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In the period from 17 to 30 June 2024, the media in CARICC Member States covered 37 counter-narcotics activities (Azerbaijan - 5, Kazakhstan - 11, Kyrgyzstan - 5, Russia - 12, Tajikistan - 1, Turkmenistan - 1, Uzbekistan - 2).

Published articles reflect information on events dedicated to the International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking in CARICC Member States.

REPUBLIC OF AZERBAIJAN



EXERCISES WERE ORGANIZED IN ABSHERON DISTRICT



In connection with the «International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking», a training was organized at the Heydar Aliyev Center on 20 June at the joint organization of the working group of the State Commission for Combating Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking of Drugs and the Absheron District Executive Authority.

The event was attended by deputy head of executive authorities of the Apsheron district, chairman of Commission on Combating Drug Addiction and Illicit Drug Trafficking, responsible representative of the working group of the State Commission on Combating Drug

Addiction and Illicit Drug Trafficking, psychologist-psychologist of the Republican Narcological Center of the Ministry of Health, officer of the district police department, as well as full participation of deputy directors on educational work.

The event provided detailed information on risk factors for drug use, negative impact of drug addiction on people's lives and health, moral and ethical values and socio-economic development, increasing attention to effective leisure activities, legal framework for combating complications of drug addiction and other issues, and discussions on issues of interest to participants.

Finally, participants were presented with the booklet «Methodological Recommendations on Assistance in Identifying Persons Abusing Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances», prepared by the standing working group of the State Commission, and other necessary visual aids.

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TRAINING OF VOLUNTEERS OF YOUTH ORGANIZATIONS



On the eve of the «International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking», in accordance with the Action Plan signed between the standing working group of the State Commission on Combating Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking of Narcotic Drugs and the Youth Foundation of the Republic of Azerbaijan, training was organized for volunteers in order to increase their knowledge about drug addiction and the stages of its formation.

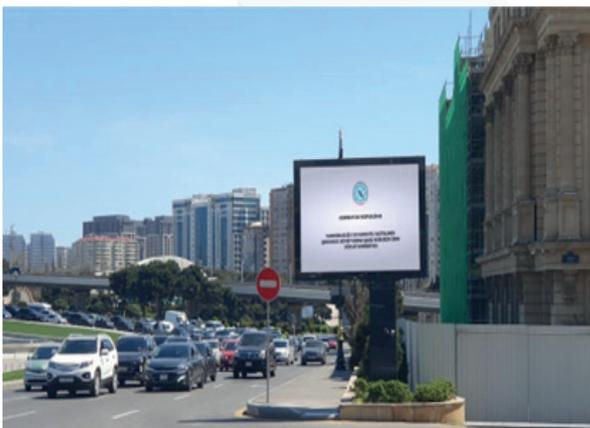
Speaking at the event, head of department of Youth Foundation of the Republic of Azerbaijan, an employee of the standing working group of the State Commission and a psychologist of the Baku City Narcology Center, in order to increase knowledge about the problem of drug addiction, the participants were offered to get acquainted with the risk factors of drug use, properties of psychoactive substances and their harmful effects on health, the stages of formation of drug addiction, anti-drugs from the importance of propaganda to the methods of fighting drug addiction, and the methods of fighting drug addiction.

In conclusion, participants were presented with the necessary promotional materials «know the truth about drugs», «the truth about marijuana» and «the truth about psychotropic substances» prepared by the standing working group of the State Commission

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EDUCATIONAL SOCIAL VIDEOS ON DRUG ADDICTION ARE BROADCAST IN THE STREETS AND AVENUES OF BAKU, SUMGAYIT AND GANJA



Within a series of events organized in connection with the «International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Drug Trafficking», the standing working group of the State Commission on Combating Drug Abuse and Illicit Drug Trafficking prepared social videos «drug use leaves indelible traces in the brain», «hotline 802» and the Azerbaijan State Advertising Agency started to display on electronic boards in the streets and avenues of Baku, Sumgayit and Gaya since June 14 of the current year.

The publication of these social videos in accordance with paragraphs 4.4.38 and 4.4.35 of the «state program to combat illicit trafficking of narcotic drugs, psychotropic substances

and their precursors for 2019-2024» is aimed at further expanding the work on social education in the fight against illicit trafficking of narcotic drugs.

Prepared video clips are intended for long-term publication.

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«HEALTHY LIFESTYLES, COMMON SENSE, SUCCESSFUL FUTURES»



On 24 June in accordance with the Plan of joint activities of the Central Office of «Yeni Azerbaijan» Party, «Azerbaijan Television and Radio Broadcasting» Closed Joint Stock Company and the permanent working group of the State Commission on Combating Drug Addiction and Illicit Trafficking of Narcotic Drugs for 2024, an event on the theme «Healthy Lifestyle, Common Sense, Successful Future» was held in Agdash district on the Day of the Armed Forces of the Republic of Azerbaijan and World Anti-Drug Day.

First, bouquets of flowers were lined up in front of the monument to Heydar Aliyev, founder of the

modern independent state of Azerbaijan, national leader of our people, and the memory of the great leader was honored. Then the Heydar Aliyev Center was visited.

At Heydar Aliyev District Center, a minute of silence was observed in memory of great leader Heydar Aliyev and our shehids who sacrificed their lives for territorial integrity of Azerbaijan. The national anthem of the Republic of Azerbaijan was sung.

The event was attended by the chairman of the Agdash district organization of NDP Alishah Rajabov, head of the department of gender policy and youth work of the central office of NDP Zakiya Musayeva, head of the legal department of the office of the head of the Executive Power of Agdash district, secretary of the Commission on Combating Drug Addiction and Illicit Drug Trafficking under NDP Shirazi Gasimzadeh, Head of the national information sector of the permanent working group of the State Commission on Combating Drug Addiction and Illicit Drug Trafficking Shirazi Gasimzadeh made a speech.

Speakers spoke first of all about the significance of the glorious victory of the Armed Forces of Azerbaijan, which achieved restoration of territorial integrity and sovereignty, about unprecedented heroic examples of the sons of the Fatherland.

In their speeches, the speakers emphasized the importance of educational work in the fight against drug addiction, talked about the importance of propaganda work to protect adolescents and youth from harmful habits. It was emphasized that the «State Program on Combating Illicit Trafficking of Narcotic Drugs, Psychotropic Substances and their Precursors and Combating Drug Addiction for 2019-2024» approved by President Ilham Aliyev is of great importance in terms of systematic fight against this problem: «The fight against harmful habits in the name of a healthy society is always relevant. And nowadays, protecting young people from bad habits is an important challenge. Young people should seek more knowledge, prioritize healthy lifestyles, but at the same time know how harmful and dangerous drug addiction is».

It was also noted that training and educating our adolescents and youth, increasing their interest in science, education and sports is an important factor in their abandonment of bad habits.

The event continued in an interactive manner and questions of interest to the participants were answered.

In conclusion, the National Anthem of the Yeni Azerbaijan Party was played.

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BINAGADI DISTRICT HELD AN EVENT DEDICATED TO « 26 JUNE - INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ABUSE AND ILLICIT TRAFFICKING»



On the occasion of «International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking on 26 June» an event was organized in the Youth House on 24 June of the current year under joint organization of the working group of the State Commission on Combating Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking of Drugs and executive authorities of Binagadi district.

The event was attended by the deputy head of executive authority of Binagadi district, chairman of the commission on combating drug addiction and illicit drug trafficking, responsible representative of the working group of the

State Commission on Combating Drug Addiction and Illicit Drug Trafficking, employees of the district police department.

The event provided detailed information on risk factors of drug use, negative impact of drug addiction on people's lives and health, moral and ethical values and socio-economic development, increasing attention to the effective organization of leisure time, the legal framework for combating the effects of drug addiction and other issues, as well as discussed issues of interest to young people.

In conclusion, participants were presented with the necessary promotional materials «know the truth about drugs», «the truth about marijuana» and «the truth about psychotropic substances» prepared by the standing working group of the State Commission.

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REPUBLIC OF KAZAKHSTAN

**CINEMA SESSION AGAINST DRUGS - POLICE OFFICERS CONTINUE THEIR WORK WITH YOUNG PEOPLE IN THE NORTH KAZAKHSTAN REGION**

Officers of the Department for Combating Drug Crime of DP SKO invited 250 high school and college students to watch the documentary «Salts and Spices. Road to Nowhere.».

This movie, produced by police officers with the help of professionals, remains one of the most informative sources providing insight into the devastating effects of synthetic drugs.

Images with peers of the audience, losing control over themselves after drug use, stories of experts that in a few years «synthetics» leads a person to irreparable mental disorders and even to death, deeply impressed young men and women.

Police officers also handed out anti-drug propaganda newsletters and stickers on smartphones «Petropavlovsk - a city without drugs» to teenagers.

- The session, held with the assistance of the educational authorities and the management of the Novyi Svet movie theater, is one of the forms of preventive work within the framework of the month dedicated to the International Day Against Drug Abuse and Drug Trafficking. Still ahead are such events as a mass race and a large open-air concert scheduled for June 26. Last year, similar events aroused great interest among young people and received a lot of positive feedback in the Internet space,» said Ruslan Saparov, head of the Department of Internal Affairs of the Department of Internal Affairs of the SKO.

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**SPORTS TOURNAMENT DEDICATED TO THE INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ADDICTION WAS HELD IN ALMATY**

The AIGA International Grappling Tournament «SAGADAT BATYR OPEN» dedicated to the International Day Against Drug Abuse was held in Almaty. It was attended by athletes from Kazakhstan, Türkiye, Azerbaijan, Kyrgyzstan, Uzbekistan and Tajikistan.

The tournament was organized by the Department for Combating Drug Crime of the Ministry of Internal Affairs within the framework of the implementation of the Comprehensive Plan to Combat Drug Addiction and Drug Trafficking in the Republic of Kazakhstan for 2023-2025.

Deputy Head of DPN Bakhytzhana Amirkhanov made a welcoming speech on behalf of the Ministry of Internal Affairs.

The tournament united athletes, coaches and fans in the fight for common well-being and against drugs. Participants shared their success stories and inspired each other in their efforts to create a healthy society, free from harmful habits and being an example of a healthy lifestyle expressed frank condemnation and rejection of drugs.

Impulse to counter drug crime through healthy sports and active lifestyles once again emphasized the need for

the formation of various positive and healthy alternatives in society.

- Let our efforts continue to contribute to the creation of a society where the health and well-being of each person will be a priority,» said the representative of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, awarding the winners of the tournament with commemorative medals with the logo of the agency «International Day Against Drug Addiction».

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ANTI-DRUGS BICYCLE RALLY HELD IN AKTOBE



On 26 June, as part of the celebration of the International Day Against Drug Addiction, a mass bicycle race took place in Triathlon Park, with more than 500 cyclists taking part. Among them were famous athletes, cyclists of younger age, as well as ordinary citizens who prefer two-wheeled means of transportation.

Main goal of this bicycle marathon is to attract attention of the public and young people to leading an active lifestyle, refusal of drug use and bad habits.

At the finish line, bicycles and valuable gifts from the organizers were raffled off among cycling enthusiasts.

Within the framework of the month against drug addiction, over 200 anti-drug activities were carried out by all executive bodies, as well as district police departments.

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ALMOST 100 DRUG GRAFFITI WERE DESTROYED BY CADETS OF ALMATY ACADEMY OF THE MINISTRY OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS



Young cadets of the Almaty Academy of the Ministry of Internal Affairs took part in painting over drug advertisements as part of the anti-drug action «We are against drugs». The event was held jointly with local police officers of the Almaty city DP in the Almalinskiy district of the metropolis.

During the event, a group of cadets identified illegal stenciled advertisements, mostly stamped on the walls of buildings, apartment buildings, in entrances and other easily accessible places, and immediately painted them over, thus demonstrating a categorical stance and fight against drug business and drug distribution.

So, cadets destroyed about 100 advertisements promoting drugs.

- Young people do not quite understand that participation in the processes of drug distribution, for example, to advertise, transfer, distribute, paint drug graffiti is also a criminal act, for which criminal punishment is provided, - said Kamil Ushurov, head of the interdepartmental center for training specialists in combating drug crime at the Almaty Academy of the Ministry of Internal Affairs named after M. Yesbulatov.

So, cadets destroyed about 100 advertisements promoting drugs.

The Almaty Academy of the Ministry of Internal Affairs calls on all concerned citizens to paint over drug advertisements and support measures to counter the illicit trafficking of narcotic and psychotropic substances

for the protection of youth and a favorable future of Kazakhstan.

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KYZYLORDA POLICE OFFICERS HELD EVENTS ON ANTI-DRUG TOPICS



Within the framework of the month dedicated to the International Day against Drug Abuse, 121 events were held in Kyzylorda region.

For example, a parade was organized on the territory of the region. Processions were held in every district center and Kyzylorda. They were attended by about 2,000 pupils and students who marched in columns with anti-drug banners. The parade was followed by demonstration performances of the winners of anti-drug competitions organized by the Department of Drug Control of the Kyzylorda region.

In order to carry out anti-drug propaganda and improve the image of police officers, a competition among journalists was organized under the motto

«Future without drugs!». Correspondents, covering the problem of drug addiction and drug crime, contributed to informing the population and the younger generation about life without drugs. The contestants were divided into nominations, and all participants were awarded diplomas and memorable gifts.

As part of the month, an action meeting was held with teenagers vacationing in the Zerentai camp. During the meeting with the children their basic rights and duties were discussed, safety requirements in summer time and responsibility for committing drug-related offenses were explained. During the action the children showed the program, anti-drug posters and expressed their opinion about the harm of narcotic and psychotropic substances. The children's questions were answered and gifts were handed out.

Similar events were organized in regional children's health camps «Kambash», «Shagala», «Ak terek», «Zhalyn», «Syr ulany», «Tau samaly», «Taldy su» and in children's day camps of Karmaksha district.

Taking into account that children's and youth tourism is an effective system of upbringing, education and health improvement of children, with the involvement of the youth NGO «Federation of Sports Tourism and Tourist Multisport» a children's tourist festival was organized under the motto «Tourism against drugs!». Children from dysfunctional families, those on the register and those in the risk group were involved in the competition.

Festival participants demonstrated obstacle course and mountaineering skills while climbing to the top of the climbing wall. In addition, young tourists showed their artistic skills. The winners received letters of thanks and prizes. At the same time, a hiking trip under the motto «Tourism against drugs!» was organized.

A drawing contest under the motto «I choose life!» was held among the pupils of the children's village «Atameken» and members of the NGO «Federation of Sports Tourism and Tourist Multisport». Teenagers took their drawings very responsibly, trying to show how wonderful it is to live without drugs. The children achieved their goals and the exposition of the creative exhibition consisted of 28 children's works. All the young artists received gifts and letters of appreciation.

Also during the month, on the initiative of the staff of UPN of DP of Kyzylorda region, a challenge was organized between educational institutions of the region under the motto «No drugs!». The Challenge was supported and continued by 55 educational institutions of the region.

In order to promote family values, family education and healthy lifestyles, to attract public attention to the

institution of the family, to improve preventive work based on the development of motivation of the population to lead an active and healthy lifestyle, the UPN ODP organized a family contest «Stronger Family - Farther from Drugs!». Twelve families took part in the contest. They showed by personal example how to spend their free time with their families in a useful way.

A contest «Rap Against Drugs!» was held among the region's pupils and students. The best 18 candidates took part in the second round of the contest. The participants performed anti-drug rap and tried to widely disclose the problems of drug addiction in their compositions. The regional winners were: pupils and students of Karmaksha district and Kyzylorda district.

A photo contest on the theme «The world is beautiful without drugs» was organized. Forty children and adolescents aged 12 to 18 took part in the final regional contest. The contestants were creative in presenting their thoughts, used the possibilities of modern technology and were able to show the problems of drug addiction in their photos. 25 participants were recognized as winners.

The Department for Combating Drug Crime of the Police Department of Kyzylorda region organized two large-scale actions within the framework of the celebration of the International Day against Drug Abuse. Thus, on June 23 in the Central Park of Culture and Recreation of Kyzylorda city, and on June 26 in the online format in YouTube, Instagram, Facebook.

During the action, organized in the Central Park of Culture and Recreation of Kyzylorda city, representatives of education, culture, non-governmental organizations, mass media, who during the year successfully carried out anti-drug prevention work in the regions, were awarded. At the same time, the winners of the «Future without Drugs!» journalist contest were awarded with gifts and diplomas during the event.

Local artists prepared a prologue about drug addiction, and Kazakhstani pop singer Baitanat, who took part in the action, urged the participants to speak out against drug addiction and adhere to a healthy lifestyle.

On June 26, the online event awarded the winners of the video, rap song and best commentary contests.

In addition, a contest for the best commentary on the problem of drug addiction was organized during the online campaign. Two best participants were identified from all the viewers. The winners were awarded prizes. The public associations «Volunteers of Kyzylorda» and «Federation of Youth Sports Tourism and Tourist Multiathlon» actively participated in all the events held during the month period.

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A LARGE-SCALE EVENT MARKED THE ANTI-DRUG ABUSE DAY IN KARAGANDA



International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Drug Trafficking is celebrated every year on June 26. Every year from May 26 to June 26, police officers conduct a month-long campaign to prevent drug abuse and drug crime. During the month, police officers together with volunteers actively conducted actions, lectures and team building events. About 500 teenagers participated in the team-building event organized jointly with «Karaganda Zhastary» and «Zhasyl El»..

This year Karaganda police officers together with public organizations spent two days summing up the results of the month. For two days in the Central Park of Culture and

Recreation of the regional center, volunteers, non-governmental public organizations, with the support of the akimat of Karaganda region held a colorful event with a disco for children and teenagers.

Contests were held for little Karaganda residents, none of them were left without gifts. Also, children were given ice cream, teenagers were given certificates to receive pizza from «Dodo».

Dance ensemble of the city «Haidak», ensemble «Hauas», dance studio «Midnight», circus duet «Faeria», Aigul Jolamanova, Olga Mulevina, DJ Nice and Wolt performed for the audience.

On June 26, cadets of the Academy of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan named after B. Beisenov held a race around the lake with a length of almost 7 km. Employees of the Center of Canine Service of the Karaganda Region Department of Internal Affairs also spoke to children and teenagers, as well as other guests of the park.

The festive event concluded with a disco.

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THE ANTI-DRUG MONTH ENDED WITH AN OPEN-AIR CONCERT IN NORTH KAZAKHSTAN REGION



A bright show in the open-air format drew a line under the anti-drug month, which was held by the police in SKO. Together with active young people, the guards realized many interesting projects aimed at building anti-drug immunity in the younger generation.

On 26 June, the International Day against Drug Abuse and Drug Trafficking, a concert was held in Petropavlovsk's Central Square, where participants called on residents and guests of the city to say a

decisive «no» to drugs. It was organized by police officers with the support of the regional center of folk art and the Akimat of Petropavlovsk, the prosecutor's office and other interested bodies.

After the welcoming speech, Askar Mukhametkaliyev, deputy head of the regional police department, rewarded the residents of the region who helped in conducting the month - activists, media representatives. Among the awardees was Asemgul Abilmazhinova, secretary of the specialized inter-district criminal court. With her assistance, the presence of college students was organized at the court hearings on criminal cases against drug dealers, which made a great impression on young people.

Young talented artists of the region performed songs and dances at the concert. Their participation is a symbol of the fact that a drug-free life opens up a huge space for self-realization. The adornment of the concert was a demonstration performance by the fighters of the Special Rapid Response Unit of DP SKO, who, to a soundtrack, demonstrated their mastery of hand-to-hand combat techniques. And cynologists showed how service dogs know how to find drugs.

All in all, during the month police officers held dozens of flash mobs, sports competitions, actions, round tables and other events.

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HOW THE INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ADDICTION WAS HELD IN KOSTANAY



More than 500 citizens of Kostanay came to the City Center to participate in the large-scale festival «Future without Drugs».

A two-hour festive concert program, performances of professional singers, artists and children's dance groups was prepared for them. Kostanai residents sang along to familiar songs and danced with them. The youngest participants of the festival enjoyed the demonstration performance of the officers of SOBR DP and service search dogs of the Center of cynological service of DP of Kostanay region. Moreover, the organizers of the

event prepared creative contests, intellectual games for residents and guests of the city.

By the way, the organizers of the event were the representatives of the Miras Palace of Culture together with the Department of Counteraction to Drug Crime of the Police Department, with the support of the Department of Public Development, Health, Culture and Sports of the Akimat of Kostanay region.

- On June 26, the world community celebrates a holiday of global significance - the International Day to Combat Drug Addiction and Illicit Drug Trafficking,» said Aigul Eradilova, a senior operative of the Department for Combating Drug Crime of the Department of Internal Affairs..

We have to admit with horror that among some young people drugs are becoming something of a «good tone».

- To take and distribute them is to be adult, independent and modern. Those among the few forget that if you use drugs, drugs are actually using you,» she noted.

During the festival, the presenters brainstormed with the participants. They read out statements to which they had to answer «truth» or «myth». For each correct answer, participants received prizes.

For example, in response to the statement «a person who uses drugs becomes an outcast», all participants shouted that it was true. Indeed, such a person is avoided by everyone and ends up among drug addicts and criminals.

The idea of the festival was supported by several sports sections of the city, which demonstrated demonstration performances of young karate athletes.

According to Gulsum Bisimbayeva, a narcologist and chairwoman of the Young Leaders of Kostanay NGO, drug addiction is incurable; sometimes the disease goes into a latent form and after a long period of treatment it is worth trying a drug once, as the disease flares up again, acquiring more severe forms. That is why it is considered that an addict, even if he abstained from drug use for a long time, is chronically ill.

Each participant of the festival received T-shirts, baseball caps, balloons, memorable prizes with the logo «No Drugs» as a gift.

The festival was held to promote healthy lifestyles and inform the public about the dangers of drug use, including synthetic types of drugs.

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AN ANTI-DRUG CAMPAIGN WAS HELD IN ZHEZKAZGAN



The campaign «We are against drugs» dedicated to the International Day against Drug Abuse was held in Zhezkazgan.

On 26 June, within the framework of the International Day against Drug Abuse, the action «We are against drugs» was held in Ulytau region. The event was organized by the Department for Combating Drug Crimes of the DP of the region with the support of the Akimat of the region.

Purpose of the action - to attract public to the problems of drug addiction, prevention of offenses related to the prevention, use of narcotic and psychotropic substances among young people.

Yerlan Ospanov, Head of the Department for Combating Drug Crimes, summarized results of the action aimed at educating and attracting public attention to the drug problem. He expressed his gratitude to all participants and activists who contributed to support the initiative.

The official part of the event was diluted by performances of local artists. Special attention of the audience was attracted by the performances of the Ulytau Special Rapid Response Unit of the DP of the Ulytau region, who demonstrated their skills and professional skills.

The event emphasized the importance of collective efforts to fight drug addiction. The participants called on residents to actively participate in the formation of a healthy society, symbolizing unity in the fight against social evil.

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ANTI-DRUG ACTION WITH PARTICIPATION OF MORE THAN 2 THOUSAND CITIZENS WAS HELD IN TARAZ



In Taraz in the park named after K. Ryskulbekov, a large-scale action «Future without drugs» was held with the participation of about 2 thousand people, timed to the end of the month to combat drug addiction. Deputy Mayor of Taraz Guldana Zhauynbekova, Deputy Head of DP of Zhambyl region Nurzhan Rakhmetullaev, civil activists and volunteers took part in the event..

Guldana Zhauynbekova thanked police officers for their significant contribution to the fight against drug addiction.

- Preventing drug addiction and combating drug trafficking is one of the most important areas of government policy. During the month, police

officers, together with representatives of the regional departments of sports, culture, health, education, volunteers and nongovernmental organizations, held large-scale events. The same meetings were held in the districts,» Rakhmetullayev said.

Representatives of government agencies, non-governmental and volunteer organizations were awarded letters of appreciation for active participation in the month by the head of the Department of Internal Affairs of the region.

A spectacular decoration of the event was the demonstration performances of special forces officers, who demonstrated their professional skills. Residents also watched demonstrations of four-legged assistants of the canine service of the Department Police of the region. On a neighboring site, teenagers took an active part in basketball, volleyball, togyzkumalak competitions.

A rich concert program was prepared for residents and guests of the city.

As of today, 231 drug offenses have been registered in Zhambyl region.

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«START WITH YOURSELF!»: AN ANTI-DRUG FESTIVAL WAS HELD IN PAVLODAR



- On the International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking a number of large-scale events were held on the central embankment of Pavlodar, aimed at attracting the attention of residents and guests of Priirtyshye to the problem of distribution of illicit substances in adolescence and youth environment.

The event was organized by the police department of Pavlodar region with the support of the department of internal policy of the city and Civic Alliance LLC, - informs Timur Karzhaubaev, Head of the Department for Combating Drug Crime of the Department of

Internal Affairs of Pavlodar region.

Near the ErtisPromenade stage there were thematic platforms where everyone could get consultative services of specialists of the Republican Scientific and Practical and Pavlodar Regional Mental Health Centers, the Center for HIV Prevention, learn more about the conditions of admission to educational institutions of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Kazakhstan, learn about ways of self-protection, as well as take part in a track and field marathon and a quest game.

In order to promote a healthy lifestyle, where there is no place for bad habits, volunteers and community members organized a street action to distribute leaflets «Live your dreams, not doses!».

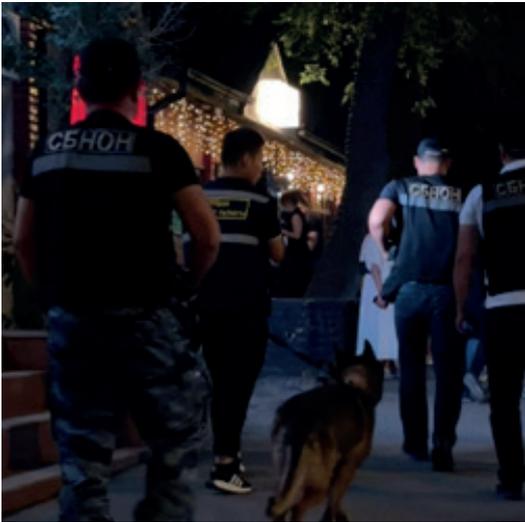
The Police Department of Pavlodar region expresses its gratitude to volunteer groups of general education schools of the city «Ashyk zhurek» and «Kindness in our hearts», the Center for Development of Youth Initiatives of the Department of Information and Public Development of the region, the youth wing «Zhastar Rukhy» of AMANAT party for significant contribution to the promotion of anti-drug policy in the region.

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KYRGYZ REPUBLIC



CNS ORGANIZES DRUG CRIME PREVENTION MONTH



Within the framework of the month dedicated to the International Day of Combating Drugs and their Illicit Trafficking, which is celebrated on June 26, the Counter Narcotics Service of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, in the territory of Bishkek in night entertainment and drinking establishments, carried out operational and preventive measures with the use of service search dogs.

The purpose of the event is to prevent crimes committed in public places, as well as to establish the facts of drug use among nightlife visitors.

In addition to night drinking and entertainment establishments, the police checked the places where young people visit «Asanbai Center» and adjacent areas in order to prevent and avoid crimes and offenses among young people and guests of the capital city.

Police officers held preventive conversations with the administration of nightclubs and took a written «pledge» to prevent violations related to drug trafficking on the territory of entertainment establishments..

CNS of MIA notes that drug crime prevention activities in entertainment venues are expected to be conducted on a regular basis.

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FOR THE FIRST TIME, BISHKEK HOSTED THE YOUTH FORUM «WE ARE FOR A HEALTHY KYRGYZSTAN»



On 22 June 2024, the First Youth Forum «We are for a Healthy Kyrgyzstan» was successfully held at the International University of Kyrgyzstan in hybrid format, timed to coincide with the International Day against Drug Abuse. The event was attended by representatives of the Countering Narcotics Service of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, the Youth Parliament of the Kyrgyz Republic, the National Youth Network of the UN Office on Drugs and Crime in the Kyrgyz Republic. In addition, representatives of Uzbekistan, Tajikistan, Turkmenistan and Kazakhstan participated in the online format of the event with the coverage of more than 200 participants.

The Deputy Head of CNS of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, Police Colonel Nurlan Turusbekov, made a welcoming speech and noted that it is impossible to counter the drug threat only by seizing drugs and prosecuting those involved in the distribution of drugs. It is necessary to take measures to reduce the demand for drugs by forming moral beliefs in the younger generation that exclude the possibility of risky behavior based on the promotion of healthy lifestyles and other types of

alternative leisure activities.

Asylbekova Aizada, Chair of the UNODC Youth Network in the Kyrgyz Republic, gave a presentation on the role of youth in promoting the initiative and healthy lifestyles. Also, in his speech, Head of the OSCE Military and Political Department in Bishkek Konstantin Bedarev emphasized the importance of international cooperation to effectively combat this global threat, international expert on drug addiction Alexander Zelichenko, gave examples from practice and spoke about the harmful effects of drugs on human health.

The Service organized a quiz in which participants could test their knowledge of drug prevention and win prizes with the logos of the CNS and the OSCE for correct answers. This element of the program was recognized by the participants as one of the most entertaining and useful ones.

Youth participation was active and motivated, which demonstrates the success of the event in attracting the attention of the younger generation to serious social problems. Young people actively asked questions, participated in discussions and expressed great interest in the topics of the forum.

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HEAD OF THE CENTER FOR CANINE SUPPORT OF THE MINISTRY OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF RUSSIA, MAJOR GENERAL OF POLICE ROMAN ZAITSEV VISITED CNS OF THE MINISTRY OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF THE KYRGYZ REPUBLIC



On 24 June 2024 in Bishkek, the head of the CNS of the Ministry of Internal Affairs Ulanbek Sultanov had a working meeting with a delegation of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia headed by the head of the Center for Canine Support, Major-General of Police Roman Zaitsev.

Ulanbek Sultanov noted the importance of strengthening the potential of canine units in order to increase the effectiveness of work in combating illicit drug trafficking, especially the distribution of synthetic drugs and their precursors, and taking into account the extensive experience of the Ministry of Internal

Affairs of Russia expressed the interest of the CNS of the Ministry of Internal Affairs in further development of cooperation in this area.

As part of the visit, the Russian delegation visited the Canine Center of the CNS of the Ministry of Internal Affairs, where skills of service and search dogs were demonstrated.

Following the results of the meeting, the Parties agreed to exchange practical experience and information on a permanent basis to improve the effectiveness of training of service dogs and organization of activities of canine services, as well as to conduct joint training and educational programs for canine specialists.

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IN JALAL-ABAD CNS OF THE MINISTRY OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS HELD A SOCCER TOURNAMENT DEDICATED TO INTERNATIONAL INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ABUSE



On 24 June 2024 in the sports hall of GAZPROM in the Jalal-Abad region, the Department of CNS of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic organized and held a soccer tournament as part of the month dedicated to June 26 - International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking and to the 100th anniversary of the Kyrgyz police. The event was held under the slogan “My Choice is Sport”.

The purpose of the event is to call the younger generation to a healthy lifestyle, to work on

themselves every day for the future of the country, to the right choice and the ability to say “no” to drugs..

The tournament began with the singing of the anthem of the Kyrgyz Republic and a welcoming speech by the head of the Department of CNS of the Kyrgyz Republic in Jalal-Abad police colonel Tashiev T.A. The head of the unit noted that the sports competition is truly a significant contribution to the development and education of the younger generation, to instill in them a healthy lifestyle and intolerance to harmful, addictions.

“The year 2024 has been declared the year of soccer development, I am glad that today we were able to hold this kind of event for you. Our drug control service is always ready to support you. Healthy youth is a healthy nation. And, soccer is one of the popular sports, which plays an important role in the formation of a healthy, prosperous generation,” - said the head of the department.

As a result of the tournament, active participants were rewarded in the nominations - “best player”, “goalkeeper”, “scorer”, “defender”, “coach” and “referee”. The teams that took 1,2,3 places were awarded with cups, medals and valuable gifts with the logo of the OSCE and the CNS of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic.

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CNS MIA HELD A SOCCER TOURNAMENT IN OSH DEDICATED TO THE INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ABUSE AND ILLICIT TRAFFICKING



On 25 June 2024 at the summer playground of the children's youth sports school in Osh, the staff of the CNS of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic organized a soccer tournament. The event was timed to coincide with the 100th anniversary of the Kyrgyz police, as well as within the framework of the month dedicated to the International Day of Combating Drug Abuse and Illicit Drug Trafficking.

Police officers urged the younger generation to live a healthy lifestyle, to play sports, to choose the right path in life and to always say no to drugs.

The sporting event began with the singing of the anthem of the Kyrgyz Republic and greetings of the Deputy Head of the Department of the CNS of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic, Police Colonel Khazhimatov M.A. The Deputy Head of the Service noted that the tournament is truly a significant contribution to the development and education of the younger generation, to instill in them a healthy lifestyle and intolerance to harmful habits.

“Football in Kyrgyzstan plays a significant role in the sporting and cultural life of the country. I would like to wish everyone longevity and a bright future. And our Counter Narcotics Service is always ready to support you,” said the Deputy Head of the Department of CNS of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic.

At the end of the tournament, active participants were rewarded in the nominations “best player”, “goalkeeper”, “scorer”, “defender”, “coach” and “referee”.

As a result, the 1st place was taken by the team “Standard”, second “Team Osh” third place “Jany-Alai”, the participants were awarded medals and a cup on behalf of the CNS of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Kyrgyz Republic in Osh city and Osh region.

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RUSSIAN FEDERATION



IN KARACHAY-CHERKESSIA POLICE OFFICERS ORGANIZED A CAMPAIGN “A WORLD WITHOUT DRUGS” AT GYMNASIUM NO. 9 IN CHERKESSK



As part of the events dedicated to the International Day of Combating Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, the staff of the Department of Internal Affairs of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Karachay-Cherkes Republic held a competition of drawings on the asphalt “World without Drugs” for children of the school camp of gymnasium No. 9 in Cherkessk.

On the territory of the gymnasium, children enthusiastically picked up multicolored crayons and started drawing. In their drawings they expressed their attitude to the problem of drug addiction, what is good and what is bad in this world.

Amina Khakunova, a representative of UNK MVD of the KCR, talked to the children about the negative effects of drugs, alcohol and tobacco on the body, about bad habits and measures to prevent them, and told them about the consequences of using illegal substances.

Similar events will be held in places of recreational vacation for children throughout the republic.

The aim is to draw attention to the problems of drug addiction and drug-related crime, to raise awareness among minors of the negative consequences of non-medical drug use and of responsibility for involvement in drug trafficking, and to popularize a healthy lifestyle in general.

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IN THE TYUMEN REGION POLICE OFFICERS HELD AN EVENT FOR CHILDREN DEDICATED TO THE INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ABUSE AND ILLICIT TRAFFICKING



On the eve of the International Anti-Drug Day, officers of the Drug Control Department of the Tyumen Region Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia held an event for children attending a children’s camp at School 69 in the city of Tyumen.

The event was opened by Colonel Alexey Toropov, Head of the Drug Control Department of the Tyumen Region UMVD of Russia, Police Colonel. He wished the guys to never resort to illegal drugs, lead a healthy lifestyle and play various sports.

Employees of the Cultural Center sang patriotic songs for the audience, and the Cossacks of the Separate Cossack Society of the Tyumen Region performed a creative number in which they showed their dexterity in wielding a saber. A spectacular part of the program was the demonstration performance of the special unit of the Rosgvardia. Then the schoolchildren saw how police officers detained suspects in drug trafficking. The children appreciated the equipment of the special unit and watched with interest the work of a cinematographer and a service dog who detected illegal substances in a car.

After the demonstration, the boys and girls were divided into groups and went to the interactive sites. At one of them the traffic police officers offered the young spectators to solve crossword puzzles on the knowledge of road safety rules and to pass a quest on a scooter. The children coped with all the tasks and received souvenirs from the traffic police officers. At the end, the police officers reminded the schoolchildren about places where it is safe to ride bicycles and means of personal mobility, as well as the need to “hurry up” before a crosswalk.

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EVENTS DEDICATED TO THE INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ABUSE AND ILLICIT TRAFFICKING HELD IN THE VOLOGDA REGION



On the eve, as part of a set of events dedicated to the International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, which started these days in the Vologda Oblast, Anastasia Kuznetsova, a senior operative of the Drug Control Department of the Vologda Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia, and Natalia Smirnova, a leading specialist-expert of the Drug Control Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia in the Vologda Oblast, held interactive preventive activities with children in summer school camps of MBOU “School No. 35” and the Education Center..

Officers of the internal affairs bodies played games with the children aimed at forming

responsible and health-saving behavior, prevention of bad habits.

Students concluded that health is the greatest value and is closely related to the kind of lifestyle a person leads.

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IN BRYANSK POLICE OFFICERS ORGANIZED AN ANTI-DRUG CAMPAIGN “MARCH OF LIFE”



The event held as part of the anti-drug month is aimed at supporting healthy lifestyles.

The aim of the event was to warn the younger generation about the dangers of drug and alcohol use, promote healthy lifestyles and sports. One of the organizers of the march was the Department for Drug Control of UMVD of Russia in the Bryansk region.

Volunteers, representatives of rehabilitation centers and youth organizations took part in the action held

as part of the anti-drug month. The participants of the March of Life marched along Gagarin Boulevard, trying to attract the attention of the residents of Bryansk region with the help of bright posters with slogans “Choose Life! Say no to drugs”, ‘We are for a healthy lifestyle’, ‘The future is ours’, etc.

In the course of the event the participants of the march handed out thematic information leaflets of anti-drug character to the citizens.

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OFFICERS FROM THE DRUG CONTROL DEPARTMENT OF THE NOVOSIBIRSK REGION GU MVD ORGANIZED AN EVENT AT THE DZERZHINETS CHILDREN’S CAMP



Officers of the Drug Control Department of GU MVD of Russia in the Novosibirsk Region, in cooperation with members of the Novosibirsk Region Rosgvardiya Department, organized an event for children and teenagers at the Dzerzhinets children’s camp as part of the events dedicated to the International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, aimed at military-patriotic education, organization of a healthy lifestyle, as well as the formation of an active civic position in opposition to drug abuse and drug trafficking.

As part of the event, the Rosgvardiya soldiers showed the audience simulated situations that arise in the course of their official activities. At the first stage, they seized a car with firearms, which, according to the information received, contained a criminal who had committed a series of serious crimes. In the next situation, the pursuit of a vehicle and apprehension of criminals on a police car and ATV with the use of light and sound simulations was demonstrated. At the end of the block of demonstrations of Rosgvardiya fighters, the teenagers were presented with a situation of destroying a sabotage-terrorist group using an unmanned aerial vehicle. Everything happened as in the conditions of a real special operation - explosions, shooting and prompt actions of the seizure group during arrest.

In addition, officers of the Prevention Department of UNK GU held a preventive conversation with teenagers, during which police officers told them about the responsibility of minors for actions related to illicit trafficking in narcotic drugs and psychotropic substances, about the types of punishment provided for by the legislation

of the Russian Federation, and gave instructive examples from the lives of teenagers who had violated legal provisions.

Also, the police broadcast preventive videos that warn about ways of involvement in drug trafficking through the Internet, reveal the basics of safe behavior, as well as explain that a word or image posted on their pages in social networks, containing propaganda and advertising of illegal substances, is a violation of the law.

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AS PART OF THE “VACATIONS WITH PUBLIC COUNCIL” CAMPAIGN, KOMI POLICE OFFICERS AND PUBLIC ACTIVISTS CONDUCTED A QUEST ABOUT THE HARM OF DRUGS FOR SCHOOLCHILDREN



Officers and community members of UMVD of Russia for the city of Syktyvkar organized a preventive event for children of the children’s camp, aimed at educating children in the habit of a healthy lifestyle, negative attitude to drugs.

The meeting was held at the Kvantorium children’s technology park. Galina Kluzhenkova, a veteran of the internal affairs bodies and a member of the Public Council, greeted the children. The guest reminded the children that useful and harmful habits appear from the very beginning..

The meeting continued with an introduction to Yulia Reutova, Head of the Special Department of the Center for Canine Service of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of the Republic of Komi, and her four-legged

partner. The participants watched with great interest the demonstration of skills of the four-legged assistant of law enforcement officers. The cynologist told how dogs help to detect narcotics and fulfill various commands.

Nadezhda Gadalova, an operative of the Drug Control Department, offered the children to go on a quest “Drug STOP”. The children were divided into 4 teams and performed tasks. Pupils solved puzzles and guessed words that will help to give up bad habits, discussed useful hobbies, finding them in pictures from children’s books and magazines. The next stage was the design of a thematic wall newspaper. In the final stage, representatives of each subgroup told about their posters with drawings, slogans and applique on the theme of a healthy lifestyle.

At the end of the visit, Galina Kluzhenkova, a member of the Public Council, wished the participants a good summer vacation, and the children thanked the guests for an interesting meeting.

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KEMEROVO REGION HELD AN OPEN MOVIE SCREENING ON THE EVE OF THE INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ABUSE AND ILLICIT TRAFFICKING



A set of events timed to the International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, which is celebrated on 26 June, continues in Kuzbass. In anticipation of this date, police officers organize talks and meetings aimed at attracting the attention of citizens to the problems of drug abuse and drug-related crime, forming an anti-drug worldview among teenagers and young people.

The day before, an open film screening was held in Kemerovo on the initiative of the Department for Drug Control of GU MVD

of Russia for Kemerovo Region - Kuzbass, with the assistance of the organization "Kuzbasskino" and the Kemerovo city administration. The venue was the new youth art-location #PODMOSTOM, which has already gained popularity among young people. Here the organizers invited students of Kemerovo universities.

At the beginning of the screening, the event was addressed by Major Andrei Tretyakov, a senior operative of UNK GU MVD of Russia for the Kemerovo Region - Kuzbass. He spoke about the work carried out by the internal affairs bodies to suppress and prevent drug crimes, urged students not to remain indifferent to the problems associated with illicit trafficking and drug use.

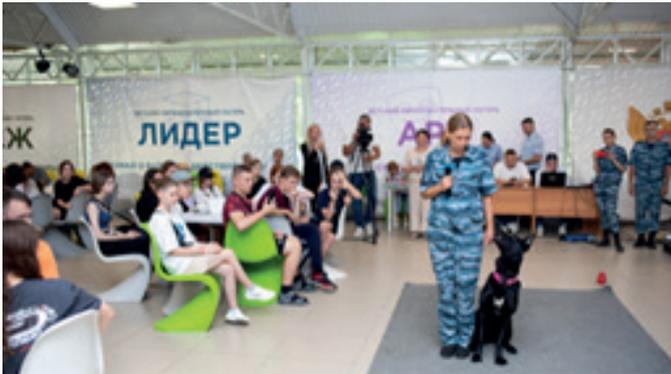
Vadim Shiller, a member of the Public Council of GU MVD of Russia in the Kemerovo Region - Kuzbass, addressed the students. He emphasized that drug trafficking poses a threat to national security and recommended that the children should always be guided by the priorities of a healthy future, choose family and life values.

After that, the young people together with the organizers watched the film "Chekago". The movie tells the story of the consequences of an attempt by a young man from the small town of Chegarinsk to earn money through drug trafficking. After the session, the participants discussed what they had seen, shared their impressions and expressed their point of view raised in the movie.

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OFFICERS OF GU MVD OF RUSSIA IN KRASNODAR KRAI HELD AN EVENT FOR CHILDREN FROM THE ALL-RUSSIAN CHILDREN’S CENTER “SMENA” DEDICATED TO THE INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ADDICTION



Officers of UNK GU MVD of Russia in Krasnodar Krai and the Center of Canine Service of the regional department together with employees of the State Budgetary Institution “Narcological Dispensary” held an event dedicated to the International Day Against Drug Addiction for children vacationing at the All-Russian Children’s Center “Smena”. Police officers and doctors told the children about the harm of drugs in an unusual format.

Participants of the event were shown a social animation movie about how drug addiction is formed and what the use of illegal substances can lead to. Medical psychologists from the narcological dispensary conducted a training exercise for the children, which they quickly coped with with the help of their friends.

Then kids split into teams and tried themselves as police officers, doctors, psychologists, as well as volunteers promoting healthy lifestyles.

Children took part in a creative competition to create an anti-drug project and drew social posters depicting a drug-free life. Based on the results of the competition, the best teams were awarded with memorable prizes and letters of appreciation for their participation in promoting a healthy lifestyle.

At the end of the event, police officers demonstrated to the children the work of canine units in detecting prohibited substances and apprehending intruders. The German shepherd dogs Laska and Chara, and the jagdterrier Akva perfectly fulfilled the commands of the cynologists and found the dangerous objects hidden by the police in a matter of seconds.

Such meetings help to attract the attention of children and adolescents to the problem of drug addiction and motivate healthy lifestyles.

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POLICE OFFICERS IN KUZBASS CONDUCTED AN EXCURSION FOR CREATIVE YOUNG PEOPLE TO A DRUG CONTROL UNIT



A series of preventive activities timed to coincide with the International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking, which is celebrated on June 26, are being held in the Kemerovo Region.

On the eve in Kemerovo on the initiative of the Department for Drug Trafficking Control of the Main Department of the Ministry of Internal Affairs of Russia for the Kemerovo region - Kuzbass held an excursion for 25 pupils of the House of Children’s Creativity in the subdivision aged 13 to 17 years, where they prepared for them a lot of useful

information.

Major Andrei Tretyakov, a senior operative of UNK GU MVD of Russia for the Kemerovo Region - Kuzbass, told about the history of drug police, goals and tasks faced by its officers. Schoolchildren asked questions

with interest about the service, the difficulties encountered in the fight against the drug threat, as well as the peculiarities of professional training and special skills of police officers.

The children were able to learn more about the structure of the unit in the museum of UNK, where there is an exposition with information about the drug and crime situation in the country and in the region, the specifics of the work of drug control agencies.

The staff of the Kuzbass Narcological Dispensary conducted a demonstration experiment for young people. The guys first learned about the effect of alcohol on the human body, and then with the help of special glasses they experienced the effect of tunnel vision that occurs when drinking alcohol.

The most active part of the excursion for young visitors was the demonstration of wrestling techniques and the opportunity to see the uniforms of special units of the Rosgvardia, which actively assist police officers in apprehending criminals.

In addition, during the excursion the children were warned about criminal liability for crimes in the sphere of drug trafficking and punishment for administrative offenses.

At the end of the meeting, Major Andrey Tretyakov, a senior operative of UNK GU MVD of Russia for Kemerovo Region - Kuzbass, told about the most significant anti-drug actions and projects, volunteer groups that contribute to the elimination of drug advertising and invited young people to join the community of active youth, in whose life there is no place for addictions.

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POLICE OFFICERS AND PUBLIC ACTIVISTS ORGANIZED A PREVENTIVE EVENT IN PERM KRAI



In Lysva, police officers and representatives of the Public Council at the territorial department of internal affairs invited students of the polytechnic college to the city park. The meeting was held as part of the preventive event “World without Drugs”, timed to coincide with the International Day against Drug Addiction and Illicit Trafficking of Illicit Substances.

The aim is to form an anti-drug position among young people, promote healthy lifestyles, raise the level of legal literacy, and prevent offenses and crimes in the sphere of illicit drug trafficking.

The meeting was held in the form of a quest game, which included five stations: “Bluff Club”, ‘Poster’, ‘Shouting’, ‘Arguments’, ”In Search of Truth”.

During the event, Dmitry Efimov, an operative authorized officer of the drug trafficking control department, told the children about drug addiction among young people, as well as criminal and administrative responsibility for trafficking in illegal drugs. Dmitry Alexeevich urged the guys to pay attention to a healthy lifestyle, physical training and sports, to use all opportunities for self-realization and to achieve their goals in life.

According to Anna Pogudina, a representative of the Public Council of the Department of Internal Affairs of Russia in Lysvena City District, this meeting helped the children to realize that drug addiction is a terrible disease and it is important to lead a healthy lifestyle.

At the end of the event, all participants came to the conclusion that drug addiction is a direct path to self-destruction and death. And the most precious thing is human life.

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A MINI-FOOTBALL TOURNAMENT WAS HELD IN IVANOVO ON THE INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ABUSE AND ILLICIT TRAFFICKING



Every year, as part of the June Anti-Drug Prevention Month, timed to coincide with the International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Drug Trafficking, a large number of sports, creative and intellectual events for children, adolescents and young people are held in Ivanovo Oblast to promote healthy lifestyles and prevent addictions. Such events help to inculcate a culture of healthy lifestyles among adolescents and young people and to build friendships among the participants.

On June 26, the International Day against Drug Abuse and Illegal Drug Trafficking, a mini-

football tournament was held in the city of Ivanovo. The organizer was Ivanovo city administration with the support of the Department of Internal Affairs of Russia in Ivanovo region. The goal of the event was to promote a healthy lifestyle and attract children and teenagers to mass sports activities.

The participants of the competition were pupils of clubs of local residence of the city Youth Center and the Center of physical culture and sports work at the place of residence “Vostok”. In total 7 teams aged from 11 to 16 years old fought for the tournament prizes.

Oleg Sharunov, Acting Chairman of the Committee for Youth Policy, Physical Culture and Sports of the Ivanovo City Administration, Yuri Krupin, Head of the Department for Drug Control of UMVD of Russia in Ivanovo region, and Vladimir Martynov, member of the Public Council of the UMVD of the region, made welcoming speeches to the young athletes.

Representative of UNK of the regional UMVD noted the urgency of the problem and said that only this year the police registered more than 470 crimes in the sphere of drug trafficking and seized almost 62 kilograms of illicit substances.

Public activist Vladimir Martynov in his address to the children explained to them the harmful effect of drugs on the human body using a real example: he recalled how a young man who could have lived a long and bright life died from a bad habit, and admired the young athletes, wishing them only victories and positive impressions.

According to the results of the mini-football tournament, the teams of pupils of clubs at the place of residence were awarded with diplomas and gifts - soccer balls, to continue practicing this sport on backyard sports grounds.

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EVENTS DEDICATED TO THE INTERNATIONAL DAY AGAINST DRUG ADDICTION WERE HELD IN THE PSKOV REGION



In the region, events dedicated to the International Day Against Drug Addiction were held in the format of the Games of the Future. The organizers chose this format for a reason, as Fijital sport is gaining popularity among young people.

In the digital age, social media and the Internet have become the natural habitat of young people. Unfortunately, however, this environment is being used by drug dealers for their own purposes. Fijital is a sport that combines competition in virtual space with the classic version of competition, thus providing a worthy alternative to illegal behavior.

That is why on the International Day Against Drug Addiction the Drug Control Department together with the Committee for Physical Culture, Sports and Youth Affairs of the Pskov City Administration, Pskov State University and the Federation of Fijital Sports in the Pskov Region held a big sports festival on the territory of the modern physical culture and sports complex of the “Mashinostroitel” stadium.

For participants, who were students of institutions of higher and secondary education, activists of the Regional Branch of the Russian Movement of Children and Youth “Movement of the First” and volunteers of the anti-drug movement of the Pskov region prepared a rich program.

At the beginning of the event, young people were energized by the creative numbers prepared by the Hip-Hop Center’s team “...You can’t beat it!” and “Charge with a policeman” conducted by volunteers of the anti-drug movement.

Participants then went on to compete in modern sports. Young men competed in cyber duels and on a real soccer field. For girls, the organizers held a tournament on fijital dancing, which is one of the disciplines of the Games of the Future.

In addition, participants were reminded about the rules of safe behavior on the Internet at the lecture “Athletes of the Future”, which was conducted by representatives of the Federation of Fijital Sports in the region.

During the event, a large information board at the stadium broadcasted clips of the winners of the federal stage of the All-Russian contest of social advertising of anti-drug orientation and promotion of healthy lifestyles “Saving Life Together”, as well as drawings of participants of the contest “Colors of Healthy Life”, which was held on the initiative of the regional drug control on the eve of the Day of the fight against drug addiction.

At the end of the holiday, the organizers of the event thanked young people for their participation and handed out thematic leaflets. The winners of the competition received gifts.

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REPUBLIC OF TAJIKISTAN

**OSCE PROGRAMME OFFICE IN DUSHANBE CONCLUDES
THE «YOUTH AGAINST DRUGS» ANTIDRUG
AWARENESS CAMPAIGN ACROSS TAJIKISTAN**

The OSCE Programme Office in Dushanbe (POiD) has successfully completed the «Youth Against Drugs» antidrug awareness campaign in Tajikistan in collaboration with the Drug Control Agency (DCA) under the President of the Republic of Tajikistan. The campaign included sports competitions and award ceremonies held across various regions of Tajikistan from 5 to 26 June 2024.

The campaign aimed to promote a healthy lifestyle, prevent and reduce drug addiction, and contribute to the implementation of the

«National Drug Control Strategy in the Republic of Tajikistan for 2021-2030».

Over 5,000 participants, including winners, competition participants, and organizers from Khorog, Kulyab, Bokhtar, Tursunzade, Khujand, and Dushanbe, were covered by this campaign. The POiD provided support by supplying sports equipment, souvenirs, prizes, printing materials, and banners to the DCA.

Dilshod Barotiyon, Head of the Unit for Prevention and Control of Illicit Drugs, Psychotropic Substances, and Precursors Trafficking of the DCA, emphasized the importance of addressing the issue of drug addiction in society and working closely with relevant structures to reduce the level of drug addiction and protect civil society from the threat of drug addiction and drug trafficking.

The expected outcomes of the campaign were to educate the public, especially the youth, about the dangers and consequences of drug use, encourage individuals to avoid or reduce drug use through awareness and education and mobilize community members, organizations, and stakeholders to support anti-drug initiatives.

<https://www.osce.org/ru/programme-office-in-dushanbe/572584>

TURKMENISTAN



EMBASSY OF ISRAEL IN TURKMENISTAN SPONSORED AN AWARENESS-RAISING EVENT ON WORLD ANTI-DRUG DAY



A youth event dedicated to World Anti-Drug Day was held in Ashgabat on 28 June 2024. The aim of the event was to raise awareness of the dangers associated with drug abuse.

The event was organized by the UNODC Ashgabat Office with the support of the Embassy of the State of Israel in Turkmenistan, UNFPA Turkmenistan and the UNRCCA Academy.

Experts and specialists from the Ministry of Health were invited, as well as officials from

the Ministry of Interior.

The venue was the conference hall “Iş Nokady” in the shopping center “Arkaç”.

Speakers included Chari Ataev (UNODC), Shohrat Abdulaev (Ministry of Health and Medical Industry of Turkmenistan), Nazar Gurdov (Ministry of Internal Affairs of Turkmenistan), Kemal Goshliyev (UNFPA), Andrei Larin, Political Affairs Officer of UNRCCA, and a representative of the Embassy of Israel in Turkmenistan.

The following actions were organized on the sidelines of the event:

- Participants of the Academy of Preventive Diplomacy addressed the event with welcoming video messages
- Quiz among participants on healthy lifestyle and substance use prevention among young people
- Demonstration of promotional videos
- Mini-presentation prepared by the Academy participants
- Talk show organized by leaders of the Academy

Event presenters Servi Nurieva and Islam Sarjajev spoke about World Anti-Drug Day in 2024.

<https://www.newscentralasia.net/2024/06/29/posolstvo-izrailya-v-turkmenistane-vystupilo-sponsorom-meropriyatiya-po-povysheniyu-osvedomlennosti-o-vsemirnóm-dne-borby-s-narkotikami/>

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MORE THAN 2.15 TONS OF DRUGS BURNT IN TASHKENT



More than 2.15 tons of drugs seized were destroyed on 26 June in honor of the International Day Against Drug Abuse. Customs prevented 9.2 tons of drugs from entering Uzbekistan in 2023, including a record-breaking shipment of poppy straw, which was attempted to be imported under the guise of confectionary poppies. More than 2.15 tons of drugs seized by law enforcement agencies were destroyed on 26 June in honor of the International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Drug Trafficking. This was reported by the press service of the Customs Committee of Uzbekistan.

A special furnace in an industrial zone in the Yangikhayot district of Tashkent burnt:

37.6 kg of heroin;

184.7 kg of opium;

413.8 kg of hashish;

28.58 grams of poppy seeds;

95.9 kg of poppy straw;

11.3 kg of poppy,

424.7 kg of marijuana;

961.4 kg of cannabis;

18.73 grams of cannabis oil;

347.85 grams of tetrahydrocannabinol;

6.48 grams of cocaine, as well as various psychotropic and psychoactive substances and synthetic drugs.

In 2023 customs authorities seized 9.2 tons of narcotic drugs, 17.7 thousand units of psychotropic preparations, 827.3 grams of precursors, as well as 197.6 thousand units of preparations and 109.2 kg of potent substances, the circulation of which is restricted.

Most of the seized drugs were a record-breaking shipment of poppy straw that was attempted to enter the country in September 2023 through the Tashkent-Aero customs post. At that time, a customs check revealed that 25 tons of cargo, which was declared as confectionary poppy, contained 8.5 tons of poppy straw, which is considered a narcotic substance. The TC togla said that this was the largest drug shipment in the 30-year history of the customs service.

Today, border customs checkpoints are equipped with 23 inspection complexes, 15 human body scanners, 202 X-ray machines and other means to detect contraband.

The National Cynological Center of the Customs Committee trains cynologists and service dogs to combat the smuggling of narcotic drugs, potent and psychotropic substances..

Note that more than 2 tons of drugs were also burnt at the 2023 International Anti-Drug Day event.

<https://www.gazeta.uz/ru/2024/06/26/drugs/>



INTERNET ADVERTISING AND PROPAGANDA OF DRUGS HAS BECOME A CRIMINAL OFFENSE IN UZBEKISTAN



The corresponding law was approved during the plenary session in the Senate of Oliy Majlis of the republic.

Administrative and criminal liability is established in Uzbekistan for distribution, advertising and demonstration of products propagandizing narcotic drugs or potent substances on the Internet. This was reported in the press service of the Senate of the Oliy Majlis.

At the regular plenary session of the Senate discussed the law “On introducing

amendments and additions to the Criminal Code, the Code of Criminal Procedure of the Republic of Uzbekistan and the Code of Administrative Responsibility, aimed at combating illicit trafficking of narcotic drugs, their analogues or psychotropic substances, as well as potent and poisonous substances”.

Senators noted that currently, due to the increase in illicit trafficking of narcotic drugs, their analogues and psychotropic substances involving minors, using telecommunications networks and the Internet, it is necessary to revise the measures of responsibility for these offenses.

This document will strengthen liability for trafficking in narcotic drugs, their analogues or psychotropic substances through the use of telecommunications networks and the Internet, as well as for committing these crimes with the participation of minors.

“This document strengthens measures of responsibility for illicit trafficking of narcotic drugs, their analogs or psychotropic substances with the use of telecommunications networks and the world information network Internet, committing these crimes with the involvement of minors, as well as establishes administrative and criminal liability for the illegal acquisition, storage, transportation or forwarding of narcotic drugs, their analogs or psychotropic substances, potent and poisonous substances without the purpose of sale,” the participants noted.

Senators emphasized that the law will serve to prevent propaganda or advertising of drugs, their analogues or psychotropic substances, as well as potent and poisonous substances and illicit trafficking.

Senators approved legislation after discussion.

<https://uz.sputniknews.ru/20240623/uzbekistan-reklama-propaganda-narkotiki-internet-ugolovnoe-nakazanie-44486831.html>



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