



Corruption Investigation Division of ICAC





<u>INVESTIGATIVE PROCESS IN THE CORRUPTION INVESTIGATION</u> <u>DIVISION</u>



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The Independent Commission Against Corruption (ICAC) of Mauritius has been set up

by virtue of Sec 19 of POCA 2002. It is administered and managed by a Board,

comprising a Director General as Chairperson and two Members.

"Working together in a patriotic spirit towards a corrupt free

Mauritius "

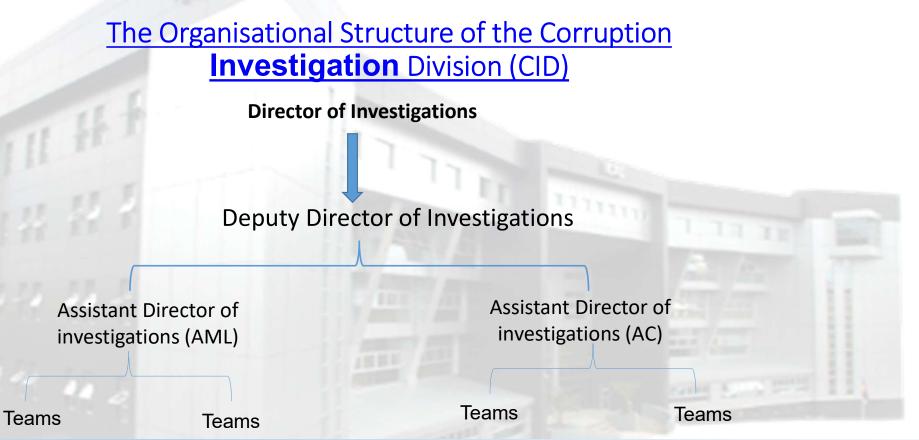


The Commission operates through two Operational Divisions, namely:

- 1. The Corruption Investigation Division (CID)
- 2. The Corruption Prevention and Education Division (CPED). This Division operates through two branches, the System Enhancement Branch, responsible for the implementation of the Prevention Programme and the Community Relations Branch for the implementation of the Education Programme of the ICAC.

The two Supports Divisions are the Legal Division and the Corporate Services Division (CSD)







The Investigative Process

- Receiving and recording of complaints
- Conduct of the Preliminary Investigation
- Conduct of Further Investigations



Complaint and Advice Processing Unit (CAPU).

Complaints are received:

- > In person
- ➤ Anonymous
- > Emails/correspondences/ phone calls
- > Referrals
- > Own initiative

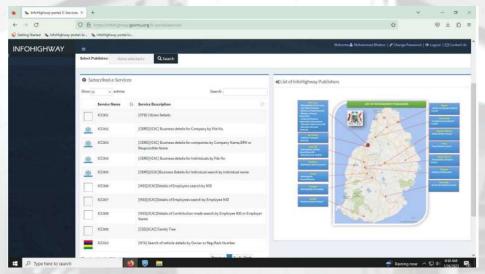


Major steps involved in the Investigation process

- Intelligence gathering
- Controlled Remittance operation
- Power of entry and search
- Disclosure Order / Attachment Order / Realisation of Assets
- Power to examine persons
- Identification of suspects
- Powers of arrest
- Money Trail
- ·Itemised bills
- Statement of witnesses/Interrogation of suspects



Facilities Available



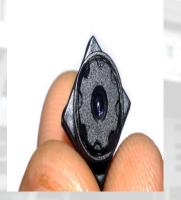




Facilities Available (Protective/ intelligence gathering equipment)











Facilities Available

- 1. Field Intelligence Team
- 2. Police officers
- 3. Informal Cooperation from various local and international law enforcement agencies.
- 4. ACT meeting
- 5. Parallel Investigation/ sharing of information



AMOUNT OF SEIZURE FOR MAURITUS AS AT DATE

1. From 2016 till date, the ICAC has forfeited total assets of around 1.3 billion Mauritian Rupees.



Constraints

- 1. Limited power of Arrest
- 2. Uncooperative witnesses / suspects
- 3. Protection of witnesses- Right of accused outweighs right of victims-Judges Rule – PACE (UK)
- 4. Disclosure Orders (Itemized Bills & Bank Statements)
- 5. Delay in dissemination of information
- 6. Lack of synergy from institutions (Police, Customs & other institutions)
- 7. Public Officials/ Private Individuals
- 8. MLA procedures complex and time consuming



