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**2738. Ms S V Kalyan (DA) to ask the Minister of Police:**

(1) (a) How many operations targeting (i) drug dealers and/or (ii) manufacturing of drugs were carried out by the Phoenix Police Station in the 2014-15 financial year and (b) on which dates;

(2) (a) what is the total number of arrests that were made, (b) how many persons have been charged and (c) for which offences in each case;

(3) how many convictions have been secured in respect of drug-related crimes?

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**REPLY:**

1. The station has conducted one hundred and sixty one (161) operations targeting drug dealers in the 2014/15 financial year as per bellow dates:

2014-05-05, 2014-05-14, 2014-05-15, 2014-05-27, 2014-06-03, 2014-06-12, 2014-06-21, 2014-06-23, 2014-06-24, 2014-07-01, 2014-07-02, 2014-07-21, 2014-08-07, 2014-08-15, 2014-08-18, 2014-09-15, 2014-09-16, 2014-10-27, 2014-12-10, 2014-12-22, 2015-01-12, 2015-01-12, 2015-01-15, 2015-01-17, 2015-01-18, 2015-01-21, 2015-01-23, 2015-01-25, 2015-01-26, 2015-01-30, 2015-02-01, 2015-02-02, 2015-02-07, 2015-02-10, 2015-02-11, 2015-02-14, 2015-02-15, 2015-02-17, 2015-02-18, 2015-02-26, 2015-03-02, 2015-03-06, 2015-03-08, 2015-03-12, 2015-03-14, 2015-03-15, 2015-03-19, 2015-03-22

1. During the operation there were two thousand one hundred and thirty eight (2138) arrests and one hundred and sixty three (163) persons charged for dealing with drugs.
2. There were two thousand two hundred and sixty (2260) convictions secured during the operations in respect of drug related crimes.