

## Return on Crackdown Operations (January to June 2023)

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 being carried out 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 regarding the operations carried out from **January to June 2023** are as hereunder: -

### A. Operations on Land

60 outlets and stalls were visited and 63 contraventions were established for non-compliance with the two Regulations as follows:

#### (i) Non -Biodegradable Single Use Plastic Products

393 banned non-biodegradable single use plastic products have been seized as per the table below.

SN	Non-Biodegradable Single Use Plastic Products	Quantity Seized (Units)
1.	Plastic cups with plastic lids	38
2.	Take-aways ( <i>polystyrene</i> )	90
3.	Plates ( <i>polystyrene</i> )	75
4.	Plastic hinged containers	190
<b>Total</b>		<b>393</b>

#### (ii) Plastic Bags

2,366 units of banned plastic bags, equivalent to 57 kg, have been seized as per the table below.

SN	Products	Quantity Seized (Units)
1.	Plastic bags (roll-on)	74
2.	Plastic bags, including Non-Woven Polypropylene bag (other than rolls)	2,292
<b>Total</b>		<b>2,366</b>

## B. Operations at Ports

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

### (i) Non-Biodegradable Single Use Plastic Products

12,600 banned non-biodegradable single use plastic products have been seized as per the table below.

<b>SN</b>	<b>Non-Biodegradable Single Use Plastic Products</b>	<b>Quantity Seized (Units)</b>
1.	Plastic spoons	12,600
<b>Total</b>		<b>12,600</b>

### (ii) Plastic Bags

1,209 units of banned plastic bags have been seized as per the table below.

<b>SN</b>	<b>Products</b>	<b>Quantity Seized (Units)</b>
1.	Non-woven polypropylene plastic bags	-
2.	Other banned plastic bags	1,209
<b>Total</b>		<b>1,209</b>

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