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MEDIA RELEASE

One Arrested, Shotgun, Ammo and Narcotics Seized During Exercises

One person has been arrested, and a firearm, multiple rounds of ammo, and several quantities of narcotics were seized during exercises conducted across various policing divisions, yesterday.

In the Northern Division, between 3 pm and 6 pm on 7th December, 2024, officers of the Pinto Police Post, Northern Division Task Force, Area South and K-9 Unit, conducted a roving operation. During the exercise, searches were conducted in various known drug blocks in Pinto Road, Train Line, Printery Ville and Jones Town, Arima. The K-9 Unit searched a bushy area along O'Meara Road, where they discovered a homemade shotgun. Officers also searched along a river bank in Jones Town, where they found seven grams of cocaine concealed in a plastic bag. The items were seized for further processing.

In the Central Division, a Multi-Agency, Anti-Crime Operation was conducted between 3 pm and 9 pm by officers of the Central Division Task Force, Area South, and members of the Chaguanas Municipal Police, with assistance from the K-9 Unit. Several drug blocks in the Couva area were targeted, including an address on Beatrice Street, Lisas Gardens, Couva, where they searched an abandoned structure. There, they found 10 rounds of 5.56 calibre ammunition and 28 rounds of 7.62mm ammunition.

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The team then proceeded to the Carli Bay Beach area where a search unearthed a black plastic bag containing 910 grammes of cannabis, with an estimated street value of \$10,000 TTD stuffed inside an abandoned boat. These items were seized and officers are continuing investigations.

On the sister isle, between 11 am and 4 pm, officers of the Inter-Agency Task Force and the Guard and Emergency Branch conducted a drug block exercise in the Moriah and Mason Hall areas.

At approximately, 12:15 pm, a party of officers proceeding to North Side Road, Moriah, responded to a report relative to Cannabis being sold by a proprietor of a shop. Upon arrival, the officers identified themselves, told him of the information received, and conducted a search of the shop. The team discovered a black plastic bag containing 98.8 grammes of cannabis behind the counter. The shopkeeper was subsequently arrested and inquiries are continuing.

Investigations into these matters are ongoing.

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