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**Press Release**

**Chandigarh, March 10:- An intensive drive to enforce the ban on polythene bags was conducted in Village Burail and Apni Mandi in Sector 45. During the course of checking, polythene bags weighing 76 kgs were seized from the shops in the Burail market and the vendors in the Mandi. As per orders of the Deputy Commissioner, Chandigarh, the drive was conducted by the enforcement staff comprising of Inspectors of the Food & Supplies Department and MOH department under the supervision of Sub Divisional Magistrate (South), Mrs. Purna Puri Wasu.**

**The Chandigarh Administration has imposed a complete ban on the use and sale of polythene bags in the city with effect from October 2, 2008. The notification in this regard was issued under Section 5 of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986 for banning the use, storage, import, selling transportation and disposal of polythene and plastic carry bags by any person in the city. Such drives are being regularly conducted for proper enforcement of the ban on polythene.**