

NATIONAL POLICE SERVICE

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Mission

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

Vision

A world class Police Service

NPS

Motto

Service with Dignity

Core Values

Justice
Integrity
Equity
Participation
Accountability
Openness
Civility

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MANDATE OF THE NATIONAL POLICE SERVICE

The National Police Service (NPS) is established under Article 243 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 (the Constitution), and comprises of two Services; the Kenya Police Service (KPS) responsible for providing public safety and security; and the Administration Police Service (APS) charged with provision of border security and protection of vital government installations. In addition, Section 87(2) of National Police Service Act, 2011 establishes the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) with the mandate to undertake investigations into serious crimes such as homicides, and coordination of International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL) Affairs in the country. There is also the Internal Affairs Unit that investigates complaints against Police. The command and control of NPS is under the Inspector General -National Police Service (hereafter the IG).

In line with Article 244 of the Constitution, the objects and functions of NPS are to strive for the highest standards of professionalism and discipline among its members; prevent corruption and promote and practice transparency and accountability; comply with constitutional standards of human rights and fundamental freedoms; train staff to the highest possible standards of competence and integrity, respect human rights, fundamental freedoms and dignity, foster and promote relationships with the broader society.

Further, NPS is a national security organs under the Constitution Article 239(1)(c) alongside the Kenya Defence Force (KDF), National Intelligence Service (NIS), and plays a key role in promoting and guaranteeing national security therein defined as "protection against internal and external threats to Kenya's territorial integrity and sovereignty, its people, their rights, freedoms, property, peace, stability, prosperity, and other national interests".

NPS is therefore a critical Government agency and enabler of a conducive environment for economic development in tandem with Kenya Vision 2030 as well as the implementation of the Government's Bottom-Up Economic Transformational Agenda (BETA).

For efficient management, NPS is divided into Directorates, Regions, and Formations/Units.

ACRONYMS

ACA Anti-Counterfeit Authority

AFRIPOL African Union Mechanism for Police Cooperation

AIG Assistant Inspector General APS Administration Police Service

ATMIS African Union Transition Mission in Somalia

ATPU Anti-Terrorism Police Unit

BCOCC Border Control and Operations Coordination Committee

BPU Border Police Unit

CDT Commandant

CFIU Cyber Forensics Investigative Unit
CIMS Critical Incident Management Suite
DCI Directorate of Criminal Investigations

EAC East African Community

EAPPCO The Eastern Africa Police Chiefs Cooperation Organization

GSU General Service Unit IAU Internal Affairs Unit

IC3 Integrated Communication, Command and Control Centre

INTERPOL International Criminal Police Organization

IPO Individual Police Officer

IPOA Independent Policing Oversight Authority

KAA Port Health Services, Kenya Airports Authority

KEBS Kenya Bureau of Standards

KPS Kenya Police Service

MRAP Mine-Resistant Ambush Protected vehicles

NACADA National Authority for the Campaign Against Alcohol and Drug Abuse

NCAJ National Council on the Administration of Justice

NCTC National Counter Terrorism Center

NPS National Police Service

NTSA National Transport and Safety Authority
OCSEA Online Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse

QRU Quick Response Unit SaaS Software as a Service

SAIG Senior Assistant Inspector General

SALW Small arms and Light weapons

SGBV Sexual and Gender-based Violence

SOG Special Operations Group

UNPOL UN Police

MESSAGE FROM IG KOOME



It is my honored opportunity to present the NPS Annual Report for the year 2023 in line with provisions of Article 238 (2)(a) and Article 239 (5) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010.

In 2023, the Service enhanced its service delivery to the public through the adoption of multi-agency approach in combating contemporary crimes, capacity building of our human resource, and the use of technology in policing.

Through the ongoing "Operation Maliza Uhalifu" against banditry in the North Rift Region, NPS and KDF worked jointly and restored normalcy in the region; schools that were closed due to insecurity were reopened and several illicit firearms recovered.

In response to the Government's directive to eradicate illicit brew in the Country, Police in conjunction with other stakeholders sustained the war on counterfeit and contraband goods including illicit brew especially in the Central Region. Targeted crackdowns on illegal alcohol dens led to the arrest and prosecution of 46,000 suspects comprising of manufacturers, distributors, retailers and consumers of the illicit brews

with several other contrabands impounded and destroyed.

On traffic, the Police together with NTSA adopted joint strategies to enhance awareness on road safety and traffic law enforcement. The last quarter of the year however experienced a surge in road traffic accidents, most of which could have been avoided through strict compliance with traffic regulations and rules.

At the regional and international law enforcement arena, NPS chaired the African Mechanism for Police Cooperation (AFRIPOL) 11th steering Committee meeting held in May 2023 in Tunisia and its subsequent Adhoc Committee meeting that reviewed the AFRIPOL Statutes and Structures held in Tunisia in December 2023. The Service also had a bilateral engagement with INTERPOL on training and joint projects, participated in the 25th East Africa Police Chiefs Cooperation organization (EAPCCO) Annual General Assembly meeting in Burundi, and contributed Officers to the UN and AU Peace Support Operations.

In a nutshell, the year 2023 was calm, and culminated with a very peaceful and safe festive Christmas season, owing to the patriotism and dedication of our Officers to serve and protect.

On behalf of all Officers therefore, I wish to thank His Excellency Dr. William Samoei Ruto, CGH, President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces and the Government, for his unwavering support to police reforms.

The National Police Service reiterates its commitment to uphold the utmost fidelity to the Constitution.

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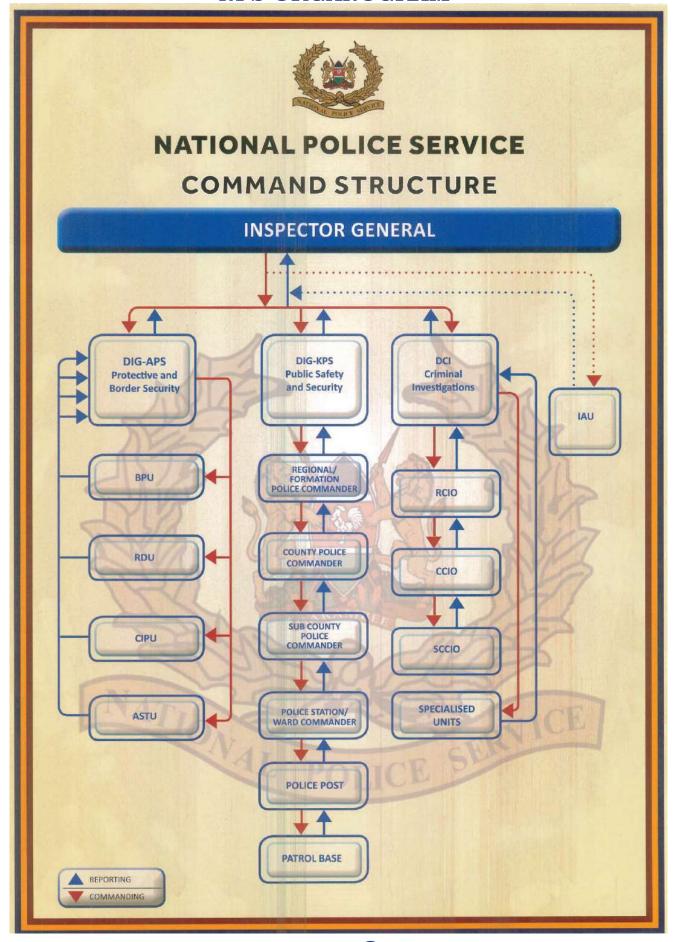


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CHAPTER ONE

1.0 Security Situation and Threats

1.1.0 Introduction

As the world becomes globalized, so have new global security threats emerged that threaten peace and security. In 2023, Kenya grappled with threats from terrorism, transnational organized crime, drug and human trafficking, proliferation of small arms and weapons, crimes against children, money laundering and illicit brew. Notwithstanding, security situation in Kenya remained calm due to the elaborate security measures that were deployed by NPS in collaboration with the other national security organs and members of public.

During the year under review, a total number of cases reported to Police was 104,842 (19% increase) compared to 88,083 cases reported in 2022. This increase is partly attributed to the nationwide crackdown on illicit brew, drugs and psychotropic substances launched by His Excellency the Deputy President Hon. Rigathi Gachagua in April 2023.

CATEGORY OF OFFENCE	2021	2022	DIFF	%DIFF	2022	2023	DIFF	%DIFF
HOMICIDE	3281	3056	-225	-6.9%	3056	3031	-25	-0.8%
OFFENCES AGAINST MORALITY	8182	7166	1020	-12.4%	7166	7655	489	6.8%
OTHER OFFENCES AGAINST PERSONS	22365	22573	208	0.9%	22573	25471	2898	12.8%
ROBBERY	2456	3125	669	27.2%	3125	3988	863	27.6%
BREAKINGS	4973	6114	1141	22.9%	6114	6886	772	12.6%
THEFT OF STOCK	1964	2679	715	36.4%	2679	2860	181	6.8%
STEALING	11762	14718	2956	25.1%	14718	18534	3816	25.9%
THEFT BY SERVANT	1798	1690	-108	-6.0%	1690	1907	217	12.8%
VEHICLE AND OTHER THEFTS	1278	1459	181	14.2%	1459	1687	228	15.6%
DANGEROUS DRUGS	5743	6526	783	13.6%	6526	9338	2812	43.1%
TRAFFIC OFFENCES	123	158	35	28.5%	158	173	15	9.5%
CRIMINAL DAMAGE	4627	4426	-201	-4.3%	4426	5078	652	14.7%
ECONOMIC CRIMES	4004	4367	363	9.1%	4367	4970	603	13.8%
CORRUPTION	96	95	-1	-1.0%	95	116	21	22.1%
OFFENCES INVOLVING POLICE OFFICERS	75	77	2	2.7%	77	180	103	133.8%
OFFENCES INVOLVING TOURIST	31	26	-5	-16.1%	26	68	42	161.5%
OTHER PENAL CODE OFFENCES	8514	9828	1314	15.4%	9828	12900	3072	31.3%
GRAND TOTAL	81272	88083	6811	8.4%	88083	104842	16759	19.0%

Table 1: Comparative Crime figures for the years 2021/2022/2023

The highest recorded number of crimes last year were 25,471 categorized as "other offences against persons (assault, creating disturbance, affray, maiming, grievous harm, intimidation, preparation to commit a felony and offensive conduct) compared with 22,573 cases reported last year, translating into an increase of 12.8%. "Other offences against persons", assault (19,328 cases) had the highest number followed by creating disturbance and affray (5,615 and 528 cases) respectively. Stealing was the second highest category (18,534 cases) in 2023,3816 more than 14718 cases in 2022, an increase of 25.9%.

Robbery equally increased last year from 3,125 to 3,988 (12.8%) increase compared to 2022. Unlike the other crimes, homicide decreased from 3056 to 3021 (-0.8%) compared to 2022.

In terms of regions, Rift Valley had the highest number of crimes (23,481 cases), indicating an increase of 3,017 cases (14.7%) compared to 2022, followed by Eastern Region with 20,423 cases, an increase of 2,372 cases or 13.1% compared to last year, while Central Region was third with 19,196 cases signifying an increase of 21.4% than 2022.

A comparative analysis based on Counties placed Meru County first with 6,037 cases of crime reported to the police most of which were Offences against Persons (5137) followed by stealing (3614). In third place was Central Region with 19,196 cases which is an increase by 21.4% compared to 2022. Kiambu County recorded 9,532 cases which was the highest in the region, followed by Murang'a County (3,660 cases), and Nyeri County (2,400 cases).

1.2 Threats to National Security

1.2.0 Terrorism

Terrorism remains a major security threat around the world. It is a persistent global issue that knows no border, nationality, or religion. Al-Shabaab militants have remained active and together with ISIS, their strength cannot be underestimated. Al-Shabaab terrorist group targets Kenya due to various predisposing factors: Kenya's strategic geopolitical position, international status and visibility, highly developed and lucrative tourist sector that provides soft targets, the presence of terror sleep cells, and expanding democratic space all render the country vulnerable to terrorism attacks.

Specialized Police units including the General Service Unit (GSU), Quick Response Unit (QRU), Anti-Terrorism Police Unit (ATPU), Bomb Disposal Unit, Cyber Forensics Investigative Unit (CFIU), Special Operations Group (SOG), and Border Police Unit (BPU) in collaboration with Kenya Defence Forces (KDF), National Intelligence Service (NIS) and the National Counter-Terrorism Centre prevented and thwarted significant terrorism attempts.

Collaboration with international law enforcement agencies/partners such as INTERPOL provided a vital platform for the coordination of efforts against terrorism, including sharing intelligence, experiences to further incapacitate the terror networks. With assistance from the United States Government, the Regional Counter-terrorism Training Centre was opened at Kanyonyoo Border Police Unit in Kitui County to offer specialized advanced tactical training, enhance border and national security and facilitate joint operations across the region.

In 2023, 58 terror-related incidences were reported, signifying a decrease of 9 cases compared to 67 cases reported in 2022, while 32 terrorism suspects were arrested. Mandera County recorded the highest number of terrorism cases followed by Lamu, Garissa, and Wajir respectively. Most of the attacks targeted security camps and vital government installations many of which were successfully thwarted by security officers.

In 2023, Kenya encountered terrorism threats from Al-Shabaab militants, primarily along the Kenya-Somalia border in the North Eastern, and Coast Regions. Most of the attacks included emplacement of Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs) on major supply routes and ambushes targeting Kenyan security team, critical infrastructure especially communication masts, and non-local professionals working in the area.



Warfare equipment recovered by Police on patrol from Al-Shabaab militants in Garissa County in May 2023

1.2.1 Drug trafficking

Drug trafficking is a global illicit trade involving the cultivation, manufacture, distribution and sale of substances contrary to drug prohibition laws. Abuse of Narcotics, Drugs and Psychotropic Substances undermines security and poses a major threat to political and social stability, the rule of law, human rights and economic development. The most abused Narcotics, Drugs and Psychotropic Substances in Kenya last year were Cannabis Sativa (Marijuana/Bhang), heroin, cocaine, morphine, Cozepam tabs, MDMA, Diazepam and Rohypnol.





477 Kilograms of Bhang intercepted in Kilifi South, 560kgs Cannabis Sativa set ablaze in Makindu, Makueni County

NPS has remained steadfast and in collaboration with various stakeholders such as NACADA, and other security agencies intensified counter-drug trafficking operations leading to arrests, and expedited prosecution of suspects in accordance with the Narcotics Drugs and Psychotropic Substances (Control) Act. In 2023, a total of 7,891 persons were arrested and arraigned in court for drug-related offences as follows 6,397 were found in possession, 1,278 in trafficking, while 216 were found cultivating.

1.2.2 Organized Criminal Groups

The proliferation of organized criminal gangs in Kenya has been evolving at unprecedented rates and measures, thus causing the public to live in fear of potential attacks, disruption of business, and putting the image of the country at stake. In 2023, several organized criminal gangs remained a threat to security, with *Mungiki* dominating in Nairobi, *Panga Boys* in Mombasa and *Confirm* in Nakuru Counties where they engaged in street muggings/robberies.

Last year, NPS identified the modus operandi of organized criminal gangs including their command structures and networks most of which Police successfully dismantled, contained the situation, and restored normalcy in the affected areas, leading to the arrest and arraignment of 929 suspects of organized criminal gangs in Court. A total of 417 members of criminal gangs were arrested in Nakuru, followed by Nyeri which had 274 and Mombasa 106. Most of the gang members belonged to Confirm in Nakuru, followed by Mungiki in Nyeri.

ARRESTS OF ORGANIZED GANG SUSPECTS FOR THE YEAR 2023										
COUNTY	CONFIRM	PANGA BOYS	MUNGIKI	MRC	CHAFU	TEAM SHAMBA	MUJAHIDEEN	MAUKI	ORGANISED	TOTAL
KIAMBU	0	0	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	9
MOMBASA	0	95	0	0	4	0	2	0	5	106
NAKURU	352	0	53	0	0	0	0	12	0	417
KWALE	0	15	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	19
KILIFI	0	5	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	11
KAJIADO	0	0	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	20
BUSIA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
NYERI	0	0	274	0	0	0	0	0	0	274
KIRINYAGA	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
BOMET	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	8
MURANGA	0	0	62	0	0	0	0	0	0	62
TRANZOIA	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
TOTAL	353	115	418	4	4	6	2	12	15	929

1.2.3 Counterfeit and Contraband Goods

Counterfeit and contraband goods deny consumers the opportunity to enjoy benefits that come with genuine products. They encourage unfair business competition, deny government revenues in unpaid taxes, and expose consumers to risks, which sometimes lead to fatalities. In the long run, counterfeits undermine intellectual property rights, and hurt innovations. Further, proceeds from Counterfeit and Contraband goods may end up furthering organized criminal activities such as terrorism and money laundering, which compromises national security.



Counterfeit alcoholic drinks seized during a multi-agency operation carried out in Murang'a County on 22rd September, 2023

NPS in conjunction with Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) and Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS), last year conducted numerous successful intelligence-led operations that led to arrest of 432 suspects. Also impounded last year were 75,301 Kilograms of sugar, 20,327 Kgs of rice, 5,356 Kgs of milk powder, 2,468 bags of fertilizer, 1,593 drums of Ethanol, 433,545 Packets of cigarettes, 272,892 pieces of alcohol among others.

1.2.4 Wildlife Crimes

Wildlife crime is one of the main challenges in wildlife conservation globally, and Kenya is no exception. Kenya's invaluable wildlife resources are under threat due to poaching and trade in endangered flora and fauna, it has remained a threat to the country's security, economy, and conservation efforts. In 2023, NPS in collaboration with Kenya Wildlife Service and Kenya Forest Service arrested and arraigned suspects for various offences. The Service also recovered rhino horns, live pangolin, sandalwood, and elephant tusks. However, the proliferation of trade in bush meat was noted as a serious emerging threat to wildlife.





Elephant tusks recovered in Embu County on 23rd September, 2023

1.2.5 Cattle Rustling and Banditry

Cattle rustling and theft of stock remained a threat to national security particularly in the North Rift Region where marauding armed criminals and bandits attacked residents and stole livestock. Unlike in the past where traditional cattle rustling involved small-scale violence and theft of the best livestock or replacement of animals lost through drought or disease, the proliferation of small arms and commercialization of cattle rustling has turned into a deadly commercial enterprise, supported by stock theft lords. It is now characterized with unwarranted loss of lives of both security agents and civilians, displacement of women, children, livestock theft and wanton destruction of property such as schools, police vehicles and other social amenities.

In response, the Government on 13th February 2023 declared six Countries namely, Turkana, West Pokot, Elgeyo Marakwet, Baringo, Laikipia and Samburu Counties as "dangerous and disturbed" due to the rampant incidents of banditry. This was followed by strict Curfew Orders and commencement of a multi-agency security operation dubbed 'Operation Maliza Uhalifu North Rift' involving KDF and NPS.

During the period under review, a total of 998 cases of cattle rustling and stock theft were recorded, 60,990 livestock were stolen which is a decrease as compared to 71,223 livestock stolen last year. Further, 202 fatalities were recorded while 230 persons were injured in comparison to 232 fatalities and 292 injuries in 2022 which denotes a decrease of 30 fatalities and 62 injuries.



2,600 goats recovered during "Operation Maliza Uhalifu in North Rift" in Turkana East Sub-County on 6th April, 2023

1.2.6 Proliferation of Small Arms and Light Weapons

Despite her stability within the Horn of Africa, Kenya remains vulnerable to trafficking of illicit weapons due to her geographical location in a conflict-ridden region. Proliferation of Small arms and Light Weapons (SALW) into the country presents a serious threat to public safety and security. SALW have fueled urban crimes including robberies, cattle rustling and ethnic conflict. The net effect has been high security costs, and instability arising from cross border pastoral conflicts.

Due to the resolve and commitment to secure lives of Kenyans, NPS in collaboration with other stakeholders took practical steps in combating illegal arms trade and the proliferation of illicit weapons. Through intelligence-led operations in Laikipia, Marsabit, Baringo, Elgeyo Marakwet, Turkana, Isiolo, West Pokot and Samburu Counties, amnesty programmes and calls for community disarmament, robust SALW controls and enforcement measures were successful and yielded recoveries, arrests and arraignment.

1.2.7 Human Trafficking and Migrant Smuggling

Human trafficking and migrant smuggling are transnational organized crimes that use men, women and children for profit. The organized networks or individuals behind these lucrative crimes take advantage of people who are vulnerable, desperate or simply seeking a better life. These crimes undermine the populations' fundamental rights and freedoms, health and safety thus posing a threat to national security. In 2023, NPS in collaboration with other stakeholders including NIS, KRA, Port Health Services, and the Directorate of Immigration Services deployed a multi-agency approach which resulted in interception, investigation, arrests and arraignment of suspected smugglers and traffickers, while some victims were rescued and repatriated or deported. A total of 1,272 aliens/illegal immigrants or undocumented immigrants were arrested across the country compared to 1,764 arrests made in 2022 which translates to a decrease in number of arrests by 28%. Most of the aliens originated from Ethiopia and Somalia.



Illegal firearms recovered during Operation Maliza Uhalifu in North Rift

1.2.8 Online Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse

Crimes against children remain underreported to police because most of the perpetrators are usually people related to the children. With the advancement in Information and communication technologies, the situation is further compounded with emergence of Online Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (OCSEA). Since 2006, NPS has made deliberate efforts in the best interest of the child, to encourage report of the same, through the establishment of Child Protection Units within police stations. With assistance from international partners including UNODC, UK NCA and INTERPOL, in 2016 NPS established the Anti–Human Trafficking and Child Protection (AHTCPU) at the DCI Academy, and later Mombasa to investigate OCSEA.

Through the AHTCPU, Kenya is accredited for being the first Country within Eastern Africa Region to have been connected to the INTERPOL International Child Sexual Exploitation (ICSE) Database, in addition to its connectivity to the US-based National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC). Charged with the responsibilities to investigate OCSEA, child trafficking and offer specialized advise/training to NPS Officers working in the Child Protection Units within police stations, AHTCPU last year recorded a total of 111 cases compared to 79 cases reported in the preceding year. Cases received in 2023 consisted of physical sexual abuse (defilement, sexual assault, indecent acts), OCSEA (pornography and child prostitution), cases of missing children, child trafficking, suspected organ trafficking, kidnapping, child neglect/abandonment, physical abuse, child stealing, and early/forced marriages.



VULNERABILITY: School children interacting with the Inspector General of Police during his operational tour in Meru on 19th June, 2023

1.2.9 Illicit Brew

Illicit liquor is brewed without adherence to standards, verification and authorization by the Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS), and is normally sold in backstreet drinking dens and unlicensed outlets. Illicit brew and substance abuse have affected Mt Kenya Region leading to the potential loss of an entire generation. The hue and cry of rampant trade in illicit and adulterated liquor, proliferation of second generation alcohol and mushrooming of unlicensed liquor stores led the Government last year to declare a war on illicit brews as directed by His Excellency Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua.

In 2023, Police in partnership with National Government Administration Authority (NGAO), NACADA, KRA, KEBS, the Anti-Counterfeit Authority (ACA) and the County Governments executed strategies to curb the production, consumption and sale of illicit brew in Kenya, with a special focus on Central Region. Thus, a total of 1,264,543 litres of illicit brew were impounded, while 45,715 persons were arrested out of which 7,145 were manufacturers, 1,029 distributors, 13,718 retailers and 23,823 consumers.





575 litres of Ethanol alcohol impounded at Elementaita Police Station in Nakuru County on 27th December, 2023

1.2.10 Sexual and Gender Based Violence

Sexual and Gender Based Violence (SGBV) is a criminal offence and a moral indignation as provided in the Kenyan Penal Code, the Sexual Offences Act and the Constitution. It is a symptom of underlying gender inequalities and power imbalances that transcend the bounds of geography, race, culture, class, and religion. It encompasses various forms including physical, verbal, psychological, sexual and socio-economic violence leading to psychological, social and economic challenges.

During the year under review, a total of 7872 cases were reported to the Police most of which (5857) were defilement in nature. Nairobi County having the highest numbers (626) followed by Nakuru (441) while Mandera Country recorded the least (19) cases. A total of 8016 suspects were accused of SGBV crimes (7666 males compared with 350 females suspects). In contrast, most victims of SGBV last year were females (7409 and 462 males, totaling 7409 victims of SGBV. In terms of age, children aged 10-14 years old were the majority of victims, representing 30% of all victims.

1.2.11 Road Traffic Accidents

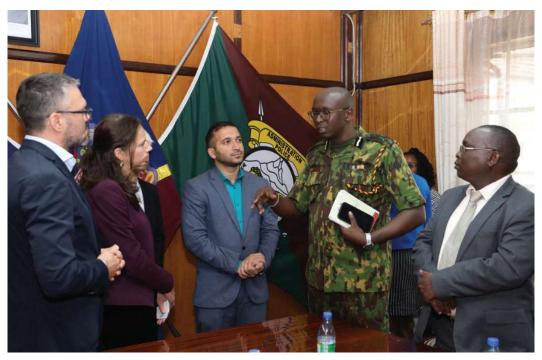
Tragically, road crashes claim the lives of a significant number of individuals annually, with countless others enduring severe injuries. Vulnerable road users, including pedestrians, cyclists, and motorcyclists, bear the brunt of these fatalities, causing considerable economic losses to individuals, their families, and to the nation as a whole. These losses arise from the cost of treatment as well as lost productivity for those killed or disabled by their injuries, and caregivers.

Majority of road traffic accidents were attributed to non-compliance and lawlessness

that include operating defective vehicles, failure to use safety belts by commuters, speeding, driving under the influence of alcohol and drugs, and dangerous overtaking and corrupt practices of some Police Officers. NPS together with NTSA adopted a multipronged strategy that included targeted operations and public sensitization on road safety.

In 2023, there were 9, 990 cases of road traffic accidents recorded compared to 9,976 cases in 2022, representing a marginal increase by 0.14%. Out of the traffic accidents recorded in 2023, 3,710 were fatal, followed by 5,008 serious Injury road traffic accidents and 1,272 slight injury road traffic accidents in that order.

In addition, there were 4,324 victims (fatalities) in 2023 as compared to 4,690 in 2022, representing decrease of 366 cases /8%. A total of 10,769 people sustained serious injuries in 2023 as compared to 9,935people in 2022, while 7,792 people sustained slight injuries in 2023 as compared to 7,132 persons in 2022.



WORLD BANK: NPS Director of Planning, Finance and Administration Mr. David Njagi, AIG with World Bank and NTSA personnel discussed strategies of controlling road crashes in Kenya

The total fines collected due to road traffic cases in 2023 was Kshs.296,718,984/= compared to Kshs.172,811,550/= in 2022, marking an increase of Kshs.123,907,434/= or 72% of the fines collected.

	ACC	VICTIMS						
	2022	2023	Var.	% Var.	2022	2023	Var.	% Var.
Fatal	4043	3710	-333	8%	4690	4324	-366	-8%
Serious	4823	5008	185	4%	9935	10769	834	8%
Slight	1110	1272	162	15%	7132	7792	660	9%
TOTAL	9976	9990	14	0.14%	21757	22885	1128	5%

Table 9: Table of Accidents and Victims for the year 2022/2023

To improve road safety and law enforcement, Traffic Police Unit together with NTSA last year conducted joint public awareness and education on road safety, strengthening traffic law enforcement, including increased police presence on the roads, use of speed cameras, arrests and prompt arraignment. To ensure effective command and control, IG Koome realigned the Service by transferring the Traffic Police command from Regional Police Commanders to Commandant Traffic, headed by Mrs. Mary Wangui Omari, AIG, ndc (K).



Fatal road accident at Hill Tea Area along Eldoret - Nakuru Road on 18th December, 2023

1.2.12 Cybercrime

Cybercrime is a global threat that continues to rise in scale and complexity. It has evolved into a significant threat to human rights, democracy and the rule of law, and international peace and stability, with a major social and economic impact. In Kenya, crimes targeting individuals, corporations, and institutions through the use of computer technology are a growing threat to personal and national security. Last year, NPS through the DCI Cybercrime Unit addressed various aspects of cyber crime including human trafficking, cyber bullying, fraud, theft, extortion, transnational crime and terrorism, which led to swift investigation, arrests and arraignment of suspects.

1.2.13 Vandalism

Vandalism is a serious criminal enterprise that violates the economic rights of Kenyans and derails the Government's effort to provide services to the public. Increased cases of vandalism of electrical installation continue to expose the citizenry to the potential risks to public safety associated with the theft of electrical transformers that poses severe risks to both lives and property in the form of power outages, electrocution hazards and disruption of power flows to critical services such as healthcare and emergency response systems. In 2023, the country witnessed vandalism of electric cables, transformers, streetlights, fibre optic cables and road signs, and the Standard Gauge Railway (SGR) which in turn found their way to market of unscrupulous scrap metal dealers. To firmly tackle this menace, NPS collaborated with Scrap Metal Dealers and SGR Management which enhanced surveillance, security patrols, public awareness campaigns, and community engagements leading to the arrest, and arraignment of vandals.



RAILWAY: IG Japhet Koome and the Chinese military attachee in Kenya, Senior Colone Qiu, Commandant Railway Police Mr. Patrick Tito, AIG and Kenya Railways personnel conducted an inspection tour on the safety of SGR line from Nairobi to Mombasa and back in March 2023

CHAPTER TWO

2.0 Institutional Capacity Enhancement

Security is vital in achieving and sustaining the economic growth envisaged under the Bottom-up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA). Towards the achievement of this agenda, the National Police Service diligently executed its mandate of promoting public safety and maintenance of law and order creating a secure environment that provided an incentive for attracting investments both from within and outside our borders and stimulated economic growth in the country. In pursuit of NPS's vision, mission, strategic objectives and in line with the NPS's transformation agenda, the Service adopted various strategies including strengthening its operational and institutional capacity with an intention to enhance and optimize service delivery by delivering quality, accessible, responsive, professional and accountable policing services to the people in Kenya.

2.1 Personnel



HONOR: H.E. President Dr. William Ruto presents a Cane of Honor to the Best Female Recruit during Pass Out Parade at the National Police College Kiganjo Main Campus in January 2023, marking the President's inaugural Pass Out Parade for NPS.

Towards realisation of the vision of an efficient, professional and responsive police service and ensuring that the Service earns the confidence, respect and trust of the public, NPS has been conducting recruitment drives targeting various cadres of Police experts and talents. In 2023, H.E., Hon. William Ruto, PhD., CGH, President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces presided over Pass Out Parades at Kiganjo as well as Embakasi A and B Campus where a total 5,867 recruits joined the Service. Last year, no recruitment was conducted.

2.2 Housing

NPS faces acute shortage of decent houses for the uniformed Officers. Some of the past efforts to address the housing inadequacy in NPS included leasing and provision of housing allowances both of which present a significant challenge to police command and control as Officers are housed outside their stations. Currently, there is provision to construct police houses through the Government's Affordable Housing Program, and utilization of the Civil Servants Housing Mortgage at 5% interest rate. Ensuring adequate and suitable housing for Officers nonetheless remains crucial for police welfare. As at the end of last year, several Police housing projects under construction were stalled due to budgetary constraints.

2.3 NPS Capability on Land, Air and Water

As the national security organ charged with the internal security of Kenya, NPS has mandate to secure the land, air and sea. Part of NPS Modernization Program is geared towards improving mobility through the Police Motor Vehicle Leasing Project. In the past, NPS acquired sophisticated vehicles including Armored Personnel Carrier, Mine Resistant Ambush Protected, motorcycles, among other utility vehicles. The leased vehicles improved police mobility and safety in the daily operations, eased operational costs and ensured optimal service delivery. While no new vehicles have been added to the initially leased fleet, last year the Service received new motorcycles donated by Inchcape Kenya.



AVIATION: Commandant NPS Airwing, Captain James Kabo, CP (now AIG) receiving IG Koome after they landed during IG's visit to Mukowe, Lamu County.

Similarly, NPS Airwing received back its aircrafts from the multi-agency aviation department, National Air Support Department (NASD) launched in December 2020. As stipulated under the NPS Standing Orders, NPS Airwing is responsible for facilitating all forms of security related aerial work by Government agencies including observation, patrol, photography, aerial survey, dropping of supplies and security equipment and search and rescue, providing aerial reconnaissance, and protection and security of very important persons,



casualty evacuation and crowd control and dispersal among others.

Last year, NPS Airwing had 58 pilots (43 males and 15 females) specialized in flying fixed wing and helicopters, and several flight engineers. Similarly last year, both the Firearms Licensing Bureau and Kenya Coast Guard Services (KCGS) were reverted back to the Command of NPS with Mr. Rashid Yakub, SAIG and Mr. Bruno Isohi Shioso, SAIG taking over as their respective heads.

Commandant Presidential Escort Unit, Mr. William Yiampoy, SAIG



ESCORT: Police Riders from the Presidential Escort Unit, one of the specialized NPS Formations/Units under the Kenya Police Service at NPS HQS

2.4 Training

The security environment under which police officers operate today is volatile, uncertain, complex, and ambiguous amidst technological advancement and globalization. Emerging crimes including commercialized banditry attacks, terrorism, violent extremism, and transnational organized crime and OCSEA all require specialized knowledge and evidence-based approaches to tackle effectively. This calls for continuous training and exposure of Officers. Notably, Constitutional mandate of NPS to train its staff to the highest possible standards of competence and integrity and to respect human rights and fundamental freedoms and dignity is paramount.

Last year, His Excellency the President Dr. William Ruto, PhD., CGH, presided over the opening ceremony of the National Police Leadership Academy in Ngong', Kajiado County. The modern facility sits on 100 acres piece of land.

The Police Chief termed the opening of the Ngong' Academy "a significant step towards professionalization of the National Police Service", IG Japhet Koome."



BAND: Kenya Police Brass Band Officers interacting with IG Koome during Passout Parade Rehearsal

The IG's sentiments were echoed by the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration, Prof. Kithure Kindiki who emphasized that the "future of policing [in Kenya] is going to be knowledge-driven, and that eradicating crime needs knowledge, acquired through our own curriculum to meet our needs which are unique", Prof. Kithure Kindiki.

Similarly, His Excellency the Deputy President Hon. Rigathi Gachagua urged IG Koome to impart leadership skills in NPS as part of his [IG's] legacy noting that,

"a good police station is as good as the Officer Commanding that station", H.E. the Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua.

2.5 Welfare

The need to improve the welfare issues including but not limited to police housing, better terms of service and working conditions geared towards transforming the Service into a modern and responsive Service that is adequately prepared to tackle the dynamic national security challenges based on democratic policing principles.

2.5.1 Border Police Hospital Kanyonyoo and NPS Hospital Mbagathi

The idea for a Police Hospital was conceived in 1997 when it was realized that officers injured in the line of duty did not receive prompt and adequate medical attention. In 2023, H.E., Dr. William Ruto, PhD., CGH, President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces presided over the opening of the Border Police Hospital at Border Police Training Campus (BPTC) in Kanyonyoo, Kitui County. The Level 4 Border Police Hospital has a capacity of 130 beds, operating theatre, ICU, and maternity wards, and is partially operational as the National Police Hospital Mbagathi awaits official opening.



HEALTH: IP. Dr. Beatrice Nkatha, from the Administration Police Service taking IG KOOME round during his assessment of the readiness of the Border Police Unit Hospital in Kanyonyoo, Kitui County on February 23, 2023.

2.5.2 Sports

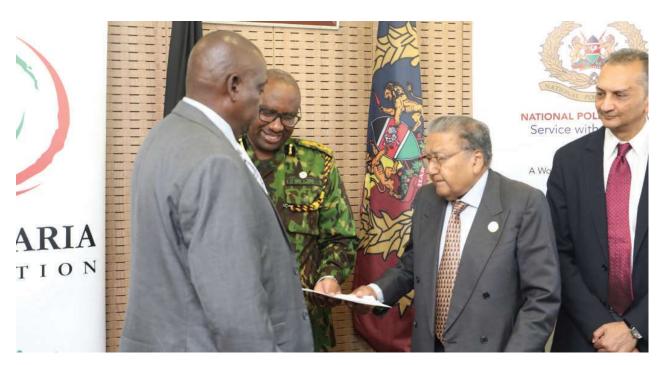
Last year, NPS launched its stadium which was officially commissioned by His Excellency the President Dr. William Ruto, CGH at DCI Academy, South C Nairobi on February 3, 2024. The Kenya National Police DT Stadium coincided with the celebration of 50 years of the Police Sacco's existence. Cpl. Ferdinand Omanyala and APC Beatrice Chepkoech equally posted sterling performance last year.



CHAMPION: World 800M champion PC Mary Moraa (now Corporal) presents gold medal she won at Budapest World Championship in Hungary to IG Koome at NPS Jogoo House

2.5.3 Manu Chandaria Bravery Awards

In recognition of outstanding Police officers whose courage and selflessness go far above and beyond the call of duty, Chandaria Foundation feted gallant officers twice. Last year, Chandaria Foundation honored 40 NPS Officers with the Chandaria Award, covering the years 2021 and 2022. The 2022 Award Ceremony was hampered by Covid-19 pandemic. During the 35th Manu Chandaria Bravery Award ceremony held on 13th September 2023



BRAVERY: Dr. Manu Chandaria presents a certificate to a DCI Officer during the 35th Manu Chandaria
Bravery Award Ceremony held at NPS Headquarters, Nairobi on September 13, 2023
Chandaria Bravery Award is for NPS Officers who exhibited acts of bravery in execution of their duties.

Looking on is Mr. Kaushik Shah

at the National Police Service Headquarters which was attended by the IG Japhet Koome and Philanthropist, Dr. Manu Chandaria, Dr. Chandaria expressed his gratitude to

"Police Officers in Kenya for sacrificing their time, to protect Kenyans, and ensure that Kenyans sleep safely," Dr. Manu Chandaria

2.6 Police Accountability and Transparency

Transparency and accountability is a key objective of the NPS, hence in order to ensure oversight and accountability, the Independent Policing Oversight Authority (IPOA) is mandated to investigate any complaints related to disciplinary or criminal offences committed by any member of the NPS, whether on its own motion or on receipt of a complaint, inspections of Police premises and detention facilities; and monitor and investigate policing operations

In addition, NPS has the Internal Affairs Unit (IAU) that is responsible for receiving and investigating complaints against police officers, including allegations of bribery, abuse of power, negligence, and other forms of misconduct. The unit conducts thorough investigations into these complaints and takes appropriate action against officers found guilty of misconduct, including disciplinary measures, criminal prosecution, or dismissal from the Service. In the period under review, 180 reports relating to offences involving police officers were recorded and necessary action was taken.



OVERSIGHT: IG Koome, Chairperson of Independent Policing Oversight Authority, Mrs. Anne Makori , and Director DCI Mr. Mohamed I. Amin during consultative meeting on corruption with NPS Commanders held at Kenya School of Government, Kabete on September 29, 2023

CHAPTER THREE

3.0 Use of Technology in Policing

Emerging security challenges facing our country have become more sophisticated and complex. Compounded by an interconnected world and advancement in technology, the emerging technologies such as cloud computing, growth of Software as a Service (SaaS) and mobile digital platform are exploited by criminals to advance cybercrime. Therefore, NPS has gradually been adopting technology through its modernization program to aid in policing. Last year, NPS deployed technology especially in the areas of criminal investigation, border surveillance and traffic management.

3.1 Integrated, Communication, Command and Control (IC3) Centre

NPS's Integrated, Command, Control, and Communication (IC3) center, is tasked with the management and coordination of emergency response, surveillance, critical operations and traffic management within Nairobi and Mombasa cities with the latter being partially operational. IC3 has sections including Emergency Call Centre that handles incoming and outgoing public trunk calls, Dispatching Centre that dispatch, monitor and support operational resources, and Critical Incident Management Suite to proactively and intelligently monitor public spaces. One of the key challenges facing the effectiveness of the IC3 is inadequate maintenance of the surveillance cameras in the cities.



INTERPOL: President of INTERPOL Maj Gen Dr. Ahmed Naser al-Raisi at the NPS IC3, with IG Japhet Koome in February 13, 2023. At the back is DCI Mr. Mohamed I. Amin

3.2 DCI National Forensic Laboratory

The DCI National Forensic Lab is a state-of-the art Laboratory that serves the entire NPS and other Government investigative agencies. The lab has 12 mini labs including Foresnics, Ballistics, Fingerprint Sections among others. The lab was partly operational upto 45% due to its limited capacity arising from expired licences for forensic software used for analysis and Certification of Digital Forensic Examiners, which siginificantly slowed down the production of Police Clearance Certificates last year. In response, The Government signed a contract for an Automated Palm Fingerprint Integrated Analysis System (APFIS) and the project was on court as at the end of last year. The future is to decentralize the lab to the County level subject to availability of funds to enhance the speed of identification of suspects which will result into faster apprehension of offenders and easier determination of prosecuted suspects.



FORENSICS: The Commissioner General of the Ethiopian Federal Police & Chairman of the Eastern Africa Police Chiefs Cooperation Organization (EAPCCO), Mr. Demelash Gebremichael at the DCI National Forensics Laboratory on June 10, 2023 conversing with NPS Document Examination Officers: L to R: PC. Ochieng, CI. Cheruiyot and Mr. Geoffrey Chania

CHAPTER FOUR

4.0 Local, Regional and International Partnerships in Policing

Fostering and promoting relationships with the broader society is one of the key objects and functions of the National Police Service as provided for in the constitution, hence in pursuit of this function, the Service rolled out a robust strategy for collaboration and partnership with communities as well as with strategic national and international partners to build a strong, professional and quality police service in Kenya.

4.1 Local Partnerships in Policing

Recognizing that collective efforts are essential in maintaining peace and security, NPS has been building alliances with all stakeholders including communities, Private Sector Development Partners, Academic Institutions and Non-Governmental Organizations. This participation ensures that all members of society have a voice and role in shaping and implementing effective policing strategies, promoting transparency, accountability, and trust between the police and the public.



COMMUNITY: IG Japhet KOOME interacting with members of public in Turkana

4.2 Regional and International Partnerships in Policing

NPS has a long history of being a Police Contributing Country on peacekeeping missions and peace support operations. Kenya Police Officers have served on missions in many countries including United Nations Transitional Assistance Group Namibia, UN Transitional Authority in Cambodia, UN Protection Force in (former Yugoslavia), UN Mission in Bosnia and Herzegovina, UN Transitional Administration in East Timor, UN Civilian Police Support

group in Croatia, UN Observer Mission in Sierra Leone, UN Mission in Sierra Leone, UN Mission in Kosovo, AU Mission in Darfur. Current Peace Support Operations Deployment include UNMISS South Sudan, AMISOM Somalia, UNSOM Somalia, MONUSCO DRC, UNISFA Abyei, INURSO Western Sahara, UNHQRS New York, UNLB Brindisi-Italy, Haiti Mission will be similar to KOSOVO and YUGOSLAVIA Missions in which Kenyan Police Officers were armed.



PEACEKEEPING: NPS Director of Human Capital & Development Ms. Rosemary Kuraru, SAIG, MBS, ndc (K) received NPS Officers after successful completion of their peacekeeping mission in ATMIS, at NPS Headquarters.

In discharging his continental mandate as the President of AFRIPOL General Assembly, IG Koome from 3rd to 4th May, 2023, IG Koome presided over the AFRIPOL 11th Steering Committee Meeting held in Tunis, Tunisia. AFRIPOL, a technical institution of the African Union has a mandate to strengthen cooperation between the police agencies of AU member states in the prevention and fight against organized transnational crime, terrorism, and



AFRIPOL: The President of AFRIPOL IG KOOME chairs the AFRIPOL 11th Steering Committee Meeting in Tunis, Tunisia in May 2023. On the right is Ag. Director for AFRIPOL Amb. Jalel Chelba and AU Legal Officer Amb. Mohammed



US:IG Koome chats with Mr. Patrick S. Mills during a courtesy visit to his Jogoo House office

Last year, NPS enhanced its collaboration with Regional and International Law Enforcement Agencies and development partners, through existing security architectures including the UN, Eastern Africa Police Chiefs Cooperation Organization (EAPCCO), International Criminal Police Organization (INTERPOL), UN Police (UNPOL), UNODC, German Cooperation (GIZ), East Africa Community, and African Union Mechanism for Police Cooperation (AFRIPOL).

In his remarks during the opening ceremony for the 11th AFRIPOL Steering Committee on May 3, 2023 in Tunis, Tunisia, President Koome emphasized that "Our priority therefore as AFRIPOL is to strengthen and harmonize the capacities of Law Enforcement Agencies in our Member States and facilitate our cooperation and collaboration in the prevention and fight against organized transnational crimes".

Elsewhere, DIG-KPS, Mr. Douglas Kanja represented the IG during the 25th EAPCCO Annual General Assembly meeting held in Bujumbura, Burundi from October 22nd to 27th. On 6th to 7th November, 2023, NPS attended EAPPCO meeting held at Lilian Towers, Nairobi that extensively deliberated on various reports regarding transnational organized crimes, Ballistics, Standard Operating Procedures, small and light weapons as well as legal frameworks for regional law enforcement.

In December 2023, the AFRIPOL Adhoc Committee meeting was held in Tunisia, in which the IG was represented by NPS Spokesperson, Dr. Resila Onyango, AIG. The meeting reviewed the structures and legal framework of AFRIPOL following the recommendations of the 11th Steering Committee.

CHAPTER FIVE

5.0 Border Security

Securing Kenya's borders is a key national security agenda aimed at deterring terrorism, proliferation of illicit arms and contraband goods all of which have real and potential negative effects on the socio-economic and political stability of the country.

To enhance border security, NPS worked closely with the national security organs, and other agencies including Kenya Coast Guard Service, Directorate of Immigration Services, National Counter Terrorism Center (NCTC), Kenya Bureau of Standard (KEBS), Port Health Services, Kenya Airports Authority (KAA) and Ken Trade under the Border Control and Operations Coordination Committee (BCOCC) but most critically, members of public.

Among the measures undertaken to safeguard Kenya's borders from attacks include physical infrastructure, surveillance technology, regular border patrols, community engagement and collaboration with neighboring counties, erecting fences, walls, and checkpoints at strategic border points helps in controlling the movement of people and goods. In 2023, several incidents of terrorist attacks targeting the country were thwarted, while several offenders were arrested and arraigned.



SURVEILLANCE: APS Officer Cpl. Oluoch (now Sergeant) demonstrates drone technology skills to IG Koome and DIG APS Mr. Noor Y. Gabow, during the visit to Border Police Unit (BPU) in Kanyonyoo, Kitui County on February 08, 2023.

5.1 Proliferation of Illegal Firearms and Light Weapons

The proliferation of illegal firearms and light weapons is a serious global issue that exacerbates conflicts, fuels crime, and poses a significant threat to public safety. Several factors contribute to this issue, including porous borders, political instability in neighboring countries. Some of the past initiatives that the Government has used to prevent and control proliferation of SAWL into the country include voluntary and forceful disarmemanet operations, enhanced law enforcement efforts to crack down on illegal arms trade, strengthening border controls, and engaging in regional cooperation to tackle the cross-border flow of weapons.

In 2023, 235 firearms were recovered while 357 were surrendered. 3,878 ammunitions were recovered while 4,182 were surrendered, and 44 explosives were recovered.

SUMMARY OF RECOVERED FIREARMS AND AMMUNITIONS - 2022							
CATEGORY	RECOVERED	SURRENDERED	TOTAL				
FIREARMS	235	375	610				
AMMUNITIONS	3,879	610	4,489				
EXPLOSIVES	44	O	44				



DISARMAMENT: L - R: Rift Valley Police Commander Mr. Tom Odero, AIG, DIG APS Mr. Noor Gabow, CS Interior Prof. Kithure Kindiki inspect firearms recovered from OMU in Samburu County

CHAPTER SIX



MULTI-AGENCY: Chief of Defence Forces General Francis Ogolla (centre), Rift Valley Regional Police Commander Mr. Tom Mboya Odero (left) and North Rift ASOB Commander Brigadier A. M. Saman on the General's visit to OMU multi-agency cell at Chemolingot in Baringo County.

6.0 Military-Police Operation Silencing Guns in North Rift

Historically, the North Rift part of Kenya has experienced a unique form of crime; banditry and cattle rustling that has metamorphed from a traditional practice to a deadly weapon that has claimed uncountable number of lives for civilian and security personnel. The Government took a drastic measure to deal with the banditry scourge by launching a multiagency security operation dubbed 'Operation Maliza Uhalifu (OMU) North Rift' involving both the military and police in February 2023.

OMU is a police-led multi-agency operation mounted in Turkana, West Pokot, Elgeyo Marakwet, Baringo, Laikipia, and Samburu Counties declared by the Government as "Disturbed" & "Dangerous". Legally, the Constitution under Article 241 and KDF Act of 2012 provides that the Defence Forces may be deployed in a joint operation and in support of NPS and other authorities in situations of emergency or disaster, in which case, the Inspector General NPS shall be responsible for the control and overall superintendence of the operation. The operation aimed at flushing out bandits from their hideouts, recovery of stolen livestock, firearms, and ammunitions.

As at the end of 2023, OMU had recorded a series of successes towards silencing the gunfire that had plagued the region. Normalcy returned with schools that had been closed due to insecurity having been reconstructed and reopened. Notwithstanding, the heavy police and military machinery deployed in the North Rift region for the security operation to quell banditry will continue until the entire North Rift is secured.

CHAPTER SEVEN

7.0 Conclusion

During the year 2023, NPS took deliberate professional approaches which ensured that the Service complied with the utmost respect for the rule of law, democracy, human rights and fundamental freedoms and political neutrality.

Although NPS modernization program was slow last year, it remains a promising initiative in driving police reforms. Integration of ICT in police operations will improve efficiency and effectiveness in combating crime, dealing with emerging crimes, and enhanced operational, logistical and better structured infrastructural and institutional capacity

NPS sustained the multi-agency security approach, working closely with national security organs, and other governmental and non-governmental agencies which led to successful response to security threats ranging from violent extremism, cybercrime, banditry transnational organized crimes including human smuggling and drug trafficking, illegal arms trade, banditry.

Moving forward, the strategic goals of NPS for the next five years are projected in the NPS 2023–2027 Strategic Plan which provides the baseline for measuring, and evaluating the NPS progress towards realization of the vision of a professional and responsive police service. The focus is now on digitization and ICT infrastructure deployment to enhance crime control and prevention; strengthening NPS logistical & operational capacity; building the technical capacity for crime management and investigations; improving infrastructural facilities, Officers' welfare, enhancing police professionalism and accountability.

Notably, the Task force on Police Reforms led by Emeritus Chief Justice (Rtd.) David Maraga has handed over its report to His Excellency the President of the Republic of Kenya, The Maraga report has identified and made various recommendations on legal, policy, administrative, institutional and operational reforms on effective service delivery, review the pay, living conditions, medical cover, housing and other aspects of welfare including institutionalizing a long-term equipment modernization for NPS.

With the conclusion of the Task force Report, significant transformative changes are expected in NPS. To this end, the National Police Service remains fully committed to discharging its mandate professionally by upholding the utmost fidelity to the Constitution and guided by principles of democratic policing.

PICTORIAL



HUMBLING: H.E. The President and Commander-in-Chief of the Armed Forces of Kenya, Dr. William Samoei Ruto, PhD greeting NPS Spokesperson Dr. Resila Onyango, PhD, HSC as she is introduced by IG. Japhet Koome at Kanyonyoo in February, 2023.



SECURITY: CS Interior Prof. Kithure Kindiki with Members of Parliamentary Committee on National Security from L to R, Hon. Dido Rasso, Hon. Peter Kaluma and IG Japhet Koome at NPC-Embakasi A Campus.



HEROS: Widows of Fallen Heroes going to lay a wreath during the 5th Commemoration of 37 NPS and Kenya Prisons Service Officers killed in the brave execution of their duties on December 14, 2023.



COMMANDERS: L-R: Director General Kenya Coast Guard Services Mr. Bruno Isohi Shioso, SAIG, Personal Assistant to DCI, Mr. Lawrence Some, CP, Regional Police Commander Nairobi, Mr. Adamson Bungei, AIG, DIG KPS Mr. Douglas Kanja, Commandant GSU Mr. Eliud Lagat, SAIG



INTERIOR: Dr. Raymond Omollo, PS Interior chats with IG Koome during the 53rd Border Control and Coordination Operations Committee held at Embakasi "B" Campus on 31st October 2023



TASKFORCE: CJ Emeritus David Maraga (left) and IG Japhet Koome interact with NPS Officers injured in line of duty during the NPS proposal submission to the Maraga-led Police Taskforce meeting at Bomas of Kenya on January 30, 2023



SGBV: Mr. Douglas Kanja engages with Mr. Ulrich Jaenen from the German Cooperation (GIZ) after receiving donated assets including a Toyota Land Cruiser to support of Police Gender Desks on November 27, 2023



ETHICS: Head of Public Service (HOPS) Hon. Felix Kosgei addressing Senior NPS Officers at Kenya School of Government, Nairobi



BUDGET: NPS Administrative Secretary/Accounting Officer Mrs. Bernice Lemedeket presents NPS Budget for FY 2023/2024 to the Parliamentary Security Committee in Nairobi



ENGAGEMENT: IG Koome sharing a light moment with Members of Parliament; Hon. Gabriel Tongoyo, Mrs. Rozzah Buyu (c) and Hon. Sarah Korere at the Hilton Hotel Mombasa Road during presentation of NPS Budget FY 2023/24



