



NARCOTICS CONTROL BUREAU

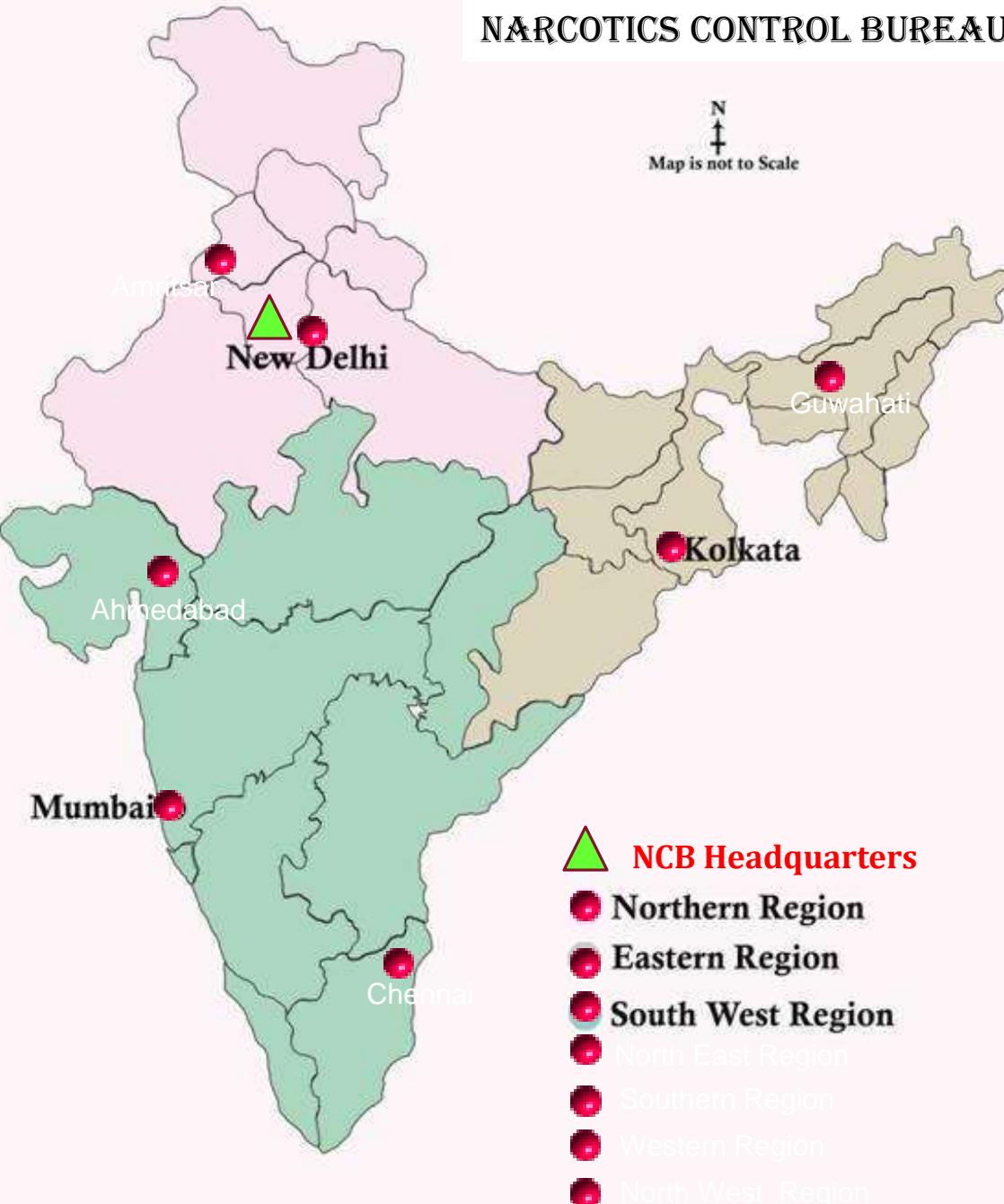
“AN OVERVIEW”

NCB AN OVERVIEW

- NCB² was constituted u/s 4 of NDPS Act on 17.03.1986.
- NCB HQrs is based at New Delhi and is headed by Director General.
- There are 07 Regional Hqrs located at viz. Delhi, Kolkata, Mumbai, Chennai, Ahmedabad, Amritsar and Guwahati headed by DDG
- There are 30 Zonal Unit across India.
- Apart from this there are 10 Field offices situated in various parts of country.
- In North Eastern side, NCB is located at Siliguri, Guwahati, Itanagar, Imphal, Agartala, Dimapur and Aizawl.

**HQ & REGIONAL OFFICES
NARCOTICS CONTROL BUREAU**

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Zonal Units Narcotics Control Bureau



ROLE AND TASK OF NCB

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- **Coordination**
- **Enforcement**
- **Bureau**

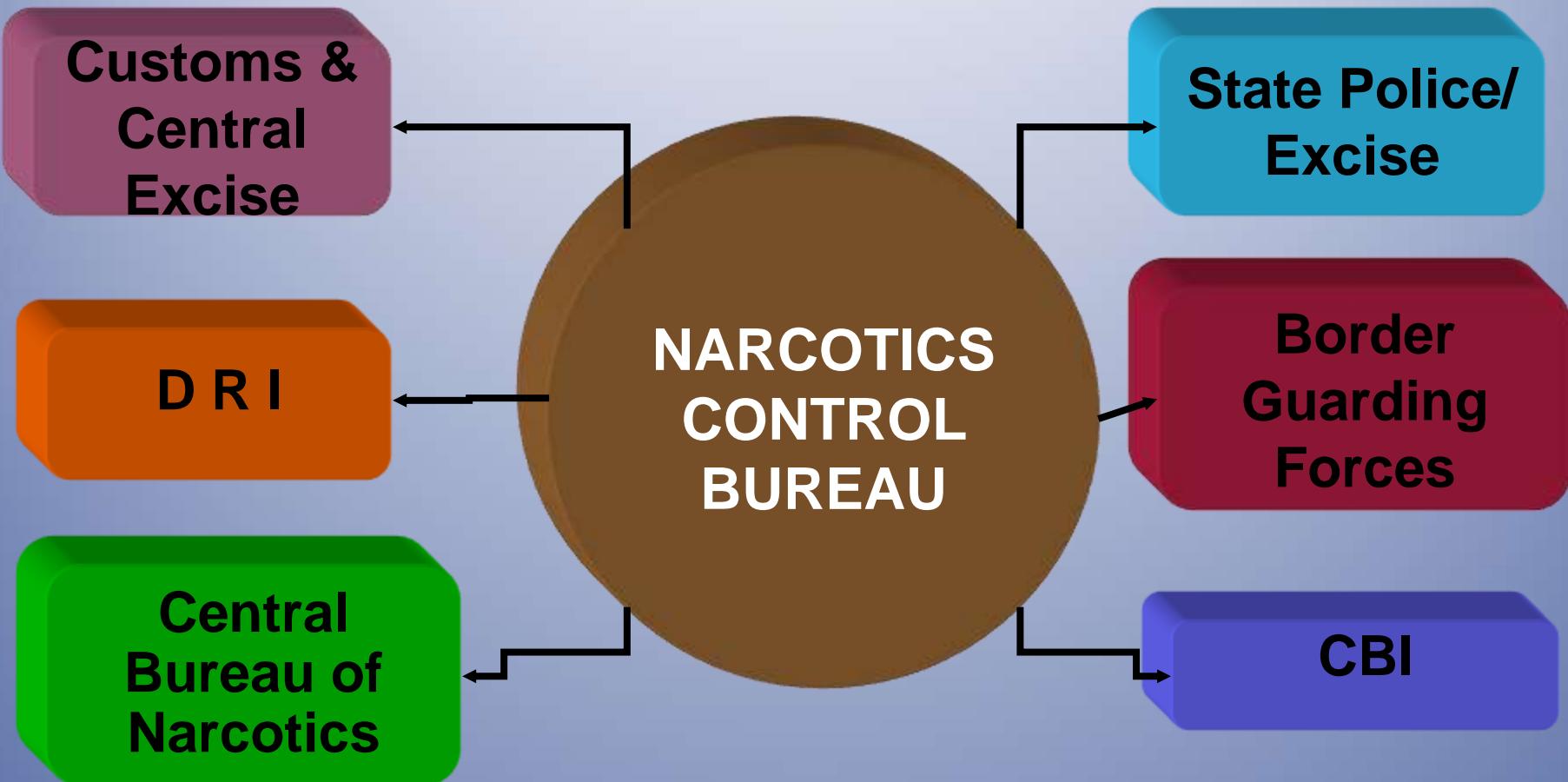
COORDINATION

- **Coordination with all Central & State Agencies.**
- **Organize Regional Conferences of all DLEA.**
- **Capacity building and Training.**
- **Conducting of NCORD meetings on State level and District level**
- **Implementation of obligations under various International conventions/ treaties.**
- **Organize and participate in International conferences and training programmes.**

ENFORCEMENT

- **Enforcement of NDPS Act throughout the country.**
- **Implement “National Enforcement Strategy”.**
- **Collection, collation and dissemination of intelligence.**
- **Identification /destruction of illicit crops**
- **Powers to arrest , seize and prosecution.**
- **Access to Airports and sensitizing the Airlines about the possibility of illegal trafficking of drugs.**

Coordination of Multi-Agency Enforcement



BUREAU

- **Analyze existing & emerging challenges.**
- **Setting up benchmarks.**
- **Research & Analysis on drugs, chemicals & adulterants.**
- **Advise Govt. of India on various drug issues.**



DRUG SCENARIO IN NORTH EAST

MAJOR DRUGS TRAFFICKED IN NORTH EAST

The major drugs trafficked from South East Asia via North East to India are as under :-

- a) Heroin mainly from Manipur and Mizoram
- b) ATS Amphetamine Type Stimulants (Party Drugs)
WY/Yaba from Manipur and Mizoram
- c) Cannabis which is produced mainly in Cochbehar
- d) CBCS from mainland India to Bangladesh border
- e) Opium produced in Arunachal Pradesh and Manipur

TRAFFICKING OF EPHEDRINE / PSEUDO EPHEDRINE

Pseudoephedrine is used in preparation of Methamphetamine (WY) tablets

Ephedrine and pseudo ephedrine are diverted from the licit channels and thereafter trafficked to South East Asia and other countries via North east where it is used in the illicit manufacture of synthetic drugs.

Pseudoephedrine mainly trafficked in the form of pharmaceutical drug (Common cold tablets)

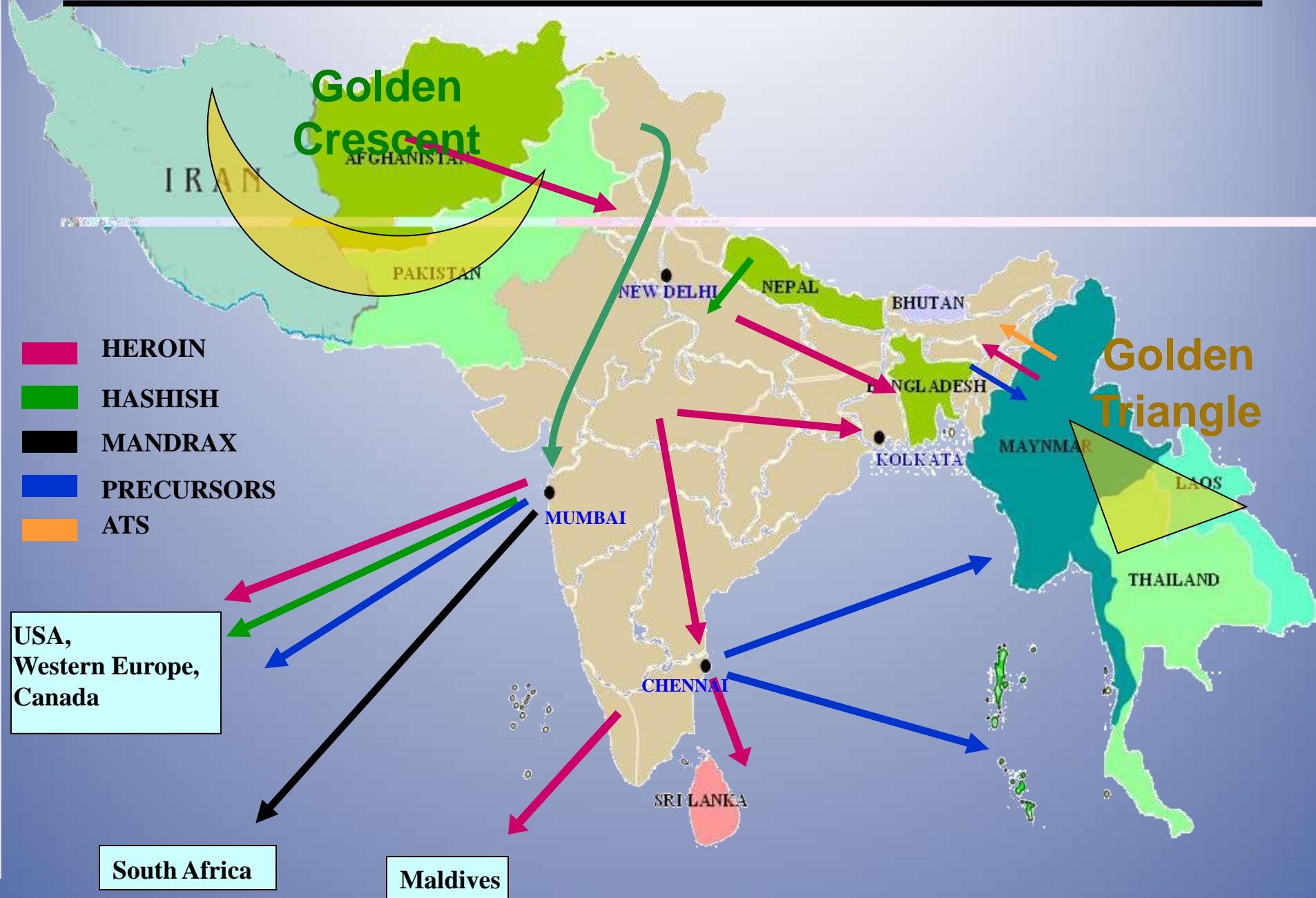


PHARMACEUTICALS

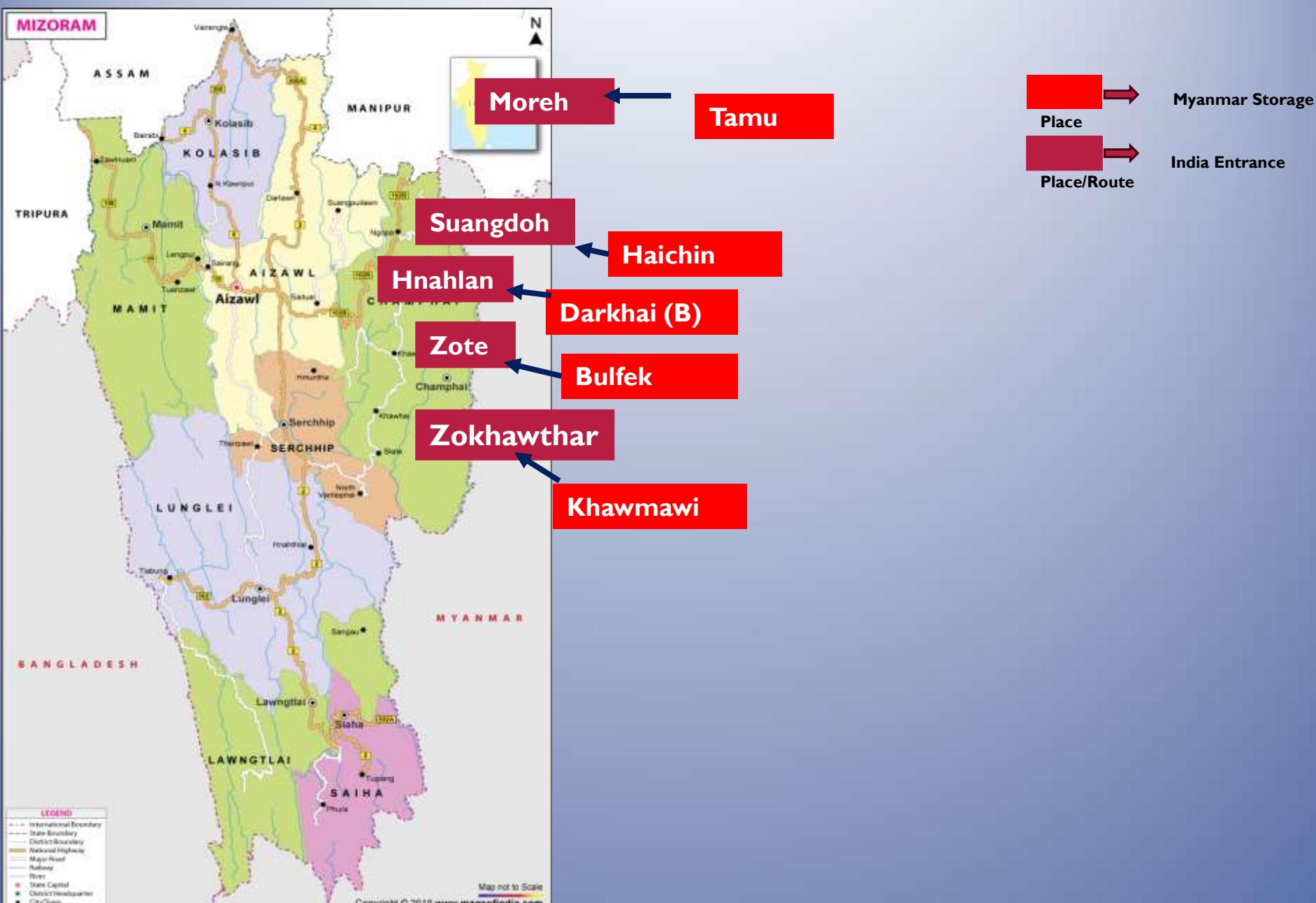
- India's pharmaceutical Industry is ranked in volume terms as the third largest in the world.
- Traffickers target India for sourcing pharmaceuticals for smuggling to neighboring countries such as Myanmar.
- Illicit Internet pharmacies
- The medicines favoured by traffickers are Buprenorphine, Pethidine, Phensedyl, tranquilizers like Diazepam, Valium etc.



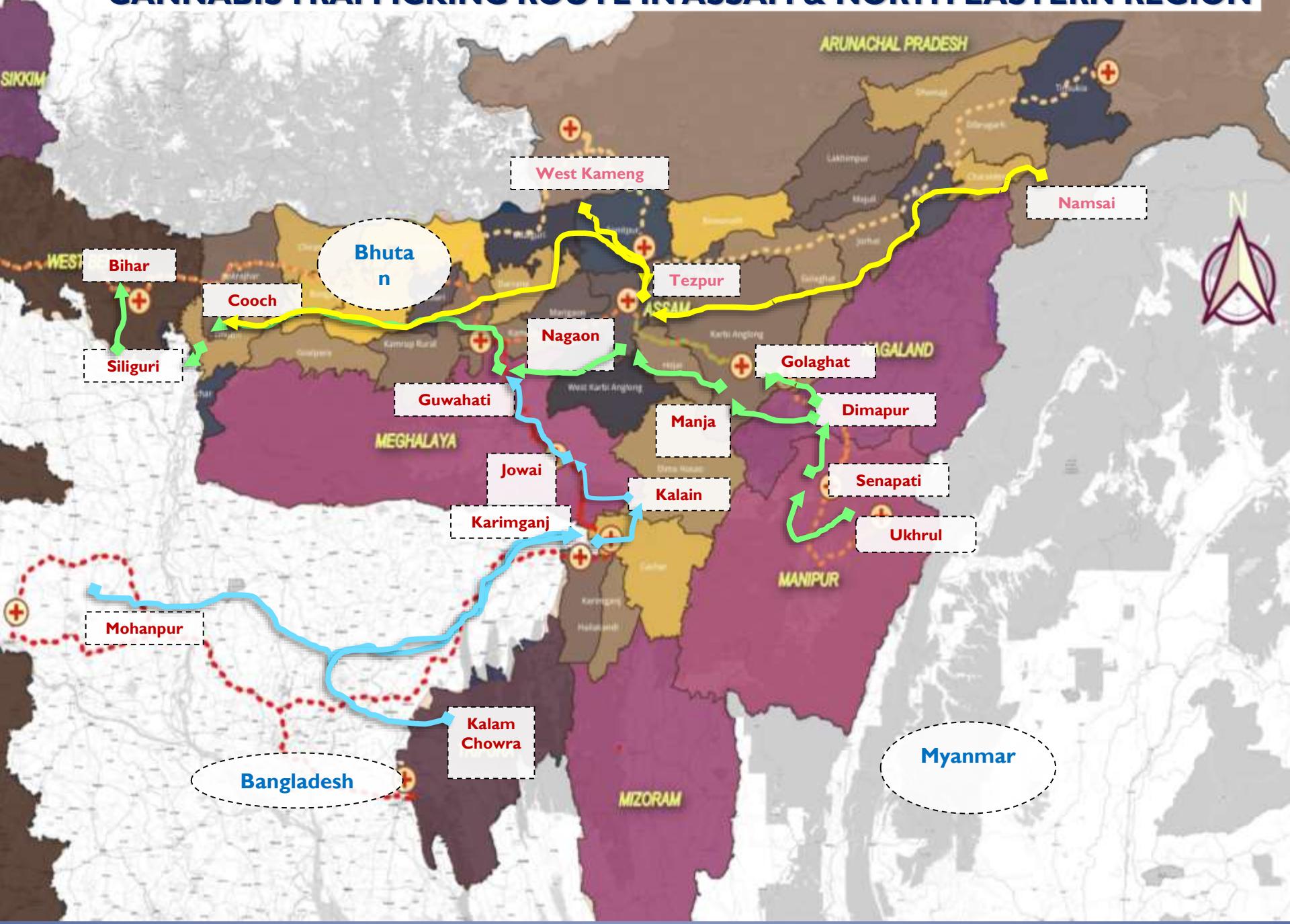
DRUG TRAFFICKING – PATTERN/TRENDS

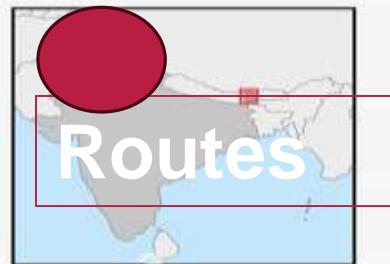


METHAMPHETAMINE DRUGS STORAGE PLACE IN MYANMAR AND ENTRANCE ROUTES IN INDIA



CANNABIS TRAFFICKING ROUTE IN ASSAM & NORTH EASTERN REGION





China

CHINA

Sikkim

NEPAL

Mangan

GANGTOK

Gyalshing

Sorong

Nanchi

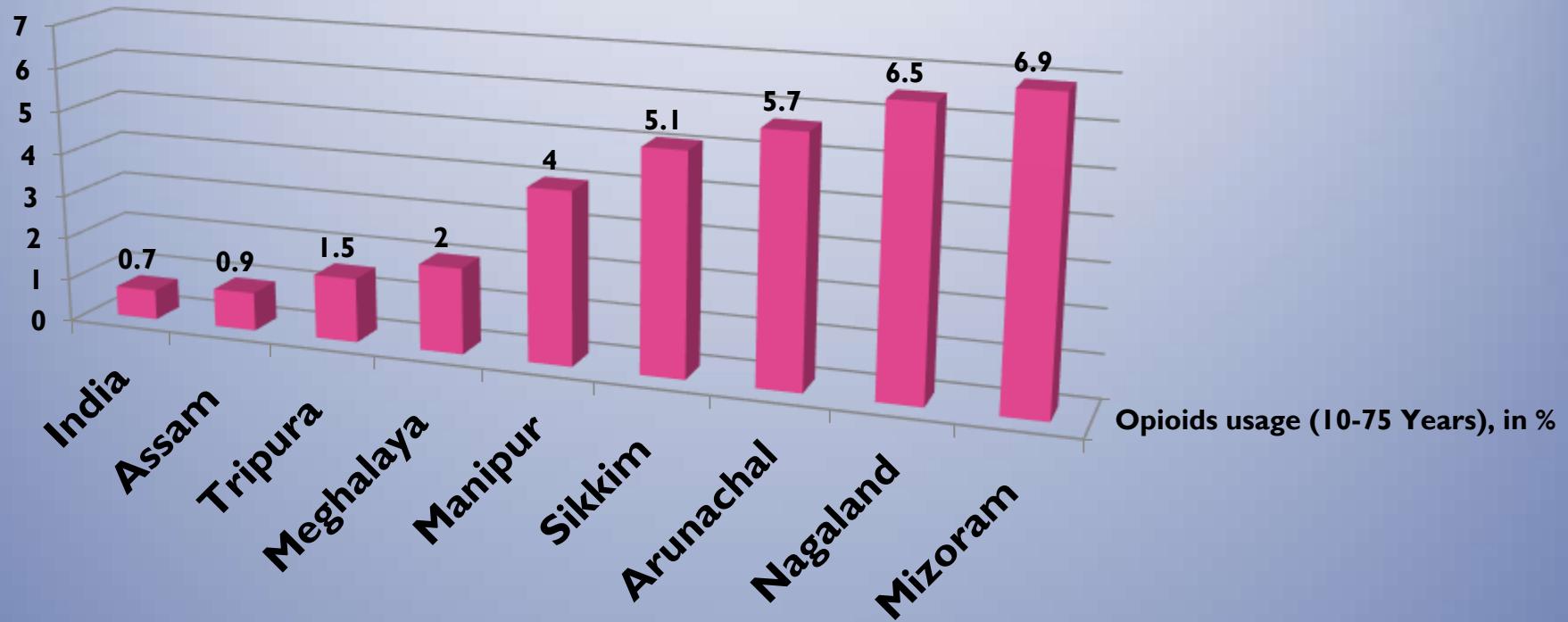
Pakyong

BHUTAN

West Bengal



Opioids usage (10-75 Years), in %



Source – 2019 Survey Report of MoSJ&E

Cannabinoids usage (10-75 Years), in %

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❖ 1.Sikkim

❖ 2.Nagaland

❖ 4 .Arunachal

❖ 6.Mizoram

❖ 10.Manipur

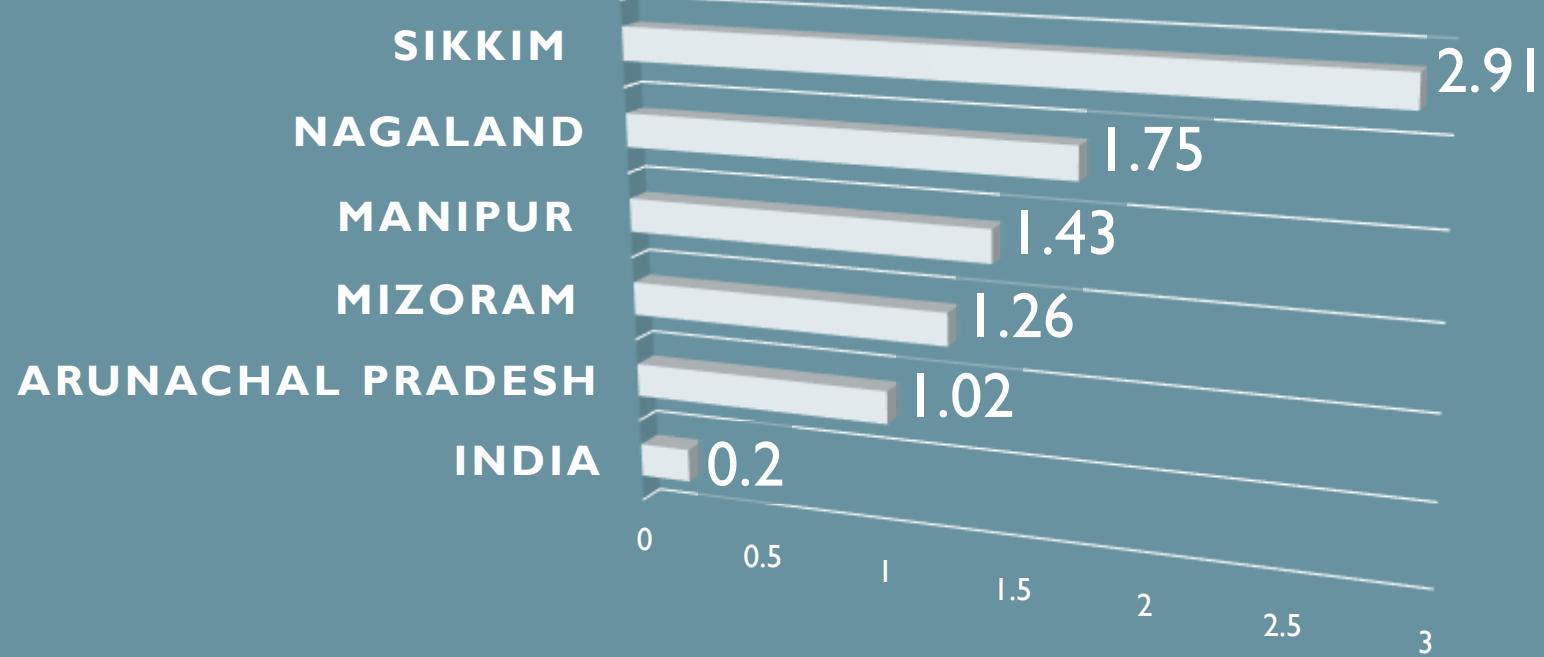
❖ 12.Megalaya



Source – 2019 Survey Report of MoSJ&E

NORTHERN-EASTERN STATES STATUS-DRUG ABUSE

SEDATIVES USAGE (10-75 YEARS), IN %



Source – 2019 Survey Report of MoSJ&E

POPPY DESTRUCTION



CANNABIS DESTRUCTION



OPIUM POPPY CULTIVATION IN CHIN STATE(MYANMAR) IN ACRES

2023	2024	% INCREASE
1730	2056	18%

- 1 Acre produces **8.8kg opium**
- 2056 acres produces **18093 kg opium**
- 1kg pure heroin requires **14kg opium**
- 18093 kg opium produces **1300 kg heroin approx**

Source: Myanmar Opium Survey, 2024, UNODC
Areas converted to acres



MODUS OPERANDI & PREVENTIVE MEASURES

Modus Operandi of Traffickers

Traffickers use the following three routes for the illegal trafficking of drugs :-

- **AIR**
- **Sea**
- **Land**

Following modus operandi is commonly used for the illegal trafficking of drugs:-

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- 1) False Cavity of Suitcase
- 2) Plastic Container of Cosmetic Items
- 3) Handbags
- 4) Inner soles of sports shoes
- 5) Swallowing and body cavities

- 5) Card board cartons containing personal effects
- 6) Wooden Jars
- 7) Concealment in Handicraft items
- 8) Concealment in Audio Speakers
- 9) Plaster of Paris Statuettes
- 10) Under garments
- 11) Gift packs
- 12) Polythene bags



Heroin hidden in wine bottle opener



Ganja concealed in cartoon



Herbal cannabis in bales of frozen fish meat



Cocaine shipped as coffee beans and Lollipops



Heroin concealed in Plastic Flask Cavity



Charas concealed in Bead



Heroin concealed inside soft toys



Charas concealed in door of a Car



Heroin concealed in the luggage compartment of a car



Heroin in a Plastic Jerry Can



Heroin in Gas Cylinder



Heroin in Tricycle Tyres



Methaqualone concealed in Mango Crates



Ketamine concealed in Packages of food Products



Heroin concealed in Book



Lab equipment in a container



Ketamine concealed in packages of Industrial Products



Heroin concealed in Automobile Batteries



Heroin concealed in big Iron Bolt Cavities



Cannabis resin in false Cavity of Wooden Paintings



Heroin concealed in Cavities of Footwear

MODUS OPERANDI



Heroin concealed in
false wall of a metal Water Jug



Heroin concealed in
Water Container



Heroin concealed in Capsules



Heroin concealed in
Decorated flasks



Heroin concealed in
Suitcases False Cavity



Capsules taken inside
Human Body



Cannabis Concealed in the
Tyres of a Wheelchair



Cannabis herb concealed in
an Oil tanker



Statue of a black eagle made
of a mixture of Plastic and cocaine

...
Tyres of a Wheelchair



Cocaine Packages stuffed in Rag Dolls



Heroin concealed in Motor Vehicle Spare Parts



Heroin concealed in Footwear Shoe



Heroin concealed in Cricket Balls



Heroin concealed in a Vehicles Spare tyre



Heroin and Amphetamine packages taped around the waist

INTRODU CTION

What is the
darknet?

Why it's relevant
to drug trafficking

The role of
cryptocurrencies

LAYERS OF THE INTERN ET

Surface Web: Indexed by search engines (Google, Bing)

Deep Web: Not indexed (medical records, academic databases)

Dark Web: Hidden, requires special software like Tor

WHAT IS THE DARK WEB?

An encrypted network hidden from standard search engines

Accessed through tools like Tor and I2P

Used for both legal (whistleblowing) and illegal (drug trade) purposes

COMMON ACTIVITIES ON THE DARK WEB

i. Illegal:

- Drug trafficking
- Weapons sales
- Human trafficking
- Cybercrime services (hacking)

ii. Legal:

- Political activism
- Whistleblowing platforms
(Reporting of illegal activities to internal or external authorities)

CRYPTOCURRENCY BASICS

What are
cryptocurrencies?

Role in darknet
transactions

CRYPTOCURRENCY BASICS

- Cryptocurrency is a digital or virtual currency that uses cryptography for security and operates on a decentralized network, typically a blockchain. It is not controlled by a central authority like a government or bank, and transactions are recorded on a public ledger. This decentralized and digital nature makes it nearly impossible to counterfeit or double-spend.

Key characteristics of cryptocurrency

- **Digital and virtual:** Cryptocurrencies have no physical form and exist only in digital form.
- **Cryptography-based:** Transactions are secured using cryptographic techniques, making them extremely difficult to counterfeit.
- **Decentralized:** They are not issued or controlled by a single central authority, such as a central bank.
- **Blockchain technology:** Most cryptocurrencies operate on a decentralized public ledger called a blockchain, which is a distributed system of computers that records all transactions.
- **Security:** The use of digital signatures with public and private keys, along with the decentralized nature of the blockchain, ensures the security and immutability of transactions

DARKWEB AND CRYPTOCURRENCY

Dark Web and
cryptocurrency
operation
consists of **five**
steps:

Advertisement

Discovery

Negotiation

Payment

Fulfillment

ADVERTISEMENT

Step 1 : Registering with the directory provided on the Dark Web- Ex hidden service directory through Tor



Step 2: Advertising the registration on Surface Webs through onion domains

DISCOVERY

Buyers follow similar approaches from the leads of a seller's advertisement strategies, such as discovering entry points to suppliers selling illegal offerings through communities or Dark Web search engines. Also, buyers may share access information with other buyers directly.

NEGOTIATION

To proceed with a transaction, a buyer must confer with a seller about the deal regarding-

- 1) Shipping method
- 2) Price
- 3) Customizing services
- 4) Payment methods.

These details vary according to the type of product or service.

For example, porn dealers receive money from a buyer and send a passcode for accessing a porn archive.

PAYMENTS

Two Primary Methods

- i. Where sellers provide a cryptocurrency address to the buyers for collecting fees.
- ii. Escrow Service providers

FULFILLMENT

Sellers fulfill orders similar to e-commerce services of the Surface Web by sending physical products via an agreed delivery method (e.g., drugs and weapons), providing online services (e.g., hacking and illegal content) or performing criminal activities in real-world environments (e.g., targeted assassinations)



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