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## Stolen artifacts recovered

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Some 150 artifacts from ancient periods were found during the operation. DHA photo

During a police operation in the southeastern province of Adiyaman on Feb. 21, 150 historic artifacts from the Roman, Byzantine and Hellenistic periods were found in a car.

Among the artifacts were many bowls, pots, cups, three bracelets and 88 coins. Three suspects were taken into custody and released after their interrogation.

Adiyaman Mayor Ramazan Sodan, who examined the artifacts, also provided information about artifacts that had been seized by police in various operations in 2011 and in the first two months of 2012.

"Last year the police seized 807 suspects during 316 smuggling operations. In January and February 2012, a number of smuggling operations took place and 20 people were arrested," he said.



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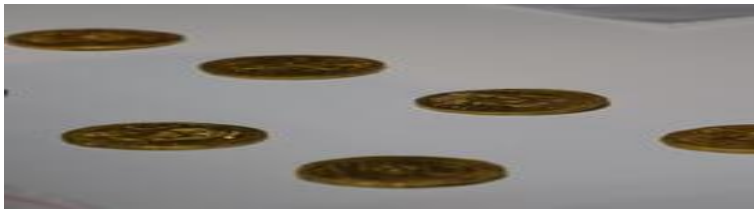
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