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Budget allocation strengthens key Organisational Developments

The Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP) acknowledges and welcomes the allocation of \$8.9million for the 2025/2026 financial year.

A key focus for this financial year will be the resourcing of two new units:

- The Narcotics Division
- The Civil Forfeiture Division

These divisions will play a vital role in combatting organised crime, addressing drug-related offences, and ensuring that assets derived from criminal activities are lawfully recovered.

In addition, this allocation will support the ODPP's broader strategic priorities, including:

- Recruitment of additional staff to strengthen capacity building across the organisation
- Targeted training and professional development in specialised areas
- Upgrades to our internal cases management systems enabling more streamlined, transparent and effective handling of cases.

The Acting DPP, Ms Nancy Tikoisuva said, "We are grateful for the increase in allocation which not only will enable us to sustain and enhance our ongoing operations in ensuring that we meet our constitutional mandate to uphold the rule of law but also positions the ODPP to better meet the demands of an evolving criminal justice system."

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