

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
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[Narcotics smuggled in Delhi](#)

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Shri Amar Singh

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state :-

- (a) the number of cases registered by Narcotics Control Bureau during the last year and the current year so far in regard to seizure of narcotics smuggled in Delhi;
- (b) how these figure compared to the figure of 2015; and
- (c) whether it is also a fact that Delhi has become a favourite transit hub for international drug smugglers and if so, what is Government's reaction in this regard?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS
(SHRI HANSRAJ GANGARAM AHIR)

(a) & (b) Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB), MHA has registered 21 cases in 2016 and 09 cases upto 12th March, 2017 in Delhi. During the year 2015, NCB has registered 53 cases in Delhi in comparison to 21 cases in 2016.

(c) On the basis of seizures of drugs in Delhi by NCB, it is observed that there is flow of Cannabis from Nepal to Delhi and its surrounding areas. Further, some drugs are coming from various countries through air and

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land routes. There is also trafficking of drugs through Delhi to various countries by parcel and human carrier. However, it cannot be concluded that Delhi is becoming a transit hub for international drug smugglers.

The Govt. has taken various steps to curb drug trafficking/smuggling. These include intensive preventive and interdiction efforts along known drug routes, strict surveillance and enforcement at import and export points, increased international cooperation for exchange of information and investigative assistance in administering control over the movement of Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances and Precursor Chemicals, training programmes for law enforcement officials for upgrading their skills to combating drug menace, sharing of real time information and coordination operation with Nodal agencies of neighbouring countries and empowerment of Border Security Force, Sashastra Seema Bal and Coast Guard under the Narcotic Drugs & Psychotropic Substances (NDPS) Act for making interdiction of narcotic drugs and to prevent smuggling of the same. Various steps are also taken by Govt. for demand reduction with regard to drugs.
