Awareness Session for Compliance Officers on Recent Trends Related to Drug Trafficking

The Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) successfully conducted an **Awareness Session on Recent Trends Related to Drug Trafficking for Compliance Officers of Licensed Banks, Licensed Finance Companies, and Money or Value Transfer Service (MVTS) Providers** on **30th September 2025** at the Atrium of the Central Bank of Sri Lanka.

Organized in collaboration with the **Police Narcotic Bureau (PNB),** the session provided participants with valuable insights into **recent trends in drug trafficking**, and best practices to adopt in reporting suspicious transactions, from a law enforcement perspective. The session commenced with opening remarks by Dr. Subhani Keerthiratne, Director of FIU. Mr. Dhammike Senarathne, Assistant Superintendent of Police attached to Police Narcotic Bureau conducted the session and Deputy Inspector General of Police in charge of Police Narcotic Range and Dr. Ayesh Ariyasinghe, Additional Director of the FIU also shared insights with the participants.

More than 150 officers from the above-mentioned financial institutions participated in the session and FIU witnessed active participation from officers across the sector, promoting enhanced compliance practices and strengthening collaboration between financial institutions and law enforcement agencies.

The FIU expresses its appreciation to the PNB resource persons and all participants for contributing to the success of this awareness initiative.