

Return on Crackdown Operations (April to July 2024)

Pursuant to the **Environment Protection (Control of Single Use Plastic Products) Regulations 2020** and the **Environment Protection (Banning of Plastic Bags) Regulations 2020** which became effective as from 15 January 2021 and 01 March 2021 respectively, crackdown operations are carried out jointly by officers of the Ministry of Environment, Solid Waste Management and Climate Change (Environment and Climate Change Division), the Police de l'Environnement and local authorities across the island. Details for the period **April to July 2024** are as hereunder:-

A. Operations on Land

60 outlets and stalls visited and 34 contraventions established for non-compliance with the two Regulations as follows:

Banned Plastic Bags

7,676 banned plastic bags have been seized as depicted below.

SN	Banned plastic bags	Quantity seized (units)
1	Plastic bags (roll-on)	30
2	Plastic bags including Non-Woven Polypropylene bags (other than rolls)	7646
Total		7,676

B-Operations at Port

During verifications carried out at the level of the seaport and airport, two (2) consignments of banned non-biodegradable single use plastic products and one (1) consignment of banned plastic bags were seized as detailed below:

Banned Non-Biodegradable Single Use Plastic Products	Quantity Seized (Units)
Plastic straw	158,400

Banned plastic bags	Quantity Seized (Units)
Non-Woven Polypropylene Plastic Bags	15,000

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