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Seychelles Maintains Top Position in Africa in Corruption Perceptions Index 2024

The Government of Seychelles welcomes the release of the **Corruption Perceptions Index (CPI) 2024**, published by Transparency International, which ranks **Seychelles as the highest-scoring country in Africa**, with a score of **72**. This marks a continued positive trajectory in the country's fight against corruption and commitment to good governance.

Seychelles has ascended to the 18th position globally in the 2024 Corruption Perceptions Index (CPI), released by Transparency International. The island nation achieved a score of 72 out of 100, marking its highest ranking to date and solidifying its status as the top performer in Sub-Saharan Africa.

The Corruption Perceptions Index, which assesses perceived levels of public sector corruption in 180 countries and territories, places Seychelles well ahead of regional counterparts, including Cabo Verde (62), Botswana (57), and Rwanda (57).

Seychelles' Progress in Anti-Corruption Reforms

Seychelles has demonstrated **consistent improvement** in its CPI ranking over the past decade, with a 20-point increase since 2012. This achievement is the result of:

- **Active prosecution of a high-profile corruption cases and a few others**, demonstrating the government's commitment to upholding the rule of law.
- **Strengthened transparency in financial governance**, including improved beneficial ownership regulations, which contributed to Seychelles' removal from the European Union's financial non-compliance blacklist.
- **Enhanced collaboration among law enforcement and anti-corruption agencies**, ensuring better information exchange and enforcement of anti-corruption measures.
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Commitment to Regional and Global Good Governance

The 2024 CPI highlights broader challenges across **Sub-Saharan Africa**, which remains the lowest-performing region, with an average score of **33 out of 100**. Despite this, Seychelles continues to lead by example, demonstrating that sustained political will and strong governance structures can yield tangible results in the fight against corruption.

Additionally, the government recognizes the **link between corruption and climate financing**. As global efforts increase to secure funding for climate action in Africa, Seychelles remains

committed to ensuring that all resources allocated for environmental sustainability will continue to be managed with the highest level of transparency and accountability.

A Call for Continued Collective Action

The Government of Seychelles reaffirms its **zero-tolerance approach** to corruption and will continue strengthening its institutions, improving financial oversight, and working closely with international partners to uphold transparency and accountability.

The Government is committed to put in place a Whistleblower Protection Legislation.

We call on all **public officials, private sector stakeholders, civil society organisations and citizens** to remain vigilant and actively participate in maintaining good governance, as transparency remains a key pillar in the nation's sustainable development.

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