

CONVENTION FOR LIMITING THE MANUFACTURE AND
REGULATING THE DISTRIBUTION OF NARCOTIC DRUGS OF 13 JULY 1931
AS AMENDED BY THE PROTOCOL OF 11 DECEMBER 1946

INDIA

SEIZURES OF OPIUM MADE AT MADRAS ON 10 AND 16 JULY 1947

Supplementary Reports Communicated by
the Government of India on 17 October 1947

Note by the Secretary-General

In accordance with Article 23 of the Convention for limiting the Manufacture and regulating the Distribution of Narcotic Drugs of 13 July 1931, as amended by the Protocol of 11 December 1946, the Secretary-General has the honour to communicate the following report on the above mentioned seizures to the Members of the United Nations and to the other parties to the Convention.

1. Date of seizure 10th JULY 1947.
2. Port of seizure, department making
the seizure M A D R A S.
S.D. PREVENTIVE SECTION.
3. No. and description of packages, tins,
wrappers, labels, etc., seized,
including the marks, if any, thereon. 55 PAPER PACKETS - WRAPPED IN
ORDINARY BROWN AND WHITE TISSUE
PAPER - NO MARKS.
4. Place of seizure. BAGGAGE ROOM IN THE HATCH -
H.T. "EMPIRE PRIDE" - AS A RESULT
OF RUMMAGE.
5. Nature of contents; quantity. O P I U M - 55 PACKETS - 2110-3/4
TOLAS (24 kg. 611.3 gr.).
6. Name of manufacturer and place of
origin. NOT KNOWN (SIX CAKES BEAR LETTERS
AND MARKS) PHOTO TAKEN AND
ENCLOSED.
7. Name of the vessel, its agents, the
port from which it started and its
ports of call H.T. EMPIRE PRIDE.
MESSRS. GILLANDERS ARBUTHNOT & CO.
SINGAPORE.
SHE WAS LEAVING FOR SINGAPORE.
8. From whom, how, where, and at what
price drugs were obtained by accused,
if any. NOT KNOWN.
9. Personal particulars of accused, if
any, (name, nationality, occupation
and other details.) AS OWNERSHIP AND POSSESSION COULD
NOT BE ESTABLISHED THESE
PARTICULARS ARE NOT AVAILABLE.
10. Name and address of consignor NOT KNOWN - CREW SUSPECTED.
11. Destination (country and place), and
consignee MALAYA - NOT KNOWN.
12. Date of despatch from the country of
origin, if known. NOT KNOWN.
13. No. of labels (or copies of labels),
wrappers and tins or other containers
sent with the report.* N I L. WRAPPERS WERE OF ORDINARY
PLAIN BROWN AND WHITE TISSUE PAPER.

* If none is sent, reasons for not sending should be given. /14. Any other

14. Any other particulars throwing light on
the method employed in the illicit
traffic in drugs. THIS WAS EVIDENTLY RECEIVED FROM
CATAMARANS DURING NIGHTS.
15. Judicial decision regarding the seizure. NO JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS COULD BE
INSTITUTED IN THE ABSENCE OF
ACCUSED.

Authority making this report:
ASST. COLLECTOR OF CUSTOMS
(PREVENTIVE DEPARTMENT).

(signature illegible)
Collector of Customs
submitting the report.

/1. Date of seizure

1. Date of seizure 16th July 1947.
2. Port of seizure, department making
the seizure Preventive Dept., Custom House,
Madras.
3. No. and description of packages, tins,
wrappers, labels, etc., seized,
including the marks, if any, thereon. 7 tins, each containing 2 cakes
& 1 tin containing one cake only.
They did not bear any marks.
4. Place of seizure. At the baggage shed during the
baggage examination of passenger's
embarking per HT. NIVASA.
5. Nature of contents; quantity. Opium - 576 tolas (6 kg. 716.2 gr.)
6. Name of manufacturer and place of
origin. Not known.
7. Name of the vessel, its agents, the
port from which it started and its
ports of call. HT. NIVASA - M/s Binny & Co.,
Madras - From Singapore to
Singapore.
8. From whom, how, where and at what
price drugs were obtained by
accused, if any. It was alleged by the accused that
the contraband was given by one
Ibrahim of Pudukottah to be handed
over to a person who would come to
take it over at Penang. No other
particulars are available.
9. Personal particulars of accused, if
any, (name, nationality, occupation
and other details.) Mr. V. Valliappa Chetty, Indian,
Merchant, son of Myappa Chetty,
Aged 41, residing at Valiyapatti,
Pudukottah State.
10. Name and address of consignor. Ibrahim of Pudukottah.
11. Destination (country and place), and
consignee Penang.
12. Date of despatch from the country of
origin, if known. Not known.

/13. No. of labels

13. No. of labels (or copies of labels),
wrappers and tins or other containers
sent with the report.*. Packed in 8 tins - 7 tins, each
containing 8 cakes & 1 tin
containing 1 cake & packets of
chewing tobacco. The tins are in
the custody of the Court.
14. Any other particulars throwing light
on the method employed in the illicit
traffic in drugs. 4 tins containing 8 cakes & 4
other tins containing 7 cakes were
found concealed in two big tins.
These smaller tins were kept at
the bottom and were covered over
with chewing tobacco.
15. Judicial decision regarding the
seizure The accused was found guilty by
the Presidency Magistrate, Madras
and was sentenced to pay a fine of
Rs.500/-1 (USA\$150.80) in default
to 4 months R.I. The fine was
paid by the accused.

Authority making this report:

Preventive Department
Customs House, Madras

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Collector of Customs

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