

Correctional officers stop person in custody committing self-harm

Correctional officers stopped a male person in custody committing self-harm in Stanley Prison today (November 13).

At 8.39am today, the 36-year-old male person in custody was found emotionally unstable and banged his head against the notice board inside an office while he was having an interview with correctional officers. Officers at the scene immediately stopped his act and called for reinforcement. The person in custody was found conscious. He was required to be sent to a public hospital for further treatment after receiving examination and treatment by the institution Medical Officer.

A clinical psychologist of the department will follow up on the case.

A spokesman for the Correctional Services Department said, "The department uses all possible measures to prevent persons in custody from attempting suicide or self-harm. These measures include administrative arrangements, improvement of institutional facilities, staff training and first aid services."

The person in custody was sentenced to imprisonment for the offence of trafficking in a dangerous drug in November 2014.