



ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

Police prosecutors graduate from Basic Prosecution Course

Twenty-six police officers and summary prosecutors graduated from the ODPP Basic Prosecution Course this morning (06.03.20).

These officers underwent a six-week theory and practical course designed to equip prosecutors with basic trial preparation and advocacy skills at the bar table. The six-week course covered rules of evidence, legal ethics and analysis, advocacy and the filing of charges.

Assistant Director of Public Prosecutions, Dr Andrew Jack, while addressing the participants at the Police Special Response Unit, Nasinu highlighted the importance of the course as a stepping stone towards becoming better prosecutors.

Dr Jack said, "Every year the ODPP provides training for selected officers in order to hone their prosecutorial services at the bar table. In order to qualify as police prosecutors, police officers need to pass the Basic Prosecution Course then proceed to the Advanced Prosecution Course which will be held later in the year."

These twenty-six officers will now go on to participate in the ODPP Advanced National Prosecution Course in July this year.

The Basic Prosecution Course was facilitated by ODPP Principal Legal Officer Mr Yogesh Prasad.

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6 March 2020.

NB: Pictures attached.



The Assistant Director of Public Prosecutions, Dr Andrew Jack addressing participants during the ODPP Basic Prosecution graduation ceremony this morning (06.03.20) at the Police Special Response Unit, Nasinu.



Participants of the ODPP Basic Prosecutions Course during their graduation ceremony at the Police Special Response Unit, Nasinu.



Front row (fifth from left) The Assistant Director of Public Prosecutions, Dr Andrew Jack, Course facilitator, ODPP Principal Legal Officer, Mr Yogesh Prasad with 2020 Basic Prosecution Course participants at the Police Special Response Unit, Nasinu.