
PRESS RELEASE**CISF Assistant Commandant Akshay Badola Secures Second Position in LEA CTF 2.0 at c0c0n 2026**

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New Delhi, 11 October 2026: Shri Akshay Badola, Assistant Commandant (Executive), Central Industrial Security Force (CISF), secured **second position** in the Law Enforcement Agencies **Capture the Flag (LEA CTF) 2.0** competition held on **9 and 10 October 2026 at Grand Hyatt, Bolgatty, Kochi**. The competition was organised as part of **c0c0n 2026**, the International Security and Hacking Conference. Shri Badola was **felicitated by the Chief Minister of Kerala, Shri V. D. Satheesan**, for his achievement.

Organised by **Kerala Police** in collaboration with the **Information Security Research Association (ISRA)**, c0c0n brought together cybersecurity professionals and law-enforcement personnel to discuss emerging cyber threats, security technologies and investigative capabilities.

LEA CTF 2.0 was an invite-only competition for law-enforcement professionals. It tested participants' technical knowledge, digital investigation skills and problem-solving abilities through cybersecurity challenges. **Participants represented various law-enforcement organisations, including State Police units, intelligence agencies and Central Armed Police Forces.**

With critical infrastructure increasingly dependent on digital systems, cybersecurity and digital investigation capabilities have become important components of the broader security environment. CISF continues to emphasise professional competence and technological preparedness in carrying out its responsibility of securing critical infrastructure across the country.

CISF participated in the competition for the first time. Shri Badola's second-place finish is a notable achievement and reflects the value of specialised technical expertise in strengthening law-enforcement capabilities against emerging cyber threats.

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ONLINE NEWS COVERAGE

CISF officer Akshay Badola secures second place in LEA CTF 2.0 cybersecurity competition

Mid-day reported that CISF Assistant Commandant Akshay Badola secured second position in the Law Enforcement Agencies Capture the Flag (LEA CTF) 2.0 competition, held at Kochi on 9 and 10 October 2026.

The report noted that the competition was organised by Kerala Police and ISRA as part of c0c0n 2026, an international security and hacking conference held at Grand Hyatt, Bolgatty, Kochi, and tested participants on cybersecurity and digital investigation skills.

Link: <https://www.mid-day.com/news/india-news/article/cisf-officer-akshay-badola-secures-second-place-in-national-cybersecurity-competition-20-23654485>

PRESS RELEASE**CISF Intercepts Two Air Passengers with Bluetooth Exam-Cheating Devices at Goa Airport***Devices linked to IIT Goa recruitment examination; case registered*

Goa, 11 October 2026 – Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) personnel at **Goa International Airport, Dabolim**, intercepted **two domestic departure passengers** carrying concealed **Bluetooth devices meant for malpractice in competitive examinations** on **10 October 2026**. Both passengers were handed over to the local police along with the recovered items, and a case has been registered against them.

At about **1425 hrs**, **Passenger 1**, booked to travel from Goa to Delhi on **Air India Express flight IX-1340**, placed his handbag for X-ray screening at the pre-embarkation security checkpoint. The CISF screener on duty noticed suspicious objects in the X-ray image and referred the bag for a physical check. The search led to the recovery of **three electronic devices, two SIM cards and three Bluetooth earpieces** of the type used for cheating in competitive examinations.

When questioned by **CISF personnel deployed at Goa International Airport, Dabolim**, Passenger 1 admitted that the devices were meant for cheating in examinations. He also said that an associate travelling with him had already boarded the same flight. With the help of airline staff, CISF personnel **offloaded Passenger 2 from the aircraft**. A search of his handbag led to the recovery of **one similar device, two Bluetooth earpieces, one SIM card** and an **admit card for the post of Administrative Assistant** in the **IIT Goa Non-Teaching Staff Recruitment examination** held earlier that day. He admitted that the device was meant for use in that examination.

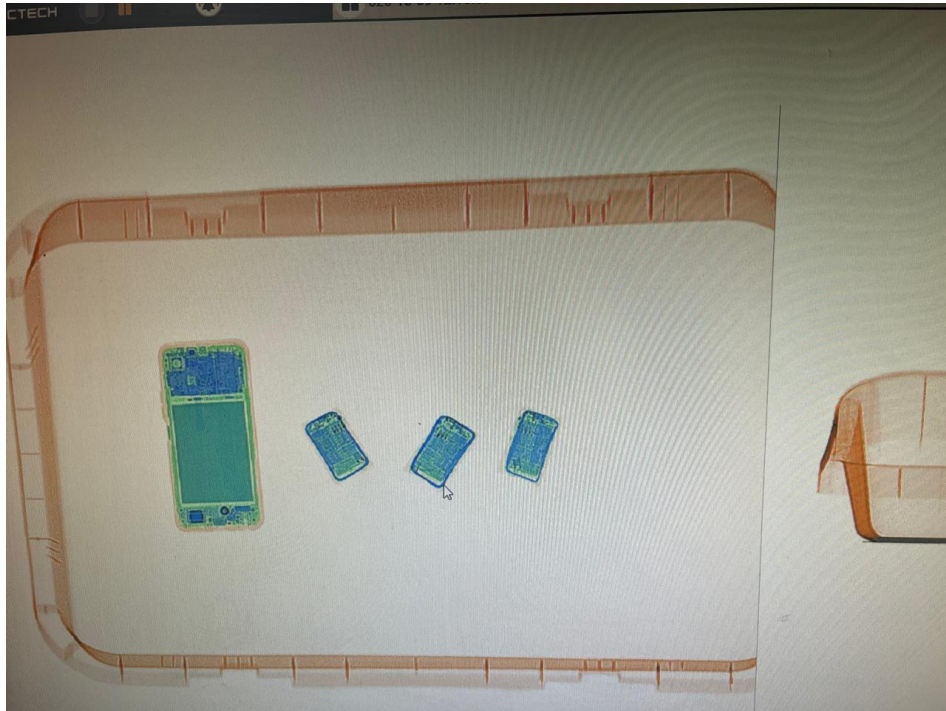
Both passengers were then questioned jointly with the intelligence agencies concerned. Passenger 1 disclosed that he had **appeared in the same examination in place of another candidate. Aadhaar cards of two other individuals**, which he had thrown away in the security hold area, were also recovered. His claim of being a civilian employee of a defence establishment was verified with the authorities concerned.

Both passengers and all recovered devices and documents were handed over to **Dabolim Airport Police Station**. The examination centre falls under the jurisdiction of **Ponda Police Station**, so they were subsequently handed over there. A **case has been registered against both**, and the local police are investigating further.

CISF provides aviation security at airports across the country. In this case, the **alertness of its screening personnel** led to the detection of the devices and stopped the two passengers from leaving the State with material linked to the alleged examination malpractice.

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CISF catches 2 flyers with gadgets to cheat in IIT-Goa job exam

Panaji: Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) personnel at Goa International Airport, Dabolim, caught two passengers carrying concealed Bluetooth devices allegedly used to cheat in a competitive recruitment examination held on Saturday. Goa Police took both passengers, along with the recovered devices and documents, into custody. Ponda police station has registered a case.

At around 2.25pm, one of the passengers, booked on Air India Express flight IX-1340 from Goa to Delhi, placed his handbag for X-ray screening at the pre-embarkation security checkpoint. The CISF screener noticed suspicious objects in the X-ray image and referred the bag for a physical check. A search led to the recovery of three electronic devices, two SIM cards and three Bluetooth earpieces allegedly used to cheat in competitive examinations.

During questioning, the passenger admitted that the devices were intended for cheating in examinations. He

also informed CISF personnel that an associate travelling with him had already boarded the same flight. With the help of airline staff, CISF personnel identified the second passenger and deplaned him. A search of his handbag led to the recovery of a similar device and SIM cards.

The personnel also found an admit card for the recruitment examination for the post of administrative assistant in the non-teaching staff of IIT Goa. Both passengers admitted that the devices had been used during the examination.

The two were then questioned jointly with the concerned intelligence agencies. The first passenger claimed that he had appeared for the examination on behalf of another candidate. Aadhaar cards belonging to two other individuals, which he had discarded in the security hold area, were also recovered. His claim of being a civilian employee of a defence establishment was verified with the authorities concerned. TNN

PRESS RELEASE**CISF Wins Four Medals at 3rd All India Police Games 2026–27; Men's Handball Team Retains Championship Title**

Men's Basketball team returns to the podium after four years; women's Basketball and Handball teams win medals on their debut

New Delhi, 13 October 2026: The Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) **won four medals at the 3rd All India Police Games 2026–27, held at BTC Bhanu, ITBP, Haryana.** The Men's **Handball team** retained its **championship title**, the Men's **Basketball** team secured **bronze** after **four years**, and the women's **Basketball and Handball teams** won medals in their **first participation in the Games.**

The **CISF Men's Handball team** won the **gold medal** by **defeating Punjab Police 26–25 in the final.** With this victory, the team successfully retained the title it had won at the All India Police Games 2025. The team had also secured a medal at the Federation Cup 2025–26.

In Basketball, the **CISF Men's team** won the **bronze medal** after defeating Rajasthan Police 53–45. This marks the team's return to the podium after four years, its previous bronze medal having come in 2022. The **CISF Women's Basketball team** finished as **runner-up**, winning the silver medal after losing the **final** against Uttar Pradesh Police 56–75.

The **CISF Women's Handball team** secured the **bronze medal** after losing its semi-final against Sashastra Seema Bal (SSB) 25–30. Both the women's Basketball and Handball teams won medals in their **debut participation at the All India Police Games.**

CISF personnel also achieved **international sporting success in 2026.** **Inspector Feroz Ahmed Khan, Assistant Coach of the CISF Men's Handball Team, and Head Constable Piyush Singh** represented India as members of the Indian handball team at the **IHF Trophy** held in **Dhaka, Bangladesh, from 10 to 14 June 2026.** The Indian team won the **gold medal** in the tournament.

Director General, CISF, Shri Praveer Ranjan, IPS, congratulated all the medal-winning teams and personnel on their achievements. He appreciated their efforts and dedication and encouraged them to continue **striving for excellence in sports and bringing recognition to the Force.**

The **four-medal performance at the All India Police Games**, along with the international gold won by the two CISF personnel, marks a year of achievement for CISF in **handball and basketball.** The results highlight the performance of its teams at the national police sports championship and the contribution of its personnel to Indian handball at the **international level.**

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CISF wins four medals at All India Police Games 2026-27; Men's handball team retains championship title

Zee News reported that CISF won four medals at the 3rd All India Police Games held at BTC Bhanu, ITBP, Haryana, with the men's handball team retaining its title after a 26–25 win over Punjab Police in the final.

The report noted that the men's basketball team won bronze, while the women's basketball team finished runner-up and the women's handball team won bronze, both on their debut at the Games.

Link: <https://zeenews.india.com/other-sports/cisf-wins-four-medals-at-all-india-police-games-2026-27-mens-handball-team-retains-championship-title-3075900.html>