



**ANTI-DOPING  
AGENCY  
OF KENYA**

## **PRESS RELEASE**

**Nairobi, 06 May 2025**

### **INDIAN NATIONAL NABBED IN ITEN, ELGEYO MARAKWET DURING A CRACKDOWN AGAINST PROHIBITED SUBSTANCES IN SPORT**

On 05th May 2025 the Anti-Doping Agency of Kenya (ADAK) working hand in hand with sleuths drawn from the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) nabbed an illegal consignment of assorted performance enhancing substances in custody of an Indian national residing in the high-altitude training town of Iten, Elgeyo Marakwet County. The raid was conducted following actionable intelligence indicating possible involvement in activities related to the distribution and use of the prohibited performance-enhancing substances.

The raid which was carried out at the suspects' premises, led to the discovery and seizure of a range of prohibited substances banned under the World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA) Code. Among the items recovered were human growth hormone (HGH), meldonium, and mannitol, substances commonly associated with performance enhancement and prohibited in competitive sports. The presence of intravenous (IV) paraphernalia, including IV bags, syringes, and needles — both used and unused — further pointed to possible doping practices.

Iten town is recognized by athletes worldwide as a training hub for elite long-distance runners. The town hosts athletes from various countries. ADAK therefore is greatly concerned with the presence and circulation of prohibited substances within the town. Prohibited substances are not only illegal in sports but also a danger to athletes' health.

The report was booked at Iten Police Station. Investigations are ongoing to establish the full scope of the activities, including potential networks, clients, and any violations of Kenya Anti-Doping Law and International Anti-Doping policies, rules and regulations.

ADAK remains unrelenting in the fight against doping in sport and continues to gather intelligence and conduct investigations on suspected doping activities around the country. The Agency reiterates its commitment in discharging its mandate. Enforcement of the World Anti-Doping Code and ADAK Anti-Doping Rules shall continue, and the doping menace shall be defeated.

**Peninah Wahome**  
**Ag. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**