60 shells found in Gujarat, 14 ammunition pieces recovered from Rajasthan

In continuing spate of recoveries of war ammunition, nearly 60 used ‘high-explosive’ shells were found near Anjar town in Kutch district of Gujarat today, police said.

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Gujarat, India > Ahmedabad/Alwar :“The shells were found packed in gunny bags disposed of on a wasteland on Anjar-Adipur road connecting Mundra. Five to six shells had explosives in them,” Kutch District Superintendent of Police (DSP) Piyush Patel told PTI by phone. While the bomb disposal squad has started disposing of these shells, Army expertise has also been sought, Patel said, adding "there was no fear of any explosion and moreover it was lying in wasteland in a remote area." "We suspect that somebody who must have lifted the cargo may have found it in the scrap and due to fear of a criminal prosecution, disposed it of on this wasteland;” DSP said. Patel said a farmer noticed these bags lying near a temple on the wasteland and immediately informed the police finding them suspicious. Following the Ghaziabad incident, 50 used rocketshells were found from a container at Kandla port in Kutch as also a grenade-life explosive a few days ago.Meanwhile, fourteen pieces of ammunition were today found abandoned in the fields at two places in Bilhaheri village near Bhiwadi industrial area of this district of Rajasthan, police said. The ammunition were being examined by the army to ascertain whether they were live or dead, police said. Scrap containing the ammunition was probably abandoned in the fields in view of searches carried out in a foundry in Jaipur yesterday during which over 100 pieces of live ammunition and several empty shells were recovered. There are about 20 foundries in Alwar district which import scrap.


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