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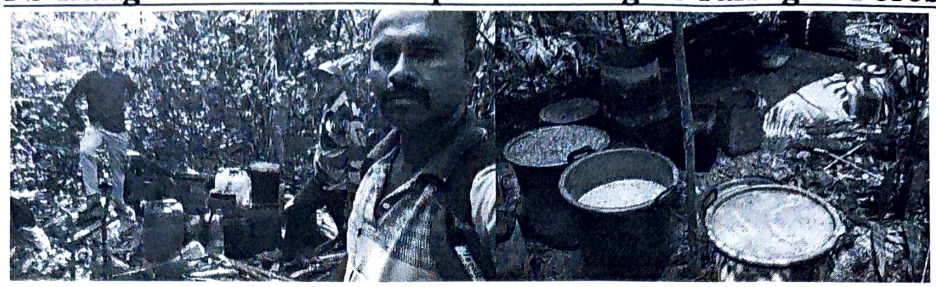
PS Kalighat Bust Illicit Liquor Brewing in Talbagan Forest



On 20/01/2026, acting on credible intelligence about illicit liquor being brewed in the dense forest near Talbagan Village in view of the forthcoming Laxmi Narayan Mela, a police team from PS Kalighat under the supervision of SHO Kalighat, led by PC/2575 Ranjit Biswas, PC/1816 Sujit Kumar and PC/Baikanto Majhi was swiftly mobilised. Displaying commendable hard work, determination and professional dedication, the police team undertook an intensive search operation lasting nearly five to six hours, during which they diligently combed through roughly five square kilometres of the dense forest area.

During the operation, the team successfully detected two concealed brewing sites and recovered around 1025 litres of illicit lahan (fermented wash) hidden deep within the forest. At the first location, the lahan was found stored iron tins, plastic gallons and plastic buckets, totalling around 465 litres. At the second spot, the lehan was found stored in plastic buckets, plastic gallons, and iron tins, totalling around 560 litres.

No claimant or suspect was found at either site. Consequently, the entire 1025 litres of illicit lahan, along with all associated storage containers, were destroyed on the spot following due legal procedure and documentation. The Forest Department was also informed and requested to maintain enhanced surveillance in and around the forested area to prevent the recurrence of such illegal activities. The operation stands as a notable example of the commitment and diligence of the N&MA District Police in curbing illegal activities and ensuring public safety.

The general public is requested to pass and share any credible information pertaining to any crime or illegal activities to their nearest Police Station or over phone No.100, 112 & 03192-273344. The identity of the informers will be kept secret and will also be suitably rewarded.

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