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As the guardian of crime prevention and criminal justice standards and norms, the UN Convention against Transnational Organized Crime (UNTOC) and its related Protocols, the UN Convention against Corruption (UNCAC), as well as the various international instruments on drug control and counter-terrorism, UNODC has unique expertise in addressing illicit trafficking and organized crime, as well as their linkages to corruption and terrorism. Through its Regional Office in Eastern Africa, UNODC has developed extensive knowledge of the drug and crime situation in the region, and has strong cooperation links with relevant national authorities and partner organizations.

Regional: Countering Corruption



Regional Workshop to Fast-track the Implementation of the Convention against Corruption (UNCAC)

From 13 to 17 February 2017, Members of the East African Association of Anti-Corruption Authorities (EAAACA), senior policy makers from the Eastern Africa region, development partners and Civil Society Organizations met in Nairobi, Kenya for a five day workshop to foster partnerships, and fast track the implementation of the United Nations Convention against Corruption (UNCAC). The regional workshop hosted by UNODC, and supported by the Foreign Commonwealth Office (United Kingdom), drew delegates from; Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Burundi, Rwanda, Ethiopia, Djibouti and South Sudan.

The Attorney General of Kenya, Professor Githu Muigai in his keynote speech highlighted **the efforts being made to fight corruption globally, however, noted that considerable challenges remain in significantly addressing the problem.** The workshop agenda was built on peer-to-peer discussions along four thematic areas; Financial Investigations, Whistle-blower Protection, International Cooperation and Public Procurement.

Kenya: Police Reform



Police training curriculum overhauled and updated for the demands of 21st century policing

UNODC supported Kenya's National Police Service to significantly update the police training curriculum, with the aim of enabling officers to deliver the Inspector General's vision of 'people-centred policing'. Emerging crime trends, increased public expectation and systems of oversight and new methods of relating to citizens place different demands on the police officer of today - and the new NPS curriculum attempts to respond accordingly. Following completion of the exhaustive UNODC-enabled Training Needs Assessment, UNODC's work with 87 training managers at the various police training institutions laid the foundation for implementation of the new curriculum. A Training Managers' Handbook was produced, followed by 3 weeks of leadership and management training, all of which received rich compliments from participants. Some 60 trainers, meanwhile, were supported with direct training on Adult Learning Techniques, with the aim of enhancing the quality of training delivery, by testing methods to make training more interactive, innovative and engaging for police trainees.

And finally, UNODC brought on board 9 technical specialists to intensively work on the content of 21 Training Manuals which will enrich the content of the new training curriculum for new recruits, such that trainers can deliver a consistent higher quality of tuition to in-coming officers.

Tanzania: Wildlife and Forest Crime (WLFC)

Prosecution Success in Tanzania

On 7-9 February, 2017, as part of interventions supported by UNODC's programme to combat WLFC, with financial support from the US - Bureau of International Narcotics and Law Enforcement Affairs (INL), UNODC conducted a preparatory workshop for the preparations of the roll out of the Tanzania Wildlife Crime Rapid Reference Guide (RRG) for prosecutors and investigators. During this workshop, participants were briefed on sentencing submission guidelines, which encourage the presentation of evidence showing the adverse impact of wildlife crime on the environment, society and economy. Supported by UNODC as part of the RRG, the sentencing guidelines recommend that this evidence is presented in court after conviction and prior to sentencing. Such an approach had not been previously used in court in Tanzania.

During the days of 13-14 February, a prosecutor who had attended the workshop applied the sentencing guidelines to a case on trial. Specifically, the prosecutor persuaded the court to hear evidence from an expert witness from the Tanzania Wildlife Research Institute. The expert presented detailed evidence of the impact of ivory poaching including the decimation of the elephant population in Tanzania. The defendants were subsequently sentenced to 20 years imprisonment. The DPP now intends to mandate this approach for all relevant wildlife offences and expects that this will lead to a greater appreciation of the scale and seriousness of the problem, which in turn will lead to more appropriate sentencing.

For more information visit: <http://www.dailynews.co.tz/index.php/home-news/48526-couple-behind-bar-for-illegal-ivory-haul>

Somaliland: Crime Prevention



Training on Medico-Legal Examination for Stakeholders addressing SGBV issues in Somaliland

From 11- 14 March 2017, a first ever training on medico-legal examination for stakeholders involved in prevention of and response to Sexual and Gender-based violence (SGBV) was held in Hargeisa, Somaliland after UNODC and UNFPA Somalia agreed to work together to support the Government of Somaliland through the Ministry of Justice (MOJ) in strengthening the medico-legal response to SGBV cases in Somaliland.

The training was conducted with the aim of building capacity and enhancing coordination among health providers, law enforcement and justice institutions. 39 participants drawn from Ministry of Health, Ministry of Justice, Ministry of Interior, prosecution services, health services, Criminal Investigation Department and Police were successfully trained on medical examination, treatment of survivors, documentation of evidence, reporting and presentation of evidence in court. 21 out of the 39 participants were women. This particular training course was designed with reference to the Medico-Legal Examination toolkit developed by UN Action to support improved coordination and capacity building of medico-legal systems in conflicted countries

This assistance falls in line with UNODC's mandate of strengthening the rule of law through the prevention of crime and the promotion of fair, humane and accountable criminal justice systems; and UNFPA's mandate on ensuring better coordinated GBV Prevention and Response, promoting reproductive rights and elimination of harmful practices such as female genital mutilation/cutting and child/forced marriages.

Kenya: Prevention of Drug Use



UNODC partners with NACADA to implement Drug Use Prevention among School going children

ROEA is partnering with Kenya's National Authority for the Campaign Against Alcohol and Drug Abuse (NACADA) to implement drug use prevention activities targeting children in the six (6) coastal counties of Mombasa, Kwale, Kilifi, Taita-Taveta, Tana River and Lamu. The plan has three key actions involving an initial training for 40 participants, who will support roll-out in schools to reach a total of 5000 students, and a final Training of 20 Trainer of Trainers (ToTs) to ensure in Country capacity for future training needs. The *Middle School Botvin Life Skills* training curriculum (www.lifeskillstraining.com), one of the most highly researched and validated substance abuse prevention programs was selected for this initiative. A trainer with extensive international training experience was dispatched for the 3 day training that was held at the Kenya School of Government-Matuga, from 21st-23rd February 2017. 25 teachers selected by respective County departments of education, from different schools in the six counties, 10 NACADA staff and 1 UNODC staff received the initial training, which involved class room sessions, group activities and mock teaching sessions.

With NACADA and UNODC support, the trained teachers will begin roll of LST in their respective schools and are expected to complete the first cycle by August 2017.

Eritrea: Countering TIP/ SOM



UNODC Assistance to Better Migration Management (BMM) Project

The Better Migration Management (BMM) Project was implemented in April 2016, to run until March 2019, in order to improve migration management within the Horn of Africa region. In particular it focuses on curbing trafficking in persons (TiP) and smuggling of migrants (SoM) within, and out of the Horn. UNODC, an implementing partner of BMM, plays a key role in BMM components I and II. A recent UNODC initiative that addresses these components is the "Strengthening Criminal Justice Responses to Trafficking in Persons and Smuggling of Migrants in Eritrea" project, which will run from 2017 to 2019. This project aims to develop and enhance the Government of Eritrea's capacity in combatting TiP and SoM. To this end, UNODC will work to strengthen the Government's criminal justice system to allow criminal justice practitioners to identify and prosecute TiP and SoM cases, whilst also upholding human rights and protecting vulnerable migrant groups. As part of this project, awareness will also be raised amongst government officials in a bid to further cooperation between government authorities and civil society in tackling cases of TiP and SoM.

Seychelles: Countering Drug Trafficking



UNODC delivers UFED and Drug and Precursor Identification Kits

In Seychelles, UNODC's Regional Representative presented the Seychelles Commissioner of Police with a Cellebrite Universal Forensic Extraction Device (UFED). The UFED is an electronic forensic data examination tool that will be used by the Seychelles Police Force to access mobile data and produce valuable evidence in its fight against transnational organized crime. UNODC's Regional Representative also presented the Seychelles National Drug Enforcement Agency (NDEA) with a number of UNODC drug and precursor test kits. These kits will provide NDEA officers with rapid and simple colour tests for the preliminary field identification of drugs and precursors most commonly encountered in the illicit drug trade in the region.

The equipment was funded by EU MASE.

For more information visit:

<http://www.unodc.org/unodc/en/scientists/drugs-kits-new.html>

Events hosted by ROEA for the Global Programme on Money-laundering



ROEA Staff with participants of the cash courier trainings in Naivasha, Kenya



Representative from Japanese Embassy in Tanzania (centre) with participants and experts at the Tanzania CFT course



ROEA Staff (front left) with participants and experts at the Kenya CFT course

As part of the Global Programme on Money-laundering (GPML), UNODCROEA hosted a series of events to address illicit financial flows within the region. Between 25th and 31st January 2017, cash courier trainings were held in Naivasha, Kenya and Dar es Salaam, Tanzania. With an audience of national practitioners engaged in border controls, police and Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) staff, the trainings were aimed at further developing the attendees' knowledge and skills in monitoring cross-border transportations of cash and bearer negotiable instruments (BNIs) as well as interdicting and identifying cash couriers.

A set of Combatting the Financing of Terrorism (CFT) courses were also held in Tanzania and Kenya between 21st and 24th March and 27th and 31st March respectively. These courses were again targeted at an audience hailing from law enforcement and FIU backgrounds.

Furthermore, ROEA hosted a practical workshop titled "Understanding and Disrupting Illicit Financial Flows Associated with the Southern Route for Opiate Trafficking." The workshop called upon national delegation audiences from Southern Route Member States and was aimed at participants from these States sharing an understanding of the financing for opiate training and financial methods, and identifying technical assistance needs for interdicting such flows.



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