Banned tobacco products seized

Officials of the Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI) on Monday seized 750 kg of banned tobacco products from a warehouse in the city. The seized products are valued around 7 lakh.

B. Vijayalalithambigai, designated officer of FSSAI in Coimbatore, said that the prohibited tobacco products were seized from a warehouse on Thomas Street.

“Stocks were found at a small warehouse of Meenakshi Enterprises run by M. Megraj (30), a Rajasthan native. Though there are several houses around the warehouse, residents said that they could not get the smell of tobacco products. Stocks of agarbatis were kept along with the tobacco products due to which residents could not get the foul smell,” said Ms. Vijayalalithambigai.

The banned tobacco products were said to be sourced from other States. Public can alert on the sale and stock banned tobacco products to the WhatsApp helpline number of FSSAI at 94440 42322.