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## INDIAN COAST GUARD APPREHENDS PAK BOAT WITH NARCOTICS JOINTLY WITH NCB AND GUJARAT ATS

**New Delhi, 28 Apr 24**: In a breathtaking overnight operation, Indian Coast Guard undertook an intelligence based anti-narcotics operation at sea on 28 Apr 24. Approx 86 kg of narcotics worth Rs 600 crore has been apprehended alongwith 14 crew from the Pakistani boat. The operation was an epitome of inter-agency coordination wherein Indian Coast Guard (ICG) Anti-Terrorism Squad (ATS) and Narcotics Control Bureau (NCB) collaborated seamlessly which culminated in the successful operation.

The ships and aircraft of Indian Coast Guard were deployed on concurrent missions to effect the operation. ICG ship Rajratan, which had NCB and ATS officials embarked, positively identified the suspect boat. No amount of evasive manoeuvring tactics employed by the drug laden boat could save it from the swift and strong ICG ship Rajratan. Ship's specialist team embarked the suspect boat and after thorough checks, confirmed the presence of the sizeable amount narcotics.

The Pak boat alongwith its crew has been apprehended and is being brought to Porbandar for further investigations. The jointness of ICG and ATS, which has led to eleven such successful law enforcement operations in the last three years itself reaffirms the synergy for national objective.





ICG Ship with the apprehended Pakistani boat enroute to Porbandar