

Nine more arrested over illegally practising medicine

MITYANA

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Nine people, including a medical doctor attached to Mityana Hospital were on Monday and Tuesday arrested in Mityana, over illegal practising of medicine.

Dr Patrick Lubogo was arrested from his private clinic on Nyonyi Road in Mityana Municipality together with a nurse.

Michael Kayizzi, from the Allied Health Professionals' Council, who led the operation said Dr Lubogo's clinic was not licensed and the nurse was not qualified.

"He is facing charges of running a clinic

without a licence and employing a nurse who is unqualified or who does not have a license," said.

This was the second time in a period of less than a week that an operation in health units was being held in Mityana.

The first operation was held last week and 12 people were arrested. Nine of them appeared before the Mityana Grade One Magistrate Court. They were charged with illegally practising medicine.

Surprisingly, when the operation resumed on Monday and Tuesday, some of the suspects who had been released on bail were found in the very health units and at work. They, however, took off on

seeing the officials.

When the charges were first read to them last week, they were remanded to prison and were released on bail on Tuesday.

Appearing before the magistrate Evelyn Kyomugisha, four of the accused pleaded guilty to the charges and asked for forgiveness.

The magistrate ordered them to pay sh300,000 each as a fine, which money they paid and were released.

Samuel Madaaba, one of the accused, who battled with the Police and the officials denied the charges, but was granted bail.