirty Nine Lakhs Twenty Four Thousand and Thirty Six only) as on 19.12.2023 smuggled by Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh (D.O.B. 24.09.1992), under seizure on the reasonable belief that the said goods are liable for confiscation under Section 111 of the Customs Act, 1962, due to the reason that the said goods have been attempted to be smuggled within India through SVPI Domestic Airport, Ahmedabad by Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh (D.O.B. 24.09.1992), in form of gold bar weighing 706.350 grams by way of hiding semi-solid yellow coloured transparent gold pouches in outer cloth of jeans Zip and same was recovered during the course of Panchnama dated 19.12.2023 drawn at SVPI Airport, Ahmedabad

2. The gold which was recovered from Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh (D.O.B. 24.09.1992), is being seized as under:

Sl. No.	Details of Items	PCS	Gross Weight In Gram	Net Weight in Gram	Purity	Market Value (Rs.)	Tariff Value (Rs.)
1.	Gold bar	1	774.710	706.350	999.0 24Kt	45,22,759/-	39,24,036/-

3. Further, in exercise of powers conferred under sub-section (3) of Section 110 of the Customs Act, 1962, I, undersigned, order to place the gold bar recovered from Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh under seizure on reasonable belief that the same was attempted to be smuggled into India in violation of Section 77, Section 132 and Section 135, of the Customs Act, 1962.

Date : 19.12.2023  
Place: SVPI Airport, Ahmedabad

*Ajay*  
19/12/23

(Ajay)  
Inspector, Customs(AIU)  
SVPI Air Port, Ahmedabad.



## ANNEXURE 'B'

**VALUATION CERTIFICATE OF ONE GOLD BAR EXTRACTED FROM BROWN COLOURED SEMI SOLID SUBSTANCE RECOVERED FROM VIJAYAN AT T-1, SVPI AIRPORT, AHMEDABAD ON 19/12/2023.**

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Certificate No: 1003/2023-24

Dated: 19/12/2023.

This is to certify that I have checked and examined the 1 Piece of Gold Bar weighing **706.350 Grams** derived from semi solid substance consisting of Gold & Chemical mixed having Gross weight is **774.710** (with Two Transparent Pouches) I confirm and authenticate that the said yellow metal as given below.

The market value of the aforesaid Gold & tariff value as per the Notification No. 91/2023- Customs (N.T.) dated 15.12.2023 (gold) and Notification No. 90/2023- Customs (N.T.) dated 07.12.2023 (exchange rate), the calculation of total market value based on the unit market value of gold @ 64030 per 10 grams (999.0 24Kt) and the calculation of total tariff value based on the tariff value of gold prevailing at the time of valuation @ 55553.70 Rs. per 10 gram (999.0 24Kt) are as given below: -

SR. No.	Details of Items	PCS	Net Weight in Gram	Purity	Market value (Rs)	Tariff Value (Rs)
1	Gold Bar	1	706.350	999.0 24Kt	4522759	3924036
	Total	1	706.350		4522759	3924036

Place: Ahmedabad

Date: 19/12/2023



*He [Signature]*  
 17/12/23  
**(SONI KARTIKEY VASANTRAI)**

Qr. Certificate-No:1003/2023-24 Dated:19.12.2023 The Deputy Commissioner (AIU) SVPI Customs Ahmedabad Recovered From Vijayan

*Vhoz* 19/12/2023

*A.V. [Signature]*  
 19-Dec-2023  
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 19/12/23



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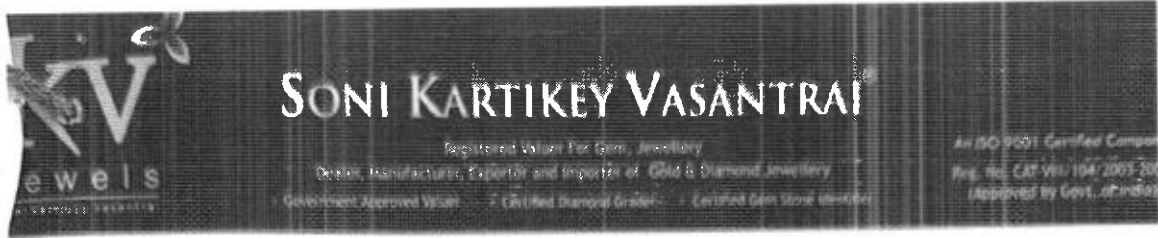
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### ANNEXURE 'A'

Dated: 10/12/2023

#### Detailed Primary Verification Report of Brown Coloured Semi Solid Substance

To, The Deputy Commissioner (AIU) SVPI Customs Ahmedabad,

It was informed that the Passenger **Vijayan** Aadhar No. **222386517832**, residing at, C/O Karuppalah, 3-11-A, Kottaiyanhoppu, Mimisal Post, Avudaiyarkovil, Taluk, Mimisal, Chatrapattinam, Pudukkottai, Tamil Nadu, India, travelling by Indigo, Flight No: 6E 446 Arrived on: 19/12/2023 from Mumbai to Ahmedabad, AIU Customs Official Found Suspicious Two Transparent Pouches containing with some paste material having Weight **774.710 Grams**, from his possession.

On the Basis of above Verification of Semi Solid Substance, I Recommended for Testing of the said Substance.

As per my judgement, this Semi Solid Substance is mixture of 100 % Purity of Gold with Chemical. So, the same Substance Need Melting Process to Derive Exact Quantity & Purity of Gold. The extracted Net Quantity of Gold along with its Purity is shown in my Valuation Report Attached Dated: 19/12/2023. The Process of extraction of gold is carried out in presence of Customs Officers, Pax & Panchas at KV Jewels, Ahmedabad on today i.e 19/12/2023.



(SONI KARTIKEY VASANT RAI)

*He [Signature]*  
19/12/23

*Vg* 19/12/2023

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19/12/23



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Boarding Pass (Self Check-In)

MAHESH / MAHESH / MR

(MUMBAI)

To AHMEDABAD

6E446

Boarding  
Zone 3

Seat  
10E

Boarding Time  
0525 Hrs

Dated: 19 DEC 2023 Departure: 0610 Hrs Services: NIL

Seat: 0122



Gate is subject to change and will close  
25 minutes prior to departure

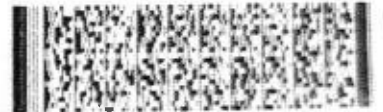
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MAHESH / MAHESH / MR

BOM  
AMD

Flight: 6E446  
Date: 19 DEC 2023  
PNR: 0UQZGG  
Services: NIL

Seat: 10E Seat: 0122



*A. V. S. K.*  
*19-Dec-2023*  
*Ym 19/12/2023*



OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY COMMISSIONER OF CUSTOMS  
AIU, SVPI AIRPORT, AHMEDABAD.

ANNEXURE - C

PACKING LIST

1	NAME OF PASSENGER	Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh
2	ADDRESS OF PAX	C/o Karuppaiah, 3-11-A, Kottaiyanthoppu, Mimisal Post, Avudaiyarkovil Taluk, Mimisal Chatrapattinam Pudukottai, Tamilnadu, India, Pin- 614621
3	PASSPORT NO/BOARDING PASS	Boarding Pass Boarding Zone 3, Seat No. 10E, Seq. No. 0122, PNR No. OUQZGG, date 19.12.2023 Indigo Flight No. 6E466 from Mumbai to Ahmedabad
4	DESCRIPTION OF GOODS	(i) One gold bar having net weight of 706.350 Grams having purity 999.0/24 KT recovered from semi-solid yellow coloured transparent pouches found in outer cloth of jeans Zip.
K	VALUE OF GOODS	Rs. 45,22,759/- (Market Value) Rs. 39,24,036/- (Tariff Value)
6	REASONS FOR SEIZURE	Smuggling of one gold bar by way by way of hiding the semi-solid gold paste pouches in his jeans zip covering cloth by the passenger as recorded in Panchnama dated 19.12.2023 drawn at SVPI Airport, Ahmedabad.
7	LAST DATE OF DEPARTURE	
8	FLIGHT NO.	Indigo 6E466 dtd. 19.12.2023
9	DUTY INVOLVED	---
10	WAREHOUSE ENTRY NO & DATE	5505 on 19.12.2023

Before me,

*Ajay*  
19/12/23

(Ajay)

Inspector (AIU)

Customs, SVPIA, Ahmedabad

Pancha 1. *A.V. Jeyaraj*

Pancha 2. *[Signature]*

*[Signature]* 19/12/2023  
(Shri Vijayan alias Mahesh)