


# Fish-shaped tank

India / South Asia Collection

Accession Nr.:	4360 
Type:	bronze, lead, gold and silver; object for daily use
Date of production:	19-th c.
Place of production:	India
Materials:	silver
Techniques:	inlay
Dimensions:	length: 26.7 cm
Acquisition:	donation of Imre Schwaiger

Fish-shaped container for Ganges water, oil or perfumery. Its body consists of rows of scales connected on the back and abdomen with movable fins. Its eyes are highlighted with a pale wine-red crystal inlay. At the top of the fish's head is a horn-like hook, probably, due to the suspension, for a chain or cord. In the mouth of the fish you can see a removable plug with a leaf pattern. The movable, flexible scaly body is so carefully assembled that even water poured into it does not leak out of it.

Material: silver.

