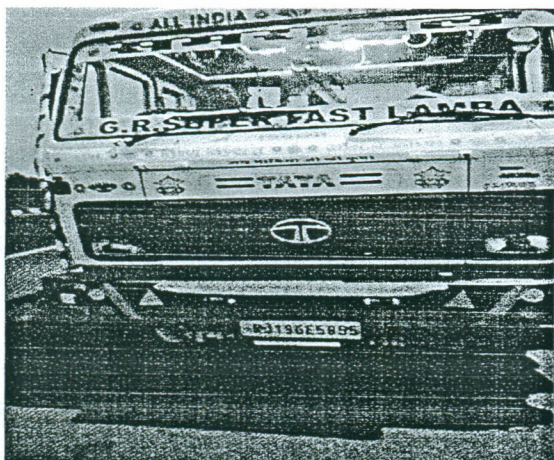


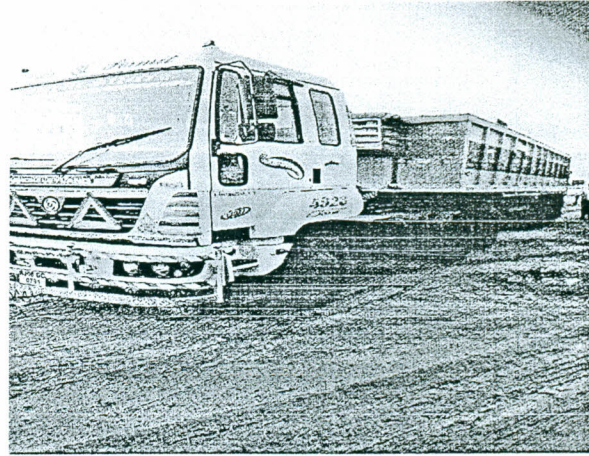
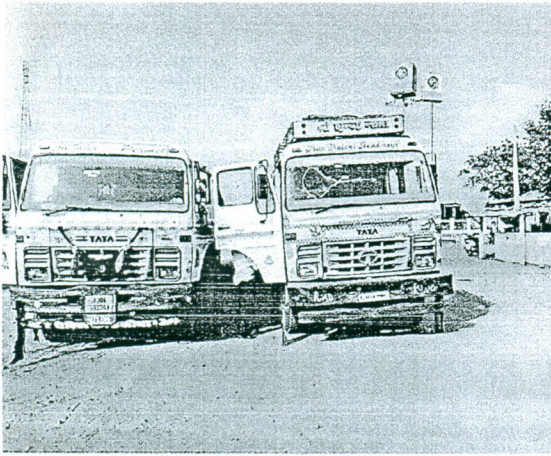
PRESS NOTE

HUGE BOGUS TRANSACTIONS OF TILES / SANITARY WARE FROM GUJARAT TO KARNATAKA BUSTED

The officers of the Enforcement wings of the Commercial Taxes Department, Government of Karnataka have unearthed Interstate transactions of Tiles by non-existent dealers involving GST of Rs.92 lakhs by detaining 12 vehicles from Gujarat to Karnataka.

Commercial Tax Officer, Hubballi Enforcement wing, during road vigilance, intercepted goods vehicle carrying Tiles. On verification of the documents and suspecting the transactions, the case was referred to the Additional Commissioner of Commercial Taxes (Enforcement), South Zone, Bengaluru for inspection. On inspection, it was found that the consignee Sri Hardikkumar Rajput, Proprietor, M/s. Govardhan Tiles and Marbles, Bengaluru, Karnataka was non-existent at the registered business premises. Hence, the case was referred to the Gujarat Commercial Taxes Department for investigation at their end. The report given by Gujarat Commercial Taxes Department also found that the consignor Sri Prashant Vaikunthbhai Dave, Proprietor, M/s. Lomfrey Ceramics, Morbi, Gujarat was also non-existent (bogus) at the registered business premises.





Further, Investigation has revealed that the non-existent consignor M/s. Lomfrey Ceramics, Morbi, Gujarat have generated 135 e way bills within a short span of 20 days [from 22/01/2019 to 10/02/2019] to the non-existent consignee M/s. Govardhan Tiles and Marbles, Bengaluru, Karnataka involving GST turnover of Rs.5.13 crores and tax amount of Rs.92 lakhs. In this connection, Commercial Tax Enforcement wings in Karnataka, namely Hubballi, Belagavi, Ballary and Bengaluru South Zone have detained 12 goods vehicle carrying tiles belonging to the above said persons. Further investigation is under progress to initiate appropriate penal action against those involved.

The case was detected based on the data-analytics of the GST-Pro system of the Commercial Taxes Department, Karnataka.

All the taxable persons under GST law are hereby informed that strict penal action will be initiated against those indulging in fraudulent activities of tax evasion. This is a serious offence under the GST law and the Department will enforce all penal provisions to punish the guilty. The CTD is closely watching and analyzing the data to detect many such cases.


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