

ZAMBIA MEDICINES REGULATORY AUTHORITY

PRESS STATEMENT (FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE)

14 PEOPLE NABED IN MUFULIRA AND KALULUSHI DISTRICTS ON THE COPPERBELT PROVINCE FOR OPERATING ILLEGAL PHARMACIES

Lusaka, Friday, 21st April 2023 ... Fourteen (14) people of Mufulira and Kalulushi districts on the Copperbelt Province have been arrested for operating pharmacy shops without Licences issued by the Authority contrary to Section 14(1) of the Medicines and Allied Substances Act No. 3 of 2013.

Particulars of the offenders are listed as follows:

SNO.	NAME OF PERSON	SEX & AGE	NAME OF OUTLET	LOCATION
1.	Mufuma Kalulumuna	M/32	MK Health Shop	Kwacha Market, Mufulira
2.	Lydia Matanda	F/20	Influx Enterprise	Kamuchanga Market, Mufulira
3.	Emeldah Songwe	F/38	Mumu's Drug Store	Kamuchanga Market, Mufulira
4.	Faniwe Mwanza	F/30	Tisa Drug Store	Kamuchanga Market, Mufulira
5.	Nawa Munyinda	M/57	Drug Store	Plot No. Kamuchanga Market, Mufulira
6.	Peter Kaseye James Mambo	M/35 M/33	Peterise Shop	Kamuchanga Market, Mufulira
7.	Ireen Nguni	F/20	Kawama East Drug Store	Kawama East Market, Mufulira
8.	Stanislaus Kalebwe Constance Mulenga	M/29 F/30	Kalimutale Drug Store	Kawama East Market, Mufulira
9.	Tasha Musambachime	F/29	Drug & Cosmetics Shop	Nsokolo Market, Kalulushi
10.	Josephine Banda	F/29	Kamwambi Star	Nsokolo Market, Kalulushi
11.	Charity Kaonga	F/24	Charity Health Care	Luato Market, Kalulushi
12.	Melody Munga	F/27	Evereal	Luato Market, Kalulushi
13.	Alice Chishila	F/25	Nkwashi Investment	Nsokolo Market, Kalulushi
14.	Nancy Katongo	F/41	Nkwashi Investment	Luato Market, Kalulushi

The suspects were released on police bond and will appear in court soon.

The fourteen (14) suspects were arrested during a surveillance routine inspection directed towards curbing the sale of medicines and allied substances in unregistered outlets undertaken by the Zambia Medicines Regulatory Authority (ZAMRA) Inspectors, in collaboration with the Drug Enforcement Commission (DEC) Officers on the Copperbelt on 11th April, 2023.

The Authority wishes to reiterate its appeal to members of the public to refrain from illegal operation of pharmacies or risk prosecution in accordance with the provisions of the law.

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