



Capacity Building Programme on 'Prevention of Counterfeiting and Smuggling for the police officers of Gurugram'  
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This capacity building programme aimed to sensitize the police officers to emphasize on the importance of continued awareness and seriousness of the impact of counterfeit and smuggled goods. It was emphasized that such illicit trading practices not only causes huge losses to the government and industry but is also causing significant economic and health & safety consequences for the society at large. This workshop was also helpful in sensitizing the officers about the relevant laws and procedures to be followed while dealing with the cases related to smuggling and counterfeiting. Discussions revolved around the collaborative role of police and industry in thwarting this menace.

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