

## ODPP MEDIA UPDATE

## **ODPP Obtains Forfeiture Orders over Suspected Proceeds of Crime**

The Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP) has successfully obtained a Restraining Order and a subsequent Forfeiture Order in relation to properties suspected to be tainted and linked to serious drug-related offences.

The State had filed a non-conviction based civil forfeiture application pursuant to section 19C to 19E of the Proceeds of Crime Act in the case of State-v- Alzaid Ali and Grace Katia Luivoliga. A non-conviction-based forfeiture application allows the ODPP to pursue forfeiture of property suspected to be the proceeds of crime independently of any ongoing criminal proceedings.

The respondents, Alzaid Ali and Grace Katia Luivoliga, are facing drug related charges and the matter is currently ongoing before the Lautoka High Court.

The Lautoka High Court (Civil jurisdiction) granted the ODPP's application to restrain and forfeit the following properties suspected to be proceeds of crime:

- A white Honda Fit Shuttle, registration number MH 673;
- A black Audi, registration number MQ 975;
- A sum of \$75,831 held in a Westpac bank account belonging to the first respondent, Alzaid Ali:
- A sum of \$23,076.73 held in a Westpac bank account belonging to the second respondent, Grace Katia Luivoliga; and
- A sum of \$6,300 found in the possession of Alzaid Ali at the time of arrest and currently held in the Lautoka Police Station exhibit safe.

The ODPP remains committed to disrupting criminal enterprises by targeting the financial benefits derived from criminal activity.