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Reducing Opportunities for Unlawful Transport of Endangered Species

Awareness for Airline and Airport Staff (*South & Central Asia*)
Module 3 – Identifying traffickers

Airline/Airport name here

Location and date of training here

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Training Objectives

Module 3 – Identifying Traffickers

By the end of this module, you will:

- Be aware of some of the ways used by traffickers to smuggle wildlife by air
 - In carry-on baggage, check-in baggage, disguised as something else by post or courier or in cargo
- Understand where airline and airport staff might be able to identify wildlife trafficking
- Be aware of clues which can help you identify wildlife traffickers





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There are four key ways traffickers move wildlife and wildlife products by air:

- Hidden on their body
- In personal baggage (check-in or carry-on)
- Air cargo
- By post or courier



Wildlife smuggling – On the person



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Challenges: Concealed contraband

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Jakarta - Usaha penyelundupan dua Owa Jawa (*Hylobatidae*) oleh Warga Negara Kuwait Tamila F Basmanova berhasil digagalkan. Wanita cantik itu nekat membawa owa di betisnya. Kok bisa?

Informasi yang dihimpun, terungkapnya penyelundupan hewan langka Indonesia itu berkat ketelitian petugas mesin X-ray di Bandara Soekarno Hatta, Tangerang. Setelah



Wildlife smuggling – Carry-on baggage



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Wildlife smuggling – Carry-on baggage

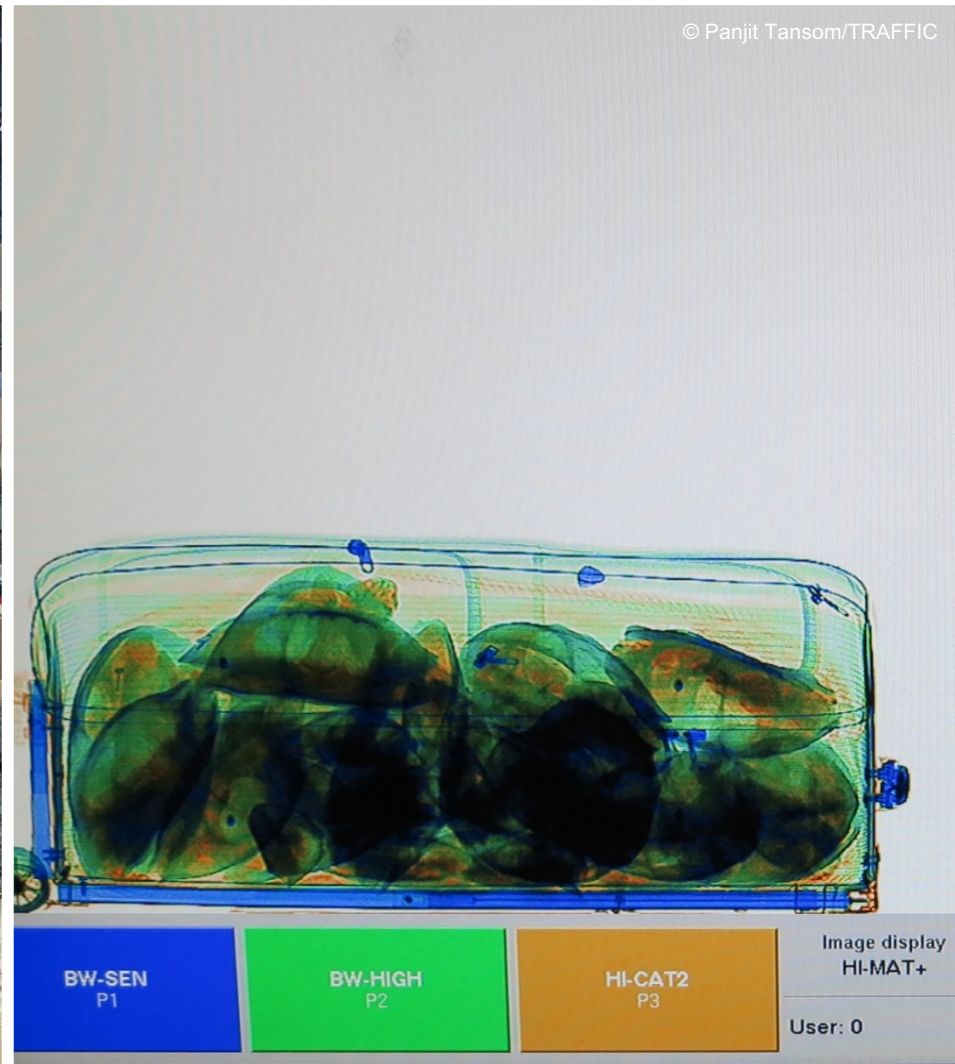


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Wildlife smuggling – Check-in baggage



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Wildlife smuggling – Disguised



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Wildlife smuggling – Cargo



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Wildlife smuggling – Post



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Wildlife smuggling – Post



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Case study – On the passenger

- **Manas, Kyrgyz Republic to Dubai**
- 4 falcons hidden under passengers' clothing
- Birds hidden in pockets on their trouser legs
- Reported by cabin crew

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Case study – Baggage

- **Faisalabad, Pakistan to Kuala Lumpur via Doha**
- 45 Spotted Pond Turtles found in three suitcases
- Wrapped in cloth & tape
- Sent by a dried fish and vegetable exporter



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Case study – Baggage

- **Astana, Kazakhstan to Sharjah, UAE**
- 32 live Saker Falcons in four suitcases
- Officials seized the cargo during loading as they had no registration tags



Case study – In cargo

- **Chennai, India to Kuala Lumpur via Bangkok**
- **500 live tortoises (declared as crabs) found in 56 cloth bags at Chennai Airport**
- **The animals were due to be smuggled to Malaysia**



Case study – In cargo

- **Karachi, Pakistan to Hong Kong**
- 148 black scorpions found in cargo
- Package due to be sent to Hong Kong



Some seized scorpions put on display at the wildlife department office on Wednesday.—Fahim Siddiqi / White Star



Additional Case Study Examples

- **Mumbai, India to Dubai, UAE**
199 live turtles and tortoises – 15 October 2016
- **Chennai and Mumbai**
Trafficking mules visiting India for 24 hours found smuggling Red Sanders wood in hand baggage
- **Pakistan to Dubai, UAE**
5 falcons – November 2014



Use this slide to provide local information on wildlife trade, for example this could include recent seizures, changes in the law etc.

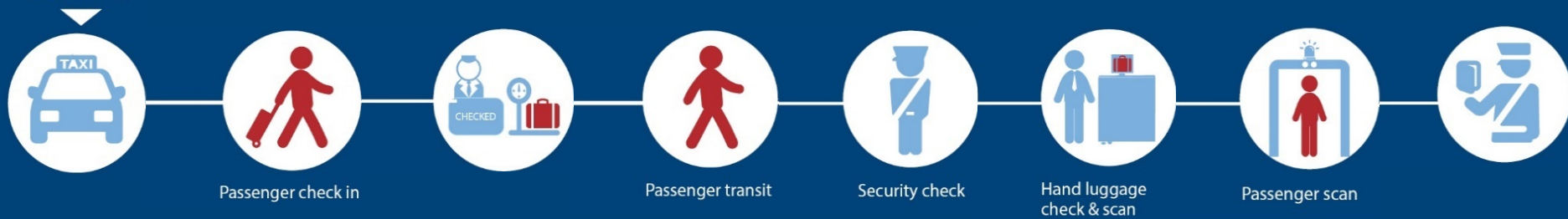
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WHAT **YOU** CAN LOOK OUT FOR



PASSENGER
START
of the journey



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of the journey



Passenger check in

Passenger transit

Security check

Hand luggage
check & scan

Passenger scan

CARGO
START
of the journey



Ground staff baggage
control

Luggage scanned

Cargo in transit

Ground crew load
luggage

Passengers and
cargo on board

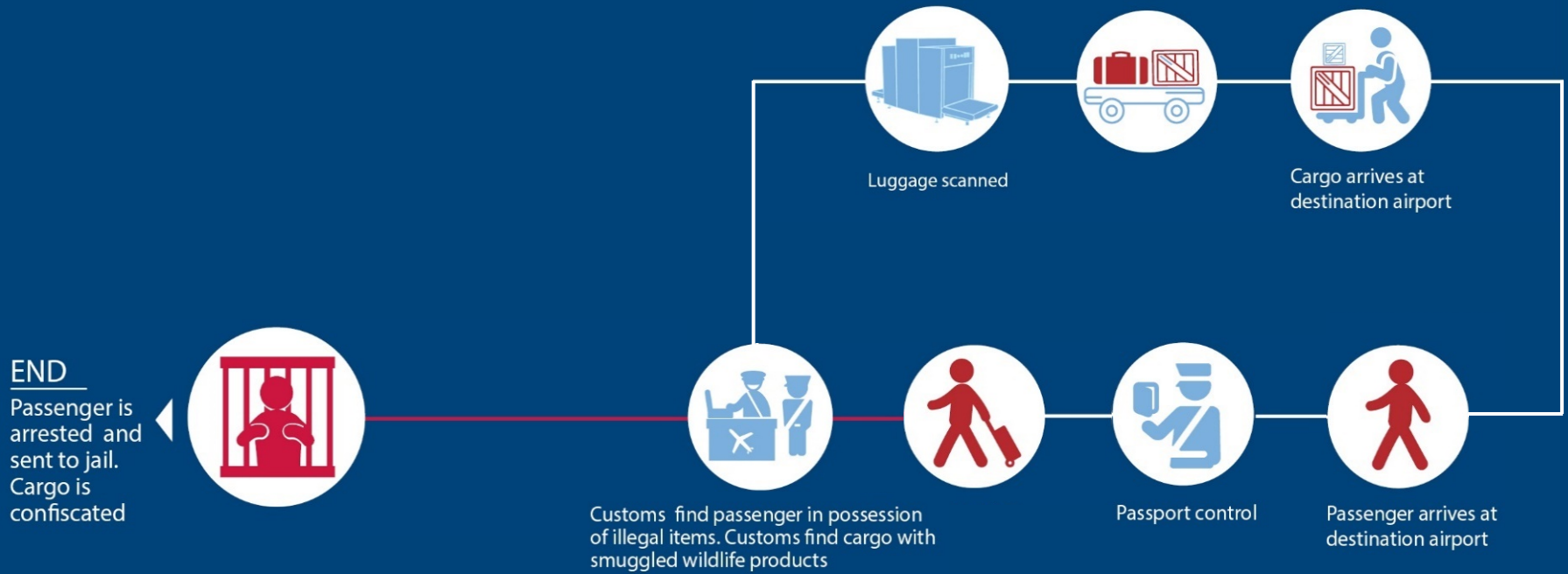
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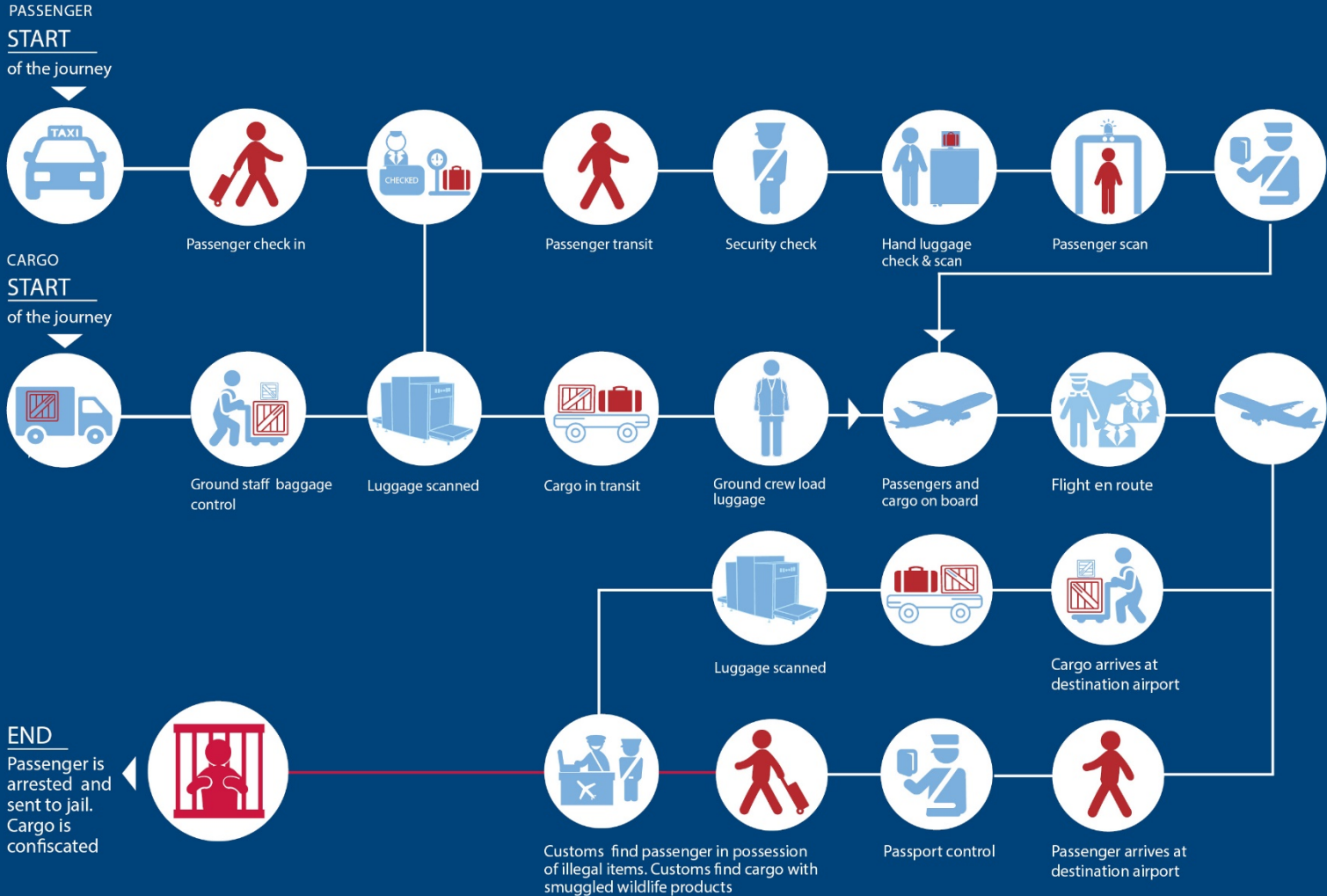
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    A[Truck] --> B((Ground staff baggage control))
    B --> C((Luggage scanned))
    C --> D((Cargo in transit))
    D --> E((Ground crew load luggage))
    E --> F((Passengers and cargo on board))
    F --> G((Flight en route))
    G --> H((Cargo arrives at destination airport))
    I((Luggage scanned)) --> H
    J((Cargo in transit)) --> I
  
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Trail of the Trafficker



What you can look out for



Check-in

- Unusual route and connections
- baggage smells unusual



Security

- Clothes too big
- Wrong clothes for climate
- Multiple connection boarding passes



What you can look out for



Scanner

- Unusual smell or movement
- Contents not as expected
- Scan shows organic items or ivory



Immigration

- Abnormal travel
- Nervous passenger



What you can look out for



Cargo Handler

- Origin doesn't match declared contents
- Air holes where none needed



Ground Staff

- baggage/cargo moving
- baggage/cargo smells
- baggage/cargo makes noise
- Unusual/multiple connection tags



What you can look out for



Cabin Crew

Passengers who:

- Don't eat or move
- Are very nervous
- Smell unusual
- Wear baggy clothing



Customs

- Act on tip offs
- Known trafficking routes
- Frequent checks
- Check passengers and small bags



Remember!



Inappropriate Clothing

- Wrong clothes for climate
- Baggy clothing
- Clothes don't match occupation



Involuntary Responses

- Sweating, dilated pupils
- Avoids eye contact
- Nervousness
- Shaking & twitching



Remember!



Nervous Body Movements/Speech

- Adjusts clothing/jewelery
- Talks fast
- Delayed responses
- Repeats questions

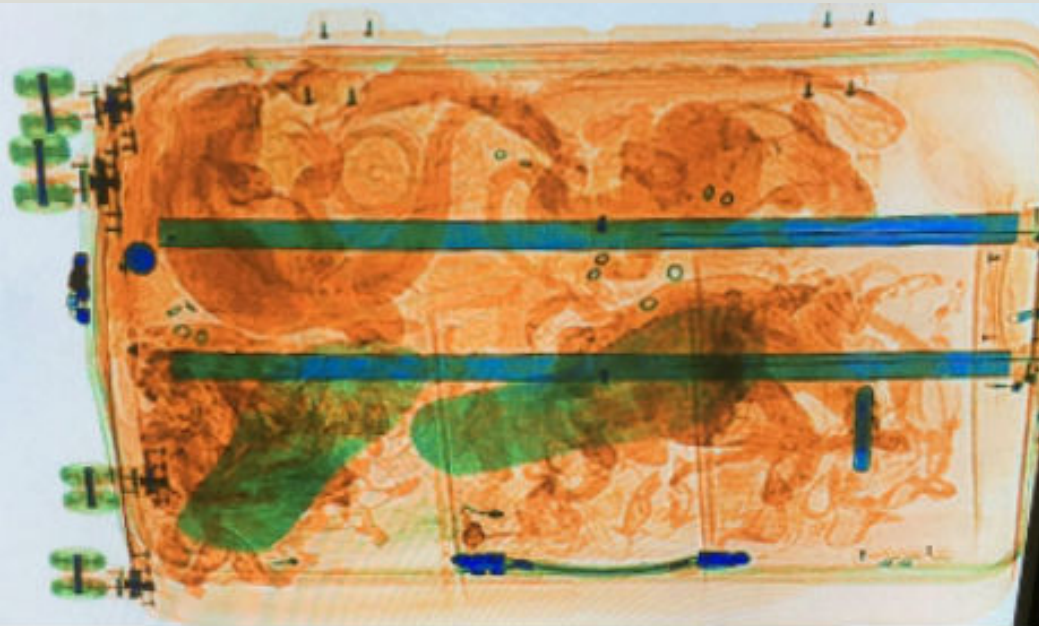


Use Your Senses

- Unusual smells
- Animal sounds/noises
- Moving clothing



What you can look out for



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What you can look out for



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Any Questions?



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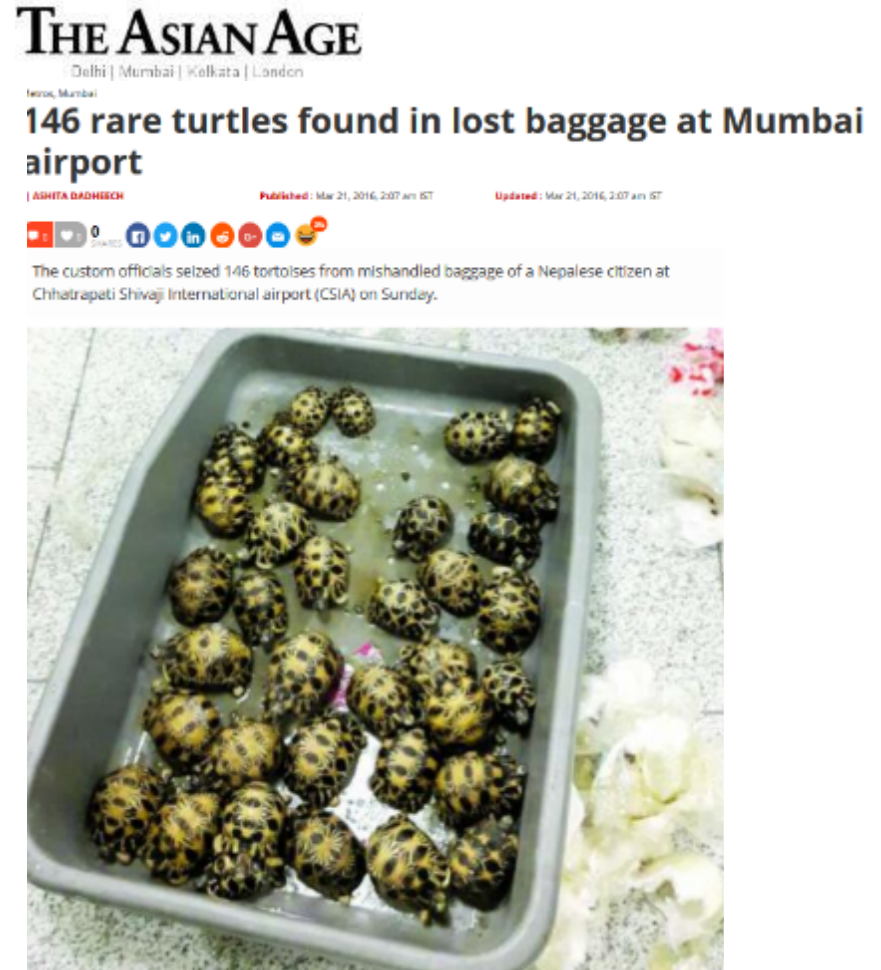
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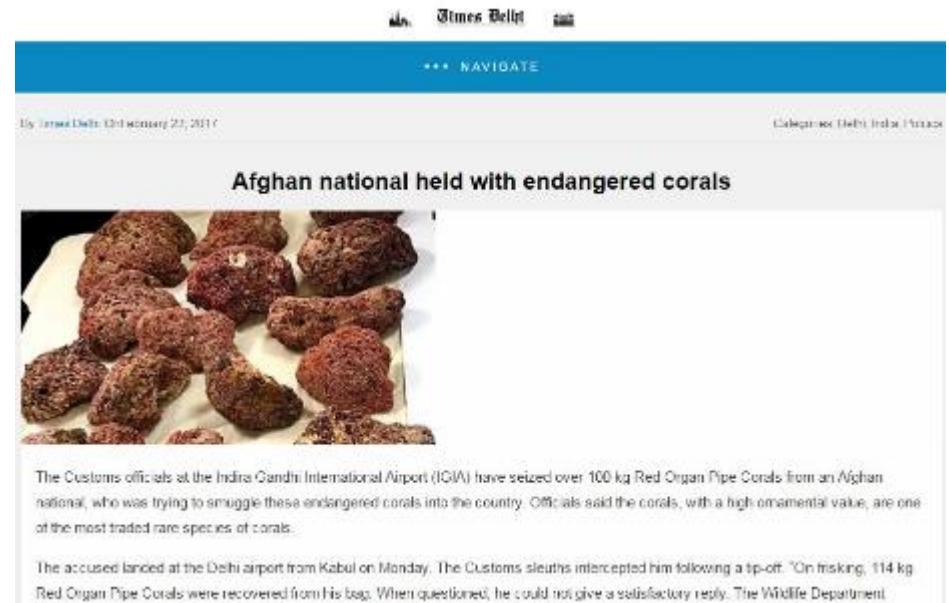
Case study – Check-in baggage

- **Madagascar to Kathmandu, Nepal via Mumbai, India**
- 146 tortoises
- Found in lost baggage
- Reported by airline staff after security noticed suspicious scan images



Case study – Baggage

- **Kabul, Afghanistan to New Delhi**
- 114kg organ pipe coral found in passenger baggage
- Customs searched the man after receiving a tip-off




Case study – Check-in baggage

- **Guwahati to Riyadh, Saudi Arabia via Hyderabad**
- 53kg agarwood
- Concealed in check-in baggage

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Agarwood of Rs 32.8 lakh stashed in check-in baggage seized

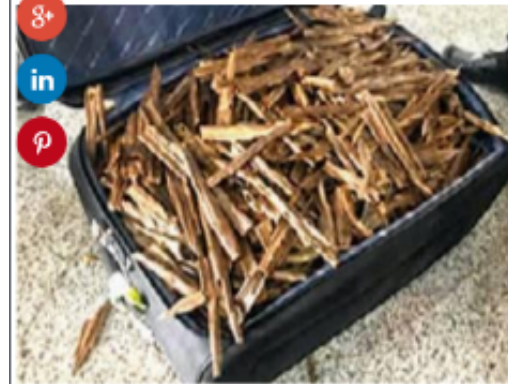
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The seized checked-in baggage

HYDERABAD: [Air Intelligence Unit](#) (AIU) sleuths of the customs department arrested two persons trying to smuggle out agarwood worth '32.8 lakh at the RGI Airport at [Shamshabad](#) on Sunday. Agarwood is used in manufacturing perfumes and its export is restricted.

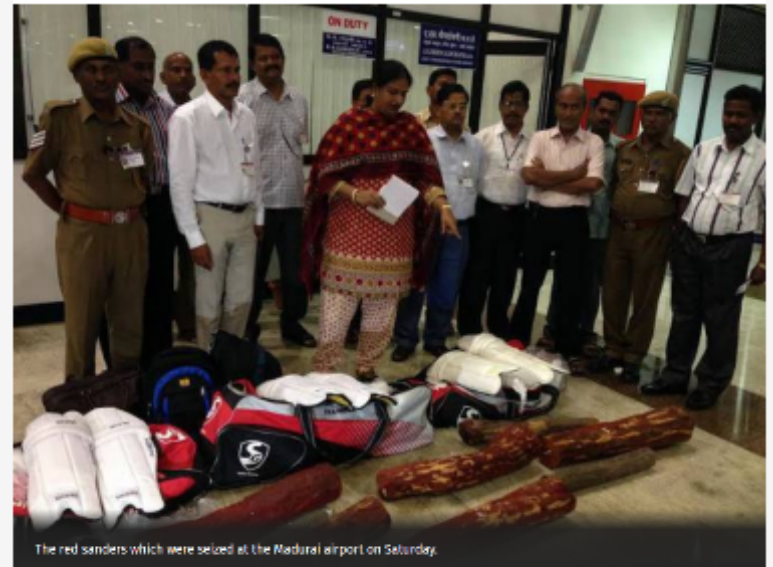
Based on passenger profiling



Case study – Baggage

- **Maduri, India, to Hong Kong via Colombo, Sri Lanka**
- **77kg Red Sanders wood**
- **Seven logs found amongst cricket pads in sporting kit bags**

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The red sanders which were seized at the Madurai airport on Saturday.

This is the first time that Customs officials in Madurai have seized red sanders.

