## Dartmouth and New Bedford men arrested for allegedly running drug paraphernalia operation out of Wareham gas station

During the month of May 2019, Wareham Police Detectives received information from various sources reporting the sale of illegal drug paraphernalia at Route 6 Fuel, located at the corner of Marion Road and Swifts Beach Road. Further information was that with special code words, the clerk would give you a small glass pipe and a piece of copper pad, commonly used for smoking crack cocaine.

At about 10:30 a.m. on Tuesday, June 4, a Wareham Police Detective went into the business in an undercover capacity and used the special code for the purchase of the drug paraphernalia. The clerk told the officer that he would have to put the items in a bag and accepted money for them.

Once the purchase was made other officers entered the store and placed the clerk under arrest. John Amaral, 57, of North Dartmouth, is charged with possession with intent to distribute drug paraphernalia.

While the officers were on location the manager of the business arrived and was also placed under arrest. Mohammad Iqbal, 58, of New Bedford, is charged with possession with intent to distribute drug paraphernalia and operating after suspension of his driver's license.

Wareham Police Officers seized over 30 glass pipes, and multiple copper pads. Both males were taken to the police station and booked before being brought to Wareham District Court.