

**PANCHNAMA DATED 09.02.2020**

Sr. no	Name & Address of panchas	Age	Occupation
1.	Mr. Harsh Shah, D-12, Tarun Nagar Part 3, Gurukul Road, Memnagar, Ahmedabad (AEP No. 0122463)	21	Service
2.	Mr. Jaimin Patel, 24, ranchhod Park Society, Govind wadi, Isanpur, Ahmedabad ( AEP No. 0121980)	26	Service

We, the above named persons on being called upon by Shri Ketan Mandaliya, Superintendent, AIU, Customs, SVPI Airport, Ahmedabad present ourselves before the said officer at 6.15 hrs of 09.02.2020, who introduces himself as the Superintendent of Customs (AIU), Ahmedabad and further introduced Shri I.D.Solanki, Jyothimon Dethan both Superintendent, Customs(AIU), SVPI Airport, Ahmedabad and Ms Linsa Ashok, Inspector of Customs (AIU), SVPI Airport, Ahmedabad. Here we are informed and introduced to one passenger as Usman Anwar Ali, aged 58 years who arrived by Etihad Flight No. EY 252 from Abu Dhabi to Ahmedabad on 09.02.2020 at around 5.45 hours. On the basis of his pax profiling, he is required to be properly frisked and his baggages are required to be scanned properly. The Customs Officer requests us to remain present as panchas & independent witness to the entire proceedings of personal search and examination of the baggage of the passenger in the Arrival Hall near the baggage screening machine located near the green channel of the Arrival Hall of Terminal T2, SVPI Airport Ahmedabad. We the aforesaid panchas therefore give our consent to remain present as witness in the said proceedings. The passenger is carrying 01 cabin bag and one plastic bag.

The said passenger has been asked by the Customs AIU officers if he has anything to declare; the passenger says he has nothing to declare. The said pax is holding Indian Passport No. Z 4935346 issued by Regional Passport Office, Chennai on 01.11.2019 and valid up to 31.10.2029.

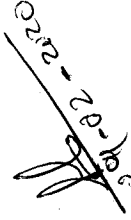
The cabin bag is then put on the baggage screening machine located near the green channel of the Arrival Hall and screened and no suspicious images were found. Then the passenger is informed by the officers that they have the right to be searched in front of a Magistrate or a Gazetted Officer i.e. Superintendent of Customs. Thereafter, the said passenger in our presence gave his consent for physical search and frisking in DFMD (Door Frame Metal Detector) installed at the arrival hall in the presence of the Superintendent of Customs. Thereafter the Custom AIU Officers in our presence checked them thoroughly and asked him to pass through the DFMD installed at the arrival hall after removing all metallic objects from his body/clothes. The passenger readily removed all the metallic objects such as belt, mobile, etc. and passed through the DFMD, however no beep sound was heard indicating there was nothing objectionable/dutiable on his body/clothes. Being not satisfied the AIU officers alongwith we the panchas, take the luggage alongwith the passenger to the office of the Air Intelligence Unit situated opposite Belt No.5 in the Arrival Hall, SVPI Airport, Ahmedabad for

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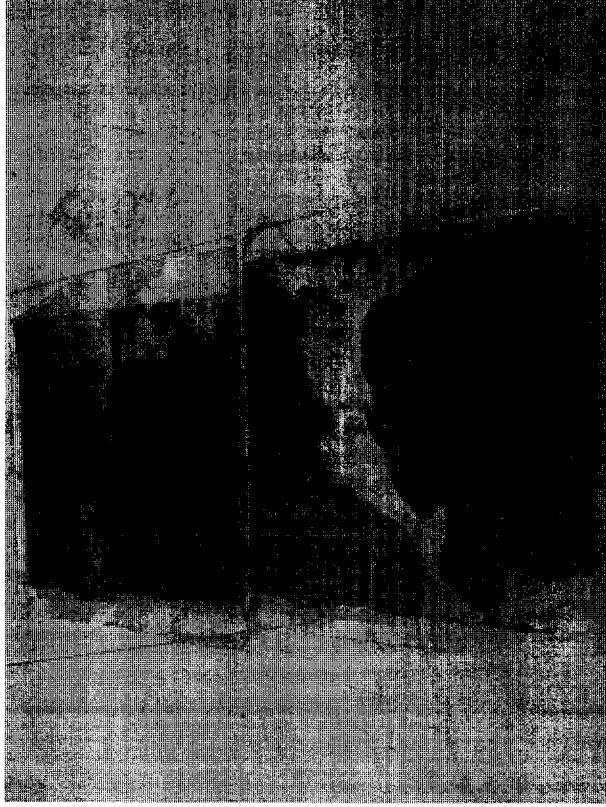
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further examination. The AIU Officer examined the passenger with hand held metal detector however no beep sound was heard. Thereafter the AIU officer hand frisked the body of the passenger and asked the passenger to remove his shoes and shocks and on removing his shoes and shocks, two plastic pouch recovered from his shocks i.e. one plastic pouch from one shock and one plastic pouch from another shock, which indicates to be suspected gold in paste form. The AIU officer then scanned the shocks in the baggage screening machine. Dark images were noticed in the shocks, thus confirming the concealment of semi solid paste inside it. Being asked about the substance, the passenger agreed that the semi solid paste he was carrying is a mixture of gold. The AIU officer then cuts the stitches of the area of the shocks to recover a transparent plastic pouch containing brown coloured semi solid paste and placed it in a transparent plastic box and took a photograph of it which is as under:-



Thereafter, the cabin baggage is checked however nothing objectionable was found.

Thereafter, the Customs officer calls the Government Approved Valuer and informs him that brown coloured material in semi solid form has been recovered from one passenger and the passenger has informed that it is gold in semi solid form 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 officer that the testing of the said material is only possible at his workshop as gold has to be extracted from such semi solid/paste form by melting it and also informs the address of his workshop.

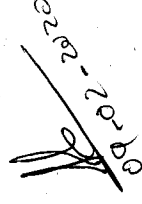
Thereafter, at around 8.30 am with panchas along with the passenger and the AIU officer Shri Ketan Mandaliya, Superintendent, AIU, Customs leave the Airport premises in a Government Vehicle and reach at the premises of the Government Approved Valuer located at Shree Ambica Touch, Gold Sook Complex, Near Iscon Arcade, C.G. Road, Ahmedabad.

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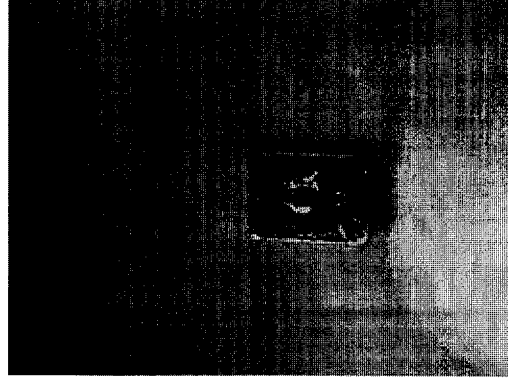


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On reaching the above referred premises, the AIU officer introduces the panchas as well as the passenger to one person named Mr. Kartikey Vasantrai Soni, Government Approved Valuer. Here, after weighing the said semi solid substance on his weighing scale, Mr. Kartikey Vasantrai Soni informs that the said plastic pouch containing paste is weighing **113.150 Grams**. Thereafter, he leads us to the furnace, which is nearby. Here, Mr. Kartikey Vasantrai Soni starts the process of converting the said semi solid material into solid gold. The said brown substance are put into the furnace and upon heating the said semi solid substance, it 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 bar. After completion of the procedure, Government Approved Valuer informs that Gold bar weighing 99.580 Grams having purity 999.0 was derived from the 113.150 grams of Semi Solid Substance consisting of Gold and Turpentine Mix.

After testing the said yellow coloured metal, the Government Approved Valuer confirms that it is pure gold. Further, he informs that the total Market Value of the said recovered gold bar piece-1 derived from Semi Solid substance Material Consisting of Gold & Turpentine Mix having net weighing 99.580 grams having purity 999.0, which having **Market valued at Rs. 4,18,933/- (Rupees Four Lakh eighteen thousand Nine hundred and thirty three only) (Local Market Value) and Tariff Valued at Rs. 3,64,981/- (Rupees Three lakh Sixty four thousand nine hundred and eighty one only)**, which has been calculated as per the Notification No. 08/2020-Customs (N.T.) dated 31.01.2020 and Notification No. 11/2020-Customs (N.T.) dated 06.02.2020.

Then, the AIU officer placed the recovered gold bar piece -1 derived from brown Semi Solid substance Material Consisting of Gold & Turpentine Mix on a table and took a photograph of it which is as under:-



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The method of melting, testing and the valuation used by Mr. Kartikey Vasantrai Soni is done in a perfect manner in the presence of the Panchas and the passenger who all are satisfied and agreed with the detailed primary verification report dated 09.02.2020 (Annexure-A) and the Valuation Report dated 09.02.2020 (Annexure-B) given by Mr. Kartikey Vasantrai Soni, and in token of the same, we the independent Panchas and the passenger put our dated signature on the said valuation report and the detailed primary verification report. The passenger and we the panchas confirm that the entire semi-solid substance recovered from the passenger having gross weight of 113.150 gms is melted and we the panchas and the passenger confirm that totally net quantity of 99.580 gms Gold is derived/recovered after completion of the melting process, and we the panchas and the passenger are totally satisfied with the entire process of melting of the semi-solid substance and recovery of the gold therein.

We the panchas along with the AIU officers and the passenger return to the AIU office located in the Arrival Hall of Terminal 2, SVPI Airport, Ahmedabad, at 10.15 hrs. on 09.02.2020, in Govt. Vehicle.

The travelling documents produced by the passenger –Mr Usman Anwar Ali is as under:-

- i) BOARDING PASS showing Seat No.10 E; from Abu Dhabi to Ahmedabad of Etihad Flight No.EY 252 dated 09.02.2020;
- ii) Photocopy of stamped pages of Indian Passport No. Z 4935346 issued by Regional Passport Office, Chennai on 01.11.2019 and valid up to 31.10.2029;
- iii) Copy of Manifest of Etihad Flight No.EY 252 dated 09.02.2020 wherein name of Mr Usman Anwar Ali, is present.

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

Now, the Customs Officers inform we the panchas as well as the passenger that the above mentioned one Gold Bar (retrieved from the recovered gold in semi solid form) having **Market valued at Rs. 4,18,933/- (Rupees Four Lakh eighteen thousand Nine hundred and thirty three only) (Local Market Value) and Tariff Valued at Rs. 3,64,981/- (Rupees Three lakh Sixty four thousand nine hundred and eighty one only)** concealed inside his foot shocks by the said passenger is attempted to be smuggled inside India with an intent to evade payment of Customs duty, which is clear violation of the provisions of Customs Act, 1962. Thus, the AIU officers inform that they have a reasonable belief that the recovered gold bar piece-1 from said semi solid substance which was attempted to be smuggled by way of concealment in his shocks by said passenger, is liable for confiscation as per the provisions of Customs Act, 1962, and therefore, the same alongwith the shocks used for its concealment are being placed under seizure. The gold bar recovered (Piece-1) from said semi solid substance having **Market**

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valued at Rs. 4,18,933/- (Rupees Four Lakh eighteen thousand Nine hundred and thirty three only) (Local Market Value) and Tariff Valued at Rs. 3,64,981/- (Rupees Three lakh Sixty four thousand nine hundred and eighty one only) and the shocks used for its concealment is duly sealed with the Customs Seal and the Packing List (Annexure C & D respectively) is duly pasted on the said baggages in such a way that the same cannot be removed without tempering the signature of we panchas, Mr. Usman Anwar Ali expresses satisfaction with the sealing of the said goods.

We both panchas as well as Mr. Usman Anwar Ali have put dated signatures on the packing lists of Gold recovered from semi solid substance and shocks used for its concealment recovered from the passengers, as a token of having packed and sealed with seal in our presence. Nothing else was seized or taken over except what has been mentioned above in the panchnama. The Panchnama has been recorded in the Computer installed in the AIU Customs office at SVPI Airport, Ahmedabad The Panchnama typed in English and is read by Mr. Usman Anwar Ali and we panchas and on understanding and finding to be correct the correct version of the proceedings, we panchas and Usman Anwar Ali put our dated signature on it. . No religious sentiments of the passengers are hurt during the course of Panchanama. The Panchanama started at 5.45 hours on 09.02.2020 and concluded in a peaceful manner without any physical force or coercion at 10.45 hrs on 09.02.2020.

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