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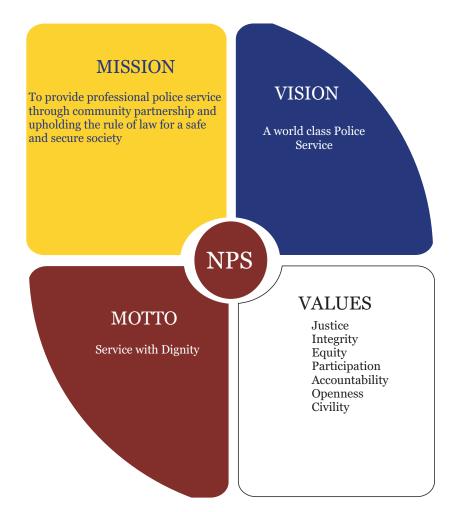


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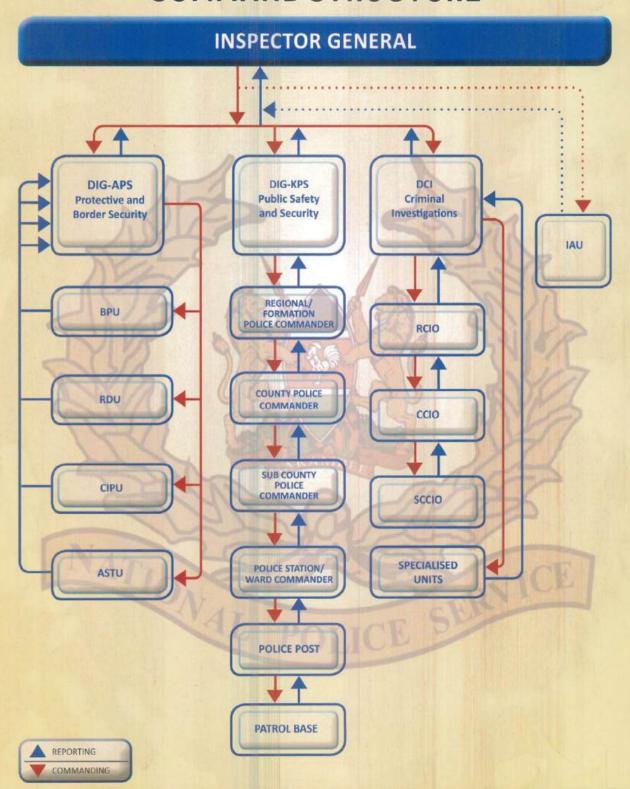
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MESSAGE FROM THE INSPECTOR GENERAL



IG DOUGLAS KIROCHO KANJA, CBS, OGW INSPECTOR GENERAL NATIONAL POLICE SERVICE

ay I take this opportunity once more to extend my gratitude to His Excellency, Dr. William Samoei Ruto, CGH, President of the Republic of Kenva and Commander-in-Chief of the Kenya Defence Forces, for according me an opportunity to serve our beloved Country Kenya, as the 5th Inspector General of the National Police Service, and for installing me into the Office. I also thank my fellow Kenyans for entrusting me with the security of our country.

In line with the Oath of Office which I solemnly took on the September 19, 2024, I wish to reaffirm my commitment to working with all stakeholders to ensure that NPS meets its constitutional obligations in a professional manner.

I congratulate my two deputies, Mr. Eliud Lagat-Kenya Police Service and Mr. Gilbert Masengeli-Administration Police Service on their appointment to their respective offices as DIGs. I wish to give them together with the DCI Mr. Mohamed I. Amin, the assurance of my full support to their offices.

Together as a team, I am confident that we will steer NPS towards the realization of our mission to provide professional police service through community partnership and upholding the rule of law for a safe and secure society.

With the recent launch of the Strategic Framework for Implementation of Terms and Conditions of Service and

Other Reforms for Members of National Police Service, Kenya Prisons Service and National Youth Service in September this year, we look forward to the implementation of some of the M a r a g a T a s k f o r c e recommendations, especially modernization of the NPS through the use of technology and training of Officers, all geared towards improving service delivery to members of public.

I commend all our Officers for their dedication to duty in securing our Country and beyond. Our Officers in Multinational Security Support Mission continue to register success in their efforts to bring law and order in Haiti and as NPS, we wish them a successful tour of duty.

FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK



DR. RESILA ONYANGO, PhD, HSC NPS SPOKESPERSON

n this 3rd Issue of the National Police Service quarterly newsletter, we bring you updates about NPS major activities that took place during the period under review.

The Service witnessed major changes in its top leadership with the swearing in of former DIG Kenya Police Service, Mr. Douglas Kanja Kirocho, as the 5th Inspector General of the National Police Service upon the appointment by His Excellency Dr. William Samoei Ruto, C.G.H. IG Douglas Kanja was sworn -into office by Chief Justice Hon. Martha Koome at the Supreme Court of Kenya.

Deputy IG-Kenya Police Service Mr. Eliud Lagat and Deputy IG Administration Police Service, Mr. Gilbert Masengeli were also sworn in as DIGs respectively on the same, day, during which time, DIG Masengeli was also sworn in as the Ag. IG-NPS.

DIG-KPS Mr. Eliud Lagat spent his first two months in office making impromptuvisits to police stations to check on the day-to-day operations in a bid to improve service delivery to the members of public.

NPS also participated in the Mombasa ASK Show and Nairobi International Trade Fair and won several awards in various categories, besides offering members of the public an interractive session with Officers and, processing Police Clearance Certificates at the Trade Fair on a 24 hrs period.

In our efforts of ensuring close working relationship with the

media, NPS held a high level meeting with Senior News Editors from national and international media houses at NPS Headquarters in a meeting that was chaired by the Ag. IG Mr. Gilbert Masengeli. As our ally, we thank the members of the press for their continued partinership and support in enhancing police-public communication.

Lastly, the exploits by Kenya Police Bullets FC in continental football and success in track and field by NPS athletes at the recently concluded Paris 2024 Olympics and Diamond League events are worth celebrating, our officers led by Cpl. Beatrice Chebet have exhibited discipline and professionalism in their respective disciplines affirming NPS as a sporting powerhouse.



EXECUTIVE CORNER

Historic: IG Kanja takes over the reign of The National Police Service



H.E President William Ruto presents the constitution and the Service Standing Orders to the newly appointed Inspector General Mr. Douglas Kanja during the investiture ceremony held at State House, Nairobi on September 19, 2024

n a historic event that happened for the first time in Kenya's history, His Excellency Dr. William Samoei Ruto, CGH, President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Kenya Defence Forces on Thursday 19th September formally installed Mr. Douglas Kanja into the rank and command of the Inspector General NPS during a grand ceremony held at State House Nairobi. The investiture was the first of its kind for the NPS.

His Excellency the President congratulated Mr. Kanja on his appointment and expressed confidence in his leadership, saying, his dedication, discipline and commitment in his longstanding service to the country stood out in his nomination and subsequent appointment to the office.

During the ceremony, Mr. Kanja was adorned with badges or rank denoting authority and responsibility of the Inspector General, signifying his role as a leader within the Police entrusted with the duty to maintain law and order, uphold public safety and enforce the law.

The ceremonial peaked cap,

which represents dignity of the rank and the sovereignty of the IG's office. The cap embodies the tradition of heritage and law enforcement, emphasizing the role of the police in protecting all citizens. IG Kanja was also presented with the baton, also known as the swagger cane, symbolizing leadership, authority and the power to enforce law and order and represents the IG's responsibility to maintain discipline within the service and ensure protection of all citizens.

He also received the constitution, symbolizing the

foundation of principles and values upon which law enforcement is based and the IG's commitment to uphold the rule of the law protecting constitutional rights and ensuring justice and the NPS flag, representing unity and allegiance to the nation. It symbolizes the IG's commitment to serving the country with integrity, professionalism and dedication to the welfare of its citizens.

During the ceremony, the President commended the leadership of NPS as well as other security agencies, recognizing their role in creating a conducive environment for the country's socio-economic development. The President pledged the support of the government in capacitating the Police, providing requisite resources to provide security, safety and stability noting that these are important components in the achievement of the country's national development goals.

The Head of State called upon IG Kanja to protect the Service as an independent institution in the service of the people of Kenya, making sure all citizens are treated equally before the law. He also urged independent in stitutions to work harmoniously, saying the government would not interfere with the work of the institutions.

IG Kanja was accompanied by the DIG-KPS, Mr. Eliud Lagat, Deputy Inspector General APS, Mr. Gilbert Masengeli, DCI Mr. Mohamed Amin, NPS Spokesperson Dr. Resila Onyango, AIG among other senior officers.

President Ruto launches strategic framework to improve terms of service for NPS, KPS, and NYS at KSG Lower Kabete



H.E President William Ruto hands the strategic implementation document for police reforms to the Ag. IG
Mr. Gilbert Masengeli during the launch of the Strategic Framework for Implementation of
Terms and Conditions of Service and other Reforms for the members of National Police Service, Kenya Prison Service
and National Youth Service at KSG Kabete on September 18, 2024

His Excellency Dr. William Ruto, CGH, President and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces on 18th September officiated the launch of the strategic framework for implementation of reforms for the National Police Service, Kenya Prisons Service and National Youth Service, marking a significant step in enhancing the operational efficiency and effectiveness of these Services.

The reforms journey began in December 2022 when the National Taskforce on the Improvement of the Terms and Conditions of Service for Members of the National Police Service, Kenya Prisons Service and the National Youth Service was commissioned. Chaired by Chief Justice Emeritus David Maraga the taskforce was set up to identify the legal, policy, administrative, institutional, and operational constraints on effective service delivery by the Services, as well as to review the welfare and the terms and conditions of service for members of the three Services.

In his address, H.E. President Ruto stated that the Services are essential for national security and fundamental for the rule of law and public order and therefore, a pillar of our constitutionalism and a foundation of prosperity. He added that the transformation of the Services does not only refer to a major improvement, but a rebirth which will necessitate a fundamental redefinition of how our security services operate and interact with the communities they are sworn to protect and serve.

It is estimated that it will cost KSh106 billion to fully actualize these recommendations with the required funds largely provided by the Exchequer.

"The recommended reforms



H.E President William Ruto , CS Interior Prof Kithure Kindiki ,CS Public Service, performance and delivery management Hon. Justin Muturi, PS Interior Dr, Raymond Omollo, Ag. IG, Mr. Gilbert Masengeli, Commissioner General- Kenya Prisons Service, Mr. Patrick M. Aranduh, and Commandant General NYS Mr. James Tembur pose for a photo during the launch of strategic framework at KSG Kabete



will also require comprehensive institutional changes, beginning with legislation reforms that will form the backbone of a revamped national security framework. NPS Act, National Police Service Commission Act and others, will be revised to align with contemporary needs and standards. New legislation, including the Kenya Correctional Services Bill and the National Forensic Science Laboratory Services Bill, will provide the necessary legal structures to support the changes we are implementing to modernize the security services and propel them to the highest standards of policing and best practice," the President's speech read in part.

The Head of State affirmed his full commitment to oversee these reforms and ensure that they are implemented to achieve the transformation of our security services into models of public trust and efficiency.

On his part, CS Interior Prof. Kithure Kindiki acknowledged that security, is a sensitive issue and therefore an all-of-government unified and coordinated approach is the solution that will help realize and balance all competing interests to ensure that the reforms implemented are people-centered, anchored in our constitution and reflect the national interest collectively.

Prior to the launch, CS Interior, Prof. Kithure Kindiki appointed members of the National Steering Committee that will oversee the implementation of the proposed reforms over the next three years. The committee is chaired by the PS Internal Security and National Administration, Dr. Raymond

Omollo with representation from the Services, the Treasury, National Youth Service, National Police Service Commission, Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions, Independent Policing Oversight Authority, Public Service Commission, Salaries and Remuneration Commission, National Youth Service Council, and the Kenya Law Reform Commission among others.

Also attending the launch were the CS Public Service, Performance and Delivery Management Hon. Justin Muturi, PS Interior Dr, Raymond Omollo (then) Ag. IG, Mr. Gilbert Masengeli, DIG KPS, Mr. Eliud Lagat Director DCI, Mr. Mohamed I. Amin, Commissioner General- Kenya Prisons service Mr. Patrick M. Aranduh, MBS, Commandant General NYS James Tembur MBS and NPS Officers.



NEWS FROM HEADQUARTERS

IG Kanja sworn in as the 5th Inspector General of the National Police Service



IG Douglas Kanja takes the Oath of Office during his swearing in ceremony at the Supreme Court of Kenya on September 19, 2024

Mr. Douglas Kanja Kirocho, CBS, OGW was on September 19, 2024 sworn in as the 5th Inspector General of the National Police Service following his appointment by His Excellency President Dr. William Ruto and successful vetting by the Senate and National Assembly.

The swearing-in ceremony was presided over by the Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court of Kenya Hon. Martha Koome at the Supreme Court of Kenya. In her remarks, the Chief Justice congratulated Mr. Kanja, urging him to

ensure that his leadership defends the values and principles enshrined within the Constitution, including social justice, the rule of law and accountability.

The CJ noted that the effectiveness of each justice sector agency depends on the strength of inter-agency collaboration. IG Kanja also stated that he was committed to working closely with all stakeholders to ensure that the NPS delivers on its mandate efficiently, effectively and within the confines of the law.

IG Kanja takes over from former IG Japhet Koome who resigned in July this year. Until his appointment as the IG, Mr. Kanja was deputy IG Kenya Police. Mr. Kanja was nominated by His Excellency President William Ruto in April pending his approval by Parliament, Deputy IG - APS, Mr. Gilbert Masengeli held the office in acting capacity.

Present at the swearing in ceremony were the Vice Chairperson National Police Service Commission, Dr. Alice Otwala, Secretary Administration/Accounting

Officer NPS Ms. Bernice Lemedeket, DIG-KPS, Mr. Eliud Lagat, DIG-APS Mr. Gilbert Masengeli, Director DCI, Mr. Mohamed I. Amin

Issuing his first address as the Inspector General at his Jogoo

House 'A' Office, Mr. Kanja expressed his gratitude to the President for entrusting him with the duty to lead the National Police Service. "My priority as I embark on this journey of leading the NPS is on police professionalism and

service to members of public. Building trust and confidence in the police remains a key pillar as we strive for the highest standards of professionalism and discipline," he said.



IG Douglas Kanja shakes hands with the Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court of Kenya Hon. Martha Koome after his swearing in ceremony at the Supreme Court of Kenya on September 19, 2024

Trained as Bomb Experts, Lagat and Masengeli Sworn in as DIGs

Mr. Eliud Lagat and Mr. Gilbert Masengeli trained together as Bomb Experts, and they were appointed and sworn-in as Deputies Inspector General on the same day to head the Kenya Police Service and Administration Police Service respectively.

In a brief ceremony conducted on the evening of July 25, 2024, Mr. Lagat and Mr. Masengeli took the oath of office, at the Supreme Court of Kenya, led by Chief Justice and the President of the Supreme Court of Kenya Hon. Martha Koome.

CJ Koome recognized the cooperative efforts between the police and the judiciary while advocating for more initiatives to promote efficiency and improve the administration of

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justice.

Ag. IG Mr. Douglas Kanja also extended his congratulations to the new DIG's, affirming his commitment to support them as they embark on their new responsibilities.

Mr. Kanja highlighted NPS dedication to executing its mandate in accordance with the law and expressed appreciation for the multi-agency collaboration that continues to enhance their operational effectiveness.



Deputy Inspector General Kenya Police Service Mr. Eliud Lagat during the swearing in ceremony at the Supreme Court of Kenya on July 25, 2024



Deputy Inspector General Administration Police Service Mr. Gilbert Masengeli during the swearing in ceremony at the Supreme Court of Kenya on July 25, 2024

Gilbert Masengeli at the helm of the Administration Police Service



Ag. IG Gilbert Masengeli addresses course participants during the closing ceremony of the Sub-County Police Commanders Course at the National Police Leadership Academy (NPLA) in Ngong on September 13, 2024

he appointment of Mr. Gilbert Masengeli as the Deputy Inspector General was an epoch-making moment in the history of the Administration Police Service as it marked the first time that an APS Officer took leadership of the Service. Enlisted in 1989, Mr. Masengeli completed his Basic Recruits' Course at the Administration Police Training College; Embakasi.

He was sworn into office of DIG by Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court of Kenya, Hon. Martha Koome. At the same time, he was also sworn in as the Ag. IG NPS following the nomination of Ag. IG Kanja as the IG nominee

As he took over the mantle, a

ceremony was held in his honour at the APS Headquarters, Jogoo House 'A', Nairobi on 29th July.

At the time of his appointment, Mr. Masengeli was the Commandant National Police College, Embakasi 'A' Campus having served briefly after Mr. James Kamau, who was previously the College Commandant took on the role of DIG-APS in acting capacity.

He rose through the ranks over the years, gaining over 35 years of experience through training both locally and international in various areas, in Counterterrorism Operations, coordination of Multi-Agency Special Operations, collaborative Intelligence, Countering Violent Extremism and Explosive Incident Countermeasures.

These skills saw him make an excellent Commanding Officer, leading the elite Special Operations Group since 2017 until 2024. The SOG has been highly effective in the war against terrorism and organized crime, along the Kenyan Borders, earning global recognition.

Mr. Masengeli has been instrumental in leading several security operations in the North Eastern Region, resulting in the resumption of normalcy in Wajir, Mandera, Garissa, and Boni enclaves.

A Certified Fraud Examiner, with extensive knowledge in Security and Forensics Management, Criminology and Security Management, DIG Masengeli has been an asset assisting in the development of specialized Police Operation teams including the Border Police Unit and Rapid Deployment Unit.

His time in Service has earned him several coveted awards including Moran of the Order of the Burning Spear (MBS), Order of the Grand Warrior (OGW) and the Silver Star.

As DIG Masengeli begins his tenure, he envisions a Service that embraces the multi-agency approach in ensuring the safety and security of all Kenyans.

Ag. IG Masengeli undertakes a security assessment of North Eastern and other parts of Kenya



Ag. IG Gilbert Masengeli inspects a quarter guard mounted in his honour during a security assessment visit to Mandera Border Point 1 on September 12, 2024

Mr. Gilbert Masengeli while in acting capacity as the Inspector General of Police undertook several security assessment tours in different parts of the country. One of these visits was a three-day of the North Eastern part of the Country where he met with NPS officers in Wajir, Garissa and Mandera Counties who are in the

frontline in the operational areas that have for long faced issues of insecurity.

He utilized the opportunity to check on the welfare of officers and get a firsthand account of the security situation. The mid-September visit came at a time when several attacks were reported targeting security camps, with the last one having taken place in Khorof Harar the day before his visit. Mr. Masengeli toured several police camps including Border Point 1, Guba, Duse, Kotulo, Kotulo, Qarsa Diff, Fafi, Welmerer, Raya among others where he engaged NPS Officers, National Government Administration Officers (NGAO), the regional

security and intelligence committee, elected leaders and community elders in discussions to find lasting solutions to the war against terrorism, human trafficking, drug trafficking, smuggling of contraband goods, Inter-clan conflicts within the region.

He was accompanied by the Director DCI Mr. Mohamed I. Amin, Commandant GSU, Mr. Ranson Lolmodooni, SAIG, Commandant Border Police Unit Mr. James Kamau, SAIG, and Director Anti-Terrorism Police Unit, Mr. Said Kiprotich.

Another significant highlight of September was a visit to the K9 Unit Headquarters in Lang'ata Nairobi, which marked the first time, an IG visited Police Dog Unit (now K9) Headquarters.

Here, the Ag. IG and DIG Kenya Police Mr. Eliud Lagat expressed their satisfaction



Ag. IG Mr. Gilbert Masengeli greets Central Region Commanders as he arrives for a security meeting at the regional headquarters in Nyeri on August 30, 2024

with the work of K9 Officers whom they both described as "passionate about their [K9] work. They duo commended the dedication of K9 Officers and underscored the unit's vital role in national security. The Unit is charged with care and maintenance of police dogs, training and deployment of the dogs and their handlers

for crime detection and prevention.

In August, the Ag. IG Masengeli and DIG Lagat met with police commanders from the Central Region, where they equally commended the work done in the fight against illicit brew in the region, reinforcing the need for teamwork and the multi-agency approach in addressing local security issues.

On this visit, he was accompanied by the DIG-KPS Mr. Eliud Lagat, Commandant Kiganjo Mr. Nyale Munga, SAIG, KPS Director Logistics, Mr. Peter Ndung'u, SAIG, Regional Police Commander Central Ms. Lydia Ligami, AIG, NPS Spokesperson, Dr. Resila Onyango AIG and Deputy Director Operations KPS, Mr. David Mburukwa, CP.

These visits are a testament to Mr. Masengeli's proactive



Ag. IG Mr. Gilbert Masengeli accompanied by Director DCI Mr. Mohamed I. Amin, Commandant GSU Mr. Ranson Lolmodooni, SAIG and other multi-agency security officers arrive for a critical security meeting in Moyale on August 15, 2024

leadership and dedication in ensuring security, by prioritizing direct engagement with Police officers, members of the public and firsthand assessment of needs in order to provide workable solutions.

Ag. IG Masengeli meets regional traffic enforcement officers

Road traffic accidents have been a major concern for NPS. This year, there was an increase in road traffic accidents, necessitating urgent action for more stringent regulations and effective enforcement measures.

Ag. IG Mr. Gilbert Masengeli on 17th September convoked a meeting with all Regional Traffic Enforcement Officers (RTEOs) to gain in-depth insight into the situation and to engage with the traffic department to strategize and put in place coordinated measures to improve traffic management and safety.



Ag. IG Gilbert Masengeli meets Regional Traffic Enforcement Officers (RTEOs) at the Police Pavilion South C, Nairobi on September 17, 2024

The Commandant Traffic Ms. Mary Wangui Omari, AIG reported that more than 16,500 people were affected by road accidents with more than 3,000 people having lost their lives in road accidents in the first nine months of the year. The highest number of fatalities recorded was of pedestrians at 1, 281 followed by 825 motorcyclists, 654 passengers, and 281 drivers.

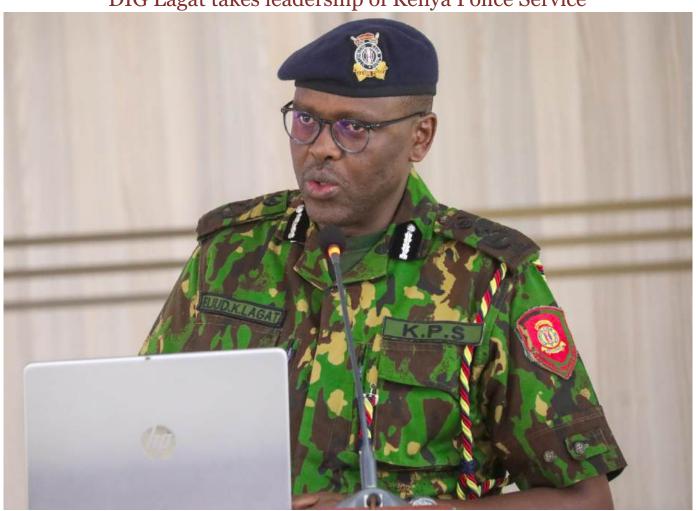
Mr. Masengeli in his remarks expressed great concern for the situation, called for the Traffic Department to work together with the National Transport Safety Authority (NTSA) and other agencies to intensify compliance checks and conduct sensitization programmes across the country, in a bid to bring an end to cases of road carnage. He further urged members of public to adhere to traffic regulations to prevent further loss of life.

The acting IG also acknowledged the challenging task of managing traffic in the country and called upon all officers to be professional in performing their duties, pledging his support to all such

officers, further calling for an end to corruption. DIG -KPS Mr. Eliud Lagat on his part urged the commanders to work towards changing the mindset of officers under their command as one way to curb issues of corruption. DCI Mr. Mohamed I. Amin urged the Commandant Traffic to work closely with the Internal Affairs Unit to ensure all complaints are thoroughly investigated and those found culpable are brought to book. The Ag.IG was also accompanied by Director Logistics KPS Mr. Peter Ndung'u, SAIG, Principal Deputy to DIG -KPS Ms. Miriam Muli, SAIG, Director Personnel-KPS Ms. Jacinta Muthoni, SAIG, NPS Spokesperson Dr. Resila Onyango, AIG.

In August, Ag. IG Masengeli also met with the Kenya Matatu Movement Council at Jogoo House 'A' where they explored the challenges and opportunities for enhancing road safety through collaboration, cooperation between Police and the Matatu industry that plays a crucial role in transportation in Kenya.





DIG Lagat gives a lecture to course participants at the National Police Leadership Academy (NPLA) in Ngong'

Mr. Eliud K. Lagat's career began at the Kenya Police College Kiganjo (now National Police College Main Campus Kiganjo) as a recruit Police Constable.

A career police officer, Mr. Lagat has served NPS for over 25 years mainly at the DCI and GSU. He trained together with DIG APS Mr. Gilbert Masengeli as bomb experts and were both appointed as DIGs on the day of July 25, 2024.

At the DCI, he served as the

Head of DCI Bomb Disposal Unit, Director Reforms, and Director Investigations Bureau. Until his appointment as DIG-KPS, he was the Commandant General Service Unit, the paramilitary Unit of the Kenya Police. He is a Certified Trainer

for Eastern Africa Police Chiefs Cooperation Organization.

DIG Lagat took over the command of Kenya Police Service from Mr. Douglas Kanja following the nomination of Mr. Kanja by His Excellence President Dr. Ruto, as the IG nominee. Mr. Lagat holds a Master's Degree in Armed Conflict and Peace Studies from the University of Nairobi and a Bachelor of Technology in Automotive from the University of Eastern Africa, Baraton.

A highly decorated Commander, he has received prestigious awards including Elder of the Order of the Burning Spear, Order of the Grand Warrior and the Silver Star, reflective of his acts of valor, self-sacrifice, and devotion to duty in the face of danger.

DIG Lagat's vision is to transform the Kenya Police Service to be more responsive to the needs of the public, driven by discipline and professionalism. According to Mr. Lagat effective service delivery hinges on the wellbeing including mental health and motivation of officers, and ädequate resources to enhance work performance.

His leadership is focused on three pillars; improving service delivery at police stations, upholding professionalism and accountability/responsbility among Officers.

Since he assumed office as DIG during the period under review, DIG Lagat embarked on making impromptu visits to police stations across the country, including night visits, to engage directly with Officers and members of the public on firsthand basis. Through this visits, he gets to understand the challenges on the ground and craft the way forward. He has been keen on ensuring cleanliness of the police stations, and safety of children in police custody.

In his lectures during the visits, he emphasized that modernday policing calls for adaptation to the evolving nature of crime, leveraging on innovative strategies and use of technology.

DIG Lagat consistently emphasized the importance of mental wellness among officers noting that due to the nature of

DIG Lagat firsthand assessment of Police Service delivery in Police Stations

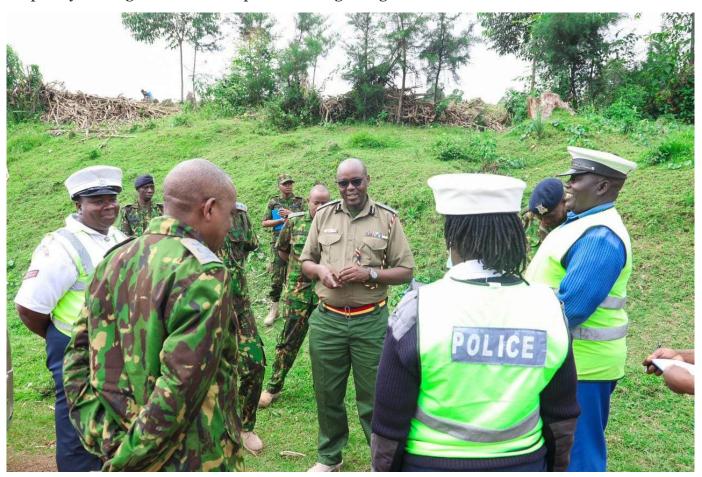


DIG Lagat greets Officers during his visit to Nakuru Central Police Station on August 14, 2024. Behind him is RPC Rift Valley Mr. Jasper Nyauma Ombati, AIG

the job, police officers are often afflicted by mental health issues. He urged officers to speak out whenever they experience difficulties and to seek professional assistance through NPS Mental wellness departments. He further pledged his unwavering support to all officers who perform their duties diligently and within the confines of the law.

During the period under review, DIG Lagat visited several stations and formations beginning with Mwiki in Nairobi, Industrial Area Nairobi, Nakuru Central, Cheptulu, Mbale, Kondele, Kilimani, Wang'uru, Embu, Nanyuki, Salama, Emali, Maungu, Central Mombasa, Kilifi, Pangaini, Embakasi and his message to the Officers was that Police stations are centres of service delivery, and are meant to be safe havens where members of public can seek assistance in a conducive temporary holding center as they await justice to be served, not to seen as condemnation areas.

His visits include inspection of critical areas including the report office which is the front desk at police stations where members of the public are received to make their reports, Child Protection Units established to provide safe and non-threatening environment for children, Gender Desks meant to provide a safe space for victims of sexual and gender-based violence, cells which are the temporary holding facilities for suspects awaiting arraignment in court.



DIG Lagat makes a stop to check on traffic officers at Kapkangani area under Kapsabet patrol base on his way to Kisumu County on August 16, 2024

He also emphasized on the importance of integrity in the performance of their duties. During his visit to Central Region, he was joined then Ag. IG, Mr. Gilbert Masengeli for a meeting with police commanders from the Central Region, and commended them for work done in the fight against illicit brew in the region, reinforcing the need for teamwork and embracing the multi-agency approach in addressing local security issues.

On August 16, Mr. Lagat visited Kapsabet Patrol Base, Cheptulu and Mbale Police Stations in Vihiga County, where he encouraged officers and urging them to always uphold integrity, sense of responsibility and accountability while combating corruption. He winded up his tour at Kondele

Police Station and the Regional Police Headquarters Nyanza.

Later, on August 29, he conducted assessments of several police stations in Central Kenya, including Embu and Wang'uru, where he emphasized the importance of integrity in the performance of their duties. On this visit, DIG

Lagat later joined then acting Inspector General Mr. Gilbert Masengeli where they met with police commanders from the Central Region, commending the work done in the fight against illicit brew in the region, reinforcing the need for teamwork and embracing the multi-agency approach in addressing local security issues.



DIG Lagat chats with members of the public seeking services at Cheptulu Police Station in Western Region on August 16, 2024

In September, he visited police stations in Makueni and Taita Counties. discussing ethics and the well-being of officers while identifying areas for improvement. DIG Lagat visited Salama, Emali, and Maungu Police Stations, where he identified areas that require improvement to enhance service delivery to the members of the public.

During this time, the DIG also conducted a number of night visits to police stations including Kilimani and Nanyuki Police Stations where he was particularly impressed by the well-maintained Policare Centre at the latter, a specialized one-stop centre for handling sexual and gender-based violence cases.

Throughout these visits, DIG Lagat consistently emphasized the importance of mental wellness among officers noting that due to the nature of the job, police officers are often afflicted by mental health issues. He urged officers to speak out whenever they experience difficulties and to seek professional assistance through NPS Mental wellness departments. He further pledged his unwavering support to all officers who perform their duties diligently and within the confines of the law.

These visits are not only a morale boost for police officers but also a broader commitment of NPS to fostering a culture of excellence in service delivery to the public. As Mr. Lagat continues his visits, the emphasis remains on building a Police Service that is not only responsive but also also connected to the communities it serves.



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NEWS FROM THE FIELD

NPS Officers in Haiti

MSS mission: Recognizing the milestones achieved so far



H.E President William Ruto greets NPS officers deployed for the Multinational Security Support(MSS) mission upon his arrival in Haiti on September 21, 2024

e are here because we share your aspiration for freedom and selfdetermination. Together, we are working to create a future where the Haitian people can chart their own path, for their own good." These were the sentiments of His Excellency Dr. William Samoei Ruto, C.G.H, President of the Republic of Kenya when he made an impromptu stop in Haiti to visit the National Police Service Officers who are part of the Multinational Security Support Mission in Haiti and

check on their progress on.

The president made the impromptu visit while en route to the 79th Session of the UN General Assembly in New York City. The first contingent of 200 NPS Officers landed in Haiti on June 26, 2024, while the second batch of similar number landed in Haiti on July 16, 2024, led by Mr. Godfrey Otunge SAIG as their Force Commander.

While addressing the NPS officers, the President conveyed heartfelt greetings to

the officers from their families, the National Police Service, and Kenyans at large.

The President expressed that he is profoundly proud of the officers' successes so far in the assignment, noting that upon commencement of their operations, they have exceeded expectations in the performance of their duties, exhibited courage, integrity, and professionalism.

In addition, the President pointed out that the MSS Officers' operations have

improved Haiti's security including safety of critical infrastructure, noting that Kenya's leadership in the mission underscores her steadfast belief in Pan-Africanism.

He further assured the officers of support in the mission, promising continued rallying of the International Community to address Haiti's plight, and wished the officers success in the assignment.



NPS officers on Patrol in the streets of Haiti

The UN Security Council voted unanimously on September 30, 2024 and extended the mandate of the Kenya-led Multinational Security Support Mission in Haiti for one year under the UNSCR 2751 (2024).

The extension of the mandate comes at a time when Kenyan Police together with the Haitian National Police have made commendable strides in restoring order and peace in various installations such as reopening of Haiti's main international airport which had been taken over by gangs,

recapture of the Auorite Portuaire Nationale Port, reclamation of Haiti's General Hospital, liberation of towns that include; Ganthier, Port Au Prince Downtown, APN Port and Tabare Carrefour areas.

There has been a rallying call for international partners and stakeholders to continue supporting the mission in various capacities. On September 12, 2024, an advance CARICOM contingent of officers from Jamaica and Belize under the command of Colonel Kevron Henry from

Jamaica also joined MSS.

MSS Force Commander Mr. Godfrey Otunge, SAIG held key meetings with various partners including the US Secretary of State Antony Blinken, Mr. Bob Rae, the Canadian Ambassador to the United Nations, Mr. Berrick Estidore the Head of Haitian National Police Press and Publications, Brigadier General William Temple a senior MSSO official, Mr. Antoine Michon the newly appointed French ambassador to Haiti, Gilles Michaud, the Under-Secretary-General



 $\begin{tabular}{ll} Mr. Godfrey Otunge, SAIG MSS Force Commander accompanied by senior officers during MSS camps tour in Haiti \\ \end{tabular}$

(USG) for the UN Department of Safety and Security, accompanied by Maria Isabel Salvador Special Representative of the Secretary General-The UN Integrated Office in Haiti (BINUH), Dr. Kenny Anthony the former Prime Minister of Saint Lucia and Mr. Bruce Golding the Former Prime Minister of Jamaica, Amb. Jerusa Ali, Director General of Bahamas Ministry of Foreign Affairs, Amb. of Canada to Haiti André-François Giroux, and Dominican Republic (DR) Amb. to Haiti, Farouk Miguel Castillo.

Further, the call for the support of the Haitian populace was amplified when the event dubbed "Harmony4Haiti" was held on September 8, 2024, at the Uhuru Gardens in Nairobi. The event was graced by Prime CS Hon. Musalia Mudavadi and attended by then-acting IG Gilbert Masengeli and other dignitaries from across the globe, including artists drawn from various countries. The concert was aimed at mobilizing the global community to support the Caribbean Nation in various capacities, celebrate the rich history between Haiti and Africa, and celebrate the milestones that have been achieved by MSS Officers in Haiti so far.

The MSS team has also been a ctively conducting

Community Engagements in neighborhoods where normalcy has returned, such as DELMAS 75. These activities, which include sporting activities such as marathons and football tournaments, have brought together the MSS Officers, the Haiti National Police, and hundreds of local communities.

The final batch of 600 NPS Officers including an all female Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team is currently undergoing pre-deployment training in Nairobi in readiness for the next deployment to Haiti.



Prime CS and Minister for Foreign & Diaspora Affairs Hon. Musalia Mudavadi arrives at Uhuru Gardens for the Harmony4Haiti concert and Cultural Festival on September 8, 2024

PS led by Ag. IG Mr. Gilbert Masengeli joined the Ministry of Foreign and Diaspora Affairs in the Harmony4Haiti cultural festival held at the Uhuru Gardens in Nairobi. The event was organized in partnership with Africa4Haiti to enhance Kenya's cultural diplomacy by celebrating and showcasing the rich cultural heritage shared between Africa and Haiti.

The special occasion was held in collaboration with Africa4Haiti with a view to advance Kenya's Cultural Diplomacy through celebrating and highlighting the rich cultural heritage shared between Africa and Haiti, underscoring the cultural ties between the two regions. The event sought to foster a deeper understanding and appreciation of these

connections through various activities, including performances, exhibitions, and discussions, ultimately strengthening the bonds between the cultures of Africa and Haiti.

While giving his address, Hon. Mudavadi said that it is his hope that the event is one of many in the quest to garner support for development projects in Haiti together with raising global awareness about Haiti's development challenges and opportunities.

NPS has supported Haiti particularly this year, when about 400 Officers were deployed to provide operational support to Haitian National Police in the fight against gangs, following the adoption of the UN Security Council Resolution 2699

(2023) that authorized deployment of the Kenyan-led Multinational Security Support Mission.

"The Multinational Security Support (MSS) Mission has garnered worldwide support which is a testament of the continued shift towards the world as a global village and the importance given to worldwide peace and security," said Hon. Mudavadi.

The event was also attended by members of the Diplomatic Corps, the Deputy National Security Advisor Mr. Joseph Boinnet, Commandant GSU, Mr. Ranson Lolmodooni, SAIG, Nairobi Regional Police Commander, Mr. Adamson Bungei, AIG and NPS Spokesperson Dr. Resila Onyango, AIG

NPS Officers honoured with Chandaria Bravery Award



Ag. IG Gilbert Masengeli with Dr. Manu Chandaria during the Chandaria Bravery Awards held at National Police Headquarters on August 9, 2024

he Chandaria for decades partnered with NPS through the Chandaria Bravery Awards, an annual event held in honour of police officers who, in their service to the nation went beyond the call of duty. This year, the Chandaria Bravery Awards were held on August 9, 2024, at NPS Headquarters where twenty officers were recognized for their selfless sacrifice and fortitude.

Ag. Inspector General of Police, Mr. Gilbert Masengeli while presiding over the event thanked Chandaria Foundation for their continued cooperation. Mr. Masengeli, who holds the Silver Star award hailed the officers as unsung heroes who deserve the recognition for their dedication to the security of our country. The Silver Star is awarded to members of the uniformed services for acts of valor, self-sacrifice, and devotion to duty in the face of danger.

The DIG-Kenya Police, Mr. Eliud Lagat commended the officers, noting that their acts are a representation of the heroic deeds of many other NPS officers. In his remarks, the DCI Mr. Mohamed I. Amin expressed his gratitude to Dr. Manu Chandaria for his philanthropy through the

Chandaria Foundation.

On his part, Dr. Chandaria thanked NPS Officers for putting their lives in danger for the safety of our country and assured the Service of his continued support not only to NPS Officers but also to widows of fallen heroes.

Among those awarded was APC Ismael Hassan who together with his team bravely and effectively engaged suspected Al-Shabaab militants in a fierce exchange of fire when they came under attack on 10th June, 2023 while on a joint mission with other security teams in Garissa.

When PC Aubrey Waliaula and his colleagues were attacked by armed Pokot bandits on 13th August, 2023, while on duty in Laikipia County, the officer put up a fight successfully protecting his camp and deterring the bandits from overrunning the camp. Other officers who were awarded played crucial roles in the fight against terrorism, banditry and cattle rustling among other crimes, ensuring the safety and security of the communities they serve.

The work of these officers and many others across the country exemplifies the highest standards of service, making a lasting difference in the lives of those they put their lives on the line to protect. For some, life as they knew it changed and they now bear permanent scars, not only physically but also mentally, carrying painful memories that linger. Dr Chandaria was accompanied by his family members.

"Courage is not the absence of fear but rather the assessment that something else is more important than fear." – Franklin D. Roosevelt.



Some of the officers who were awareded during the Chandaria Bravery Awards receive their certificates during the award ceremony



GSU celebrates launch of official website

he General Service Unit on July 30th officially launched their website and the Second Edition of GSU Magazine at a brief ceremony held at the GSU Headquarters, Ruaraka. The event, was officiated by the DIG-KPS Mr. Eliud Lagat who expressed his congratulations to the Unit for achieving this significant milestone—a culmination of efforts that began while he served as Commandant.

DIG Lagat congratulated the editorial team and all contributors who played a vital role in bringing this project to fruition. He emphasized the importance of the new website as an essential platform for

information sharing, which will enhance communication within the Unit and with the public.

He noted that the GSU Magazine serves not only as a collection of articles and creative works but also as a powerful medium where ideas are shared and voices heard from GSU Officers. In addition, the DIG called for continuous improvement in the Kenya Police Service through research and innovation.

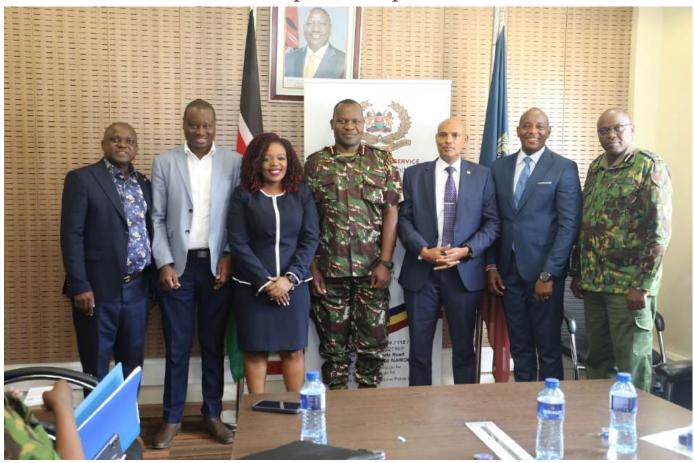
Mr. Lagat also highlighted that the website and the magazine will contribute significantly to improve police-public relations by providing credible updates on GSU activities and insights into their work, which in turn bridges the gap between the police and the community, and enhances public trust and understanding.

The event was also attended by the Kenya Police Director of Logistics Mr. Peter Ndung'u, SAIG,NPS Director Corporate Communications/Spokesperso n, Dr. Resila Onyango AIG, GSU General Staffing Officer Mr. George Nderitu, AIG, former Deputy Commandant GSU, Mr. Omar Bashane who until his retirement from NPS last month was the Chairperson of the GSU Editorial team. GSU is the paramilitary Unit of the Kenya Police Service.



DIG-KPS Eliud Lagat poses for a photo with senior officers and the GSU editorial team during the launch of the website and the second edition of the GSU magazine at the GSU Headquarters in Ruaraka on July 30, 2024

NPS continued partnership with the media



Left to Right: Victor Bwire-Director Media Training & Development, Eric Oduor-Secretary General Kenya Union of Journalists,
Zubeidah Kananu-President of Kenya Editors Guild, Ag. IG Gilbert Masengeli, Director DCI Mohamed I. Amin,
Linus Kaikai - Director Royal Media Services and DIG-KPS Eliud Lagat
during a meeting with News Editors at NPS Headquarters on August 13, 2024

he National Police Service and the media commenced a joint training initiative aimed at strengthening collaboration between law enforcement and the media. The initiative is part of a broader strategy to enhance communication and improve relations between the two entities.

This partnership was marked by the first training session with the Higher Training Course (HTC) participants at the National Police College Main Campus in Kiganjo, on August 21 by the Director of Media Training and Development at the Media Council of Kenya, Mr. Victor Bwire, Secretary General Kenya Union of Journalists Eric Oduor and the Kenya Editors Guild Ethics Committee chair Martin Masai. The theme of the lecture was "Promoting dialogue between media and National Police."

HTC is the highest and terminal promotional course in the NPS, designed for training Chief Inspectors to become Gazetted Officers who, in line with the Service Standing Orders, are authorized to officially address the media. Such trainings are therefore crucial as they equip them with requisite skills in enhancing communication

and media relations.

The Media Council of Kenya committed to continuing similar training sessions with the next training having taken place at the National Police Leadership Academy (NPLA) in Ngong'.

This training follows a highlevel consultative meeting held two weeks prior at the NPS Headquarters, where top NPS leadership, led by the Ag. Inspector General of Police, Mr. Gilbert Masengeli engaged with Senior New Editors from both national and international media outlets. The discussions focused on collaborative strategies, training initiatives, and the importance of

upholding professional ethics in reporting on police activities. The meeting further reinforced the importance of ongoing dialogue and cooperation between the NPS and media professionals.

Among those present were the President of Kenya Editors Guild Zubeidah Kananu, Secretary General of the Kenya Union of Journalists Eric Oduor. representatives from Royal Media Services; Linus Kaikai and Kimeli Arap Kemei, NTV Head of News Dan Mwangi, Capital FM's Benard Momanyi, Paul Ilado (Radio Africa), and veteran journalist Macharia Gaitho, Chris Oyuga and Zadock Angira (The People Daily), Millicent Awuor (KBC), Victor Bwire from the Media Council of Kenya, Ruth Nesoba (BBC), and Cyrus Ombati (The Star)

Senior NPS Officers present included DIG-KPS, Mr. Eliud Lagat, DCI Mr. Mohamed I. A min, Director Human Capital and Development Madam Rosemary Kuraru, SAIG and Nairobi Regional Police Commander, Adamson

Commander, Adamson Bungei, AIG and NPS Spokesperson Dr. Resila Onyango, AIG.



Mr. Martin Masai addresses HTC course participants during the same session on August 21, 2024



Left to Right: Zubeida Kananu, Ag. IG Gilbert Masengeli, Francis Gaitho and Director DCI - Mr. Mohamed I. Amin during a meeting with news editor's at NPS Headquarters on August 13, 2024

Police foster public engagement at the Mombasa and Nairobi International Shows



H.E the Deputy President of the Republic of Kenya Rigathi Gachagua listens to officers at the NPS stand during the Mombasa International Show accompanied by the Governor Mombasa County Abdullswamad Sherrif Nassir, Ag. IG Gilbert Masengeli, DIG -KPS Mr. Eliud Lagat and Director DCI Mr. Mohamed I. Amin on September 5, 2024

he National Police Service participated in t h e Nairobi International Trade Fair and the Mombasa International Show, events which took place in September. These events presented an opportunity to interact with members of public away from the usual duty stations as well as to provide services and showcase equipment, innovative strategies and technology NPS Officers employ in their daily operations. It was also an opportunity for NPS to get feedback from those who we serve on the quality of services provides so as to inform future



H.E the Deputy President of the Republic of Kenya Rigathi Gachagua presents a trophy to National Police Service to Mr. David Njagi, AIG at the Nairobi International Show on September 25,2024

improvements for more effective services.

This year, officers from the Bomb Disposal Unit, Anti-Narcotics Unit, Border Police Unit, K9 Unit, NPS Airwing, the Presidential Escort team among others were at hand to showcase their services and provide in-depth insight into what their jobs entail, as the Administration Police Service Jazz Band provided entertainment.

The Mombasa International Show commenced on 1st September 2024 and was officially opened by His Excellency the Deputy President of the Republic of Kenya Rigathi Gachagua on 5th September, 2024. The Deputy President, who visited the NPS Stand lauded NPS for integrating services such as the fast-tracking processing of Police Clearance Certificates by the DCI. He was welcomed to the NPS stand by Ag. Inspector General Mr. Gilbert Masengeli.

In Nairobi, the Trade Fair began on 22nd running through to 29th September, 2024. Here, NPS welcomed people from different walks of life to our stand, with a majority of the visitors being curious students from various institutions seeking to explore various career paths, and learn about the National Police Service. The exhibitors, recognizing the impact of knowledge on young minds, took the opportunity to provide information about various roles within the Police Service and engaging in conversations to help them understand the



DIG-KPS Mr. Eliud Lagat, DIG-APS Mr. Gilbert Masengeli and Commandant GSU Mr. Ranson Lolmoodoni, SAIG engage an officer during their visit to the NPS stand in Nairobi on September 25, 2024



Officers dance in celebration of awards presented to NPS during the Nairobi International Trade Fair

importance of our work in society.

NPS scooped several awards during this year's events including the Best Stand that promotes National Cohesion and integration Development, an award which recognized NPS efforts to foster unity, harmony, and a sense of belonging among diverse



Cpl Philemon Okatch receives a visually impaired visitor to the NPS stand during the Nairobi International Trade Fair

communities, second place in The Best Government Social Functions Stand category, recognizing NPS as the second best stand by a government entity that promotes social services and functions. These services include public safety and other community-oriented functions that improve the well-being of citizens.

Asante NPS, message of appreciation for the Service

hile NPS took part in the Mombasa International Show and Nairobi International Trade Fair it was important that the Service created an inclusive environment at our stands where everyone was welcome, including those who are differently abled.

When 10-year-old Enock Fadhili and his mom Terry Simba Musyoki visited our stand, one of our sign interpreters CPL Philemon Okatch was at hand to receive and take them through NPS exhibitions. For Mama Fadhili, it was a breath of fresh air to see Enock well received and able to engage in-depth with all the officers without needing to step in to interpret. The impact of this deed held such immense significance for Mama Fadhili and Enock that they returned to personally express their heartfelt gratitude.

After visiting all our sections, Fadhili, a Grade 4 student at the Aga Khan School for the Deaf and an adept drummer spent the Saturday afternoon with the Administration Police Band where he played drums and engaged with the band members.

Their visit to the NPS stand came in the month of September, which is also the D/deaf (deaf and dumb) awareness month, observed to

raise awareness and to sensitize the public on the needs of people who are d/deaf and hard of hearing and encourage social inclusion. Albeit a work in progress, NPS endeavors to create an inclusive environment that values diversity and promotes accessibility in all interactions with members of the public. This initiative underscored our dedication to serving and supporting all members of the community, ensuring that those with hearing impairments have equal access to information.



of the community, ensuring that A screen grab taken from a video of the appreciation message by Enock Fadhili those with hearing impairments have and his mother Terry Simba Musyoki during the Nairobi International Trade Fair on September 25, 2024

DIG Kenya Police Eliud Lagat appreciates Police Rider



Sgt Ceasar Githui meets DIG-KPS Mr. Eliud Lagat and NPS Spokesperson Dr. Resila Onyango, AIG while on traffic control duties on Thika Super Highway on September 17, 2024

Committed Police Rider, Sergeant Ceasar Githui has been a prominent figure in assignments like the Presidential Escort and ensuring road safety on major highways since 1994. He is attached to Murang'a South Sub-County. Trained in intensive Police Rider's Course in 2005. Githui is a traffic cop tasked to manage an extensive route from Thika to Nyeri.

Sgt Githui is highly appreciated for his professionalism and specialization, in VIP escorts where he is highly reputed. Sgt Githui advocates for increased training for riders as the last course was run in 2012, and some of the riders have since retired. Sergeant Githui's message to the young officers is that of "Discipline and hard work in life and in service". His dedication to serving Kenya's roads even under harsh times are some of the reason he is a role model for the police service and has caught the attention of his seniors and recently the Deputy IG, Mr. Eliud Lagat.On this day, DIG Lagat stopped his convoy by the road to appreciate Sgt. Githui for his professionalism and passion for duty.

NPS partners with community for better service delivery



Sub county-Police Commander Kabete, Mr. Anthony Mbogo receives a patrol car donated by residents of Mwimuto in Kabete , Kiambu County on September 27, 2024

PS through community engagement and partnerships with various stakeholders including community members, local businesses, and other partners, continues to make meaningful contributions, all geared towards better service delivery and achievement of NPS mandate.

DCI in Kilimani has in the recent past partnered with various stakeholders among them the Chinese Community Center, who contributed to the construction of a new office block, Al-Husnain Motors who facilitated the construction of a modern ablution block and other partners who have given contributions of office furniture, CCTV installations and computers, providing officers with comfortable and functional workspaces and

security within the facility.

The Sub-county Criminal Investigation Officer Kilimani (SCCIO) Mr. Abdirashid Yakub, SSP has over the past few months upheld this

initiative by engaging various stakeholders who continue to support the work of the DCI.

Similarly, in Kabete, Kiambu County, residents of Mwimuto collectively purchased a vehicle which they handed over to security officers from Mwimuto Police Post to be used as a Patrol car in a bid to combat insecurity in the area. They also presented a title deed for the land on which the Police post sits to the Sub county-Police Commander Kabete, Mr. Anthony Mbogo who in turn thanked the residents, assuring them that the vehicle will be put to good use in securing the area.

These partnerships are only but a few which have significantly contributed to the progress in the operational effectiveness of NPS in ensuring safety and security, which is a collective effort, requiring the commitment and cooperation of both the Police and community.



Some of the items donated to DCI Kilimani

AT A GLANCE





His Excellency the President Dr. William Ruto and MSS Force Commander Mr. Godfrey Otunge, SAIG viewing the Armoured Personnel Vehicle in Haiti on September 22, 2024



H.E the Deputy President of the Republic of Kenya Rigathi Gachagua presents a certificate for 10 years of Long Service Award of ASK Shows in Kenya to Mr. Bramwel Birengo Director GSU band



H.E President William Ruto hands the Kenyan flag to the Junior Harambee Starlets team captain and Kenya Police Bullets FC defender Elizabeth Ochaka as they head for preparatory training in Spain at State House, Nairobi on September 19,2024







Bullets taste Continental Football

resh from an unbeaten streak and dominating the 2023/2024 FKF Women Premier League season, Kenya Police Bullets FC earned the privilege to represent the country in continental football.

The initial assignment for the Bullets was a debut at the Confederation of African Football (CAF) Women's Champions League CECAFA zonal qualifiers. The tournament held in Ethiopia on August 17, 2024, brought together top women's football clubs from the Eastern Africa region.

The Bullets were drawn in

Group A, pitting Rwanda women's football powerhouse Rayon Sports Women, Commercial Bank of Ethiopia FC from Ethiopia, and YEI Joint FC from South Sudan. The matches were staged at the iconic Abebe Bikila Stadium. The Bullets' first match was against YEI Joint Starts, and after a hotly contested game, it ended in a barren draw. The next match was against Rwandan Champions Rayon Sports Women; after the Bullets' well-executed game plan and defensive discipline, the Kenyan Champions trounced with a one-nil win.

Then came the Semi-Final against Tanzanian Football Queens-Simba Queens Tanzania, the match was a momentous taste of the Bullets' growth and experience in continental football. Indeed, the Bullets did not disappoint; in the end, Kenya Police Bullets FC emerged as the winners with a 3-2 win in an entertaining semi-final. The Kenyan Champions' ultimate taste was the final against Ethiopian Champions Commercial Bank of Ethiopia FC; the bankers who enjoyed the home support faced a stubborn Kenya Police Bullets FC. Despite the Bullets losing narrowly 1-0, the heroic displays by Goalkeeper Annedy Kundu, striker Lucy Kwekwe, and Puren Alukwe could not go unnoticed.



PS Interior Dr. Raymond Omollo, Mrs. Tessie Mudavadi, Commandant NPC - Kiganjo Mr. Nyale Munga, SAIG and madam Beatrice Kiraguri, CP during the inaugural Police Fc day and unveiling of new signings (Annedy Kundu) at Kenya Police Sacco Stadium on August 10, 2024

A true testament to the team's impressive performance was the individual awards that the Bullets' coach, Beldine Odemba, and Goalkeeper, Annedy Kundu, were awarded: The best coach of the tournament and the best goalkeeper of the tournament respectively.

The outing in Ethiopia was a litmus test of the team's preparedness for the team to participate in the demanding continental football they affirmed their readiness as noted by coach Beldine Odemba who asserted that finishing as the 1st runners up is no mean feat but a testament to the players' dedication, skill and teamwork and they experience gained had built the team, made them stronger and greater victories await the Bullets.

As the 2024/2025 FKF Women's Premier League begins in September, with the Bullets slated to face KISPED Queens FC in their first game of the season, the Bullets have made signings to bolster their

squad, the new signings include; Emily Kemunto, Omita Bertha, Norah Anne, Christine Nafula, Annedy Kundu, Jane Hato and Elizabeth Ochaka. Notably, the Bullets' signing, Elizabeth Ochaka, is the Junior Harambee Starlets U₁₇ team captain and will lead her compatriots at the FIFA U17 Women's World Cup, scheduled to take place in the Dominican Republic.

In readiness for the new season, the Bullets have played a series of build-

up matches, which include Harambee Starlets U17, Highway Secondary School, and Mathare United Women, among many more. It is now all systems go for the Bullets, with the team having clinched two trophies last season and now enjoying massive support from a growing fan base and various stakeholders. This was depicted during the inaugural Kenya Police FC day that brought together the team sponsors, dignitaries, NPS



Kenya Police Bullets FC Head coach Beldine Odemba during a training session

Officers, and fans of Kenya Police FC, the inaugural also witnessed the unveiling of the new signings.

The team also had the pleasure of being hosted by the then CS of sports, Mr. Ababu Namwamba, and the PS for Interior, Dr. Raymond Omolo, and the club's board of trustees on July 10, 2024, to celebrate the achievements of last season. While promoting the spirit of Policing through sports, the Kenya Police FC and Kenya Police Bullets FC have fostered this through continued active engagements with their fans and have even held an interactive event dubbed Fans vs Fans that was held on July 21, 2024, at Police Sacco Stadium with the event aimed at fostering the club's mantra;

#policingthroughsports
#tuchezetujuane



Kenya Police Bullets FC winger Diana Wacera celebrates scoring against Simba Queens of Tanzania during the Confederation of African Football (CAF) Women's Champions League CECAFA zonal qualifiers in Ethiopia



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