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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 BOMBAY DURING MAY, 1947

SUPPLEMENTARY REPORTS COMMUNICATED BY THE GOVERNMENT OF
INDIA ON 28 AUGUST 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

1. Date of seizure 12 May 1947.
2. Port of seizure and the department making the seizure. Bombay, Preventive Department, New Custom House, Bombay.
3. Number and description of packages, tins, (10) slabs of opium wrapped in paper, five of which wrappers, labels, etc., seized, including the marks, if any, thereon. were tied around each leg (by white tape) from the knees to the ankles.
4. Place of seizure. Near Shed No.1, Alexandra Dock.
5. Nature of contents; quantity Indian Opium, 9 lbs. 7 7/32 ozs., (4kg. 287 gr) at Rs.2/-
- (USA \$0.60) per tola. (11.7 grammes)
6. Name of manufacturer and place of origin - -
7. Name of the vessel its agents, the port from . . - -
which it started and its ports of call.
8. From whom, how, where, and at what price drugs.. From an unknown Bengali who asked him to carry it to the
were obtained by accused, if any. Alexandra Dock for which the accused was to be paid
Rs.80/-.(USA \$24.12)
9. Personal particulars of accused, if any (name, (a) Name:- Shaikh Bismillah S/o Shaikh Gahsoor; (b) Age:-
nationality, occupation and other details). 23 years; (c) Nationality:- Mohomedan; (d) Occupation:-
Motor Cleaner, at present unemployed; (e) Build:- Medium;
(f) Height:- 5'3"; (159 cm.) (g) Marks:- Nil. Dark complexion,

(1) Statement:- An unknown Bengali met him outside the Main Gate P & V Docks and asked him if he was willing to carry opium to the Docks and on his asserting went away, and returned in about 15 minutes with a cloth bundle containing the opium. This Bengali then helped him to tie the opium around his legs in the pipe line running parallel to the Bombay Port Trust Railway and outside the Blue Gate Victoria Docks. They both then went in tram to Ballard Pier, sitting separately. He entered Alexandra Dock through the Blue Gate and waited near No.1 Shed as asked by the Bengali, when he was arrested. He never saw the Bengali there. He was to be paid Rs.80/- (USA \$24.12)
/black hair

	black hair, moustache; (h) Residence:- Footpath near Wadi Bunder Bridge.
10. Name and address of consignor	- -
11. Destination (country and place, and consignee)	- -
12. Date of despatch from the country of origin, if known.	- -
13. No. of labels (or copies of labels), wrappers and tins or other containers sent with the report.	- -
14. Any other particulars throwing light on the method employed in the illicit traffic in drugs.	- -
15. Judicial decision regarding the seizure . . .	The accused was convicted and sentenced by the Presidency Magistrate, 16th Court Esplanade Police Court to undergo six months R.I. on 21.5.47.
Authority making this report:-	Collector of Customs, Bombay.

1. Date of seizure	18th May 1947
2. Port of seizure and the department making the seizure.	Bombay Preventive Department New Custom House Bombay.
3. Number and description of packages, tins, - wrappers, labels, etc., seized, including the marks, if any, thereon.	2 packages of Biscuits size, wrapped in brown paper.
4. Place of seizure	Gangway of s/s Shirala.
5. Nature of contents; quantity	Indian Opium 3 lbs. 14 ozs. (1 kg 757.7 gr.)@Rs.2/--(USA\$0.60) per tola (11.7 grammes)
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7. Name of the vessel its agents, the port from which it started and its ports of call
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9. Personal particulars of accused, if any (name, nationality, occupation and other details).

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s.s. Shirala, due to sail for African Ports, Agents,
M/S. Mackinnon Mackenzie & Co.
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Name:- Mira Senaji Membli, Age:-25 years, Nationality:-Hindu
Occupation:-Dock labourer, Build:-Medium, Height:-5'1" (155 cm.)
marks:-A small wart on the lobe of right ear, UTN tattooed on
left forearm, ears bored, Residence:-Footpath opposite Main
Gate P & V Docks. Statement:-He stated that he met a man
on Frere Road near Blue Gate Alexandra Dock & latter offered
him Rs.2/- (USA\$0.60) if he carried (2) bundles to the Cooks.
On his assenting this man gave him the 2 packages and a piece of
string which were in a white canvas bag and told him to tie them
round his waist and go into the Docks. This was done in a
latrine near by. The man was unknown to him.

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15. Judicial decision regarding the seizure . . .

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The accused man pleaded guilty and the Chief Presidency
Magistrate convicted and sentenced him to undergo (2) Two months
R.I. on 22-5-47.
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Authority making this report:-

Collector of Customs Bombay.

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1. Date of seizure 19th May 1947.
 2. Port of seizure and the department making the seizure. Bombay Preventive Department New Custom House, Bombay.
 3. Number and description of packages, tins, - wrappers, labels, etc., seized, including the marks, if any, thereon. Two packets wrapped in brown paper.
 4. Place of seizure Yellow Gate Alexandra Dock.
 5. Nature of contents; quantity Indian Opium 4lbs. $\frac{1}{4}$ oz. (1kg 821.5 gr) at Rs.2/-(USA\$0.60) per tola. (11.7 grammes)
 6. Name of manufacturer and place of origin
 7. Name of the vessel its agents, the port from which it started and its ports of call. s.s. Karagola. (Agents. Mackinnon Mackenzie & Co.) arrived from African ports and will leave for the same.
 8. From whom, how, where and at what price drugs were obtained by accused, if any. The drug was given to the accused to carry to the Docks and Rs.5/-(USA\$1.51) were promised for the labour.
 9. Personal particulars of accused, if any (name, nationality, occupation and other details). Name: Jan Mohamed Noor Mohamed. Age: 25, Nationality: Mohamedan hailing from Jharia. Occupation: Dock Labourer, Build: Medium, Height: 5'1" (155 cm.) Marks: Tattoo spots on left arm and ears bored. Residence: Foot path Opp. Main Gate Princess & Victoria Docks.

Statement:- "I was given the drug to be carried to the docks where the Bengali would meet me and take me to the ship. I do not know the name of the ship. I was to be paid Rs.5/-(USA\$1.51) for my labour. I do not know the name of the Bengali who gave me the drug and said would meet me in the docks."

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15. Judicial decision regarding the seizure . . . : . The accused having pleaded guilty was convicted and
sentenced by the Chief Presidency Magistrate to undergo
3 months R.I. on 27th May 1947.

Authority making this report:-

Collector of Customs, Bombay.

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| 1. Date of seizure | 29th May 1947. |
| 2. Port of seizure and the department making the
seizure. | Bombay. Preventive Department, New Custom House, Bombay |
| 3. Number and description of packages, tins, -
wrappers, labels, etc., seized, including the
marks, if any, thereon. | (1) One tiffin carrier containing 5 (five) slabs of Indian
Opium. (2) Eleven slabs in a cloth bundle (Indian Opium). |
| 4. Place of seizure | On board S.S. 'Silver Larch' |
| 5. Nature of contents; quantity. | Indian opium: 4 lbs. 1. 31/32 ozs. (1 kg 869.9 gr.)(total weight) and 4 7/16
ozs. (125.6 grammes) burnt opium free from morphine. @Rs.2/-
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