

TANZANI:-
SHORT PRESENTATION
ON DRUGS
TRAFFICKING 2016,
COLOMBO, SRI LANKA

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- HISTORICALLY, AFRICA HELD A PERIPHERAL ROLE IN THE TRANSNATIONAL ILLICIT DRUG TRADE, BUT IN RECENT YEARS HAS INCREASINGLY BECOME A FOCUS FOR DRUG TRAFFICKING, PARTICULARLY; HEROIN, COCAINE, CANNABIS, AND SYNTHETIC DRUGS.
- THIS, POSES A NEW CHALLENGE TO INTERNATIONAL COUNTER NARCOTICS EFFORTS.
- TODAY, ASIAN HEROIN, LATIN AMERICAN COCAINE, SYNTHETIC DRUGS DESTINED FOR ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD TRANSIT AFRICA AND TONES OF CANNABIS ARE TRANSPORTED THROUGH OUR PORTS FOR MARKETS IN THE US AND EUROPE.

- IN TANZANIA, WE ARE WITNESSING SYNDICATES PLANS ON IMPORTATION, TRANSPORTATION, DISTRIBUTION AND WIRE TRANSFERS OF HUGE SUMS OF MONEY FROM THIS ILLEGAL BUSINESS.
- WE HAVE WITNESSED TRAFFICKING OF HUGE HEROIN DRUG SHIPMENTS INTO EAST AFRICA BY SHIPS, YATCHS AND DHOWS FROM SOUTH EAST ASIA, NOTABLY IRAN AND PAKISTAN
- DRUG TRAFFICKING, SO LONG OVERLOOKED AND UNDER-RATED, NOW CAN NO LONGER BE IGNORED FOR THE SERIOUS SECURITY THREAT IT PRESENTS.

TANZANIA EXPERIENCE:

- 95KG OF HEROIN -- March, 2010,
- 180 KG OF HEROIN -- Feb, 2011,
- 81 KG OF HEROIN -- March, 2011,
- 97 KG OF HEROIN - Sept 2011,
- 210 KG OF HEROIN - Jan, 2012,
- 200.5 KG OF HEROIN - FEB 2014,
- 45 KG OF HEROIN - OCT 2014,
- 35 KG OF HEROIN - OCT 2014.
- 9.4 KGS OF EPHEDRINE - AUG 2016.

MARITIME FORCES:

- IN 2015, OPERATIONS BY COMBINED TASK FORCES (CTF 150) SEE MORE THAN 8 TONES OF HEROIN INTERCEPTED ON EAST AFRICAN WATERS ALONE.



- WELL ESTABLISHED WEST AFRICAN TRAFFICKING NETWORKS STILL SUPPLYING COCAINE INTO BOTH EAST AND SOUTHERN AFRICA, A SERIOUS COLLABORATION WITH THOSE OF LATIN AMERICA AND EAST AFRICANS.
- DRUG TRAFFICKING HAS ALREADY BECOME SO EMBEDDED IN OUR SOCIETIES.

NEW EMERGING TRENDS:

- CURRENTLY TANZANIA IS A ROUTE FOR SMUGGLED PRECURSOR CHEMICALS LIKE EPHEDRINE AND CRYSTAL METHAMPHETAMINE FROM INDIA TO TANZANIA, AND THEN RE-ROUTED TO KENYA, SOUTH AFRICA AND BEYOND.
 - PSEUDO EPHEDRINE 150 KGs (SA) - 2013
 - EPHEDRINE 11 KGs (SA) - 2014
 - EPHEDRINE 4 KGs (SA)
 - 50KGs EPHEDRINE (KENYA) – 2014
 - 21 TONNES ACETIC ANHYDRIDE (PAK) - 2016
 - 9.4 KGs EPHEDRINE (TANZANIA) - 2016

WHAT WE DO?

- ENSURE COOPERATION WITH MULTILATERAL AGENCIES AND INTERNATIONAL INSTITUTIONS IN THE FIGHT AGAINST NARCOTICS DRUGS AND PSYCHOTROPIC SUBSTANCES.
- INCREASE TIGHT MEASURES AGAINST DRUG TRAFFICKERS AND THEIR NETWORKS.
- PROMOTE THE EXCHANGE OF BEST PRACTICES AND SUCCESSFUL EXPERIENCES.
- USE OF NAVY FORCES TO PATROL OUR WATERS.

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- ENSURE THAT THE HUMAN RIGHTS OF PEOPLE WHO USE DRUGS ARE NOT VIOLATED, BY PROVIDING ACCESS TO JUSTICE (THROUGH LEGAL SERVICES), PREVENTION, TREATMENT AND OTHER SOCIAL SERVICES.
- ENSURE THAT ALL PEOPLE WHO USE DRUGS ARE NOT DISCRIMINATED AGAINST, WHILE ACCESSING HEALTH, LEGAL, EDUCATION, EMPLOYMENT AND OTHER SOCIAL PROTECTION SERVICES.

WHAT WE LACK:

- DRUGLOO TOILETS FOR AIRPORTS AND BORDER POINTS.
- OFFSHORE PATROL VESSELS.
- DRUG FIELD TEST KITS.
- X-RAY SCANNING MACHINES FOR AIRPORTS AND BORDER POINTS.

- PATROL VEHICLES/MOTORCYCLES.
- TRAININGS:
 - SUSPECT PROFILLING.
 - CONTAINER PROFILLING.
 - DOCUMENT EXPLOITATION.

CONCLUSION

- THERE IS A NEED TO SHARE AND EXCHANGE INFORMATION BECAUSE OF CROSS BORDER OPERATING NETWORKS/ SYNDICATES.
- LET OUR ACTIONS THEREFORE REFLECT THAT ONLY BY ADVANCING TOGETHER WE CAN HOPE TO DRIVE AWAY THIS THREAT FROM OUR COUNTRIES.