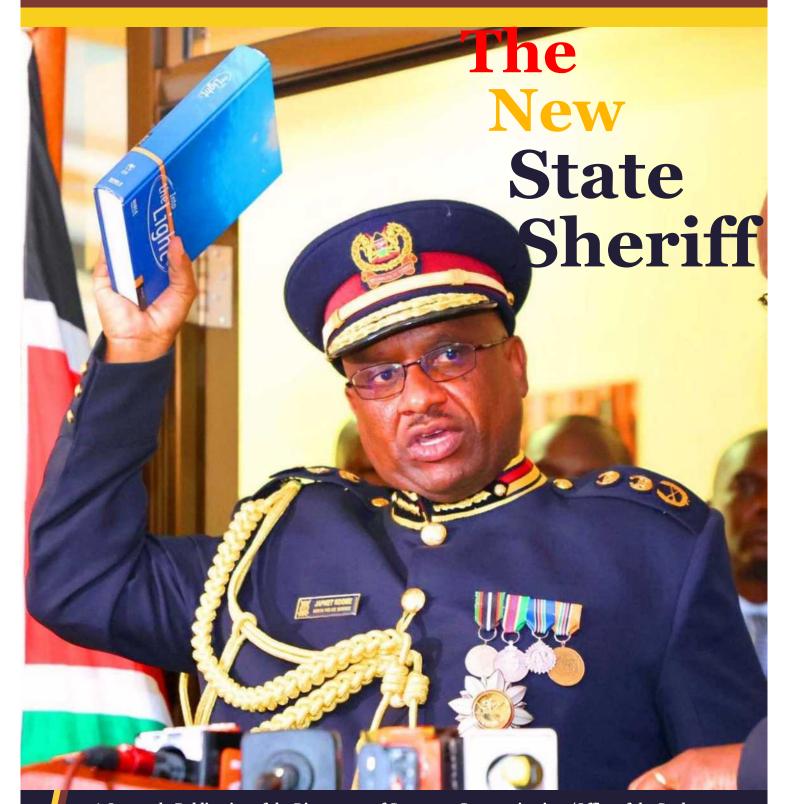


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MESSAGE FROM THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

welcome you all to the Fifth Edition of the National Police Service Newsletter which has coincided with the final quarter of the year and December festive season.

This being the first edition I have presided upon since I was sworn in as the Inspector General, let me take this opportunity to thank His Excellency Dr. William Samoei Ruto, PhD, C.G.H. President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces, and indeed, all Kenyans for bestowing on me such a sacred duty of presiding over their security and safety.

As we reflect on the year 2022, it was undoubtedly an eventful year that has positively impacted the National Police Service in many ways. We have registered innumerable gains that include the opening of new police stations, outstanding performance in sports, awarding of police officers for bravery, an incident-free General Election and successes in various multi-agency operations.

In line with the government's efforts to enhance the modernisation of a professional National Police Service, I have, since taking office as the IG, toured several police installations to interact with the needs of our officers and to hear first-hand from them and the communities they serve, their successes and challenges.



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This will greatly inform our appreciation of the policing and security environment even as the National Taskforce on the Improvement of the Terms and Conditions of Service and other Reforms for Members of the National Police Service and Prisons Service takes charge.

Police is a noble career. As I said during my vetting, most of NPS Officers are professional and have continued to command enormous respect in their various respective capacities both locally and internationally. I wish to assure officers of my support as they continue to lawfully discharge their mandate in national security, sometimes, under very challenging circumstances.

As a Service, we will continue to strive for the highest standards of professionalism as portrayed through discipline, respect for human rights, and the fostering of partnerships with the broader society as guided by the objects of the Constitution of Kenya, the National Police Service Act, and Service Standing Orders.

As you join us in this edition, let me wish you and your families,

Merry Christmas and Prosperous New Year 2023.

May God Bless you all.



FROM THE PUBLISHER'S DESK

n this 5th edition of the NPS Newsletter, I would like to foremost, welcome our new Patron, the Inspector General of Police & President of AFRIPOL, Eng. Japhet Koome, EBS, HSC, ndc (K).

My sincere gratitude also go to dear colleagues, both senior and junior, wherever they are for their professional commitment to serving our country.

Reflecting on the past year, NPS fulfilled its electoral mandate in the just concluded August 2022 General Elections with honor. Ours is a classic example of "what works in policing" and one that will inform future researchers on best practices in handling electoral security. Ours is story of a positive image of NPS based on the accolades that we have received both locally and internationally.

The NCIC Chairperson, Rev. Samuel Kobia speaking at IEBC Post-election Evaluation Workshop at Safari Park Hotel this month, observed that the NCIC empirical study that evaluated the elections shows that 65% of Kenyans were satisfied with the way NPS officers conducted the General Elections.

Of course, the security environment under which we operate is complex and dynamic. That notwithstanding, most NPS officers have



throughout the year, displayed a high degree of selflessness and commitment to duty, and sustained war against crime.

In December, we not only gathered at the National Police College-Embakasi "A" Campus to pay tribute to our dear colleagues that unfortunately paid the ultimate price in the line of duty, but we also reaffirmed our commitment to continue serving our country with courage.

I wish to reiterate the directive of His Excellency Hon. Dr. William Ruto, the President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces, that as a Service, we must always discharge our Constitutional mandate professionally, by adopting principles of democratic policing guided by police neutrality in politics and respect for the rule of law.

In the interest of nationality security, the Directorate of Corporate Communication is committed to working closely with colleagues and members of the Press to inform the public in an objective, truthful and responsible manner.

Wishing you all a Happy New Year.

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EXECUTIVE CORNER

Eng. Japhet Koome takes over as Inspector General of Police

ng. Japhet Koome EBS, HSC, ndc 'K', was on 11th November 2022 sworn in as the Inspector General of the National Police Service. He becomes the fourth Inspector General of Police in Kenya, after succeeding Mr. Hilary Mutyambai who took an early retirement on medical grounds. Mr. Koome was

the honour to serve our country in this critical position, and Parliament for approving his nomination. The IG also promised to work closely with stakeholders within the Criminal Justice System and other partners.

Addressing the state of security in the country, Mr. Koome issued a stern warning to

The new IG NPS Eng. Japhet Koome poses for a photo with Hon. Lady Justice Martha Koome , Director DCI, DIG-APS and DIG –KPS

nominated for the position by H.E Dr. William Ruto CGH, the 5th President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces in exercise of powers conferred by article 245(2) of the Constitution. His nomination was followed by vetting and subsequent approval by a Joint Parliamentary Committee.

The swearing-in ceremony was held at the Supreme Court and presided over by the Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court, Hon. Lady Justice Martha Koome. Also present during the swearing in ceremony was DIG-KPS Mr. Edward Mbugua, the DIG-APS Mr. Noor Gabow, the Director DCI Mr. Mohamed Amin.

In his acceptance speech, the IG thanked H.E the President, Dr. William Ruto for bestowing on him

miscreants who have resorted to robbery with violence disguised as muggings and "livestock lords" masquerading as cattle rustlers, warning stern action against the perpetrators. On the use of force, the new IG clarified that NPS officers are well trained and versed with the basic principles on the use of firearms in accordance with the NPS Act, 2011 and the Service Standing Orders. He urged officers to use their firearms as guided by the law when protecting life or property.

While delivering his brief remarks, the Chairman NPSC Mr. Eliud Kinuthia congratulated the new IG and welcomed him to the National Police Service Commission as a Commissioner, by virtue of his appointment. He assured that officers' welfare will be

a priority of the NPSC even as it continues to address and conclude on various concerns and challenges faced by officers. He noted that now that the NPS was granted financial autonomy, there is greater expectation for better service delivery.

The Chief Justice Hon. Martha Koome in her remarks recognized the significant role of police in the criminal justice system urging the IG to lead the service in intensively participating in the initiative geared toward the reforms of the justice system, ensuring inclusivity and partnership with the people of Kenya.

She further expressed her confidence that the IG's tenure will be marked by a Police Service that upholds the rights of the people and the rule of law. She called upon Kenyans to support police officers as they execute their mandate .

The IG is a Civil Engineer by profession with over 31 years of experience as a police officer having been enlisted in the Kenya Police Service as a Recruit Constable. The rise of Mr. Koome from a police constable to the apex of NPS leadership is an inspiration and morale booster to many young officers.

A trained Anti Stock Theft Unit Officer, he served as Nairobi Regional Police Commander, Officer Commanding Police Divisions (OCPD) in Central, Buruburu, Machakos and Maragua Sub-Counties.

He also served as the Deputy Director of Planning at the Kenya Police Service where he oversaw Police Housing and Modernization Programme, and as the Principal Deputy to the Deputy Inspector General-Kenya Police Service.

He is the immediate former Commandant of the National Police College - Main Campus Kiganjo.



National Police Leadership Academy officially opened

he National Police Service celebrated another milestone on 21st December as the National Police Leadership Academy was officially opened in a ceremony graced by H.E Dr. William Samoei Ruto, CGH, President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander in Chief of the Kenya Defence Forces.

In his speech, the President urged government agencies to emulate the partnership demonstrated by NPS and CBK and work together in utilizing available resources to serve their institutions efficiently and effectively, and for the greater good of the people of Kenya. Noting that the government is intentional about professionalising the Police Service, he assured his commitment and support in availing necessary resources.

"I am committed at a personal level and the Kenya Government at the corporate level, to make sure that we have a professional service. I have given my assurance to the Commanders across the country that they have my support and that of the Government of Kenya to make sure they deliver on their mandate," remarked the President.

He further added that he has put together a task force to review police terms and conditions of work, as well as look into the necessary reforms to fill gaps existing in the police service and to improve the terms of service. In addition, the president instructed the Ministry of Housing to include a provision for housing for all security officers in the affordable housing plan.

The Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua said that the academy is a great platform to impart useful



leadership skills to police commanders, adding that Kenya is a constitutional democracy guided by the rule of law, hence the need for police officers to be grounded on the understanding of the law and the Constitution.

The DP asked the IG Koome to impart leadership skills in NPS as part of the IG's Legacy. Weighing in on the national discourse about the police use of firearms, the DP reiterated that for police officers to protect Kenyans, they [officers] must first protect themselves.

In his remarks, the CS Interior Prof. Kithure Kindiki stated that the "future of policing [in Kenya] is going to be knowledge-driven" and that due to the uniqueness of police work, there is need to review police curriculum as part of police professionalism.

The IG on his part noted that the academy will

provide a conducive environment for blending police training and academics, and harmonizing training by bringing together APS, KPS and DCI officers to train together.

In accordance with the law, NPS is committed to pursuing advanced, job-specific education aimed at equipping officers with requisite skills and knowledge suitable for modern policing.



National Police Leadership Academy



The president meets Senior Police Commanders

Dr. William E. CGH Ruto, President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces on November 16th met with NPS Senior Commanders at State House Nairobi to deliberate on national security.

The president, who Chairs the National Security Council, said that the government is uncompromising on security, citing the emergence of "muggings" in Nairobi

prevalence of banditry, cattle rustling, illegal arms as some of the crimes that must come to an end under his administration. The Head of State directed IG to deal firmly, decisively and conclusively with the perpetrators involved.

In his first week in Office as President, Dr. William Ruto granted financial autonomy to the IG-NPS, a move that was seen by many as a positive step towards improving police operational and administrative efficiency.

During the meeting, H.E. the President urged the police to be independent, professional and accountable in their work. The President further reiterated his personal commitment and that of his government to support police fully for as long as police officers discharged their mandate within the law.

The President strongly advised police to serve all citizens equally political irrespective of their affiliations.

He committed to constitute a Task Force to review welfare (salaries, housing, equipment) and terms and condition of service for NPS Officers to improve police service delivery.

The president urged the IG to ensure that there fairness in police promotions, devoid of ethnicity, nepotism, tribalism and cronyism.

As the President directed, the Task Force led by retired Chief Justice David Maraga was gazetted on 21st December, 2023.



H.E. Dr. William Ruto, DP Hon. Rigathi Gachagua, Prime Cabinet Secretary Hon. Musalia Mudavadi, CS Defence Hon. Aden Duale, CS Interior Prof. Kithure Kindiki, DIG-KPS Mr. Edward Mbugua, DIG-APS Mr. Noor Gabow pose for a group photo

The CS Interior tours BPU

Deputy Inspector General Administration Police Service Mr. Noor Gabow on 25th November accompanied the CS Interior Prof. Kithure Kindiki on an inspection tour of the Border Police Unit (BPU) and Border Police Training Campus in Kanyonyo, Kitui.

The CS visited ongoing projects including the newly built 160-bed capacity BPU Hospital, the sports complex which is still under construction, the airstrip among other facilities. He directed that the Ministry of Interior will release Ksh.200 million for the completion of the Border Police Unit airstrip to aid in emergencies including medical evacuations, and rapid deployment of officers.

The CS mentioned that specialized training to deal with emerging trends of crime especially The CS Interior Prof. Kithure Kindiki accompanied by DIG-APS Mr. terrorism and transnational crimes will be done at the training college, including training of GSU and Anti-stock theft officers, a move that will give impetus to the resolve to deal with the cattle rustling and banditry menace.



Noor Gabow touring the Border Police Unit and Border Police Training Campus in Kanyonyo, Kitui.



Encouraging the multi-agency approach, he noted that officers from the BPU continue to work with other security agencies in ensuring security at our borders, curbing movement of contraband, trafficking of persons among other roles especially as the country makes preparations to reopen the Kenya-Somalia border.

In line with Police Modernization Programme, the government is in the process of acquiring modern weaponry, surveillance equipment, and personal protective equipment to support police operations in various parts of the country. NPS is also working in partnership with the US Government in putting up a regional counterterrorism centre which is expected to be completed by mid next year.



STRATEGIC NEWS FROM HEADQUARTERS

New DCI Director sworn in

r. Amin Mohamed Ibrahim, EBS is the new Director for Director Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI). He took over the office on 19th October 2022 after a swearing in ceremony held at the Supreme Court and presided over by Hon. Justice Martha Koome, Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court of Kenya.

Mr. Amin was appointed by H.E Dr. William Ruto, CGH President of the Republic of Kenya following a rigorous vetting exercise conducted by the National Police Service Commission (NPSC), an independent commission established under Article 246 of the Constitution 2010 and tasked with the human resource management function of the Police Service among other functions.

In his speech after taking oath, he vowed to undertake his duties professionally and with integrity to ensure a safe and secure environment for all, further urging Kenyans to obey the law.

Speaking at the event, Chief Justice Martha Koome expressed her confidence that Mr. Amin will execute the DCI's

constitutional mandate with effectiveness. Then Ag. IG Mr. Noor Gabow congratulated Mr. Amin on his appointment assuring that he comes in with a long-term experience spanning 33 year. Also present was DIG-KPS Mr. Edward Mbugua among other senior officials.

Prior to his appointment, Mr. Amin, was the Director of Internal Affairs Unit tasked with Investigating complaints against police. He joined the Kenya Police Service in 1989 and has served in various capacities as the Rift Valley DCI

boss in 2007, head of DCI Investigations Bureau, head of Operations and Director Banking Fraud Unit. The DCI is charged with undertaking Investigations on serious crimes including homicide and terrorism among others. He takes over from police Veterinary, Dr. Hamisi Massa who held the position briefly in an acting capacity following the exit of the former DCI, Mr. George Kinoti, CBS who resigned in 2022 after a 5 years stint at the docket.



Mr. Amin Mohamed Ibrahim, EBS, OGW, 'ndc'(K) the Director, Directorate of Criminal Investigations



Reflecting on NPS - United Nations Collaboration

he National Police Service has a long history of cordial relationship with the United Nations through various initiatives aimed at enhancing the efficiency and effectiveness of police in service delivery. On 6th December 2022, the IG Eng. Japhet Koome hosted a delegation from the United Nations Office on Drugs and

Crime (UNODC) led by Mrs. Charity Kagwi - the Head of Criminal Justice Programme Regional Office of Eastern Africa.

UNODC and NPS recently partnered through the PLEAD Interventions in support of police reforms. Under PLEAD, the NPS eLearning platform was launched in July 2020 with Modules covering use of force and firearms, humans rights in crowd control and order management, police responsibility in sexual and gender-based violence, bail and bond, and handling special interest groups such as children and PWDs.

Recently, UNODC and other partners supported the production of Knowledge posters for Deaf and Hearing-Impaired, which NPS has in turn distributed to police units and stations to aid those with hearing impairment to understand the criminal justice process. They are currently supporting the Judiciary Police Unit .

In support of EAPCCO, UNODC has collaborated with the Regional Counter-

Terrorism Centre of Excellence (CTCoE) at DCI, through comprehensive regional training needs assessment and provision of legal and technical advice.

On 7th December, 2022, UNHCR donated 15 vehicles to the NPS for use in Dadaab and Kakuma refugee camps.



The IG-NPS Eng. Japhet Koome (centre) hosts a delegation from UNODC led by Head of Criminal Justice Programme Regional Office of Eastern Africa Mrs. Charity Kagwi (2nd right) and the Commandant Judiciary Police Unit, Mr. Lazarus Opicho

New Principal Assistant to IG-NPS appointed

he Inspector General Mr. Japhet Koome, EBS, HSC, ndc (K) has appointed Mr. Abdallah Komesha, AIG as the Principal Assistant to the IG, replacing Mr. Nyale

Mr. Abdallah Komesha, AIG, the new Principal Assistant to the IG in his office at NPS Headquarters in 2022

Munga SAIG, who has moved to Kenya Police Service.

Prior to his appointment, Mr. Komesha was the Head of Personnel at DCI Headquarters. He has previously served at the National Counter-Terrorism

Centre, and as Officer in Charge of Anti Narcotics, Economic Crimes Unit, and Lands Fraud Unit. He also worked as the Director Banking Fraud Department, Chief Instructor DCI-Academy, where he is known for exceptional performance of duty.

The elite detective holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Kenyatta University. He has undertaken various capacity building courses locally and internationally, among them, Organised Crime Course from Germany, Fraud Investigation Course from Kenya School of Government., Anti Money Laundering Course at ESAMI, Training of Trainers Course at Kenya School of Monetary Studies, and Anti Narcotics Course in South Africa.

In this photo, Mr. Komesha wears his police uniform for the first time in 30 years. We wish Mr. Komesha, AIG well in his new position.



IG Koome is the New AFRIPOL President

he Inspector-General of Police Eng. Japhet Koome is the new President of African Mechanism for Police Cooperation (AFRIPOL) for the next two years. AFRIPOL is made up of 55 Member States, and is established as a technical institution and independent mechanism of the African Union police for

cooperation among Members States. He took over the position

during the 24th annual general meeting of the East African Police Chiefs Cooperation Organisation (EAPCCO) held in Addis Ababa from 6th to 9th December under the theme, promoting best practices in the fight against terrorism and transnational organized crimes. The IG was accompanied by the Director DCI Mr. Mohamed Amin, NPS Director of Human Capital Development Ms Rosemary Kuraru, SAIG, and the Director Training APS Mr. Ibrahim Jillo, AIG. Also present was the African Union Police Component Planning Officer, Ms. Lilian Okembo, CP

EAPCCO is a regional police organization that aims to promote coordination cooperation and among member countries and to enhance their capacity in the areas of crime prevention and control, particularly transnational crime and terrorism.

Member Countries of EAPPCO been conducting have operations in Eastern Africa and beyond since 2010. These include Operation Usalama which targets human and arms trafficking, Operation Lionfish Mihadarati targeting drug trafficking networks in the region among others.



The Inspector-General and President of AFRIPOL Mr Japhet Koome and Kenyan Delegation at the 24th annual general meeting of the EAPCCO held in Addis Ababa

Commemoration of Fallen Police Officers

n 16th December CS Interior and National Administration,

Prof. Kithure Kindiki accompanied by the Inspector General Eng. Japhet Koome, joined families and friends of officers of the National Police and Prisons Services in commemorating police officers who died in the line of duty. During the function which was held at the NPC Embakasi "A" Campus, the CS led

NPS in honouring police the 53 officers and prisons officers who have lost their lives since November 2021.

Speaking at the event, the CS Interior conveyed words of empathy and gratitude on

> behalf of H.E.





Widows of Fallen Heroes at NPC Embakasi "A" Campus in Dec 2022

President William Samoei Ruto to the bereaved families. He assured he will take unprecedented measures to support officers who serve in extremely difficult conditions their and families during their service and even in the unfortunate event of death.

He added that it is not important only

memorialize our heroes but to also take care of the families they have left behind. In this regard, among other interventions, the government will ensure that all settlements including payments for the last expense, gratuities and pensions where applicable are processed and released immediately.

During the event, Mr. Kindiki directed the PS Interior and PS Correctional Services to convene with immediate effect, a committee comprising of the Inspector General,



representatives from the National Police Service Commission (NPSC) and other stakeholders that will be tasked to set up a benevolent fund for families and dependants of NPS and Kenya Prisons Service officers who lose their lives in the line of duty.

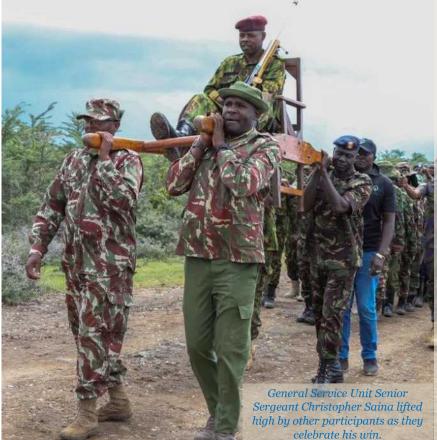
The government is also putting in place measures to minimise officers' exposure to risk by upscaling the equipment modernization program, providing improved personal protective gear, weaponry and armoured land and air support. Further, the construction of 3 specialized hospitals equipped with ultramodern medical equipment will help serve officers injured in the line of duty as well as their families.

The Inspector General on his part condoled with the families of the departed noting that the National Police Service recognizes and honours sacrifices made by police officers who work in difficult circumstances and put themselves in the line of danger every day to protect the lives of others. He further urged officers not to hesitate to defend their own lives and those of others when facing danger. He expressed his confidence that officers are well trained and are able to make good judgement on instances to use their firearms adding that the NPS will not be intimidated and will continue to discharge its mandate as stipulated in the constitution of Kenya.

Also present at the event were PS Interior Dr. Raymond Omollo, PS Correctional Services Ms. Mary Muthoni, the Commissioner-General Prisons Brig.(Rtd) John Warioba among other senior officials.

NEWS FROM THE FIELD

Impeccable results for Police at the 83rd Kenya Open Shooting Competition



fficers from National Police Service Kenya Defence Forces, and representatives from various shooting clubs participated in a thrilling shooting competition held at the Kenya Defence Forces Rifle Range in Nanyuki, Laikipia County. The officers claimed the slots for the planned shooting championships due in South Africa next year.

The 83rd edition of the championship was held from 27th November to 4th December and witnessed General Service Unit Senior Sergeant Christopher Saina claim the top spot ahead of a total of 91 shooters with 283 points. He was followed by Inspector Sanford Otundo with 278 points and marksman Inspector Cornelius Koros from National Police Service Main Campus Kiganjo who notched 274 points respectively

Officers from DCI led by Chief Inspector Francis Kinyua produced impressive results in various categories ultimately forming part of the team to participate in South Africa.

NPS officers claimed several medals earlier this year when they represented the country in Her Majesty Queen's Platinum Jubilee Imperial meeting which was held at Bisley, United Kingdom.

World Mental Health Day

very year on October 10th the International Mental Health Day is observed with a purpose to raise awareness on mental health issues. It also presents an opportunity for people to learn more about mental health, to share experiences and to support each other.

The World Health Organization defines mental health as the state of well-being that enables people to cope with the stresses of life, realize their abilities, learn well, work well and contribute to their communities. In recent years, society has become increasingly aware of the importance of mental health and acknowledging of the prevalence of mental health issues. This recognition has led to a greater understanding of the need to support those struggling with mental health issues, encouraging them to talk about it and seek help. It is also a great step towards breaking the stigma surrounding mental health.

Due to the high-pressure nature of police work,





The Director Directorate of Wellness NPS Mr. Manase Musyoka AIG

imminent danger, exposure to violence and traumatic events it is common for officers to experience feelings of stress and anxiety. This could also lead to mental health problems including depression, anxiety, and post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD). Unfortunately, even those close to persons suffering are affected in ways that may not be immediately evident.

One of the key messages of the International Mental Health Day is that good mental health is essential for overall wellbeing. It is on this basis that the IG Eng. Japhet Koome has established the Directorate of Wellness in an effort to promote a culture that

values mental health and encourage officers to prioritize their own mental health and seek help if they are struggling.

In partnership with health care providers including the Chiromo Group, Nairobi Place and Lifebridge Hospitals, NPS continues to ensure officers who need assistance receive effective, efficient and quality care and follow-up counselling and other support services to enable them to cope and work through any remaining challenges they may be facing.

"It is during our darkest moments that we must focus to see the light." — Aristotle

Multi-Agency teams record more recoveries, restore peace in volatile areas

n the wake of rising cases of banditry in the North Rift region, the multi-agency approach was adopted to prevent, counter and promptly respond to cases of banditry. This approach has registered significant results in Marsabit and Laikipia regions through Operation Rejesha Amani Marsabit and disturbed areas of Laikipia.

Through Operation Komesha Uhalifu in the North Rift Region, we have recovered over 1,000 livestock reportedly stolen in Turkana, Baringo and Isiolo counties, and the same have been handed over to the rightful owners. In addition, several arms and ammunition have been retrieved from the suspected bandits, in the Operation which has since been extended to West Pokot, Elgeiyo Marakwet and Samburu counties.

The IG Eng. Japhet Koome has since taking office,



committed to deal decidedly with bandits who have continued to wreak havoc in various parts of the country. He further urged Kenyans to coexist peacefully

> and work in synergy with security agencies through sharing information and various platforms including Community Policing.

> Similarly, the CS for Interior Prof. Kithure Kindiki has traversed operational areas including Garissa, Wajir, Turkana, Baringo, Laikipia, Samburu and West Pokot and held consultative meetings with county leaders, security agencies and other stakeholders from to seek lasting solutions to insecurity in the country.

Hon. Kindiki lauded the multiagency approach noting that a multi-pronged approach is one way to a long lasting solution to the recurring conflicts in the disturbed areas. To complement efforts by the police, the CS launched specialized training for 300 National Police Reservists (NPR) in Samburu County.



Residents of Samburu County, NGAO officers and security officers receiving a security update during the launch of the National Police Reservists Programme for Samburu County





Eng. Japhet Koome attends his first Jamhuri Day Celebrations as the Inspector General NPS at Nyayo Stadium on 12th December, 2022







SPORTS

Agnes Jerotich, the double bull maestro - marks(wo)manship at its best.

he history of darts game traces back to the English soldiers in Medieval times in the 1300s. The soldiers would shorten their arrows from time to time and throw these shortened arrows at the bottom of a wine barrel or a wide tree. Traditionally, it is a popular pub game. Modern darts have a thin base, a steel pointed tip, and some sort of plastic or similar material which serve as fins.



Agnes Jerotich of APS - Rapid Deployment Unit in action

Meet Agnes Jerotich of Administration Police Service - Rapid Deployment Unit, a die-hard dartist who has made headlines, home and beyond of Brave Warriors Darts Club.

Agnes started her 'aiming' journey in 2011, with her debut and first challenge at APS indoor games-darts.

Just as the adage goes, Rome was not built in a day, her journey was rocky as an amateur dartist. She juggled between her police work and training and in 2019, the undisputed champion embarked on active training with a clear mission to conquer 'the game of clock'.

This was followed by her appearance in the Interstates game in Olkalou, which attracted teams from Uganda, Tanzania and Rwanda where she took the second runner's up position.

Since 2020, Agnes has bagged several trophies including first position in the Machakos tournament, Nakuru Christmas challenge 2022 and Malindi National tournament ladies category. Others include the Green City national tournament April position 3, PDC championship in Uganda, East African Darts Federation.

After a decade, Pamela Jelimo is an Olympic medalist

hen Pamela Jelimo settled for the fourth position in the 800m race clocking 1:57.59s at the London 2012 Olympics, little did she know that she would receive the bronze medal a

decade later.

Jelimo, a police instructor at the National Police Service Main Campus Kiganjo received the bronze medal this month at the National Museum of Kenya in a ceremony attended by various guests including the Cabinet Secretary for Sports, Ababu Namwamba and National Olympic Committee of Kenya (NOC-K) executive president, Paul Tergat. Jelimo received the coveted Olympic Medal to add to her long list of successes after Mariya Savinova was banned for doping and in 2017 stripped of championship medals including the 2012 Olympic gold.

Jelimo, a multiple medalist in various competitions burst into the global limelight when she won the gold medal in the 800 meters at the 2008 Olympics in Beijing. Her prowess in the track is admired by many upcoming athletes, and her dedication to the sport cannot go unnoticed as she mentors upcoming athletes as a coach. Her advice to athletes upon receiving the medal was to eat healthy, train harder and avoid dubious means especially doping as a means to success.

NPS boasts of several outstanding international athletes including the fastest sprinter in Africa, Frederick Omanyala and David Rudisha,

among others. In a bid to inform athletes against this ugly vice NPS has collaborated with the Anti-doping Agency of Kenya. In addition, there have been various seminars conducted aimed at promoting clean running with integrity.



Pamela Jelimo is congratulated by the International Olympic Committee member Kipchoge Keino after receiving her 2012 London Olympic bronze medal

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To provide professional and people centred police service through community partnership and upholding rule of law for a safe and secure society.

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- Integrity
- Equity
- Participation
- Accountability
- Openness
- Civility

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