

## Thiruvananthapuram International Airport

### Press Note

TIAL strengthens measures to minimize prohibited items in check-in baggage.

Thiruvananthapuram, July 12: In our continued endeavor to prioritize the Safety, Security and Well-being of our passengers, Thiruvananthapuram International Airport is further strengthening its efforts to minimize prohibited items being carried in check-in baggage at the airport.

Prohibited items ranging from e-cigarettes, lighters, pesticides to copra are included in check-in baggage by passengers. The In-line remote baggage screening facility at the Airport enable the security staff to easily identify such restricted items in the baggage. Once identified, the security restricted item has to be removed from the baggage and disposed of in accordance with extant regulations. The process involved is cumbersome and can cause inconvenience to passenger and in some cases, this often leads to flight delays.

With stringent and 24X7 vigilant security protocols, in the month of April 2023, Security Restricted Articles were identified in 1012 bags at the International Terminal. It rose to 1201 in May. Banned items were removed from 1135 bags in June. On average, more than 30 bags are checked per day. Certain items including batteries and power banks are allowed to be carried by Bureau of Civil Aviation Security (BCAS) as cabin baggage. But few items are completely banned, including e-cigarettes.

### Highlight

Totally prohibited items- Lighter, Matchbox, Copra, e-cigarette, pesticide, camphor, spray paint, pepper spray, cracker, GPS tracker etc.

Cabin baggage only- battery, power bank, laptop- camera-mobile battery, dry ice, Oxygen cylinder (upto 5 kg)

Check in baggage only- Martial art weapons, spice powder, tools, toy gun, sharp edge items, rope and luggage chains, oil (max 5 L), thermometer  
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