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Officers Seize Drugs, Razors at Eastern Correctional Facility

Synthetic Marijuana Among Drugs Discovered in Mailed Package

Naponach, NY – An officer at Eastern Correctional Facility discovered Synthetic Marijuana (K2) and Marijuana concealed inside a tin can that was mailed to an inmate on Thursday, March 1.

Upon inspection of the package, the officer noticed irregularities and opened the can, which was labeled black beans. Inside the can were four oval shaped packages wrapped in green cellophane. The contents tested positive for both illegal drugs.

The drugs, 61 grams of K2 and 56 grams of Marijuana, were placed in evidence. The inmate, whose name is not being released, is serving 20 years to life for Burglary 2nd, Robbery 3rd and Criminal Possession of a Weapon 4th. The investigation is ongoing.

On Monday, March 5, an officer discovered 20 double edge razors that were concealed inside a package of crackers that were mailed to an inmate.

“This recent seizure certainly serves as an example of how dangerous contraband continues to make its way into our state prisons. Since the Vendor Pilot Program was suspended, the ongoing problem of contraband being mailed to prisons or being brought in by visitors highlights the need for serious policy changes on how inmates receive items from outside of the facilities. There needs to be serious reforms to reduce the flow of drugs and weapons into the prisons.” – said Michael Mazzella, Mid-Hudson Region Vice President.