

Iran on Narcotics Transport Corridor between Afghanistan and Western Europe

Police Seize Drug Cargo in Northern Iran

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TEHRAN – Iran’s police squads seized a 150kg cargo of narcotics in an operation in the country’s northern province of Golestan Monday night.

“Minoodasht’s law enforcement police forces discovered 150 kg of illicit drugs in a police operation in the city,” Golestan’s police headquarters announced in a statement on Tuesday.

During the operation, carried out last night after month-long intelligence measures, a ring involved in drug-trafficking and dealing was disbanded and four people were arrested.

“During the operation, 150 kg of narcotics, including 123 kg of opium and 31 kg of hashish were discovered,” the statement added.

Iran, which lies on a transit corridor between opium producing Afghanistan and drug dealers in Europe, has recently stepped up efforts in the campaign against narcotics and drug-dealers.

Of course, the Islamic Republic has already emerged as the leading country fighting drug trafficking after making 85 percent of the world’s total opium seizures.

The statistical figures released by the UN also show that Iran ranks first among the world countries in preventing entry of drugs and decreasing demand for narcotics.

Each year, the government spends hundreds of millions of dollars erecting barriers along the borders with Pakistan and Afghanistan and pumping resources into checkpoints.

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