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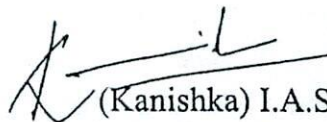
Subject: Seizure of Tobacco Products at Yeshwanthapura Railway Station by Commercial Taxes Department

The Enforcement Wing (South Zone) of the Commercial Taxes Department, Government of Karnataka, has conducted a large scale search and inspection operation at Yeshwanthapura Railway Station, Bengaluru, resulting in the seizure of a huge quantity of tobacco products transported without valid tax invoices in violation of GST provisions.

Based on credible information received from trusted sources, the Enforcement Wing (South Zone) swiftly carried out a search at the railway station premises. During the operation, it was found that large quantities of branded tobacco products such as *Kamala Pasand Pan Masala*, *Hans Chap*, *Chaini Filter Tobacco*, and *Shikar Pan Masala* had been transported from Delhi to Bengaluru through railways. The consignments were discovered stored inside certain goods conveyances as well as in bags placed on the railway platform.

Upon verification, the officers found more than **850 bags of tobacco products**, valued at approximately **Rs.1 Crore (Rs One Crore Only)**. The verification process of these goods is currently underway to ascertain the full extent of GST violations and the tax liability involved. Preliminary investigations indicate that these goods were procured and transported in violation of GST provisions, posing a significant risk of revenue loss to the Government exchequer.

The Commercial Taxes Department remains vigilant and committed to curbing the menace of illicit transportation of goods without valid documentation and tax invoices. Such enforcement actions are a part of the Department's continuous efforts to protect Government revenue and ensure strict compliance with GST law.


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