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**PRESS RELEASE**

**CRACKDOWN ON BOOTLEGGERS AND DRUG PEDDLERS**

Andaman and Nicobar Police is committed towards Zero tolerance against bootlegging, illicit liquor and drug abuse. Multipronged strategy has been adopted to put check on substance abuse. On supply front, Police is acting tough against bootleggers and drug peddlers. On demand side, mass public awareness campaign has been launched to spread awareness about ill-effects of drug abuse.

Cracking down on bootlegging, in the month of June and July 2022, as many as 92 cases under 32 Regulation III of 1876 were registered in which 92 accused were arrested. 389 liquor bottles, 133 Kgs of Handia and 85.3 ltrs of illicit liquor were recovered. Apart from this, jungle search was carried out to destroy illicit liquor/Lehan.

Similarly, in fight against drug menace, 12 cases under NDPS Act were registered during June-July, 2022, in which 19 accused were arrested. From their possession, 8.316 Kgs of Ganja and 3.02 Kgs of Methamphetamine were recovered.

During June- July, 2022, as many as, 52 Awareness programmes on "Drug Abuse" were conducted in Schools/ Colleges, with Community leaders, PRI members and other stakeholders. Attempts were also made to educate public through Skit/Nukkad Natak by Police Team. A& N Police is committed to take stern action against bootleggers, illicit liquor, drug peddlers and other illegal activities.

The public is requested to share information pertaining to any crime or other illegal activities to Police at 100,112 & 03192-233077. The identity of the informant will be kept secret.

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