

## Operation Deep Manifest

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### Why in news?

*Recently Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI) seizes Pakistani-origin goods worth Rs 9 crore under 'Operation Deep Manifest'*

- **Operation deep manifest** - It is a targeted enforcement operation by the Directorate of Revenue Intelligence (DRI).
- **Aim** - To intercept and seize **illicit Pakistani-origin goods** being routed into India via third countries, mainly the UAE.
- **Reason for the operation** - India imposed a complete ban on direct and indirect import/transit of Pakistani-origin goods after the Pahalgam terror attacks.
- The ban came into effect on **May 2, 2025**, replacing the earlier 200% customs duty on Pakistani goods.
- The operation enforces this **zero-tolerance policy** on economic ties with Pakistan.
- **Key seizure details** - 39 containers seized at Nhava Sheva port contained 1,115 metric tonnes of goods of total estimated value of Rs 9 crore.
- The goods were dry dates falsely declared as UAE-origin but traced back to **Karachi, Pakistan**, via Dubai.
- **Modus operandi** - Importers mis declared the origin of goods who were using Jabel Ali port as a transshipment point for Pakistani-origin goods attempting to enter India under false declaration.

*Jebel Ali Port is located in Dubai, United Arab Emirates (UAE) is the largest port in the Middle East and one of the world's busiest ports.*

- Manipulated in shipping documents and financial trails linked to Pakistani entities were detected, indicating illicit financial flows.
- **Significance** - It is the part of DRI's enhanced enforcement drive after Operation Sindoor.
- DRI is employing data analytics and intelligence gathering to monitor

suspect consignments.

- It reflects India's commitment to economic and national security, especially in the context of regional threats.

## Reference

[DD News| Pakistani-origin goods seized under 'Operation Deep Manifest](#)

