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MEDIA RELEASE

Doctor dies, another injured; Three Suspects Hospitalised Following Kidnapping

A medical doctor was rescued and three male suspects are currently warded at hospital under police guard, following a report of kidnapping and a high-speed chase in the Southern Division last night. Another doctor died during the incident.

The two victims, 37-year-old Dr. Prem Vijay Naidoo, a medical doctor of Palmiste, and 39-year-old Dr. Rudradeva Sharma, of La Romain, also a medical doctor, were in a vehicle at Rushworth Street Extension, San Fernando, around 11:58pm, on Tuesday 14th January 2020, when they were approached by four men who announced a hold up.

The assailants relieved the victims of a quantity of cash and valuables before tying them up, placing them in the trunk of the vehicle and driving away.

A report was made to the police and officers of the Southern Division Highway Patrol responded. The officers subsequently observed the vehicle proceeding along the Northbound Lane of the Sir Solomon Hochoy Highway in the vicinity of Macaulay Village, Claxton Bay. A chase ensued, during which the vehicle with the suspects and doctors veered off the highway and crashed.

Dr. Naidoo and three of the suspects sustained injuries in the crash and were taken to the San Fernand General Hospital for treatment. Dr. Sharma however died on the scene. The fourth suspect managed to escape.

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A Smith and Wesson pistol loaded with nine rounds of ammunition was recovered from the scene.

Investigations are ongoing.

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