Press Release

SSB seized an antique idol worth Rs. 12 crore of 16th Century

New Delhi- 24 August, 2017 – Sashastra Seema Bal’s (SSB) 63rd Battalion had seized an antique idol of 16th century in a joint operation with custom personnel of Barasat on specific information. The weight of antique idol is 4.77 Kgs. Three persons were also apprehended during operation. The value of this antique idol is Rs. 12 crore. During preliminary interrogation apprehended persons revealed that they had received this idol from Bihar/Orissa based smugglers gang. The antique idols were being stolen from different parts of country and brought to Kolkata and other parts of West Bengal in search of Iridium and Gold.

This year alone Sashastra Seema Bal has seized antique idols of Rs. 131 crore and arrested 15 persons in 9 cases.

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