



# NARCOTICS CONCEALMENT METHODS 2009



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# Latest Trends in Drugs Trafficking



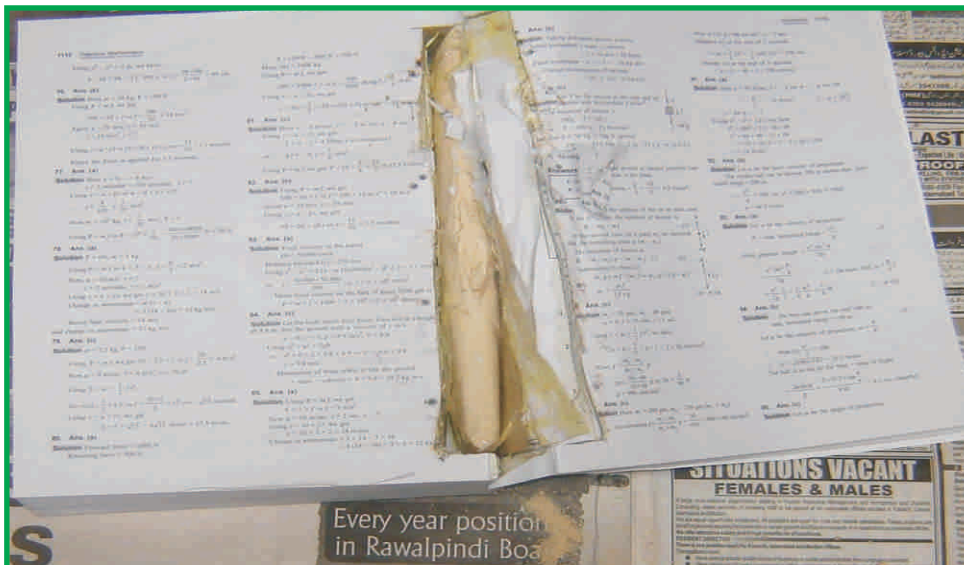
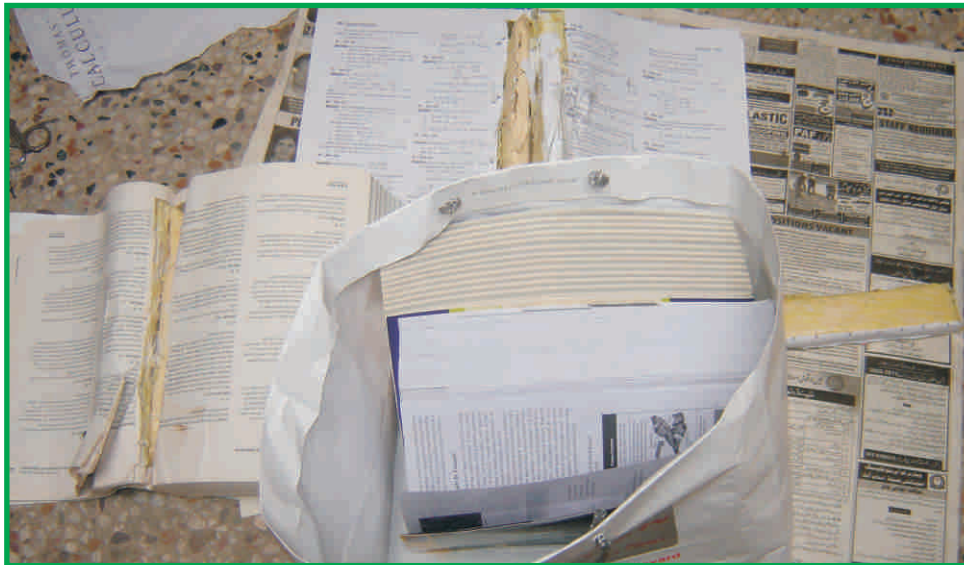
**T**he fight between drug producers/ traffickers and the law enforcement agencies is a continuous struggle, knowing no borders. The traffickers are devising new and innovative methods to escape the watchful eyes of the agencies assigned with the responsibility to fight this menace.

ANF has been striving very hard with its meager resources to stop drug trafficking from Pakistan and has produced excellent results. Heroin and Hashish remain the two main drugs which are produced in Afghanistan and smuggled to world markets through transit countries, which become unwitting victims themselves. The traffickers use highly innovative but innocuous looking methods to conceal drugs and it is essential that such methods are shared internationally by law enforcement agencies so as to enable other countries to remain abreast of such trends.

In the succeeding pages some of the more recent innovative methods of drugs concealment as experienced by the Anti Narcotics Force Pakistan, are shown to familiarize the law enforcement officers for effective interdiction.

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# Heroin in Bindings of Books



1.100 Kgs heroin was recovered from a Filipino woman at Islamabad Airport. She intended to fly to Vietnam. Strips of heroin were concealed in bindings of 5x books.

## Concealment in Dinner Set



3.380 Kgs heroin was tactfully concealed in the cavities made in the bottom of 2x plastic dinner sets, which was seized at Islamabad Airport.

## Heroin and Hashish in Cricket Bats and Stumps



A passenger was intercepted at Islamabad Airport and 1.780 Kgs heroin was recovered, which was concealed in the spaces created in cricket bats and stumps.

## Heroin Concealed in Ceiling Fans



4 Kgs heroin was recovered from a Nigerian during a raid at a house in Islamabad. Stuff was to be trafficked to South Africa and was tactfully concealed in the empty spaces around the motor winding of 21x ceiling fans.

## Heroin Concealed in Thread Rolls



A parcel having thread rolls being sent to Sydney, Australia through courier service was seized at Karachi. Thorough search of the parcel led to recovery of 148 grams heroin. Polythene packets containing heroin were wrapped around the rolls under the thread.

## Heroin in Surgical Steel box



ANF intercepted a consignment at Cargo Terminal Jinnah International Airport Karachi and recovered 6.240 Kgs heroin. Stuff was concealed in 8x surgical steel boxes which were being sent to UK. The parcel was booked from International Mail Office, Karachi.

## Heroin in Huqa



440 grams heroin was seized at Karachi, which was being sent to Netherlands through a courier service. Heroin was concealed in the Huqa.

## Heroin Concealed in Embroidery



A parcel containing 2x lace packets being sent to Spain through a courier service at Karachi was seized and 100 grams heroin was recovered. The stuff was concealed very tactfully inside the embroidery.

## Heroin in Hotpots



925 grams of heroin was recovered from 3x hotpots. Parcel was booked for London (UK) through a courier service at Karachi.

## Mislabeling of Acetic Anhydride



ANF intercepted a container at Seaport Karachi, which arrived from Singapore on ship namely JITRA BHUM and recovered 15000 Kgs Acetic Anhydride, concealed in 75x big canes (drums). The container was exported from Korea and the consignment was mislabeled as Hydrogen per oxide.

## Recovery of Hashish from Paint Brushes



110 grams hashish was recovered from a parcel being sent to UK through a courier service at Karachi. Hashish was concealed inside 4x paint brushes.

## Heroin Concealed in Bottles of Talcum Powder



A Zambian woman was apprehended at Jinnah International Airport Karachi, who was proceeding to Johannesburg. 600 grams heroin was concealed in 8x plastic bottles of Talcum powder.

## Heroin in Pressure Cooker



A parcel containing pressure cookers was booked for UK through a courier service at Attock and was intercepted at Karachi. 1.130 Kgs heroin was concealed in 2x pressure cookers.

## Heroin Filled Capsule



A Zambian woman was arrested at Peshawar Airport, who had a large size heroin filled capsule in her private body part. 240 grams heroin was recovered.

## Heroin Concealed in Karate Belts



250 grams heroin was recovered from a parcel at Peshawar, which was being sent to Barcelona. Heroin was concealed very tactfully in cloth belts of Karate suits.

## Heroin Concealed in Dryer Machine



1.500 Kgs heroin was recovered from a spin dryer machine at Multan Airport. The machine was being sent to Johannesburg (South Africa) via Dubai by a Zambian woman.

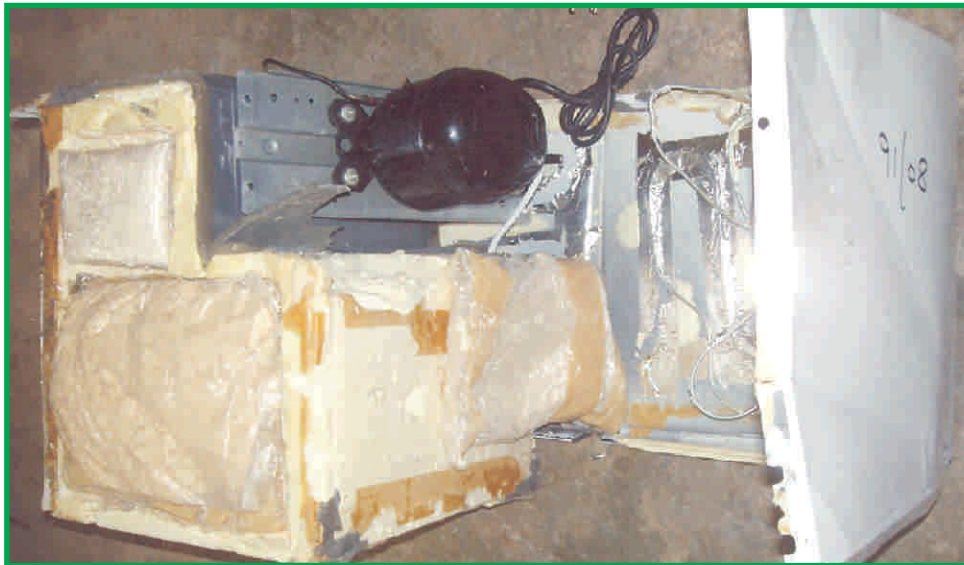


## Heroin Concealed in Shameez (Undergarments)



A Nigerian was intercepted at Peshawar Airport, who was to leave for Lagos (Nigeria). 3.100 Kgs heroin was recovered from the packing material (hard sheets), which were placed inside 330 x Shameez (undergarments).

## Heroin Concealed in Refrigerator



A Nigerian woman ,carrying a small size bed room refrigerator ,was apprehended at Peshawar Airport and 5 Kgs heroin was recovered from refrigerator .

## Heroin Concealed in Medical Suction Apparatus



900 grams heroin was recovered from a South African woman at Peshawar Airport. Drug was tactfully concealed in medical suction apparatus.

## Hashish Concealed in Table Lamps



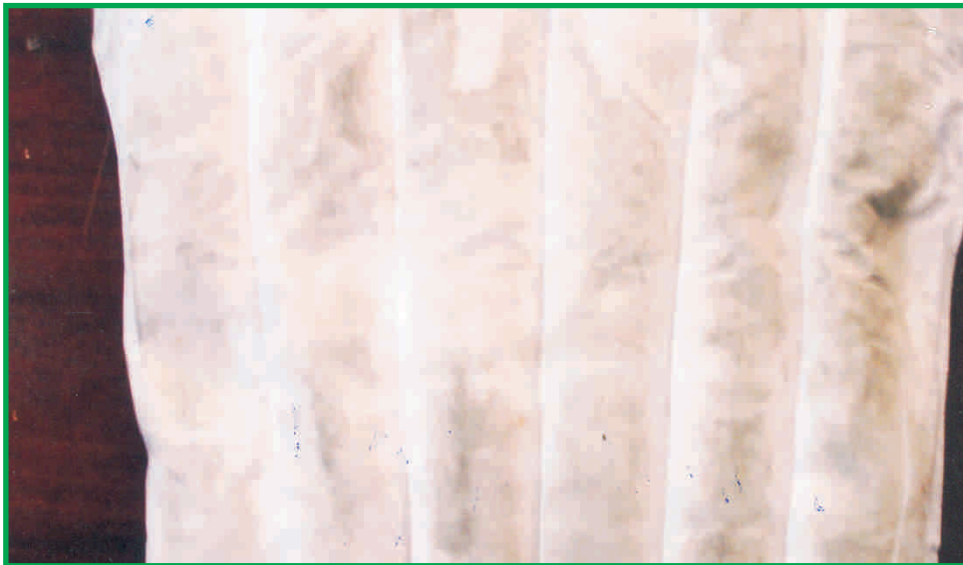
ANF intercepted a consignment (being sent to Canada) at Cargo Terminal, Sialkot International Airport and recovered 158.200 Kgs hashish. Stuff was concealed in parts of table lamps, which were packed inside sixteen large wooden boxes. The consignee's address was shared with Canadian authorities, which resulted in another seizure of 9 Kgs hashish in Canada.

## Heroin Concealed in Packing Material



A parcel containing shirts and shoes was seized in Lahore, which was booked for Italy through a courier service. 1.800 Kgs heroin was recovered from packing of the carton. Carton was bearing printed name and details of the courier company.

## Heroin Concealed in Shin Pads



2x Shin pads having 2.940 Kgs heroin were seized at Allama Iqbal International Airport Lahore.

## Heroin Soaked Ladies Garments (Saries)



A parcel booked for South Africa was intercepted at Cargo Complex of Allama Iqbal International Airport Lahore. The parcel contained heroin soaked Saries and Shirts. 1.580 Kgs heroin was recovered.

## Heroin Soaked Cotton in Quilts



A parcel booked for Netherlands was intercepted at Lahore. Parcel had three quilts having heroin soaked cotton.

## Heroin Concealed in Ghee



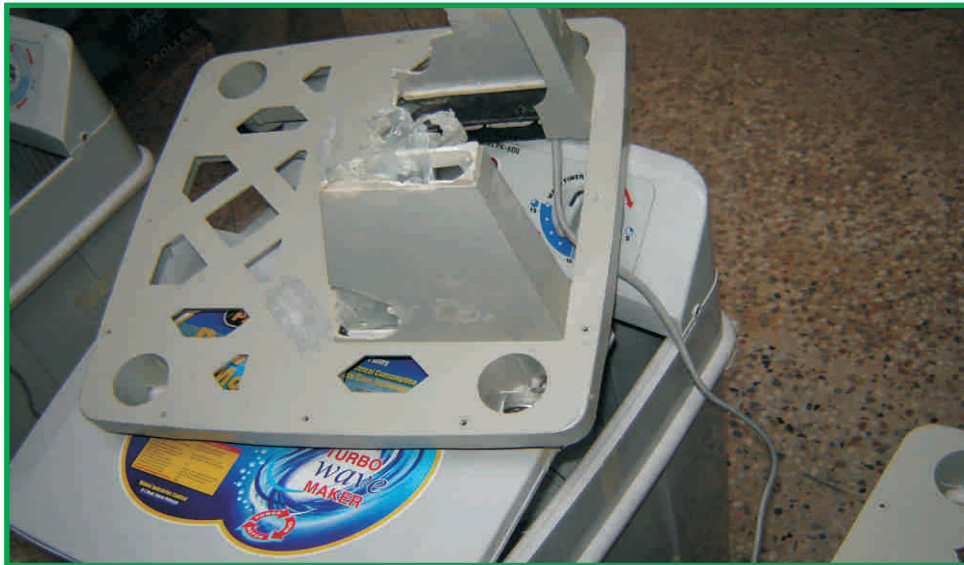
A passenger was intercepted at Islamabad Airport, who was bound for Hong Kong via Bangkok. 1.100 Kgs heroin was concealed in 3x plastic bottles filled with desi ghee.

## Heroin Concealed in Shoes



640 grams heroin was recovered from a shoes at Islamabad Airport.

## Heroin Concealed in Washing Machines



A consignment of washing machines was intercepted at Islamabad Airport, which resulted in the recovery of 4 Kgs of heroin. The substance was concealed in 4 x washing machines. Upon the identification of the accused, a follow-up raid was conducted at the office of the clearing agent, and further 2.960 Kgs of heroin was recovered from 2 x washing machines.

## Laptop



1.350 kgs heroin was concealed behind the screen monitor of a laptop computer and its charger. Interestingly, the computer was functional when it was intercepted.

## Heroin Concealed in Cosmetic Items



860 grams heroin concealed in different cosmetic items and dry batteries was recovered from a Dubai bound passenger.

## Flour Kneading Machine



A passenger carrying flour Kneader was intercepted and 3.035 kgs heroin was recovered from the false cavities of the machine.

## Heroin in Sweet Box



53x capsules containing 500 grams heroin were mixed with sweets which were destined to Uganda via Dubai

## Heroin Concealment in Suitcases



Concealment of heroin in different cavities of suitcases. A total of 51 cases were detected and 138.863 Kgs heroin was seized from suitcases during 2007.

## Packing of Mangoes



52 kgs of heroin was tactfully concealed in the bases of cartons. Each carton had 4 to 5 mangoes. The consignment was intercepted at cargo office Islamabad Airport, which was destined to South Africa.

## Heroin Filled Capsules



Like previous years, ingested heroin filled capsules remained the most common method of heroin trafficking and about 106 kgs heroin was recovered from capsules in 125 different cases during the year 2007.

## Heroin Concealed in Pistons



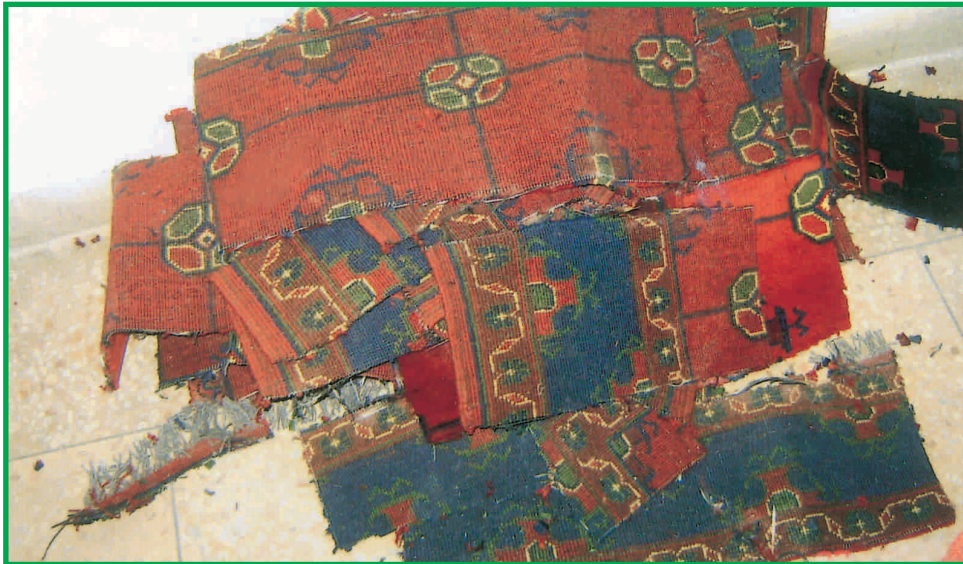
4.300 kgs heroin was recovered from pistons of vehicle at Peshawar. A total of 9 pistons were recovered from 3 cartons, which all contained heroin filled polythene bags.

## Heroin in Hair Clips



1.020 Kgs and 6.950 kgs heroin was recovered in two different cases but of similar nature. In both cases, heroin was concealed in hair clips.

## Heroin Concealed in Carpets



23.900 kgs heroin was recovered from 12 x carpets being sent to Kazakhstan for a trade exhibition at Bishkek. The consignment was intercepted at PIA cargo Islamabad Airport

## Hashish in Motor Oil Tins



51.600 Kgs hashish was recovered from 16x Gallons of Motor Oil at Peshawar.

## Heroin in Walnuts

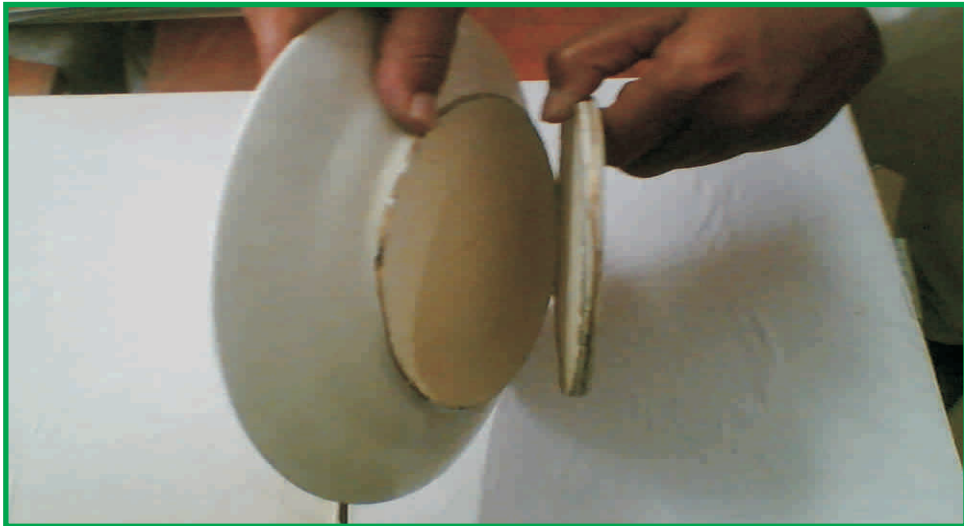


Three sacks of walnuts, each sack weighing approximately 40 kgs were seized at Peshawar. Search revealed some walnuts in only one of the sack had heroin wrapped in small polythene bags very carefully concealed inside the walnut. 1.360 kgs of heroin was recovered from about 250 walnuts from the sack.

## Heroin in Dinner Set



A dinner set was intercepted at Lahore which had 580 grams of heroin concealed in the base of plates.



## Hashish in Wood

2614 Kgs hashish concealed beneath the wood in the container was recovered from a container near Nowshera (Peshawar)

## Heroin in Shock Absorbers



27 Kgs heroin was recovered at PIA Cargo Allama Iqbal International Airport Lahore, which was concealed in 40 x shock absorbers. The consignment was booked for Kampala (Uganda).

## Heroin in Arum (Vegetable)



23.800 Kgs heroin (off White) was recovered from 30 x packets of Arum (vegetable) at PIA Cargo Islamabad Airport. Heroin was being sent to UK.

