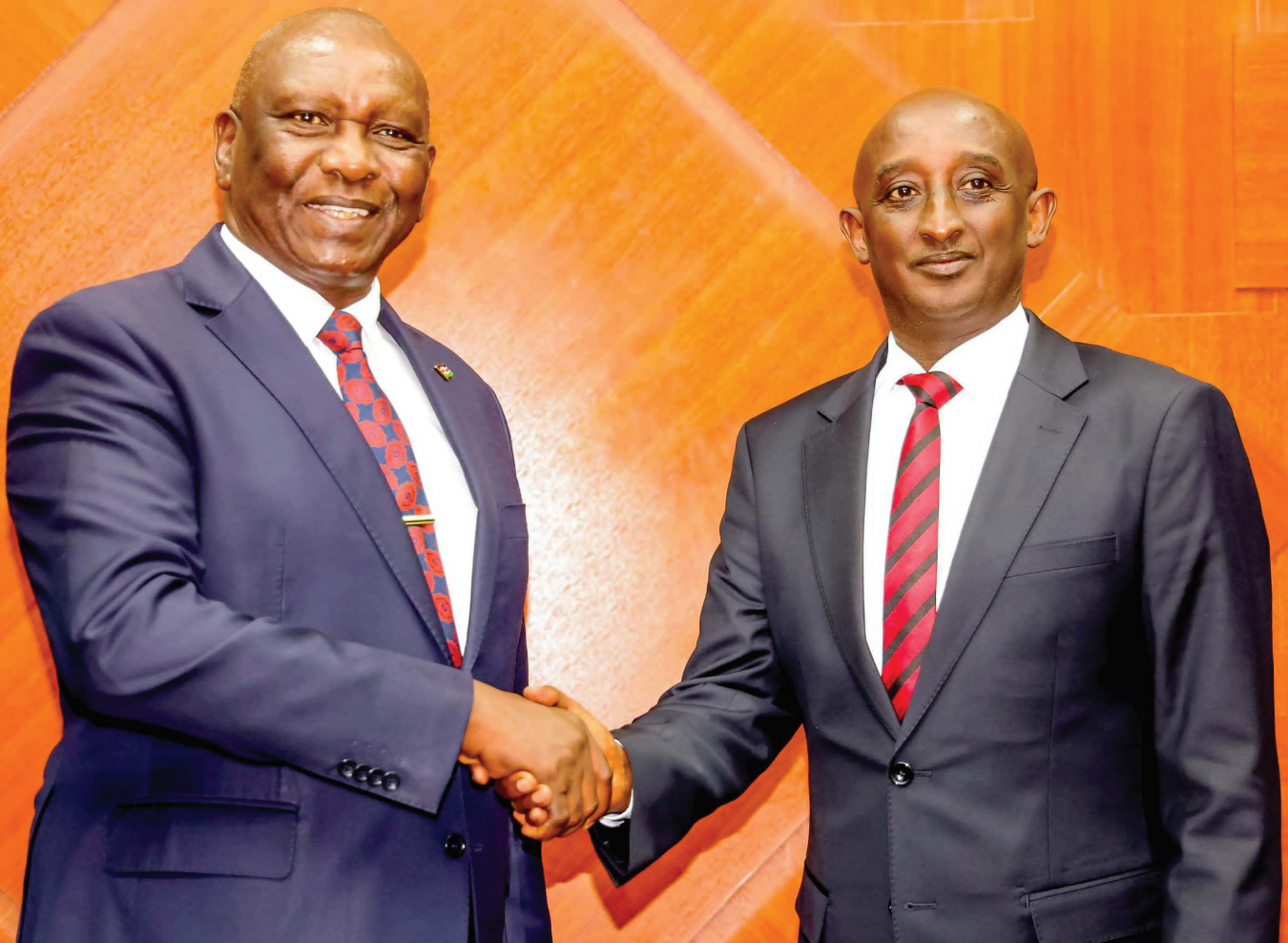




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MESSAGE FROM THE INSPECTOR GENERAL



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INSPECTOR GENERAL
NATIONAL POLICE SERVICE

The National Police Service continues to pursue an ambitious transformation agenda aimed at building a modern, professional, accountable, and people-centred policing institution capable of responding effectively to the evolving security needs of our nation.

This nineteenth edition of the National Police Service Newsletter captures an important period in that journey. It reflects the steady progress we have made in strengthening institutional capacity, enhancing operational readiness, embracing innovation, improving officer welfare, and deepening partnerships both within Kenya and beyond our borders.

Throughout this period, the Service remained steadfast in fulfilling its constitutional mandate to protect life and property, preserve law and order, prevent and detect crime, and maintain public confidence. We continued to strengthen collaboration with the Ministry of Interior and National Administration, Parliament, independent constitutional commissions, development partners, regional policing organisations, and local communities in advancing a safer and more secure Kenya.

The publication highlights significant milestones that have defined our work over recent months. These include the expansion of digital learning through the National Police Service e-Learning Programme, modernisation of police infrastructure and command systems, strengthening of election preparedness, enhanced regional and international security cooperation, promotion of officer health and welfare, investment in mental wellness, and continued reforms

aimed at improving professionalism and service delivery across the Service.

Equally important is our continued investment in our officers. Through improved healthcare initiatives, enhanced training opportunities, psychosocial support programmes, housing projects, and modern operational equipment, we are creating an environment that enables every officer to serve with dignity, confidence, and excellence.

As security challenges continue to evolve, so must policing. The National Police Service remains committed to embracing technology, strengthening intelligence-led policing, enhancing community partnerships, and fostering innovation that enables us to respond effectively to emerging threats while safeguarding the rights and freedoms guaranteed under our Constitution.

This publication is more than a collection of institutional activities. It is a reflection of the dedication, professionalism, courage, and resilience demonstrated daily by our officers across the country and in regional engagements. It also acknowledges the invaluable support of our partners and the trust placed in the service by the people of Kenya.

I commend all officers whose commitment continues to strengthen public confidence in the National Police Service and reaffirm our unwavering resolve to serve with integrity, accountability, professionalism, and respect for the rule of law as we continue building a safer and more secure nation for all.

MESSAGE FROM PUBLISHER & EDITOR-IN-CHIEF



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This nineteenth edition of the National Police Service Newsletter presents a comprehensive account of the Service's key institutional achievements, strategic engagements, operational milestones, and transformation initiatives undertaken during the reporting period.

Drawing from official reports, field operations, leadership engagements, policy initiatives, and corporate communications, this publication documents the continued evolution of the National Police Service as a modern, professional, accountable, and people-centred institution committed to excellence in policing.

The stories featured in this edition illustrate the breadth of the Service's mandate. They highlight ongoing efforts to strengthen national security through intelligence-led policing; enhance regional and international cooperation; modernise policing infrastructure; improve operational readiness; expand digital learning and professional development; advance community policing; reinforce institutional accountability; and promote the welfare and well-being of police officers.

The publication also showcases the Service's commitment to innovation and reform through initiatives such as the expansion of the NPS e-Learning Programme, modernisation of command and communication systems, investment in officer health through the Usalama Cover and Social Health

Authority reforms, mental wellness programmes, strategic security partnerships, and infrastructure development across the country.

Beyond operational achievements, this edition reflects the people behind policing—the officers whose professionalism, resilience, sacrifice, and dedication continue to uphold public safety under often demanding circumstances. Their commitment remains the foundation upon which public confidence in the National Police Service is built.

As the official publication of the National Police Service, this newsletter serves not only as a record of institutional activities but also as an important communication platform that promotes transparency, accountability, and public awareness of the Service's work. It documents our progress, preserves institutional memory, and demonstrates our continued commitment to constitutional policing and continuous improvement.

We remain grateful to all our officers, partners, stakeholders, and members of the public whose collaboration continues to strengthen policing in Kenya. As the National Police Service advances its transformation agenda, we remain committed to providing timely, accurate, and credible communication that reflects our mission of serving and protecting with professionalism, integrity, and excellence.

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MINISTRY OF INTERIOR AND NPS STRENGTHEN STRATEGIC COLLABORATION ON SECURITY, TRAINING, AND OFFICER WELFARE



CS Interior and National Administration Hon. Kipchumba Murkomen delivers his remarks during the engagement with the Departmental Committee on Administration and Internal Security on the state of security in the country, 21st April 2026.

The National Police Service continues to work closely with the Ministry of Interior and National Administration in advancing national security priorities, strengthening institutional capacity, and enhancing officer welfare through a series of high-level engagements led by Cabinet Secretary Hon. Kipchumba Murkomen and Inspector General of Police Mr. Douglas Kanja.

The engagements reflect a shared commitment to building a modern, professional, and accountable police service capable of responding effectively to the country's evolving security environment while maintaining public trust and confidence.

A key milestone in this collaboration was the joint appearance by the Cabinet Secretary, the Inspector General, and the Director of Criminal Investigations before the National Assembly's Departmental Committee on Administration and Internal Security to brief members on the state of security in the country. During the engagement, the leadership outlined both persistent and emerging threats, including banditry, terrorism, organized criminal activity, politically motivated

violence, illicit alcohol and drug abuse, and the proliferation of illegal firearms.

The Ministry and the National Police Service highlighted the Government's ongoing response measures, including enhanced police deployments, specialized investigative operations, intelligence-led policing, expanded use of technology, and strengthened coordination mechanisms. The planned establishment of regional command centers and a national command hub was also presented as part of broader efforts to improve surveillance, operational coordination, and rapid response capability.

In a separate strategic engagement, the Cabinet Secretary and the Inspector General joined the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission in a consultative meeting on election preparedness ahead of the 2027 general elections. The discussions focused on election security planning, early warning systems, hotspot mapping, inter-agency coordination, prevention of electoral violence, cybersecurity, and measures to counter misinformation and criminal interference.

During the meeting, the Inspector General reaffirmed the National Police Service's readiness to secure the electoral environment throughout the pre-election, election, and post-election phases. The engagement underscored the service's commitment to supporting a peaceful, secure, and credible electoral process in line with its constitutional mandate.

The partnership between the Ministry and the Service has also remained visible in the area of police training and professional development. During visits to National Police Service training institutions, including the National Police College Main Campus Kiganjo and the National Police College Lii Field Training Campus in Meru, the Cabinet Secretary and the Inspector General assessed the progress of recruits undertaking the Basic Recruits Course No. 1/2025.

These visits emphasized the central role of training in shaping a professional, disciplined, and service-oriented police institution. At Kiganjo, the Cabinet Secretary called on recruits to uphold integrity, professionalism, and patriotism as they prepare to join the Service, while the Inspector General underscored discipline as the foundation of effective policing and public confidence.

At the Lii Field Training Campus in Meru, the leadership officially opened the field simulation phase of training, marking a critical transition from classroom instruction to practical tactical application. The event highlighted the National Police Service's continued investment in capacity

building and operational preparedness as part of wider institutional transformation.

The engagements also provided an opportunity to highlight reforms aimed at improving officers' welfare and strengthening operational effectiveness. Among the initiatives cited were enhanced medical cover under the Public Officers Medical Scheme Fund, career progression measures for officers, expanded police housing, recruitment to reinforce operational capacity, and the transition to the Integrated Command, Control, Communication and Coordination framework.

The Ministry's collaboration with the National Police Service further extended to officer welfare support during a visit to police officers injured in the line of duty and admitted at Nairobi West Hospital. During the visit, the Cabinet Secretary and the Inspector General commended the officers for their courage, sacrifice, and dedication to national service, while reaffirming the Service's commitment to their medical care and recovery.

Collectively, these engagements demonstrate the close working relationship between the Ministry of Interior and National Administration and the National Police Service in addressing national security challenges, strengthening institutional readiness, and promoting the welfare and professionalism of police officers. They also reaffirm the Service's continued focus on responsive, people-centered, and accountable policing in service to the nation.



CS Interior and National Administration Hon. Kipchumba Murkomen, IG-NPS Douglas Kanja Kirocho and DIG-APS Gilbert Masengeli during the official opening of the field simulations for police recruits in Meru, 24th April 2026.

NPS DEEPENS PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT THROUGH EXPANDED E-LEARNING PROGRAM



(From L-R) Former GSU Commandant Mr. Ranson Lolmodoni, NPS Principal Administrative Secretary Ms. Bernice Lemedeket, Deputy Inspector General – Kenya Police Service Mr. Eliud Lagat, Director of Criminal Investigations Mr. Mohamed I. Amin, Inspector General of the National Police Service Mr. Douglas Kanja, Ms. Line Urban, Mr. Ali Elbereir, and Mr. Ibrahim Jillo pose for a group photograph during the launch of the Second Phase of the National Police Service (NPS) E-Learning Programme at the National Criminal Investigations Academy (NCIA), Nairobi, on 1st April 2026.

The National Police Service has continued to strengthen its transformation agenda through the rollout and expansion of the NPS e-Learning Programme, a key initiative aimed at advancing continuous professional development, institutional modernization, and service excellence across the service.

Officially launched in its second phase on 1 April 2026 by the Inspector General of Police, Mr. Douglas Kanja, at the National Criminal Investigations Academy (NCIA), South C, the program marks a major milestone in the service's shift towards

technology-driven learning as a strategic enabler of professionalism, efficiency, and accountability.

Developed with the support of the European Union through the Programme for Legal Empowerment and Aid Delivery (PLEAD) program and in collaboration with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC), the initiative has grown into an important platform for strengthening policing capacity and equipping officers with the knowledge and competencies required to respond effectively to evolving security challenges.

The e-learning program was first introduced in 2020 during the COVID-19 pandemic, when conventional face-to-face training was disrupted. What began as an adaptive response to unprecedented operational constraints has since evolved into a sustainable and forward-looking model that complements in-person instruction, which remains a cornerstone of police training.

The revised platform offers officers a flexible, accessible, and self-paced learning experience, enabling them to independently register, complete module-based studies, undertake end-of-module assessments,

and receive instant electronic certification upon successful completion. Its interactive and user-friendly structure has made it an effective tool for promoting a culture of lifelong learning within the Service.

Phase One of the program featured seven core modules covering critical areas of policing, namely Use of Force and Firearms, Handling Sexual and Gender-Based Violence, Bail and Bond, Crowd Control and Public Order Management, Diversion, Handling Special Interest Groups, and Decision to Charge. Building on the success of this foundation, Phase Two introduced four additional modules—Crime Investigation, Change Management, Work-Related Trauma, and Online Child Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (OCSEA)—bringing the total to eleven modules that reflect the changing realities of modern policing, including the growing complexity of digital and technology-enabled crime.

During the launch of the second phase, IG Kanja described the platform as a valuable addition to the service's broader reform agenda, noting that it supports the vision of transforming police stations and service delivery points into centers of excellence defined by professionalism, efficiency, and accountability. He emphasized that the initiative is central to fostering a culture of continuous learning and ensuring that officers are equipped with up-to-date knowledge, skills, and competencies necessary for effective service delivery in a rapidly evolving policing environment.

The Inspector General also expressed appreciation to the EU and UNODC for their continued partnership and support,

acknowledging their contribution not only to training but also to broader efforts aimed at strengthening institutional capacity, innovation, and reform.

The program's impact has continued to grow steadily through a structured nationwide sensitization campaign. Following the April launch, the Service commenced sensitization sessions in the Nairobi region on 20 April 2026, covering formations and headquarters, including NPS Headquarters, KPS Headquarters, APS Headquarters, DCI Headquarters, GSU Headquarters, and IAU Headquarters. These sessions introduced officers to the platform and guided them on how to access and navigate the modules effectively.

The rollout later extended to key training institutions and regional formations across the country. On 24 April 2026, the sensitization program was conducted at the National Police College Embakasi 'A' and 'B' campuses in Nairobi, bringing together more than 500 officers, mainly instructors and cadets undertaking promotional courses. Similar efforts continued in the regions, with Phase Two of the countrywide sensitization program commencing on 11 May 2026 in counties including Nakuru, Kisii, Narok, and Mombasa, targeting officers from the Kenya Police Service, Administration Police Service, and the Directorate of Criminal Investigations.

Further sensitization engagements were carried out at the Anti-Stock Theft Unit in Gilgil on 22 May 2026, where more than 400 officers benefited, and later at the Border Police Training Campus, Kanyonyo, and the National Police College Main Campus, Kiganjo, on 9 and 10 June 2026, respectively, where over

500 officers undergoing various capacity-building programs were reached.

The nationwide sensitization exercise was coordinated by facilitators from NPS Headquarters under the leadership of the Director of Training and Research, Mr. Hassan Aljir, AIG, who also presided over the official closure of the sensitization program at the Eastern Regional Headquarters in Embu on 16 May 2026. At that point, the initiative had already benefited thousands of officers across the country, with more than 700 officers having successfully completed all the modules and received e-certificates, while many others continued with their studies on the platform. Earlier programme updates also indicated that over 12,000 officers had completed the first phase of the e-learning course, underscoring both the scale and the acceptance of the initiative across the service.

The e-Learning programme is aligned with the NPS Strategic Plan 2023-2027, which seeks to transform the Service into a professional, efficient, accountable, and people-centered institution. Beyond improving technical knowledge in key areas of policing, the program is also enhancing digital literacy, online learning capability, workplace performance, and decision-making, all of which are essential in addressing contemporary security and public service demands.

Development partners have also continued to underscore the broader value of the initiative. Representatives of the European Union noted that digital learning platforms are essential in building a police service that is not only efficient and professional but also accountable and responsive to the needs

of citizens. Similarly, UNODC highlighted the strong link between officer training, informed decision-making, better service delivery outcomes, and the strengthening of public trust.

As the National Police Service advances its modernization and reform agenda, the expanded

e-Learning Programme stands out as a practical and strategic investment in the Service's most important asset. Through continuous training, innovation, and strategic collaboration, the service is laying a stronger foundation for rights-based, professional, and responsive policing while reinforcing public confidence in its mandate to serve

and protect.

This sustained investment in learning and capacity development reflects the National Police Service's commitment to building a future-ready institution capable of meeting emerging security challenges with competence, integrity, and excellence.



National Police Service officers participate in a sensitisation session during Phase Two of the nationwide NPS E-Learning Sensitisation Programme on 11th May 2026.

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IG KANJA ADVANCES REGIONAL SECURITY COOPERATION THROUGH RWANDA AND RECSA ENGAGEMENTS



IG NPS Mr. Douglas Kanja, delivers his remarks during RECSA's 17th Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting held in Kigali, Rwanda, on 29th May 2026.

The Inspector General of the National Police Service, Mr. Douglas Kanja, strengthened the National Police Service's regional security diplomacy and operational cooperation through a series of high-level engagements in Kenya and Rwanda focused on small arms control, counter-terrorism preparedness, and institutional policing partnerships.

The engagements reflected the service's continued commitment to promoting regional peace, collective security, and coordinated responses to transnational threats while positioning the National Police Service as an active and dependable partner in regional policing and security mechanisms.

A key milestone in this broader engagement was the Inspector General's participation in the High-Level Dialogue on Small Arms and Light Weapons

Management and Control held in Nairobi on 25 March 2026, where the Regional Assessment Report on the Implementation of the Nairobi Protocol was launched. The report marked the first comprehensive assessment of progress made over a 20-year period from 2005 to 2025 in implementing regional commitments on the control of illicit small arms and light weapons.

The forum brought together senior government officials, police chiefs, development partners, and regional and international organizations to review gains made in arms marking, electronic record-keeping, accountability for state-owned weapons, and broader legislative and operational reforms. During the dialogue, IG Kanja reaffirmed the National Police Service's commitment to the full implementation of the Nairobi Protocol and to strengthening regional cooperation in addressing

the threat posed by illicit arms. He noted that the assessment report serves both as a reflection of collective progress and as a guide for future action in tackling evolving security threats.

The Inspector General also joined other leaders in acknowledging the appointment of Rwanda National Police Inspector General CG Felix Namuhoranye as Chairperson of the Regional Centre on Small Arms (RECSA) Technical Advisory Committee, a development seen as important in steering the region's technical agenda on small arms control over the next two years.

This momentum continued in Kigali, Rwanda, where IG Kanja, on 27 May 2026, attended Rwanda National Police Day at the invitation of the Rwanda National Police and the Government of Rwanda. The event marked 25 years of the Rwanda National Police, celebrating the institution's evolution since its establishment in 2000 through the merger of the National Gendarmerie, the Communal Police, and the Judicial Police.

The ceremony, which featured exhibitions on operational readiness and strategic capability, also included the commissioning of 436 officer cadets presided over by President Paul Kagame. The event brought together 13 invited inspectors general from various countries, underscoring its significance as a platform for regional solidarity, institutional reflection, and shared policing aspirations.

On 28 May 2026, the Inspector General attended the EAPCCO Plus Joint SWAT training exercises at the Counter Terrorism Training Centre in Mayange, Eastern Rwanda. The event marked the culmination of a two-week joint training program involving 73 select officers from seven countries—Kenya, Rwanda, Uganda, Tanzania, Liberia, Seychelles, and the Central African Republic.

The exercises showcased highly coordinated counter-terrorism simulation drills covering raid and rescue operations, Special Forces tactics, waterborne and airborne drills, tower exercises, hostage rescue, tactical obstacle negotiation, assault tactics, and complex operational crossings. Beyond the impressive demonstrations, the training reinforced the importance of joint preparedness, interoperability, teamwork, and shared best practices in confronting terrorism and other emerging security threats across the region.

The Inspector General's participation in the exercises highlighted the National Police Service's support for regional operational readiness and its recognition that contemporary threats such as violent extremism and transnational crime require sustained cooperation across borders.

On 29 May 2026, IG Kanja attended the 17th Technical Advisory Committee Meeting of the RECSA in Kigali. The meeting brought together Police Chiefs, Permanent Secretaries, and National Focal Point Coordinators on Small Arms and Light Weapons from RECSA member states to review progress and strengthen coordination in the fight against illicit arms proliferation.

During the meeting, Rwanda's minister of interior, Dr. Vincent Biruta, called on member states to reinforce political, technical, and financial support for collective action under the Nairobi Declaration and the Nairobi Protocol. The Technical Advisory Committee, chaired by CG Felix Namuhoranye, considered and unanimously adopted key draft resolutions aimed at enhancing implementation, coordination, and program delivery across the region.

In his address, IG Kanja assured member states that the National Police Service of Kenya would continue supporting RECSA's mandate through active participation in joint operations, capacity-building programs, and the harmonization of legal and operational frameworks. He reiterated that the Service remains a reliable partner in advancing practical, coordinated regional efforts towards the effective implementation of the Nairobi Protocol.

A major outcome of the Kigali engagements was the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding between the National Police Service of Kenya and the Rwanda National Police by IG Kanja and CG Felix Namuhoranye. The agreement is expected to strengthen existing cooperation mechanisms between the two policing institutions and deepen collaboration in areas of mutual interest, including training, knowledge exchange, and operational coordination.

The Inspector General's Rwanda and RECSA engagements were part of a broader pattern of regional cooperation that also included his participation in the closing ceremony of the 14th East African Community Armed Forces Command Post Exercise Ushirikiano Imara 2026 in Nairobi on 22 May 2026. The exercise brought together

over 400 military, police, and civilian participants from Kenya, Rwanda, Burundi, Uganda, and Tanzania under the theme “Enhancing Regional Cooperation and Readiness for Peace, Security, and Resilience.”

The successful conclusion of the exercise reaffirmed the importance of harmonized operational procedures, stronger joint leadership structures, and deeper trust among regional security actors in responding to complex challenges such as terrorism, violent extremism, transnational organized crime, cyber threats, and humanitarian crises.

Collectively, these engagements underscore the National Police Service’s strategic focus on regional collaboration, knowledge sharing, and integrated security responses as essential pillars in safeguarding peace and stability. They also demonstrate the service’s commitment to strengthening Kenya’s contribution to regional frameworks that address the proliferation of illicit arms, terrorism, and other cross-border threats.

Through active participation in regional forums, operational exercises, and bilateral partnerships, the National Police Service continues to project its role as a professional, dependable, and forward-looking institution dedicated to advancing security cooperation, institutional excellence, and collective resilience within the East African region and beyond.

IG Kanja was accompanied during the Rwanda engagements by Mr. Adamson Bungei, SAIG, Director of the Kenya National Focal Point on Small Arms and Light Weapons; Mr. Hassan Aljir, AIG, Director of Training; Mr. Muchiri Nyaga, AIG, Director of Corporate Communication and NPS Spokesperson; Dr. Eunice A.J. Dobby, CP, Director of Administration and Finance at RECSA; Mr. James Murithi, CP, Personal Assistant to the IG; and Mr. Peter Thuku, SP, from the NPS Legal Directorate, among other officers.



Inspector General of the National Police Service, Mr. Douglas Kanja, exchanges commemorative gifts with Inspector General of Police, CG Felix Namuhoranye, during the RECSA 17th Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Meeting in Kigali, Rwanda, on 28th May 2026.



“More Good Days, Together”

Renowned author and researcher on trauma and resilience, Dr. Bessel van der Kolk, once observed that “being able to feel safe with other people is probably the single most important aspect of mental health.” That reflection resonated strongly within policing, where duty often demands courage in the face of uncertainty, sacrifice in moments of crisis, and resilience under immense emotional strain.

During Mental Health Awareness Month 2026, observed under the theme “More Good Days, Together,” the National Police Service (NPS) reaffirmed its commitment to promoting emotional resilience, mental wellness, and comprehensive psychosocial support for officers across the service. The theme served as a timely reminder that just as security is a shared responsibility, mental well-being is also a collective journey strengthened through compassion, solidarity, and mutual support.

Behind every badge is a human being—a mother, father, brother, sister, mentor, or friend—who

experiences pressure, fatigue, grief, uncertainty, and sacrifice in the course of service. Policing demands extraordinary mental and emotional endurance. Whether safeguarding communities at home, responding to traumatic incidents, confronting violent crime, or serving in high-risk international deployments such as the recently concluded Kenya-led Multinational Security Support (MSS) Mission in Haiti, officers are often exposed to experiences that test psychological resilience.

Recognizing this reality, the National Police Service continued to institutionalize mental health and psychosocial support as a cornerstone of professional policing and officer welfare. Through structured counseling and psychosocial support programs, the service progressively expanded access to counseling, trauma management, grief support, stress management, emotional regulation training, and wellness sensitization across formations, stations, training institutions, and specialized units.

Under the leadership of Inspector General Mr. Douglas Kanja, the Service continued to advance a people-centered and compassionate approach to wellness, acknowledging that mentally healthy officers are fundamental to effective, accountable, and community-oriented policing. Senior leadership engagements across the country consistently reinforced the importance of mental wellness, financial prudence, family values, emotional support, and peer care as part of everyday policing culture.

A significant milestone in strengthening police welfare came with the National Police Service Commission (Amendment) Act, 2025, which formally entrenched counseling and psychosocial support as a key part of the Commission's mandate. The reform established a stronger legal and administrative foundation for organized mental wellness systems in policing, paving the way for expanded psychosocial support centers across counties, improved access to counseling services, stronger wellness programs, and sustained institutional investment in officer well-being.

Mental wellness was also increasingly integrated into training programs across the service, equipping officers at every level with practical skills in emotional regulation, stress management, trauma awareness, resilience building, and early identification of psychological distress. Across colleges, campuses, and field formations, officers participated in mental wellness lectures, sensitization forums, and structured training sessions designed to strengthen psychological preparedness and promote healthy coping strategies in demanding operational environments. These efforts helped nurture a culture in which officers were encouraged not only to seek support when needed, but also to support one another and to lead with emotional intelligence in high-pressure situations.

Beyond formal training, the Service also deepened mental wellness interventions through partnerships and field-based initiatives aimed at improving access to professional support. Collaboration with counselors, psychologists, training institutions, and other partners helped strengthen safe and confidential spaces for counseling, broaden psycho-education, and reinforce the place of mental wellness within day-to-day policing. At the same time, wellness conversations continued to feature in leadership

engagements, welfare visits, and outreach forums, where officers were encouraged to prioritize self-care, resilience, stress management, and holistic well-being as part of professional readiness.

For officers returning from complex deployments, structured reintegration and psychological debriefing programs formed an important part of post-operational recovery. Following the return of officers deployed to Haiti under the MSS mission, dedicated counseling, decompression, and family reintegration interventions were instituted to support their transition from high-risk operational theaters back to daily life and service.

The National Police Service also continued strengthening partnerships with professional institutions, counselors, psychologists, universities, civil society organizations, and development partners to deepen access to trauma-informed care, clinical supervision, professional counseling standards, psychoeducation, and evidence-based wellness interventions. In parallel, mental health awareness increasingly featured in broader officer development and community engagement platforms, reflecting a growing recognition that emotional well-being is closely linked to operational effectiveness, professionalism, conflict prevention, and public trust.

Even as these systems continue to grow, one truth remains clear: the most powerful support often begins with a simple act of reaching out. A conversation. A listening ear. A colleague checking in. A commander choosing empathy. A family member offering reassurance. More good days are built together through understanding, kindness, and the courage to ask for help when needed.

During Mental Health Awareness Month 2026, the National Police Service renewed its call on officers to prioritize self-care, seek support without fear of stigma, and remember that strength is not silence. The month-long observance underscored a message that continues to guide the service's wellness agenda: mental wellness is not weakness but a vital part of preparedness, resilience, professionalism, and humanity.

Together, the service continues to build a culture in which every officer feels supported, heard, and valued—because when we care for those who protect others, we create more good days together.

NPS STRENGTHENS OFFICER WELFARE THROUGH USALAMA COVER ROLLOUT AND SHA REFORMS



Cabinet Secretary for Health, Hon. Aden Duale, Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration, Hon. Kipchumba Murkomen, and Inspector General of the National Police Service, Mr. Douglas Kanja, inspect facilities at Avenue Hospital, Parklands, on 1st April 2026.

The National Police Service has marked a significant milestone in the advancement of officer welfare following the rollout of the Usalama Cover under the Public Officers Medical Scheme Fund (POMSF) and continued collaboration with the Social Health Authority (SHA) to enhance healthcare access for officers and their families.

Launched on 1 April 2026, the Usalama Cover brought officers from the National Police Service (NPS) and the Kenya Prisons Service (KPS), together with their dependants, into the SHA framework. The launch event, held at Avenue Hospital, Parklands, was presided over by the Cabinet Secretary for Health, Hon. Aden Duale, and the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration, Hon. Kipchumba Murkomen.

Speaking during the launch, Hon. Duale affirmed the government's commitment to guaranteeing comprehensive healthcare for officers through the new cover, including access to both primary and specialized medical services. He noted that the scheme is designed to ensure that no officer

is left behind, regardless of medical need, and announced a nationwide sensitization campaign to equip officers with information on how to access and fully benefit from the cover.

Hon. Murkomen underscored the importance of uninterrupted healthcare services as a critical pillar of the national security agenda, noting that healthy, motivated, and well-supported officers are better equipped to serve the public effectively under demanding conditions. He further observed that the transition opens access to more than 6,000 healthcare facilities across the country, significantly expanding medical care options for officers.

The Interior Cabinet Secretary also highlighted broader government reforms aimed at strengthening service delivery and improving national security response. These include the upgrading of the IC3 command center, installation of CCTV systems in police stations, enhancement of officer mobility through the vehicle leasing programme, and the rollout of the Digital Occurrence Book (OB) as part of ongoing efforts

to modernize policing and improve operational efficiency.

In his remarks, the Inspector General, Mr. Douglas Kanja, expressed appreciation to H.E. President Dr. William Ruto, CGH and the national government for prioritizing the health and well-being of service personnel. He described the initiative as a recognition of the critical role officers play in safeguarding the nation and the importance of ensuring they have access to quality, affordable, and timely medical care.

The Service sustained this momentum on 10 June 2026, when the NPS joined SHA and other government stakeholders at the POMSF Tariffs Signing Ceremony and the launch of the SHA Biometric Registration Exercise for dependents aged 7 to 17 years at Kenyatta National Hospital, Nairobi.

During the event, Hon. Duale announced that SHA had successfully negotiated and signed tariff agreements with healthcare providers nationwide, paving the way for public servants to access care without out-of-pocket payments. He stated that beneficiaries should be able to access treatment seamlessly, with key services such as oncology, dialysis, dental, optical, mental health, and fertility treatment covered under the scheme.

The Cabinet Secretary also launched the nationwide biometric registration exercise for dependants aged 7 to 17 years, noting that the initiative will improve patient identification, enhance service delivery, reduce fraud, and support the creation of secure digital health records for better healthcare outcomes.

Representing the Service, NPS Secretary Administration and Accounting Officer Ms. Bernice Lemedeket welcomed the development as a major step in supporting officers who dedicate themselves to protecting the nation. She commended the continued partnership between NPS and SHA, citing the establishment of joint technical committees to address emerging challenges and facilitate the smooth implementation of the new healthcare framework. She also called for prompt and efficient medical services for police officers and their families.

These developments reflect the government's continued commitment to strengthening the welfare of police officers through responsive healthcare systems and institutional reforms. For the National Police Service, the implementation of the Usalama Cover and the supporting SHA initiatives represent a major investment in the health, dignity, and operational readiness of officers and their dependants.



Officers from the disciplined services during a sensitisation session on the Usalama Cover under the Public Officers Medical Scheme Fund (POMSF) at Avenue Hospital, Nairobi on 1st April 2026.

IG KANJA AND CS MURKOMEN HOLD CONSULTATIVE MEETING WITH IEBC ON 2027 ELECTION PREPAREDNESS



Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration, Hon. Kipchumba Murkomen, delivers his remarks during the IEBC consultative meeting on election preparedness at Sankara Hotel, Nairobi on 15th May 2026.

The Inspector General of the National Police Service, Mr. Douglas Kanja, on 15 May 2026, joined the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration, Hon. Kipchumba Murkomen, in a high-level consultative meeting with the Independent Electoral and Boundaries Commission (IEBC) at Sankara Hotel, Westlands, Nairobi, aimed at strengthening coordination and preparedness ahead of the 2027 General Elections.

The meeting brought together senior officials from the ministry, the National Police Service, and the IEBC to deliberate on key measures required to secure the entire electoral cycle. Discussions focused on elec-

tion security preparedness, institutional coordination, early warning mechanisms, electoral violence prevention, operational readiness, cyber threats, misinformation management, and protection of critical electoral infrastructure.

In his remarks, CS Murkomen reaffirmed the ministry's commitment to supporting the IEBC in discharging its constitutional mandate in a professional, impartial, and non-partisan manner. He underscored the government's readiness to facilitate a peaceful, credible, and secure electoral process through coordinated security interventions and sustained stakeholder engagement.

During the engagement, IG Kanja outlined the National Police Service's comprehensive election security preparedness framework, noting that elections remain one of the most sensitive national processes with far-reaching implications for national stability, public order, economic continuity, and constitutional governance. He emphasized that the electoral process must be approached as a continuous cycle covering voter registration, political mobilization, party primaries, campaigns, polling, tallying, declaration of results, and the post-election transition.

The Inspector General highlighted the Service's constitutional mandate to maintain law and order throughout the electoral cycle by protecting life and property, preventing and detecting electoral offenses, safeguarding election materials and infrastructure, securing voters, candidates, and election officials, and facilitating a peaceful constitutional transfer of power.

He further noted that the Service has already put in place a range of preparedness measures anchored on intelligence-led policing, preventive security management, strategic deployments, rapid response capability, multi-agency coordination, and community engagement.

Among the measures presented were the development of integrated election deployment plans, security assessment of polling stations and tallying centers, activation of joint operations centers at national and devolved levels, escort and protection of election materials, deployment of rapid response and specialized



Inspector General of the National Police Service, Mr. Douglas Kanja, delivers his remarks during the IEBC consultative meeting on election preparedness at Sankara Hotel, Nairobi on 15th May 2026.

units, enhancement of communication and command systems, and increased surveillance in high-risk areas.

IG Kanja also pointed to the evolving threat environment surrounding elections, including organized criminal gangs, inflammatory political rhetoric, youth mobilization, online incitement, misinformation, cyber-related disruptions, communal tensions, cross-border criminal activity, and violent extremism. He noted that the Service has enhanced intelligence, early warning, and prevention mechanisms, including continuous monitoring of political activities and digital platforms, community-based intelligence gathering, and firm action against organized gangs, goons, and financiers of violence.

On risk management, the Inspector General said the Service has finalized preliminary hotspot mapping and risk profiling informed by historical election violence patterns, current political

temperatures, organized criminal activity, ethnic and communal tensions, border security dynamics, and urban crime trends. The meeting also reviewed progress on the 2027 Election Security Preparedness Framework, strengthening inter-agency communication structures, simulation exercises, disruption of criminal networks, and measures to counter misinformation, fake news, and emerging cyber threats.

IG Kanja reiterated the National Police Service's unwavering commitment to securing the electoral process and safeguarding Kenya's democratic stability throughout the pre-election, election, and post-election periods. He affirmed that the service will continue to execute its mandate with neutrality, professionalism, impartiality, and full adherence to constitutional and human rights principles.

The IEBC Chairperson, Mr. Erastus Edung Etheke, thanked CS

Murkomen and IG Kanja for their continued support and collaboration, describing the engagement as timely and necessary. He emphasized that the delivery of free, fair, and credible elections is a collective national responsibility that requires close cooperation among all institutions and stakeholders.

Also present at the meeting were Dr. Raymond Omollo, Principal Secretary, State Department for Internal Security and National Administration; Dr. Belio Kipsang, Principal Secretary for Immigration and Citizen Services; Ms. Bernice Lemedeket, NPS Secretary Administration and Accounting Officer; Mr. Eliud Lagat, DIG KPS; Mr. Gilbert Masengeli, DIG APS; Mr. Mohamed Amin, Director of Criminal Investigations; Mr. Jackson Kangani, SAIG, Director of Operations, APS; and Mr. Muchiri Nyaga, AIG, Director Corporate Communications and NPS Spokesperson, among other senior officials.

IG KANJA JOINS PRESIDENT RUTO FOR 63RD MADARAKA DAY CELEBRATIONS IN WAJIR.



IG-NPS, Mr. Douglas Kanja, joins His Excellency President Dr. William Samoei Ruto and other national leaders during the 63rd Madaraka Day celebrations at Wajir Stadium, Wajir County on 1st June, 2026.

The Inspector General of the National Police Service, Mr. Douglas Kanja, on 1 June 2026, joined His Excellency Dr. William Samoei Ruto, C.G.H., President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Defense Forces, together with national and county leaders, in commemorating the 63rd Madaraka Day celebrations at Wajir Stadium, Wajir County.

Held under the theme “Education, Skills, and the Future,” the national celebrations highlighted the country’s continued commitment to inclusive growth, equal opportunity, and the empowerment of future

generations through education and skills development.

In his address, President Ruto reaffirmed the government’s commitment to ensuring that every Kenyan, regardless of location, has access to;

- **Opportunity,**
- **Security**
- **Education**
- **Infrastructure**
- **Government services.**

He emphasized that no part of the country is too remote to benefit from national development and underscored

the role of education as a vital bridge between exclusion and opportunity.

The president noted that investment in education and skills remains central to building a more inclusive, productive, and transformed nation while creating pathways for young people to actively contribute to Kenya’s future.

The presence of IG Kanja at the national event underscored the National Police Service’s continued support for major national functions and its commitment to advancing the broader national agenda. The service remains aligned with the



IG-NPS Mr. Douglas Kanja arrives at Wajir Stadium for the 63rd Madaraka Day celebration on 1st June 2026.

spirit of this year's Madaraka Day theme through ongoing reforms aimed at enhancing ;

- **Professionalism,**
- **Inclusivity**
- **Service delivery,**
- **Institutional transformation.**

As the nation marked 63 years of self-rule, the National Police Service reaffirmed its dedication to serving and protecting all Kenyans, residents and visitors alike, while supporting;

- **National cohesion,**
- **Public safety,**
- **Democratic progress.**

IG Kanja was accompanied by Mr. Eliud Lagat, Deputy Inspector General, Kenya Police Service; Mr. Gilbert Masengeli, Deputy Inspector General, Administration Police Service; Mr. Mohamed Amin, Director of Criminal Investigations; Mr. Ranson Lolmodoni, SAIG, Commandant of the General Service Unit.

Other senior officers present included Mr. Peter Ndung'u, SAIG, KPS Director of Planning; Ms. Judy Lamet, SAIG, KPS Director of Community Policing; Mr. Geoffrey Otunge, SAIG, Commandant of the Rapid Deployment Unit; Mr. James Kamau, SAIG, APS Chief of Staff; and Mr. Sospeter Munyi, SAIG, DCI Director of Forensics, among other senior commanders.



Officers from Administration Police Service during a match past on Madaraka Day celebration at Wajir Stadium on 1st June 2026.

NPS STRENGTHENS SECURITY RESPONSE, COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT, AND SERVICE DELIVERY ACROSS THE COUNTRY



Inspector General of the National Police Service, Mr. Douglas Kanja, accompanied by senior officers, inspects the ongoing construction of the Telposta housing units in Makande and Bombolulu, Mombasa County, on 22nd April 2026.

The National Police Service (NPS) sustained its commitment to enhancing public safety, operational readiness, community partnership, and service delivery through a series of interventions across different parts of the country. These engagements reflected the service's responsive and people-centered approach to policing, particularly in addressing emerging security threats, disaster-related challenges, and community concerns.

On 22 April 2026, the Inspector General of Police, Mr. Douglas Kanja, conducted a security and service delivery assessment in Mombasa County to evaluate operational preparedness, infrastructure development, and the effects of

heavy rains on police facilities. Accompanied by NPS Secretary Administration and Accounting Officer Ms. Bernice Lemedeket and the Director of Administration, Planning, and Finance, Mr. Richard Lesasuian, AIG, the Inspector General inspected the ongoing construction of the Telposta housing units in Makande and Bombolulu, a project aimed at improving the welfare of police officers.

The Inspector General also visited Inuka Police Station to assess flood-related damage caused by the ongoing heavy rains and reviewed proposed sites for the construction of an alternative police station. The visit concluded with an engagement with police officers drawn from various sub-counties within Mombasa, during which IG

Kanja commended them for their dedication, sacrifice, and professionalism and urged them to continue transforming police stations into centers of excellence. He reaffirmed the Service's commitment to improving officers' welfare as part of the broader institutional reform agenda.

In line with its commitment to community policing and social cohesion, the National Police Service also continued to deepen community engagement initiatives aimed at promoting peaceful coexistence and strengthening collaboration between law enforcement agencies and the public. One such engagement was held on 15 May 2026 at Kararacha Grounds in Matolani Sub-Location, Langobaya Division, Kilifi County.

The forum brought together

local administrators, police officers, peace committees, youth representatives, religious leaders, business community members, and residents to discuss issues affecting security and harmony in the area. Among the matters raised were stock theft, farm invasions, livestock migration, child labor, environmental conservation, charcoal burning, retaliatory attacks, fraudulent land sales, and the formation of community policing committees.

The engagement underscored the importance of timely incident reporting, information sharing, cooperation between communities and security agencies, and collective responsibility in preventing crime and maintaining peace. Through such forums, the National Police Service continues to foster trust, strengthen police-community

relations, and promote shared solutions to local security challenges.

The Service also remained actively engaged in responding to localized insecurity and conflict situations. On 26 April 2026, the Deputy Inspector General of the Kenya Police Service, Mr. Eliud Lagat, conducted a comprehensive security assessment in Tseikuru, Kitui County. Upon arrival at Kwa Kamari Police Station, the DIG received a briefing from local commanders on the prevailing situation and the events that had unfolded.

Accompanied by the Commandant of the General Service Unit, Mr. Ranson Lolmodooni, SAIG, DIG Lagat engaged directly with residents, conveying condolences from the Inspector General to families who had lost loved ones in the



Deputy Inspector General–Kenya Police Service, Mr. Eliud Lagat (centre), accompanied by GSU Commandant Mr. Ranson Lolmodooni, SAIG during a security assessment tour of Tseikuru, Kitui County, on 26th April 2026.

attacks. He strongly condemned the acts of violence, describing them as heinous, cowardly, and barbaric, and assured the public that the government would not tolerate such lawlessness.

He further urged residents to remain calm, refrain from retaliatory action, and cooperate with security agencies by providing actionable intelligence to support investigations and the pursuit of those responsible. With the reopening of schools approaching at the time, the DIG also reassured parents that measures were being taken to guarantee the safety of learners and the wider community.

The National Police Service's response in Kitui County continued into June 2026, when a high-level security meeting was convened on 6 June 2026 at Kwa Kamari Police Station following another attack by suspected bandits at Itimba lthei. The meeting was chaired by the Principal Deputy to the Deputy Inspector General, Kenya Police Service, Mr. Patrick Tito, SAIG, and brought together senior commanders from the Kenya Police Service, Administration Police Service, Directorate of Criminal Investigations, and the County Security Committee.

Deliberations focused on strengthening security in the affected areas of Mboka, Katumba, and Itimba lthei, with emphasis placed on enhancing operational strategies, restoring public confidence, protecting lives and property, and preventing further attacks. The meeting also reviewed ongoing interventions and the broader security situation in the area.

During the engagement, Mr. Tito reaffirmed the National Police Service's commitment to deploying additional personnel and resources to support security operations and pursue all criminal elements responsible for the attacks. The delegation later held a public engagement at Kwa Kamari Shopping Centre, where residents were reassured of the government's commitment to their safety and informed of plans to establish strategic security camps to enhance surveillance, rapid response, and long-term stability in the region.

Alongside security operations and public engagement, the National Police Service also remained on high alert in response to the effects of heavy rains experienced in several parts of the country. As of 3 May 2026, the Service reported serious impacts arising from mudslides in Tharaka Nithi, Elgeyo-Marakwet, and Kiambu Counties, which had affected families, displaced households, and caused significant damage to property and infrastructure.

The Service confirmed the loss of 18 lives as a result of the incidents, highlighting the grave danger posed by the continued adverse weather conditions. In response, multi-agency teams were deployed to conduct search and rescue operations, evacuate at-risk residents, provide emergency relief supplies, and assess high-risk zones to prevent further tragedies.

At the same time, the National Police Service continued to issue public safety advisories urging residents, especially those in

flood-prone and landslide-prone areas, to remain vigilant and take precautionary measures. The Service reaffirmed its readiness to respond through its emergency channels and reiterated its commitment to safeguarding lives and property during the ongoing weather emergency.

Collectively, these engagements reflect the National Police Service's broad and coordinated approach to public safety—one that integrates security operations, officer welfare, community partnership, service delivery improvement, and emergency response. They also demonstrate the service's continued resolve to remain responsive to the needs of the public while strengthening institutional effectiveness across all levels of policing.

As the Service advances its reform and modernization agenda, it remains steadfast in its mission to build a professional, accountable, responsive, and people-centered police service that is fully equipped to protect lives, preserve peace, and maintain public confidence across the country.

NPS STRENGTHENS ACCOUNTABILITY AND STRATEGIC ENGAGEMENT THROUGH PARLIAMENTARY AND SENATE COMMITTEE APPEARANCES



IG-NPS Douglas Kanja Kirocho during the presentation of the NPS Budget Estimates for FY 2026/2027 to the Departmental Committee on Administration and Internal Security on 11th May 2026.

The National Police Service (NPS) has held sustained high-level institutional engagement with both the National Assembly and the Senate, underscoring its commitment to accountability, transparency, national security coordination, and effective public service delivery. These appearances provided an important platform for the service to articulate key security concerns, operational priorities, and resource needs while reaffirming its readiness to respond to the country's evolving security environment.

On 21 April 2026, the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration, Hon. Kipchumba Murkomen, accompanied by the Inspector General of Police, Mr. Douglas Kanja, and the Director of the Directorate of Criminal Investigations, Mr. Mohamed I. Amin, appeared before the National Assembly Departmental Committee on Administration and Internal

Security to brief members on the state of security in the country.

The engagement followed an invitation by the Committee to discuss prevailing incidents of insecurity and the measures being undertaken by the Government to address them. During the briefing, the Cabinet Secretary highlighted a range of persistent and emerging security threats, including banditry in parts of the North Rift, terrorism-related threats in the northeastern and coastal regions, organized criminal gangs in urban centers, politically motivated violence, illicit alcohol and drug abuse, and the proliferation of illegal firearms.

The Committee was informed that the Government has continued to intensify security interventions through increased police deployments, specialist investigative operations, intelligence-led policing, and expanded use of technology-driven approaches. Members were also briefed on plans



IG NPS Mr. Douglas Kanja makes presentation to the Departmental Committee on Administration and Internal Security at Bunge Towers on 11th May 2026.

to establish regional command centers in major towns, alongside a national command hub, in order to strengthen surveillance, coordination, and rapid response capabilities. The engagement further highlighted the importance of multi-agency cooperation, disaster preparedness, and community engagement platforms such as Jukwaa kwa Usalama in informing and strengthening national security interventions.

Two days later, on 23 April 2026, IG Kanja appeared before the Senate Committee on National Security, Defense, and Foreign Relations at Bunge Towers, Nairobi, where he briefed senators on key security concerns and ongoing investigations. In his presentation, the Inspector General informed the Committee that recent incidents pointed to a disturbing trend of politically motivated violence involving organised criminal groups.

He assured Senators that prompt police response had led to significant investigative progress, including arrests, while efforts remained ongoing to apprehend additional suspects. He further

explained that investigations into reported security threats were being handled by specialized units using forensic and intelligence-led approaches to ensure accountability and credible outcomes.

On matters relating to police infrastructure, the Inspector General clarified that the Service continues to maintain robust security coverage within Nairobi County and that any ongoing adjustments to facilities were being managed in a manner that would not disrupt security operations or service delivery. He also placed the issues raised before the committee within the wider context of an evolving security environment characterized by organized crime, terrorism threats, banditry, and illegal firearms.

In this regard, IG Kanja emphasized that the National Police Service has enhanced intelligence-led operations, increased police visibility, strengthened multi-agency collaboration, and expanded the use of technology to address complex security challenges more effectively. He reiterated the service's firm resolve to deal

decisively with criminal elements, including those behind political violence, and warned against the use of gangs to undermine peace, public order, and national stability.

The National Police Service's parliamentary engagement continued in May 2026, when the Service appeared before the National Assembly Departmental Committee on Administration and Internal Security during deliberations on the FY 2026/2027 budget estimates. Led by IG Kanja on 11 May 2026, the presentation provided an opportunity for the service to outline its strategic, operational, and institutional priorities and to underscore the need for enhanced budgetary support to strengthen national security and improve service delivery across the country.

In his presentation, the Inspector General highlighted several critical areas requiring urgent financial support. These included ongoing security operations in different parts of the country, recruitment of additional police officers to address the police-to-population ratio gap, and improvement of police stations and related infrastructure to enhance accessibility, efficiency, and operational effectiveness.

He also drew attention to the significance of 2027 as a general election year, noting that the National Police Service would require enhanced logistical and operational support to effectively discharge its constitutional mandate and facilitate

- **A peaceful,**
- **Secure**
- **Credible electoral process.**

The presentation reaffirmed the service's broader commitment to transforming itself into a modern, professional, accountable, and people-centered institution capable of meeting the dynamic security needs of all Kenyans.

Collectively, these appearances before parliamentary and Senate committees reflect the National Police Service's deliberate and sustained approach to institutional accountability and constructive engagement with oversight bodies. They also demonstrate the service's readiness to openly address national security concerns, provide clarity on ongoing operations and investigations, and advocate for the resources necessary to strengthen policing capacity and public safety outcomes.

Through these engagements, the National Police Service continued to project its role not only as a frontline security institution but also as a responsive and transparent public body committed to good governance, constitutional mandate delivery, and continuous improvement in service to the nation.

IG Kanja was accompanied during the various committee appearances by senior officers of the National Police Service, including Ms. Bernice Lemedeket, NPS Secretary Administration and Accounting Officer; Mr. Eliud Lagat, Deputy Inspector General, Kenya Police Service; Mr. Gilbert Masengeli, Deputy Inspector General, Administration Police Service; Mr. Mohamed Amin, Director of Criminal Investigations; Mr. Mathew Kutoh, SAIG, Principal Assistant to the Inspector General; Mr. Patrick Tito, SAIG, Principal Deputy to the DIG-KPS; Dr. Masoud Mwinyi, SAIG, Principal Deputy to the DIG-APS; Mr. Richard Lesasuiyan, AIG, Director of Planning; Mr. Amos Omuga, AIG, Director of Legal Services; and Mr. Muchiri Nyaga, AIG, Director of Corporate Communications, among other senior officers.



IG- NPS Mr Douglas Kanja commissions the modern administration block at Kiamumbi Police Station in Kiambu County on 17th June 2026.

The National Police Service (NPS) continued to strengthen its institutional transformation agenda through targeted investments in modern infrastructure, practical training, and strategic security partnerships aimed at enhancing service delivery, operational readiness, and public safety.

A major milestone in this effort was the commissioning of a modern administration block at Kiamumbi Police Station in Kiambu County by the Inspector General of Police, Mr. Douglas Kanja, on 17 June 2026. Constructed through the National Government Constituency Development Fund (NG-CDF) under the leadership of Kiambu Town MP Hon. Waithaka John Machua, the new facility is designed to centralize critical police functions and improve the quality of service offered to the public.

The administration block houses key operational offices, including DCI offices, the Deputy OCS office, a Gender and Child Protection Unit, the Anti-Crime Office, an Exhibits Store, the Traffic Department, and a Chaplaincy. Speaking during

the commissioning, IG Kanja commended the partnership between the National Police Service and community leadership, noting that such collaboration is vital in strengthening security systems and improving public service delivery. He observed that the facility not only enhances operational efficiency but also upholds the dignity of both officers and the communities they serve.

The Inspector General used the occasion to reaffirm the Service's reform agenda, highlighting progress in digitalization and technological integration aimed at transforming the NPS into a modern, professional, and accountable institution. He emphasized ongoing efforts to automate public-facing services, including complaint filing and fine processing, as part of broader measures to streamline service delivery and reduce opportunities for bribery and corruption. He also urged officers to remain guided by Article 244 of the Constitution, which calls for a police service that is professional, responsive, accountable, and people-centered.

The Service's focus on institutional strengthening was also reflected in efforts to enhance training capacity and practical preparedness through the development of the National Police College LII Field Training Campus in Meru County. On 24 April 2026, the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration, Hon. Kipchumba Murkomen, accompanied by IG Kanja and DIG-APS Mr. Gilbert Masengeli, officially opened the Basic Recruits Course No. 1/2025 Field Simulations at the newly established campus.

The opening marked the transition of recruits from classroom instruction to real-world tactical field training, an important stage in shaping disciplined, capable, and operationally ready police officers. The recruits, who had already completed five months of intensive instruction in legal frameworks, professionalism, crowd management, and marksmanship, commenced a practical training phase focused on applying these competencies in simulated operational environments.

In his remarks, CS Murkomen described the launch as an important milestone in strengthening the country's security architecture. He thanked the people and county government of Meru for supporting the establishment of the campus, noting that the initiative reflects the principle that policing is most effective when it is collaborative and community-centered. He further highlighted wider reforms within the Service, including enhanced healthcare under the Public Officers Medical Scheme Fund (POMSF), the recruitment

of 10,000 police constables, improved promotions, expanded housing programs, and the upgrading of command and control systems.

For his part, IG Kanja underscored the central role of training in institutional development and professional excellence, noting that sustained investment in capacity building is essential to cultivating a skilled, disciplined, and professional police service. He encouraged the recruits to approach the exercise with discipline, focus, and teamwork, emphasizing that the service remains committed to maintaining public trust through professionalism, accountability, and community engagement.

The growth of the Meru training campus has also been supported through collaboration with local leaders and private stakeholders. Earlier, on 11 April 2026, the Commandant of NPCE 'A' Campus, Mr. Isaac Alimaa, SAIG, conducted an official inspection of the facility to assess its readiness ahead of fieldcraft and tactics training. During the visit, local leaders reaffirmed their support for the initiative, recognizing its importance not only in building policing capacity but also in contributing to local development.

This spirit of partnership was further demonstrated when a local investor, Mr. Julius Kajuko, pledged support towards the campus through the provision of iron sheets and clean water supply, a move expected to accelerate operational readiness and improve infrastructure at the site. Such support continues to reinforce the shared responsibility between the service, community leadership, and private stakeholders in

strengthening institutional capacity.

The training program continued to make steady progress in the weeks that followed. On 29 May 2026, the Principal Deputy to the DIG-APS, Dr. Masoud Mwinyi, SAIG, presided over the official closure of the Basic Recruits Field Simulation No. 1/2025 at the campus, marking a significant achievement in the recruits' training journey. In his remarks, he conveyed appreciation for the continued support of IG Kanja in the establishment and development of the facility, while emphasizing that the campus is envisioned as a future center of excellence in field training.

He noted that modern policing requires officers who are alert, disciplined, professional, and adaptable to evolving security challenges and stressed the importance of responsible use of technology, professionalism, and ethical conduct. Appreciation was also extended to the national government, Meru County leadership, local communities, and the area Member of Parliament for supporting the growth of the campus.

A further step in this journey was taken on 11 June 2026, when Mr. Isaac Alimaa, SAIG, officially opened the second segment of the Basic Recruits' Field Simulation Training No. 1/2025 at the same campus. The phase focused on practical tactical competencies such as defense siting, stand-to procedures, section battle drills, fire and movement, ambush and anti-ambush drills, patrols, observation posts, jungle survival, map reading, withdrawal procedures, and

ground sign awareness. These training areas are intended to equip recruits with the practical skills necessary to safeguard lives and property, secure borders, protect critical infrastructure, and respond effectively to emergencies.

Alongside infrastructure and training development, the National Police Service also deepened public-private security collaboration through the launch of the Administration Police Service Critical Infrastructure Protection Unit (CIPU) - Del Monte Sector on 2 April 2026. The unit was officially launched by IG Kanja, accompanied by DIG-APS Mr. Gilbert Masengeli, as part of efforts to strengthen the protection of key economic investments and surrounding communities.

The new unit is designed to provide a more structured and coordinated security framework, integrating APS officers with Del Monte's existing security arrangements to enhance surveillance, risk management, response times, and

accountability. Speaking during the launch, the inspector general emphasized the importance of strategic partnerships between security agencies and the private sector in creating a secure environment that supports investment, economic growth, and community well-being.

The significance of this initiative lies not only in protecting a major agricultural investment but also in securing livelihoods and strengthening confidence within surrounding communities. The partnership was also aligned to concerns raised during Jukwaa la Usalama—Kiambu Chapter, where stakeholders had called for more responsive and community-centered security interventions.

The impact of the initiative became evident soon after its establishment. On 5 April 2026, the Service highlighted ongoing operations against crime in agricultural zones, noting the effectiveness of collaboration between police officers and private security in addressing farm-related theft.

This was followed by the arrest of a suspect and recovery of 103 stolen pineapples in Murang'a County on 11 April 2026, during a patrol conducted by officers drawn from the CIPU working alongside private security teams. The operation demonstrated the value of intelligence-led, partnership-based security responses in safeguarding agricultural enterprises and deterring crime.

Collectively, these initiatives reflect the National Police Service's integrated approach to reform and service delivery—one that brings together modern infrastructure, professional training, community-centered policing, and strategic partnerships to build a more responsive and effective police service. They also underscore the service's broader commitment to becoming a world-class institution anchored on professionalism, accountability, innovation, and public trust, while ensuring that officers are equipped, supported, and prepared to meet the diverse security needs of the country.



Front seated row (L-R) Director DCI Mr. Mohamed I. Amin, DIG-KPS Mr. Eliud Lagat, IG-NPS Mr. Douglas Kanja, DIG-APS Mr. Gilbert Masengeli, and MP. Hon. Machua Waithaka pose for a group photo with officers from Kiamumbi Police Station during commissioning of the modern administration block at Kiamumbi Police Station on 17th June 2026.

DCI STRENGTHENS INVESTIGATIVE CAPACITY, REGIONAL COOPERATION, AND OPERATIONAL READINESS



The Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) continued to advance its mandate through sustained investment in specialized training, international partnerships, intelligence-led policing, and regional operational cooperation. Across the period, the Directorate undertook a series of strategic initiatives aimed at enhancing investigators' skills, strengthening institutional readiness, and improving the country's capacity to respond to terrorism, financial crime, narcotics trafficking, human trafficking, and other forms of transnational organized crime.

A key area of focus was the strengthening of counter-terrorism preparedness. In May, the DCI's Anti-Terrorism Police Unit (ATPU) Emergency Response Team participated in the 2026 EAPCCO SWAT Challenge in Mayange, Rwanda, joining specialized teams from across

the region in a rigorous joint tactical program designed to enhance regional counter-terrorism preparedness, interoperability, and operational coordination. The three-week exercise provided a practical platform for sharpening tactical response capabilities, harmonizing doctrines, and reinforcing collective preparedness against evolving terrorist and organized crime threats.

Complementing this regional engagement, the DCI also intensified its internal efforts to strengthen counter-terrorism investigation capability. On 21 May 2026, the Directorate, through the National Criminal Investigations Academy (NCIA), conducted an internal validation exercise for the Counterterrorism Investigation Course Curriculum. The exercise brought together senior investigators, instructors, and curriculum experts to review

and refine the course content to ensure that it remains operationally relevant, legally sound, and aligned with national security priorities and international best practices. The updated curriculum is expected to enhance investigators' ability to conduct intelligence-driven, evidence-based, and human rights-compliant investigations into terrorism and violent extremism.

The Directorate further expanded preventive capacity through sensitization programs on Countering Violent Extremism (CVE) for recruits. Separate two-day sessions were conducted for GSU recruits at Embakasi 'B' Campus in May and at the GSU Magadi Field Campus in June. These programs focused on radicalization pathways, extremist recruitment patterns, protective security awareness, suspicious activity detection, and Kenya's legal and policy framework on CVE. Through these engagements, the Directorate continued to embed intelligence-led and community-centered approaches within early officer development, helping equip recruits with the knowledge needed to prevent and respond to extremist threats.

The DCI also made significant strides in strengthening the country's capacity to combat financial crime and illicit financial flows. In April, the Directorate concluded a week-long anti-money laundering seminar for Sub-County Criminal Investigations Officers in Mombasa, Naivasha, and Kisumu, aimed at enhancing Kenya's capacity to detect, investigate, and dismantle money laundering networks, as well as counter terrorism financing and proliferation financing threats. The seminar came against the backdrop of Kenya's placement on the FATF grey list, with discussions focusing on investigative gaps, prosecution challenges, inter-agency coordination, and reforms needed to strengthen the national AML/CFT framework.

This focus on financial crime investigations continued in June with the conclusion of an anti-money laundering training session at NCIA, which brought together officers from specialized formations, including the Capital Markets Authority investigations function, Banking Fraud Investigation Unit, Insurance Fraud Investigation Unit, and Anti-Narcotics Unit. The training enhanced investigators' skills in financial evidence analysis, asset tracing, intelligence analysis, and disruption of illicit financial networks, reinforcing the Directorate's contribution to protecting the integrity of Kenya's financial system.

Further deepening this effort, the DCI on 22 June 2026 launched a five-day Combating Money Laundering and Financing Terrorism course at NCIA with support from the Government of the Republic of Türkiye through TİKA. The program equipped investigators with advanced competencies in financial intelligence analysis, suspicious transaction investigations, asset tracing, identification of terrorism financing indicators, and international best practices in combating financial crime. The Directorate reaffirmed that strengthening financial investigations remains essential not only in tackling corruption, narcotics trafficking, cybercrime, human trafficking, and terrorism, but also in supporting Kenya's roadmap towards eventual removal from the FATF grey list.

Another major area of progress was the DCI's efforts to strengthen the response to narcotics trafficking. On 10 June 2026, the Directorate launched the Basic Anti-Narcotics Course at NCIA to enhance the capacity of officers to investigate drug trafficking and dismantle criminal networks involved in the illicit narcotics trade. The program focused on intelligence-led investigations, surveillance, drug identification, evidence management, financial investigations, and inter-agency cooperation, reflecting the increasingly sophisticated nature of narcotics-related crime.

This built on an earlier boost to the Directorate's anti-narcotics capability in May, when the Government of Türkiye donated computers and office equipment to the Anti-Narcotics Unit (ANU). The support strengthened the unit's investigative capability, intelligence management, and operational coordination, while also underscoring the growing strategic partnership between Kenya and Türkiye in combating organized crime and drug trafficking.

The Directorate also continued to reinforce its response to trafficking in persons and smuggling of migrants, recognizing these as among the most serious forms of transnational organized crime. In May, the DCI hosted a Training of Trainers Workshop on Investigating Trafficking in Persons and Smuggling of Migrants at NCIA. The workshop brought together instructors from police training institutions across Kenya as part of broader efforts to institutionalize a robust investigative curriculum in this area. The initiative reaffirmed the Directorate's commitment not only to dismantling criminal networks but also to protecting the dignity, welfare, and rights of victims.

In the area of intelligence-led policing, the Directorate concluded a ten-day Basic Intelligence Training Course for officers from the Crime Research and Intelligence Bureau (CRIB), with support from the government of Türkiye, the Turkish National Police, and the Turkish Embassy in Nairobi. The training enhanced officers' skills in intelligence gathering, operational analysis, and threat identification. It was further complemented by the donation of an analyst workstation to CRIB, boosting the directorate's capacity in data processing, intelligence fusion, and evidence-based decision-making.

The period also saw the DCI strengthen its longstanding international law enforcement partnerships. In May, the Directorate hosted FBI Co-Deputy Director Andrew Bailey at the DCI Headquarters, Mazingira Complex, in a high-level engagement that reaffirmed the strategic partnership between the DCI and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. Discussions focused on enhancing cooperation in the fight against terrorism, cybercrime, transnational organized crime, financial fraud, human trafficking, narcotics trafficking, money laundering, and crimes against children. The engagement also explored emerging areas such as digital forensics, artificial intelligence in investigations, cryptocurrency tracking, intelligence sharing, and predictive analytics, reinforcing the Directorate's commitment to keeping pace with increasingly sophisticated global crime threats.

Alongside these institutional and operational developments, the Directorate also continued to support excellence in sport shooting, reflecting the discipline, skill, and professionalism associated with elite policing performance. DCI marksman Charles Mugendi Njue intensified preparations for major international practical shooting competitions, including the IPSC Level III Championship in Naivasha and the Pan-American Handgun Championship in Aruba, where he is expected to represent Kenya alongside fellow NPS shooter Aden Mohamed. His participation highlights the growing profile of NPS officers in international competitive sports and showcases the value of precision, discipline, and teamwork.

Taken together, these initiatives reflect a directorate that is steadily deepening its investigative professionalism, technical capability, and operational preparedness. Through specialized training, curriculum development, international cooperation, resource enhancement, and regional engagement, the DCI continues to position itself as a modern, intelligence-driven, and globally connected investigative agency capable of responding effectively to both national and transnational threats.

The Directorate's sustained focus on capacity building, partnership, and innovation remains central to its mission of safeguarding the public, protecting national interests, and strengthening the rule of law.



Seated (from left) Mr. Michael Sang (RCIO Eastern), Mr. Charles Mutua(OC LFIU) Centre Ms. Rosemary Kiraru (Director Personnel at DCI), Mr. Stephen Chacha (Deputy CDT NCIA) and Miss Violet Makhanu(Director Training at DCI)



Director DCI Mr. Mohamed Amin presents a commemorative gift to the INTERPOL'S Director of Global outreach Mr. Abdul Aziz Obaidalla at DCI Hqs Nairobi on 14th May 2026

The Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) continued to strengthen Kenya's position within the international policing community through high-level engagements with INTERPOL, reaffirming its commitment to global security cooperation, operational modernization, and coordinated action against transnational crime.

A key highlight was the participation of Kenya in the 21st INTERPOL Heads of National Central Bureaus (NCBs) Conference held in Lyon, France, where nearly 300 delegates from 148 countries convened to deliberate on the future of international police cooperation. The annual conference brought together senior law enforcement leaders from across INTERPOL's 196 member countries to strengthen collaboration,

exchange operational experiences, and align responses to emerging global threats.

Representing Kenya, the outgoing Head of NCB Nairobi, Mr. Ibrahim Jillo, AIG, accompanied by Mr. Lawrence Some, CP, conveyed the Government of Kenya's and the National Police Service's appreciation to INTERPOL and its member countries for their continued support in combating transnational crime. Kenya noted that this cooperation has significantly enhanced its investigative capacity through access to INTERPOL's global databases, real-time intelligence sharing, diffusion of notices, and coordinated cross-border operations, all of which have contributed to successful arrests and the disruption of criminal networks.

During the conference, Kenya reaffirmed the importance of collective international action in addressing evolving threats such as terrorism, cybercrime, human trafficking, illicit trade, and organized crime, emphasizing that no country can tackle these challenges in isolation. The engagement also highlighted the central role of national central bureaus as operational links between INTERPOL and national law enforcement agencies, enabling timely information exchange and coordinated action across borders.

The conference focused on a range of strategic issues aimed at reinforcing the effectiveness of the global policing network. These included NCB quality standards compliance, adoption of the NEXUS secure case messaging system, alignment with the I-Familia database for missing persons, and leadership development for female officers. Kenya welcomed these discussions as important in enhancing operational excellence, strengthening institutional practices, and supporting more effective responses to increasingly complex criminal threats.

On the margins of the conference, Mr. Jillo, who serves as an elected member of the INTERPOL Africa Committee (IAC), also participated in the committee's meeting, where African member states committed to strengthening closer police cooperation across the continent. Kenya used the opportunity to reiterate its full support for INTERPOL's mission and its readiness to continue investing in innovation, operational coordination, and international partnership.

Kenya further acknowledged the support of member countries during the recent election of Mr. Mohamed I. Amin, Director of Criminal Investigations, as Africa's delegate to the INTERPOL Executive Committee, describing the development as a reflection of growing confidence in Kenya's contribution to international policing cooperation.

This momentum in global engagement was reinforced on 14 May 2026, when Director DCI Mr. Mohamed I. Amin hosted Mr. Abdulaziz Obaidalla, INTERPOL's Director of Global Outreach and Regional Support, for high-level talks at DCI Headquarters, Nairobi. The meeting focused on three key priorities: strengthening international policing cooperation, modernizing operational systems, and enhancing public service delivery through collaborative law enforcement.

In his remarks, Mr. Amin, speaking in his capacity as Africa's delegate to the INTERPOL Executive Committee, reaffirmed Kenya's commitment to deepening partnerships that support regional and global security, particularly through intelligence sharing, coordinated investigations, and joint action against transnational criminal threats.

For his part, Mr. Obaidalla commended the Directorate of Criminal Investigations for its strong leadership and proactive engagement within the INTERPOL framework. He noted that Kenya continues to serve as a critical anchor for regional security cooperation and expressed INTERPOL's readiness to further support the DCI through technical assistance, capacity development, and access to advanced policing tools and intelligence networks.

The meeting was attended by Mr. Apolo Africa, Head of the INTERPOL Regional Bureau for Eastern Africa; Mr. Ibrahim Jillo, Commandant of the National Criminal Investigations Academy; Mr. Lawrence Some, Personal Assistant to the Director of the DCI; and Ms. Mutisya Mueni of NCB Nairobi, among other officers. The engagement was followed by a visit to the NCB offices, where the delegation held further discussions with officers on operational cooperation, capacity building, and strategies for addressing emerging security threats.

Together, these engagements underscore the Directorate's strategic commitment to leveraging international partnerships to strengthen investigative effectiveness, institutional capability, and regional security coordination. They also reflect Kenya's growing role within INTERPOL structures and its continued contribution to shaping collaborative global responses to transnational crime.

Through active participation in international policing forums and sustained engagement with key partners, the Directorate of Criminal Investigations continues to position itself as a professional, outward-looking, and globally connected investigative agency committed to advancing security through cooperation, innovation, and operational excellence.

NAIROBI METROPOLITAN POLICE UNIT TAKES SHAPE THROUGH REFORM AND STRATEGIC PLANNING



IG-NPS Mr. Douglas Kanja (centre) and Director DCI Mr. Mohamed I. Amin (3rd from left) pose for a group photograph with officials from the Japan Metropolitan Police Department in Tokyo, Japan, during an official visit on 12th June 2026.

The Nairobi Metropolitan Police Unit represents a bold and strategic reform initiative within the broader transformation of policing in Kenya.

The establishment of the Nairobi Metropolitan Police Unit (NMPU) has gathered steady momentum as the government moves to strengthen security management within the capital and its surrounding metropolitan area. Anchored on the cooperation agreement between the National Government and the Nairobi City County Government, the Unit is envisioned as a major step toward a more responsive, efficient, and accountable policing system for Nairobi.

The genesis of the initiative can be traced to the National Government-Nairobi County Cooperation Pact presided over by H.E. President William Samoei Ruto at State House, Nairobi, in February 2026. Among the key outcomes of the renewed partnership was a commitment to establish a specialized metropolitan policing framework to reinforce law and order, strengthen urban security coordination, and create a safer environment for residents, businesses, and visitors.

Since then, the Ministry of Interior and National Administration, in collaboration with the National Police Service (NPS) and the Nairobi City County Government, has undertaken a series of high-level consultations, technical reviews, and international benchmarking engagements to guide the formation of the Unit.

In April, Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration Hon. Onesimus Kipchumba Murkomen convened meetings of the technical committee spearheading the unit's formation and operationalization. The committee briefed the leadership on the proposed structure, command framework, and rollout strategy for the new formation. The discussions underscored the unit's importance in managing security within a high-population metropolitan area and in making Nairobi safer for residents, visitors, and investors.

The proposed Nairobi Metropolitan Police Unit is being designed as a multi-agency, intelligence-led, and community-oriented formation. Its mandate is expected to include maintenance of public order, protection of businesses and critical installations, improvement of traffic flow, and faster response to emerging security threats across Nairobi and its environs. It is also intended to deepen collaboration among security agencies while promoting stronger cooperation between the police and the public.

As the planning process advanced, the Ministry and the NPS intensified efforts to benchmark against some of the world's leading metropolitan police services. In early June, a Kenyan delegation led by CS Murkomen undertook a learning tour of the New York Police Department (NYPD) in the United States. Discussions with NYPD leadership focused on intelligence-led policing, community-oriented policing, technology integration, specialized urban operations, emergency response coordination, and crime prevention strategies. The engagement also explored a proposed Memorandum of Understanding between the NPS and the NYPD to support knowledge exchange and institutional learning.

From the United States, the benchmarking mission extended to the United Kingdom, where the delegation engaged the London Metropolitan Police Service and the City of London Police. The visit focused on public order management, protection of businesses and critical infrastructure, command center coordination, and broader multi-agency approaches to policing large and

complex urban environments. The lessons drawn from London are expected to play a key role in shaping a professional and people-centered policing model for Nairobi.

Additional benchmarking was undertaken in Italy, where Kenyan officials led by Internal Security and National Administration Principal Secretary Dr. Raymond Omollo engaged Italian security institutions in Rome. The discussions covered metropolitan policing, public order management, organized crime prevention, counter-terrorism, financial investigations, cybercrime response, diplomatic security, and major-event security. Particularly valuable were lessons on dismantling organized criminal networks and the use of integrated command-and-control systems to coordinate emergency calls, patrol deployment, and rapid response operations.

The NMPU planning process has also drawn inspiration from Japan's metropolitan policing model, with an inter-ministerial delegation led by Inspector-General Douglas Kanja visiting the Japan National Police Agency and the Tokyo Metropolitan Police Department. The team sought lessons on intelligence-led and community-oriented policing, specialized urban operations, emergency response coordination, technology integration, and crime prevention. These engagements reflect the government's deliberate effort to ensure the Nairobi Metropolitan Police Unit is built on tested global best practices while remaining responsive to Nairobi's unique security needs.

Back home, progress on the unit's establishment has been reinforced through structured stakeholder consultations. On 4 June 2026, the National Police Service hosted a key stakeholders' engagement at the National Police Leadership Academy in Ngong, bringing together Nairobi Region police leadership to help shape the unit's strategic and operational framework. The forum provided an important platform for constructive feedback and professional input toward a responsive policy framework tailored to the expectations and security needs of Nairobi residents.

On 20 May 2026, CS Murkomen received a progress report from the technical committee overseeing the unit's establishment and expressed confidence in the work being undertaken. He commended the team's efforts in learning from leading metropolitan police services across the

world as they develop the unit's administrative structure, service standing orders, and standard operating procedures. He noted that the new formation will significantly enhance security and public order in the city and its surroundings.

A further update on 22 June 2026 confirmed that the operationalization process had entered an advanced stage. The technical team briefed the leadership that the unit's frameworks are being finalized based on lessons drawn from the United States, the United Kingdom, Italy, and Japan, with strong emphasis on public participation, technology-driven crime prevention, rapid response capability, and inter-agency coordination. The briefing reaffirmed that the unit will help safeguard businesses and critical installations, enhance public order, and improve traffic management across Nairobi and its environs.

Overall, the Nairobi Metropolitan Police Unit

represents a bold and strategic reform initiative within the broader transformation of policing in Kenya. Once operationalized, the unit is expected to strengthen urban security management, improve responsiveness to complex metropolitan threats, and reinforce public confidence through professional, accountable, and intelligence-driven service delivery.

The journey toward the establishment of the Unit demonstrates the Government's commitment to building a modern police capability that is not only effective in addressing today's urban security challenges but also adaptable to the future needs of a growing capital city. For the National Police Service, the Nairobi Metropolitan Police Unit stands as an important milestone in advancing reforms aimed at delivering safer communities, stronger institutions, and better policing outcomes for all.



Senior officers participate in the National Police Service stakeholders' engagement forum on the establishment of the Nairobi Metropolitan Police Unit (NMPU) at the National Police Leadership Academy (NPLA) on 4th June 2026.

STANDING WITH

UTUMISHI GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL:

SERVICE, SOLIDARITY, AND SUPPORT IN A TIME OF TRAGEDY

The National Police Service joined the nation in mourning following the tragic fire at Utumishi Girls Academy in Gilgil, Nakuru County, which claimed the lives of 16 students and left 79 others injured. The devastating incident, which occurred on 28 May 2026, deeply affected not only the school community but also the wider police family, given the academy's longstanding role in educating children of serving and retired officers.

In the immediate aftermath, the National Police Service moved swiftly to support rescue, recovery, and coordination efforts. The Deputy Inspector General of the Kenya Police Service, Mr. Eliud Lagat, arrived at the school to oversee the response and later briefed the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration, Hon. Kipchumba Murkomen, and the Cabinet Secretary for Education, Hon. Julius Migos Ogamba, on the progress made. Also present were senior officers, including the Director of Criminal Investigations, Mr. Mohamed Amin, and the Principal Deputy to the Deputy Inspector General, Administration Police Service, Mr. Masoud Mwinyi, SAIG.

The response to the tragedy reflected the strength of Kenya's multi-agency coordination framework. Security teams, emergency responders, county fire brigades, health personnel, counselors, and humanitarian actors worked together through the night to contain the fire, evacuate students, provide emergency treatment, and offer psychosocial support to survivors, parents, staff, and the wider school community. A dedicated support hotline, 1199, was also established to assist affected families and provide counseling and information.

As the country grieved, the government reaffirmed its commitment to stand with the affected families. Bereaved households received immediate financial support, medical expenses for the injured were covered, and funeral arrangements for the deceased students were supported. At the same time, the Ministry of Health and child protection agencies continued to provide medical, psychosocial, and welfare assistance to ensure that the needs of the learners and their families remained at the center of the response.

The tragedy also drew a profound national outpouring of sympathy and solidarity. During a requiem mass held on 12 June 2026 at Gilgil Stadium, national leaders, the First Lady Mrs. Rachael Ruto, members of the National Police Service, top political leaders and the clergy, grieving families, and the public came together to honor the 16 young lives lost. The Service provided a solemn moment of remembrance and reaffirmed the country's collective resolve to strengthen safety in learning institutions.

Particularly moving was the story of Cecilia Wanjiku, a Form Four student whose courage became a symbol of selflessness amid unimaginable danger. She is remembered for helping fellow students to safety during the fire, repeatedly returning to assist others despite the risk to her own life. Her bravery and sacrifice left a lasting impression on classmates, teachers, and the nation, and her memory continues to inspire many.

Investigations into the cause of the fire were launched immediately, with specialized officers and forensic experts tasked with establishing the circumstances surrounding the incident. As the legal process continues, the National Police Service remains committed to supporting a thorough, fair, and evidence-based pursuit of accountability.

The Utumishi Girls Academy tragedy was a painful reminder of the urgent need to safeguard schools as places of security, growth, and hope. For the National Police Service, it also underscored the enduring meaning of service—standing with communities in moments of grief, coordinating urgent response when disaster strikes, and remaining steadfast in the pursuit of justice and protection for all.

In mourning the lives lost, the Service also honors the resilience of survivors, dedication of responders, and solidarity shown by Kenyans across the country. The memory of the students who perished will remain with the nation, and their loss strengthens the shared responsibility to ensure that such a tragedy is never repeated.



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COMMITMENT, COURAGE, AND GRIT: HONOURING THE LEGENDARY PIONEER MSS FORCE COMMANDER IN HAITI – MR. GODFREY OKELLO OTUNGE, SAIG



Mr. Godfrey Okello Otunge, SAIG, Commandant of the Rapid Deployment Unit, poses for a photograph.



A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way, and shows the way.” — John C. Maxwell.

Few officers embody these words more profoundly than Mr. Godfrey Okello Otunge, CBS, OGW, SAIG. A distinguished police commander, visionary reformer and patriot, Mr. Otunge has dedicated more than three decades to safeguarding Kenya and advancing professional policing. His career, characterised by courage, strategic leadership and unwavering integrity, culminated

in a historic appointment as the pioneer Force Commander of the Kenyan-led Multinational Security Support (MSS) Mission in Haiti, where he led multinational forces in one of the world’s most demanding security environments.

His journey—from the quiet villages of Seme in Kisumu County to commanding an international security mission—demonstrates that exceptional

leadership is forged through discipline, continuous learning, humility and selfless service.

Born and raised in Seme, Kisumu County, Mr. Otunge grew up in a family that nurtured the values of discipline, patriotism, faith and responsibility. His father served as a Senior Chief, while his mother was a devoted lay leader in the Anglican Church. Their influence laid the moral foundation upon which he would build his life and career.

As a young boy, he frequently watched police officers visit his family home on official duties. Those interactions left a lasting impression and inspired him to view policing as a noble profession dedicated to protecting lives and serving communities. It was during these formative years that his desire to wear the uniform and serve his country first took shape.

Mr. Otunge began his education at Mayieka Primary School in South West Seme before proceeding to Ngere High School for his secondary education. Recognising the importance of academic excellence in leadership, he later pursued higher education at Kenyatta University, where he earned a Bachelor’s Degree in Security Studies, followed by a Master’s Degree in the same field.

His commitment to lifelong learning extended well beyond the classroom. Throughout his policing career, he continually invested in professional development, recognising that effective leadership demands

constant growth and adaptation.

Mr. Otunge joined the National Police Service in 1994 and underwent basic recruit training at the National Police College, Embakasi 'A' Campus. From the outset, he distinguished himself as a disciplined, dedicated and forward-thinking officer.

His operational career took him to some of Kenya's most demanding assignments. He served in Bothai and Garissa in North Eastern Kenya, Mbita, Suba, and the island stations of Remba and Ringiti, gaining extensive experience in community policing, operational planning and security management. He later served as Officer in Charge of Operations for the Administration Police Service in the Nyanza Region, where he strengthened operational coordination and public safety initiatives.

As his leadership responsibilities expanded, Mr. Otunge played a central role in shaping Kenya's security architecture. He pioneered the establishment of the Border Police Unit, providing specialised policing along Kenya's borders, and represented the National Police Service in the Border Control and Operations Coordination Committee (BCOCC). His expertise also saw him contribute to policy development within the Office of the National Security Advisor, while participating in major counter-crime and counter-terrorism operations in Boni Forest, Chemolingot, the Coast Region, and other high-risk areas.

His pursuit of professional excellence was matched by extensive local and international training. In Kenya, he completed the Middle Management Course, Senior Management Course, and the Senior Leadership Development Programme at the Kenya School of Government, in addition to advanced leadership training at the National Police Leadership Academy, Loresho.

Internationally, he undertook specialised training in international law enforcement in the United States, countering violent extremism in Russia, peace support operations in Italy, document examination in Australia, and command and control with the Joint Anti-Terrorism Team in the United Kingdom. He further enhanced his investigative expertise through programmes involving the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA).

As Director of Operations for the Administration

Police Service at Jogoo House, Mr. Otunge continued to influence policing at the highest strategic level. He championed reforms that strengthened the National Police Service, including the development of the current command and leadership structure, streamlining operations and eliminating duplication of roles. He also promoted technology-driven policing through the implementation of the Integrated Command, Control and Communication (IC3) system and participated in benchmarking missions to Botswana and South Korea to adopt global best practices.

Beyond operational success, Mr. Otunge is widely respected for his leadership philosophy and unwavering personal values. He believes that true leadership begins with self-discipline and is sustained through integrity, humility and service.

Family occupies a central place in his life. As a husband and father, he advocates maintaining what he describes as a "life wheel balance," explaining that just as a bicycle wheel must remain balanced to move forward, so too must a leader balance professional responsibilities with family life. He often remarks:

"When I enter my home, I am a father; when I leave, I become a commander."

Before accepting the historic assignment to Haiti, he sought his family's blessings. His mother encouraged him through the biblical story of Jonah, reminding him that leadership is a divine calling that requires faith, courage and obedience.

Mr. Otunge is also a passionate advocate of proactive policing, believing that preventing crime is more effective, sustainable and people-centred than merely responding to criminal incidents. He encourages officers to uphold loyalty to God, country, the Constitution, their oath of office and one another, while embracing professionalism, discipline and respect for the rule of law.

On 25 June 2024, Mr. Otunge made history when he was appointed the pioneer Force Commander of the Kenyan-led Multinational Security Support (MSS) Mission in Haiti, becoming the first officer to command the international mission established to support the Haitian National Police in restoring law and order.

Leading multinational contingents in one of the world's most volatile security environments

demanded exceptional courage, strategic thinking and operational expertise. Under his command, the mission recorded significant achievements, including disrupting criminal networks, securing critical national infrastructure, reopening humanitarian corridors, stabilising key facilities such as Toussaint Louverture International Airport and the country's principal seaport, and facilitating the reopening of major transport routes that had been controlled by armed gangs.

The Haiti mission became the defining chapter of an already distinguished career. It demonstrated not only Kenya's growing leadership in international peace support operations but also the professionalism, capability and resilience of the National Police Service on the global stage.

For Mr. Otunge, the experience reinforced a profound appreciation for the peace and stability enjoyed in Kenya and strengthened his conviction that security is a shared responsibility requiring cooperation, sacrifice and visionary leadership.

Mr. Otunge's exemplary service has earned him some of Kenya's highest national honours. He is the first officer below the rank of Deputy Inspector General to be conferred the prestigious Chief of the Order of the Burning Spear (CBS)—a remarkable distinction that reflects his outstanding contribution to national security and international

peace support operations.

He is also a recipient of the Elder of the Order of the Burning Spear (EBS) and the Order of the Grand Warrior (OGW), honours that recognise decades of exemplary service, distinguished leadership and unwavering commitment to duty.

Today, Mr. Otunge envisions a National Police Service that ranks among the finest policing institutions in Africa and the world—anchored on professionalism, teamwork, innovation, technology, improved officer welfare and enduring public trust.

From the villages of Seme to the streets of Port-au-Prince, his story is one of faith, resilience, sacrifice and servant leadership. It is a journey that continues to inspire police officers, young leaders and all Kenyans to pursue excellence with courage, integrity and humility.

The National Police Service proudly celebrates Mr. Godfrey Okello Otunge, CBS, EBS, OGW, SAIG, for his extraordinary service to Kenya and the international community. His legacy stands as a lasting reminder that true leadership is measured not by rank or recognition, but by the lives transformed, the institutions strengthened and the peace secured for generations to come.

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NPS STRENGTHENS RESPONSE TO TECHNOLOGY-FACILITATED GENDER-BASED VIOLENCE (TFGBV) THROUGH RESEARCH AND CAPACITY BUILDING



Commandant NPLA Mr. Kainga Mathiu, AIG hands over a report on Technology -Facilitated Gender Based Violence to NPS Deputy Director Personnel Ms. Joyce Kanda, AIG at NPLA on 22nd June 2026.

The National Police Service has marked a significant milestone in strengthening its response to emerging digital-era crimes following the official handover of the Final Research Findings Report on Technology-Facilitated Gender-Based Violence (TFGBV) and the conclusion of a specialized training program for officers on the investigation of such offenses.

The report was officially handed over on 22 June 2026 at the National Police Leadership Academy (NPLA), Ngong, during a ceremony presided

over by Ms. Joyce Kanda, AIG, Deputy Director of Personnel, who represented the Inspector General of the National Police Service, Mr. Douglas Kanja. Present at the event were NPLA Commandant Mr. Kainga Mathiu, AIG; Deputy Commandant Mr. David Muthondeki, CP; Ms. Elvi Agunda, representing the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) Resident Representative; senior National Police Service officers; and representatives from the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions (ODPP).

Conducted by the National

Police Leadership Academy in partnership with UNDP Kenya, the study examined the prevalence of technology-facilitated gender-based violence and police response strategies in selected police stations in Kenya. Its aim was to generate evidence on the scale, trends, and nature of TFGBV and to inform strategic, institutional, and operational responses by the National Police Service and other stakeholders.

In the Inspector General's message delivered during the ceremony, the NPS leadership commended NPLA

for integrating contemporary security concerns such as TFGBV into police training and institutional learning. This was described as a progressive step that reflects the Service's commitment to remaining responsive to evolving public safety challenges in an increasingly digital society. Appreciation was also conveyed to the UNDP and the Republic of Korea, through the Korean National Police Agency, for the technical, financial, and strategic support that made the research possible.

Speaking during the event, NPLA Commandant Mr. Kainga Mathiu, AIG, noted that the challenge of TFGBV cannot be addressed by a single institution acting alone. He emphasized that the handover of the report marks not the end of the process but an important milestone in strengthening the National Police Service's institutional response through partnerships, evidence-based reforms, and continued engagement with communities.

Scientific Approach Behind the Study

A key strength of the report lies in its rigorous scientific approach. The study employed a correlational cross-sectional research design and used both quantitative and qualitative methods to provide a comprehensive understanding of TFGBV and police response.

Under the technical leadership of Dr. Fidel Agai, ASP, the study applied a rigorous mixed-methods approach to ensure that the findings were both statistically grounded and informed by lived experiences

from the field.

The research covered seven counties—Nairobi, Kajiado, Nakuru, Kiambu, Embu, Nyeri, and Machakos—and targeted 200 youth and 150 police officers, who were selected through a multistage sampling technique. Structured questionnaires were administered to the respondents to collect quantitative data, with 155 youth and 120 police officers ultimately participating in the survey.

To enrich the findings, the researchers also gathered secondary data from police records and conducted key informant interviews with 15 senior police officers, 20 chiefs, 25 community leaders, and 4 perpetrators, selected through purposive sampling. In addition, focus group discussions, non-participant field observations, and field notes were used to generate deeper qualitative insights.

The quantitative data was analyzed using percentages, frequency counts, and regression analysis and presented through tables and graphs. The qualitative data was processed using thematic analysis, enabling the researchers to capture lived experiences, attitudes, institutional challenges, and community perspectives. This mixed-methods design gave the study both statistical depth and practical context, making its findings especially valuable for policy, training, and operational planning.

Key Findings of the Study

The research established that technology-facilitated gender-based violence remains prevalent in Kenya, particularly

among young people, who are at the center of a social media-driven form of abuse. The study found that while many young people are exposed to or affected by TFGBV, decisions on whether to report incidents to the police are influenced by a combination of survivor-related, incident-related, and environmental factors.

Importantly, the findings show that the police remain a critical first line of response, but their effectiveness is often constrained by

- **Institutional inefficiencies**
- **Weak coordination mechanisms,**
- **Policy**
- **Legal bottlenecks**
- **Resource limitations.**

These gaps affect the consistency, safety, and effectiveness of police handling of TFGBV cases, including evidence management, inter-agency cooperation, and movement of cases through the justice process.

The study further indicates that because of these challenges, many survivors and communities continue to rely on alternative mechanisms, particularly local administrative structures such as chiefs, when seeking redress. This underscores the need for stronger collaboration between police and other state and non-state actors in addressing TFGBV.

Overall, the report concludes that TFGBV is still endemic among the youth in Kenya and that although police are central to response efforts,

a broader, coordinated, and survivor-centered approach is required to improve reporting, investigations, and outcomes for victims.

Why the Findings Matter to NPS and the Public

For the National Police Service, the report provides an evidence base for strengthening training, improving investigative procedures, refining case management systems, enhancing digital evidence handling, and deepening collaboration across the criminal justice chain. It also supports ongoing reforms aimed at professionalizing service delivery and aligning policing practice with emerging technological realities.

For the public, especially victims and survivors of online abuse, the findings are equally important. They signal growing institutional recognition of harms such as cyber harassment, online stalking, image-based abuse, digital blackmail, and other forms of TFGBV. The study reinforces the importance of accessible, survivor-centered, timely, and informed police services that protect dignity, privacy, and safety.

The findings also have broader preventive value. By identifying the patterns, barriers, and response gaps associated with TFGBV, the report contributes to greater public awareness and encourages communities, parents, young people, educators, and local leaders to play a more active role in prevention, reporting, and support for survivors.

Capacity Building to Translate Research Into Action

In a further demonstration of commitment to operationalizing the study's findings, the National Police Leadership Academy, with support from the Korea National Police in collaboration with UNDP, concluded a three-day capacity-building workshop on the Investigation of technology-facilitated gender-based violence on 5 June 2026.

The workshop brought together 33 gender desk officers from various counties and was designed to strengthen their ability to investigate emerging forms of gender-based violence committed through digital technologies, social media platforms, mobile applications, and other online spaces.

During the training, participants gained practical skills in digital evidence identification, collection, preservation, and documentation; digital tracking and metadata analysis; survivor-centered and trauma-informed investigative approaches; inter-agency collaboration; and effective case management of TFGBV offenses. The program was aimed at enhancing the service's readiness to respond to crimes whose methods and impact are increasingly shaped by technology.

The closing ceremony was officiated by the Commandant of NPLA, Mr. David Mathiu, AIG, who reiterated the Inspector General's commitment to strengthening institutional capacity to prevent, investigate, and respond to technology-facilitated crimes while

safeguarding the rights, dignity, and safety of victims and survivors. He observed that rapid technological advancement continues to present new policing challenges that demand innovative, knowledge-driven, and collaborative responses.

He commended the participating officers for their dedication to professional development and emphasized the need to continuously equip police personnel with contemporary investigative skills in order to address emerging threats effectively and enhance service delivery to the public.

A Strategic Step Forward

Together, the handover of the TFGBV research report and the completion of specialized officer training demonstrate the National Police Service's growing investment in evidence-led policing, institutional learning, and victim-centered service delivery. They reflect a deliberate effort to ensure that as crime evolves in the digital space, policing responses evolve as well.

With the findings now formally received and capacity building already underway, the National Police Service is better positioned to strengthen prevention, improve investigations, foster public trust, and work more effectively with partners in protecting communities from technology-facilitated gender-based violence.

ON THE GROUND FOR PUBLIC SAFETY: IG KANJA LEADS JUNE 25 SECURITY ASSESSMENT



IG- NPS Mr. Douglas Kanja and DIG-NPS Mr. Gilbert Masengeli engage residents during a security assessment tour of Nairobi on 25th June 2026.

The National Police Service maintained a visible security presence across key locations, combining public reassurance, operational vigilance, and leadership oversight aimed at preserving order while protecting the public. On 25 June 2026, the country observed commemorative demonstrations under heightened public attention and security preparedness.

In the lead-up to the day, Cabinet Secretary Kipchumba Murkomen stated that the government recognized and respected the constitutional right of Kenyans to assemble, demonstrate, picket, and present petitions under Article 37 of the Constitution. He affirmed that peaceful and unarmed demonstrators would be protected, while also urging the public to reject violence, destruction of property, and any disruption to businesses or essential services.

At the same time, the government maintained

that 25 June would remain a normal working and school day, encouraging citizens to continue with their daily routines. Security agencies were placed on alert following notifications by groups intending to hold demonstrations in different parts of the country, with police instructed to protect life and property, operate within the Constitution and the law.

As events unfolded, security arrangements were reinforced in Nairobi and other parts of the country. A notable feature of the day was the security assessment conducted by Inspector General Douglas Kanja, who was accompanied by the Deputy Inspector General of the Administration Police Service, Gilbert Masengeli, during visits to Nairobi and Kitengela. The assessment formed part of the Service's real-time monitoring of the prevailing situation and underscored the leadership's presence on the ground during a moment of national significance.

During the assessment tour, IG Kanja commended officers for their professionalism in maintaining law and order and protecting critical infrastructure. He also addressed members of the public at various points along the Nairobi-Kitengela Highway, reassuring them that the country was safe and secure and urging them to remain peaceful, continue with their daily activities, and cooperate with the police. In Kitengela, he further engaged the press and the public, emphasizing that national security is a collective responsibility and reaffirming the National Police Service's commitment to serving and protecting all Kenyans, residents, and visitors.

The Inspector General was accompanied by senior officers, including Director of Operations, APS, Jackson Kangani, AIG; Director of Operations, KPS, Phillip Opiyo, AIG; and NPS Director of Corporate Communications and Spokesperson, Muchiri Nyaga, AIG, alongside other senior commanders. Their presence highlighted the service's coordinated command structure and

readiness to respond swiftly to developments as they emerged.

According to public statements issued during and after the demonstrations, 355 individuals were arrested in various parts of the country in connection with the protests and related incidents. Even so, official communication maintained that many of the demonstrations were largely peaceful and that security agencies had succeeded in preventing criminal elements from hijacking commemorative activities.

The events of 25 June once again placed the National Police Service at the center of a complex national assignment—balancing the protection of constitutional freedoms with the duty to safeguard life, property, and public order. Through leadership visibility, operational deployment, and continuous public engagement, the Service demonstrated its resolve to maintain stability while supporting the lawful exercise of democratic rights.



Anti-stock unit officers from Administration Police Service patrol the Nairobi CBD on 25th June 2025

The National Police Service demonstrated strong operational readiness, inter-agency coordination, and professionalism during the Africa Forward Summit in Nairobi, securing a high-level international gathering that positioned Kenya at the center of a renewed Africa-France partnership.

When Nairobi hosted the Africa Forward Summit on 11-12 May 2026, Kenya took its place on a prominent diplomatic and economic stage. Co-hosted by President William Ruto and French President Emmanuel Macron, the summit brought together more than 30 heads of state, senior officials, investors, and over 1,500 business leaders to advance a new model of partnership between Africa and France—one grounded in investment, innovation, and mutual growth.

The summit produced notable outcomes, including EUR23 billion in new investment commitments, the signing of 11 bilateral agreements between Kenya and France, and the adoption of the Nairobi Declaration, a shared agenda aimed at reforming international financial systems while accelerating green industrialization, the blue economy, and artificial intelligence cooperation. As global attention turned to Nairobi, the responsibility of securing the event fell squarely on a coordinated national security framework led in large part by the National Police Service (NPS).

Throughout the summit period, the NPS mounted a comprehensive security operation designed to guarantee the safety of visiting dignitaries, delegates, and the public while ensuring uninterrupted proceedings. The operation reflected close

collaboration with the Kenya Defence Forces (KDF), the National Intelligence Service (NIS), the National Youth Service (NYS), Nairobi City County, and the Ministry of Foreign and Diaspora Affairs. This inter-agency approach strengthened protective coverage at the Kenyatta International Convention Centre (KICC) and across key installations connected to the summit.

The Service also worked closely with French and United Nations security teams, both in uniformed and plainclothes capacities, to support the protection of heads of state, diplomats, and other high-level guests. In doing so, the NPS not only delivered on its national security mandate but also upheld Kenya's international obligations regarding the safety of foreign missions and official delegations.

Beyond dignitary protection and venue security, the NPS implemented extensive traffic management measures to facilitate smooth movement within the city. Temporary road closures and traffic diversions were enforced on major routes, including Mombasa Road and Thika Super Highway, helping ease congestion and ensure timely delegate transit. Members of the public were encouraged to comply with police guidance, traffic advisories, and route control measures issued before and during the summit.

To prevent disruption of the high-profile event, the Service also undertook targeted public order enforcement. Police confirmed the arrest of 153 individuals for various offenses, including unlawful assembly, obstruction of police officers, misconduct, and failure to notify authorities of planned demonstrations. According to

police briefings, these actions were taken to preserve order and maintain a secure environment around summit activities.

Additional security operations conducted during the summit period led to the recovery of a pistol loaded with 10 rounds of 9mm ammunition in Kayole, alongside 70 mobile phones and three motorcycles believed to be linked to criminal activity. Police noted that some of the recovered phones had already been identified by their owners, with investigations continuing. These operations highlighted the service's vigilance not only around summit venues but also across the wider city environment.

Importantly, police reported that no major incidents were recorded throughout the summit. Enhanced deployment around the KICC, rapid operational coordination, and sustained enforcement efforts ensured that the event proceeded in a safe, orderly, and dignified manner from start to finish.

The successful security coverage of the Africa Forward Summit stands as a strong example of the professionalism, preparedness, and resilience of the National Police Service. By combining strategic planning, inter-agency cooperation, firm law enforcement, and international coordination, the Service helped secure an event of major diplomatic significance while reinforcing public confidence in Kenya's ability to host and protect major global engagements.

UNIFORMED AND DISCIPLINED SERVICES MARK ANNUAL THANKSGIVING SERVICES ACROSS THE COUNTRY



A National Police Service officer partakes of Holy Communion during the Uniformed and Disciplined Services Annual Thanksgiving Service at our Lady of Peace Catholic Church in Voi on 25th March, 2026.

Between March and June 2026, uniformed and disciplined services personnel and their families gathered in cathedrals, parishes, and parish grounds in counties and regions across Kenya for the Annual Joint Prayers and Thanksgiving Service, a longstanding tradition that brings together the National Police Service (NPS), the Kenya Prisons Service, the Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS), the Kenya Forest Service (KFS), the National Youth Service (NYS), and the Kenya Coast Guard Service in a shared act of gratitude, reflection, and renewal.

This year's services were anchored on a single unifying theme, drawn from Joshua 1:9: "Be strong and steadfast, for the Lord your God is with you." Coordinated nationally by the National Organising Committee for Uniformed and Disciplined Service Officers, chaired by Dr.

Clement Ng'oriareng, PSDCC, and replicated at the regional and county level by local organising committees, the services rotated through ten counties and regions over four months, each presided over by a senior clergy figure and graced by a regional or county administrator as chief guest.

Across the Coast

The season opened in **Taita Taveta**, where officers and families gathered on 25th March at Our Lady Queen of Peace Catholic Church in Voi. The service was presided over by Rev. Fr. J. B. Macharia, Director of Chaplaincy at the Kenya Prisons Service, representing Bishop George Muthaka of the Diocese of Garissa, head of chaplaincy for uniformed and disciplined services nationally. In his sermon, Fr. Lukas Gatero of the

APS likened spiritual growth to security work itself, noting that both require a unified, multi-agency approach. Chief guest and Taita Taveta County Commissioner Ms Linda Okola urged officers to strengthen inter-agency collaboration to address security challenges, with Taita Taveta Deputy Governor H.E. Christine Saru Kilalo and IPOA Commissioners Ms Janet Mbogo and Dr Micah Onyiego also in attendance.

Two days later, on 27th March, the **North Coast** counties of Lamu, Tana River, and Kilifi held their service at St Anthony Catholic Church in Malindi, presided over by Bishop Willybard Kitogho Lagho of the Catholic Diocese of Malindi. The Bishop used the occasion to urge officers to shun corruption at every level, calling it a major setback to national progress. Chief guest and Malindi Deputy County Commissioner Ms. Irene Munyoki commended officers for their daily sacrifices and underscored the importance of community policing values.

On 28th March, **Kwale and Mombasa** counties followed suit at the Holy Ghost Cathedral in Mombasa, with Archbishop Martin Kivuva of the Archdiocese of Mombasa presiding. The Archbishop described the work of security officers as sacred, given its grounding in the protection of life and property. Mombasa Deputy County Commissioner Mr. Kalume Kashuru, the chief guest, urged officers to lead responsible lives, avoid drugs, and care for the families who form the backbone of their wellbeing, while the gathering also paused to remember colleagues who had lost their lives in the line of duty.

Garissa and the Heartland Counties

On 25th April, **Garissa County** hosted its service at Our Lady of Consolation Cathedral, again with Fr. J. B. Macharia presiding on behalf of Bishop Muthaka. Rev. Fr. Albert Aseli of the General Service Unit preached on gratitude for life, protection, and good health, urging officers to surround themselves with positive, God-fearing influences. Garissa County Commissioner Mr. Mohamed Mwabudzo, the chief guest, reminded officers that family remains a vital support system both during service and in retirement.

Kiambu County held its maiden joint thanksgiving service on 5th May at Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Parish, presided over by the Bishop-in-Charge of the Military Ordinariate, Rt. Rev. Wallace Ng'ang'a. His charge to the congregation was

direct: "Prayer alone is not enough; we must take action." He described the annual service as both a tribute to fallen officers and an opportunity for the services to engage the public through Corporate Social Responsibility activities. Representing the chief guest and Central Regional Commissioner, Mr Joshua Nkanatha, Kiambu Senior Deputy County Commissioner, Mr Titus Macharia, told officers they held the sacred responsibility of being custodians of the law, and urged families to nurture gratitude in the next generation from an early age.

On 23rd May, the **Central Region** counties of Nyeri, Murang'a, Kirinyaga, and Nyandarua gathered at Our Lady of Consolata Cathedral in Nyeri, presided over by His Grace the Most Rev. Antony Muheria, Archbishop of Nyeri, who spoke of courage, discipline, and honour as the guiding marks of the disciplined services. Chief guest and Murang'a County Commissioner Mr Hassan Bule led the congregation in a moment of silence for fallen officers, telling them: "You put on the uniform not for fame or reward, but because you understand that a stable and secure community is the foundation upon which all our hopes and dreams can safely grow."

The **Mid-Eastern Region** counties of Tharaka Nithi, Meru, and Embu marked their service on 6th June at Our Lady of Assumption Catholic Parish in Embu, where the Rt. Rev. Peter Kimani Ndung'u, Bishop of the Catholic Diocese of Embu, drew on the Gospel account of the widow's mite to reflect on humility and the value of small acts of service – from the rehabilitation work of prison wardens to the wildlife protection efforts of the KWS and the safety work of police officers. Representing the chief guest, Eastern Regional Commissioner Mr Jacob Ouma, Embu County Commissioner Mr Morris Wanyonyi challenged officers to embody the qualities of a "CHIEF" officer – Courageous, Honest, Integrity-driven, Effective, and Focused – and to treat junior colleagues with fairness, equity, and compassion.

Nyanza and the West

Southern Nyanza's counties of Nyamira, Kisii, Migori, and Homa Bay gathered on 18th June at St. Paul's Catholic Town Parish Grounds in Homa Bay for an inter-faith service that began with a march procession through the town and concluded with the planting of commemorative trees at the parish grounds. Presiding Bishop Rt. Rev. Michael Cornelius Otieno Odiwa of

the Catholic Diocese of Homa Bay drew on the Lord's Prayer to reflect on courage, justice, and resistance to corruption in the line of duty. Chief guest and Homa Bay County Commissioner Mr. Ronald Mwiwawi commended officers' resilience and issued a stern warning to those recruiting youth into criminal gangs, urging commanders to lead with empathy and to support junior officers facing daily challenges.

The following day, 19th June, the **Western Region** counties of Bungoma, Busia, Vihiga, and Kakamega held their service at St. Joseph's Cathedral in Kakamega. Rev. Fr. Paul Miring'u of the Catholic Diocese of Nakuru presided on behalf of Bishop Muthaka, while Rev. Fr. Josephat Njenga, Principal Chaplain of the NYS, preached on building a legacy rooted in integrity rather than worldly wealth. Chief guest and Western Regional Commissioner Mr. Allan Machari paid special tribute to officers' spouses and families, and tasked the Services' chaplaincy with safeguarding the psychosocial wellbeing of officers. Dr. Ng'oriareng commended the Western Region team for delivering an event that "exceeded all expectations."

The series concluded, fittingly, in **Kisumu and Siaya** on 20th June at St. Theresa's Cathedral, presided over by Reverend Archbishop Maurice Muhatia Makumba of the Archdiocese of Kisumu. Drawing on Matthew 6:24–34, the Archbishop reminded officers that no one can serve two masters, urging them to remain focused on their core mandate amid the "competing gods" of modern life, while affirming that the work of maintaining law and order is itself consistent with God's will. Chief guest and Nyanza Regional Commissioner Mr. Onesmus Kyatha spoke of prayer as the anchoring power officers need for such demanding work, while Rev. Fr. Paul Miring'u, Coordinator of the National Organising Committee, called on religious leaders to provide officers with consistent spiritual nourishment alongside critical mental health support.

Across all ten counties and regions, certain figures and themes recurred. Dr. Clement Ng'oriareng, PSDCC, was present throughout as the unifying figure of the national organising structure, alongside Principal Chaplain Father Jeremy Mwenda, SP, the NPS Head of Chaplaincy Mr. Francis Kooli, CP, the Directorate of Criminal Investigations' headquarters representative Ms. Grace Ndirangu, CP, and the NPS Directorate

of Corporate Communications, represented at several coastal events by Mr. Rodgers Gathuku, SP. Each service drew senior regional and county security commanders, chaplains from across the participating agencies, and members of local organising committees, all united in marking a tradition that has become as much a fixture of the security calendar as any operational milestone.

As this year's series of services draws to a close, the National Police Service joins its sister disciplined services in reaffirming a shared resolve: to serve with integrity, humility, and an unwavering sense of higher purpose; to nurture the spiritual and psychosocial wellbeing of every officer and their family; to deepen the multi-agency partnerships that anchor the Service's Strategic Plan 2023–2027; and to continue building the trust of the communities entrusted to its care. From the cathedrals of Mombasa and Malindi to the parish grounds of Homa Bay and the lakeside calm of Kisumu, the message carried through every service in 2026 remained the same – that for Kenya's uniformed men and women, theirs is, above all, a calling of service to God, country, and community.



Prayer alone is not enough; we must take action. Be courageous, stand for the truth, and execute your lawful duties with commitment for the greater good of the nation.

Rt. Rev. Wallace Ng'ang'a, Bishop-in-Charge of the Military Ordinariate, Kiambu Thanksgiving Service



Deputy Inspector General – Kenya Police Service (KPS), Mr. Eliud Lagat, delivers his remarks during the Sub-County Commanders' Conference at the National Police Leadership Academy (NPLA), Ngong, on 8th May 2026.

In an increasingly complex security environment, the success of modern policing depends on continuous learning. Today's police officers must be operationally competent, adaptive, technologically proficient, ethical, and equipped to respond effectively to the evolving needs of the communities they serve. The National Police Service (NPS) has placed continuous learning at the centre of its transformation agenda. Throughout the quarter, the Service reinforced this commitment through strategic leadership engagements, specialised training programmes, and institutional partnerships that strengthened professionalism, operational readiness, and service delivery across all formations.

Setting the tone for this transformation was the sustained engagement of the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration, Hon. Kipchumba Murkomen, with police training institutions. His visits reaffirmed the Government's commitment to strengthening police training,

improving officers' welfare, and equipping the National Police Service.

On April 15, CS Murkomen visited the National Police College Embakasi 'A' and 'B' Campuses, where he engaged recruits undergoing basic training and challenged them to uphold discipline, resilience, professionalism, and integrity as the defining values of modern policing. Accompanied by the Inspector General, Mr. Douglas Kanja, and the Deputy Inspectors General, Mr. Eliud Lagat (KPS) and Mr. Gilbert Masengeli (APS), he also inspected the ongoing barracks construction project at Embakasi 'A', reaffirming the Government's commitment to enhancing officers' welfare through improved training infrastructure.

The Government's investment in modern, practical police training was further demonstrated on 24 April when the Cabinet Secretary commissioned the Basic Recruits No. 1/2025 Field Simulation at the newly established National Police College

LII Field Training Campus in Meru. The state-of-the-art facility provides recruits with a space to execute realistic operational scenarios designed to strengthen tactical competence and preparedness for contemporary policing. During the commissioning, the Cabinet Secretary underscored the importance of embracing technology, community partnerships, and data-driven policing to address emerging security challenges.

The engagement with police training institutions continued in May with a visit to the National Police College Main Campus, Kiganjo, where he assessed the progress of the Basic Recruits Training Course No. 1 of 2025 as trainees entered the final phase of their programme with a focus on maintaining high training standards and ensuring recruits graduate fully prepared to serve as disciplined, professional, and people-centred police officers.

Beyond recruit development, the Service continued to invest in cultivating the next generation of police leaders. On May 14, Inspector General Douglas Kanja presided over the closing of the Senior Training Course at the National Police Service Senior Staff College, Emali Campus, where 199 officers from the Administration Police Service and the Directorate of Criminal Investigations completed a rigorous six-month programme preparing them for higher command responsibilities. The Inspector General reaffirmed the commitment to developing ethical, strategic, and adaptive leaders capable of guiding the Service through an increasingly complex security landscape.

Strengthening leadership capacity also extended to the leadership of the institutions responsible for shaping future officers where the Commandants of police training institutions convened for a five-day symposium at the Morendat Institute, Naivasha. They explored ways to harmonise training standards, share best practices, and develop a unified vision for police education, further reinforcing long-term commitment to institutional excellence and continuous improvement.

Leadership development gathered further momentum at the National Police Leadership Academy, Ngong, where Sub-County Commanders participated in a high-level consultative dialogue on command accountability, innovation, operational effectiveness, and

citizen-centred policing. The engagement was complemented by a three-day Command Strategy Leadership Workshop that equipped commanders with practical skills in operational leadership, performance management, public engagement, technology, occupational stress management, and human rights-centred policing. Together, these initiatives reinforced the Service's commitment to empowering commanders with the leadership competencies required to deliver effective policing at the grassroots.

Recognising that effective leadership is equally anchored in effective communication, the Service also enhanced officers' communication and media engagement skills. At the National Police College Main Campus, Kiganjo, National Police Service Spokesperson and Director of Corporate Communications, Mr. Muchiri Nyaga, AIG, delivered a specialised lecture to officers undertaking the Higher Training Course (HTC) designed to strengthen their competencies in media relations, crisis communication, ethical information management, and responsible use of social media. As public expectations for transparency and accountability continue to grow, the programme ensured future police leaders are better prepared to engage the media, manage public information responsibly, and communicate effectively during operational and crisis situations.

Specialised operational training also remained a key priority. At the National Police College Embakasi 'A' Campus, middle-level commanders participated in a workshop organised in partnership with the International Committee of the Red Cross, focusing on lawful policing and operational effectiveness. Meanwhile, the APS Driving School at Mwalimu Farm enhanced the capabilities of tactical drivers through advanced instruction in defensive driving, fleet management, route clearance, and improvised explosive device awareness. Further building on these specialised capabilities, Embakasi 'A' Campus also hosted a multi-agency First Responders Tactical Training Explosive Search and Detection Course in partnership with the Government of Spain and the National Counter Terrorism Centre. Officers drawn from specialised units including K-9, SWAT, the Border Police Unit, the General Service Unit, and the Anti-Terrorism Police Unit received advanced instruction in convoy security, explosive detection, Tactical Emergency Casualty Care, crisis management,

and active threat response, further strengthening Kenya's preparedness against evolving security threats.

The Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) also intensified efforts to enhance investigative excellence through specialised programmes delivered at the National Criminal Investigations Academy. In partnership with the Government of Türkiye and the Turkish Cooperation and Coordination Agency (TIKA), investigators underwent advanced training on combating money laundering and terrorism financing, equipping them with the expertise needed to trace illicit financial flows, dismantle criminal networks, and strengthen Kenya's compliance with international Anti-Money Laundering (AML) and Counter Financing of Terrorism (CFT) standards.

Complementing this initiative, the NPS Financial Action Task Force (FATF) rolled out a nationwide sensitisation programme for officers to improve awareness of the Service's role in combating money laundering and terrorism financing. The programme forms part of Kenya's broader efforts to address strategic deficiencies following the country's placement on the FATF "grey list" in 2024, while reinforcing the National Police Service's commitment to strengthening financial crime investigations and safeguarding the

integrity of the country's financial system.

The Directorate also partnered with the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime to conduct a Training of Trainers programme on investigating trafficking in persons and smuggling of migrants, further strengthening the country's response to transnational organised crime. Additional programmes focused on intelligence-led policing and emerging security threats with officers from the Crime Research and Intelligence Bureau completing a Basic Intelligence Training.

Beyond operational training, the Service continued to champion academic excellence as a pillar of professional policing. Nineteen officers from various formations graduated with Bachelor of Arts degrees in Criminology and Security Studies from the Presbyterian University of East Africa, reflecting the National Police Service's growing investment in higher education, research, and innovation to support evidence-based policing.

As the Service continues to modernise its institutions and strengthen strategic partnerships, it remains steadfast in its pursuit of excellence, developing capable leaders, embracing innovation, and equipping officers with the knowledge, skills, and values needed to safeguard Kenya while upholding the rule of law, human rights, and public trust.



NPS Spokesperson and Director of Corporate Communications, Mr. Muchiri Nyaga, AIG, delivers a lecture to officers undertaking the Higher Training Course (HTC) at the National Police College – Main Campus (NPS-MC), Kiganjo, on 6th May 2026.

NATIONAL POLICE SERVICE VOLLEYBALL TEAMS DOMINATE DOMESTIC LEAGUE AND SHINE ON THE CONTINENTAL STAGE



The National Police Service (NPS) volleyball elite squads—the General Service Unit (GSU), Kenya Airport Police Unit (KAPU), Administration Police (AP) Kenya, and the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) Queens—have delivered a masterclass in athletic excellence, dominating both the Kenya Volleyball Federation (KVF) National League and prestigious continental championships across Africa.

On the home front, NPS teams have turned the Nyayo National Stadium into a fortress during the KVF National League legs:

GSU maintained an unstoppable domestic run, securing fierce victories over Eldowas, Prisons Nairobi, Prisons Rift Valley, Prisons Western, and a commanding military-police sweep against the Kenya army to book their place in the quarterfinals of the domestic league.

KAPU equally proved their clinical edge by capturing consecutive straight-set victories over Prisons Rift Valley and Prisons Western, followed by a gritty win against the Kenya Army, sending them to the quarterfinals too.

AP Kenya launched their league campaign in emphatic style, cruising to a dominant 3-0

sweep against Prisons Rift Valley (25–23, 25–19, 25–18).

Following a stellar 2nd-place national finish, the DCI Queens made their historic debut at the 2026 CAVB African Women's Clubs Championship in Cairo.

They weathered an early Pool C setback against Tunisia's CFC Carthage to roar back with a 3-0 dismantling of Uganda's KCC. They followed up the win with a defeat to the VLA Eagles (DR Congo) and clinched a thrilling four-set victory over the Nigeria Customs Service to storm into the knockouts.

Additionally, they mounted a spectacular comeback against Ethiopia's NAL (3-1) to march into the quarterfinals and bounced back from a narrow semifinal miss to crush Cameroon's MKE in straight sets, booking a well-deserved spot in the 5th place final.

Upon returning to domestic duty, the formidable Queens instantly announced their arrival by dismantling the KDF Women's Team

(3-0) and silencing Post Bank (3-1) to book their place in the quarterfinals.

National Champions GSU carried their red-hot domestic form into the 47th CAVB Men's African Club Championship at the BK Arena in Kigali, Rwanda.

GSU elite performances included the following:

A commanding 3-1 victory over Kalibi of Ghana in Pool D, a clinical 3-0 sweep against Burundi's Rukinzo VC, and a hard-fought classification playoff victory against Uganda's Sport-S VC (3-1), showcasing relentless resilience after a tightly contested Round of 16 exit against local side Kepler.

The National Police Service leadership congratulates all players, technical benches, and steering committees for their discipline, tactical brilliance, and unwavering patriotism. The service remains committed to nurturing sports talents that bring pride and glory to the nation.



DCI Queens players pose for a team photograph during the KVF National League quarter-finals at te Agakah Academy on 27th June, 2026.



Kenya Police Bullets FC celebrate after being crowned champions of the 2025/26 FKF Women's Premier League, securing a historic third consecutive league title. at the Police Sacco Stadium, South C, Nairobi, on 17th May 2026.

The National Police Service (NPS) celebrates a historic, trophy-laden, and record-breaking 2025/26 football season across its elite men's and women's sports teams. Through unmatched discipline, tactical excellence, and the unwavering support of our fans, Kenya Police Bullets FC, Kenya Police FC, and APS Bomet FC have firmly established the law enforcement community as the dominant force in Kenyan football.

The Historic Three-Peat: Kenya Police Bullets FC

Kenya Police Bullets FC officially cemented their status as the undisputed powerhouses of Kenyan women's football by clinching the FKF Women's Premier League (WPL) title for a historic third consecutive season.

The Bullets put on an elite, dominant season, finishing at the summit of the league with an impressive 58 points, five points clear of their closest military rivals, Ulinzi Starlets.

The title was mathematically secured in a tense 1-0 win against Trinity Starlets, courtesy of a 40th-minute penalty by "Magical Maggy." The champions then closed out their flawless campaign with another 1-0 victory against Madira Soccer Assassins FC at a jubilant Police Sacco Stadium.

The team rode an extraordinary 11-game winning streak during the season, highlighted by a historic 9-0 whitewash of former champions Vihiga Queens.

With domestic dominance safely secured, the three-time champions have now shifted their focus to international assignments. The Bullets will proudly fly Kenya's flag on the regional stage in the upcoming CAF Women's Champions League CECAFA zonal qualifiers later this year.

The Great Escape & Historic Surge: APS Bomet FC

In what is undoubtedly the most remarkable turnaround story of the season, newly promoted APS Bomet FC (the "Black Berets") staged a sensational late-season surge to completely banish relegation fears and comfortably secure their top-flight status.

In March 2026, the team languished at 17th place. By late May, a spectacular 10-match unbeaten run propelled them to 10th place in the standings with 43 points.

The Black Berets captured seven consecutive league wins, which included clinical 3-0 and 2-0 victories away at Posta Rangers and Mathare United, respectively; a vital 1-0 victory over league heavyweights KCB FC; and a historic 2-0 away win against Bandari FC at Kwale Stadium that featured an extraordinary milestone of eight

consecutive clean sheets.

The club officially guaranteed its FKF Premier League spot for next season with a thrilling, hard-fought 2-1 humbling of football giants AFC Leopards SC at the Kericho Green Stadium.



APS Bomet's striker Philemon Nyakwaka in action during a past encounter against Mathare United at the Mozzart Bet Cup

Gritty Cup Finalists: Kenya Police FC

Kenya Police FC enjoyed a formidable run in the prestigious Mozzart Bet Cup, displaying immense courage and elite tournament pedigree before finishing as the silver medal heroes of the competition.

The law enforcers marched into the semi-finals on 2nd May with a gritty 1-0 quarter-final triumph over Shabana FC at a packed Gusii Stadium. They then booked their final ticket by defeating Bandari FC 5-3 on penalties following a goalless draw at the Nyayo National Stadium. In a grueling, high-stakes final on 14th June at Kwale Stadium, the boys fought with absolute determination but narrowly fell short in a 2-1 defeat against Tusker FC.

Alongside their cup heroics, Police FC maintained elite form in the SportPesa Premier League, finishing 3rd in the final log table.

This achievement was highlighted by a clinical 1-0 league win over Tusker FC, a commanding 3-0 demolition of AFC Leopards at Nyayo Stadium, and a thrilling 2-1 victory over Murang'a Seal FC at the Police Sacco Stadium towards the end of the season.

The National Police Service expresses profound pride in the players, technical benches, management, and the unwavering fans who traveled across the country—from Nairobi and Kericho to Kisii and Kwale—to support our teams. Our sports clubs have perfectly exemplified the core values of the Service: discipline, resilience, teamwork, and an unyielding commitment to excellence.

We congratulate our Queens, the Bullets, on their historic three-peat and commend Kenya Police FC and APS Bomet FC for their fighting spirit and landmark achievements. The future of police football has never been brighter.

NPS MAKES IMPRESSIVE RUN IN THE NATIONAL ATHLETICS CHAMPIONSHIPS



Competitors in action during the women's race at the 2026 National Athletics Championships at Nyayo National Stadium on 18th June 2026.

It has been an exciting season on the track and field for the National Police Service (NPS), capped by a superb showing at the 2026 National Athletics Championships. Team NPS delivered outstanding performances across the three-day competition to finish second overall behind long-time rivals Kenya Defence Forces (KDF), with a total of 43 medals, further reaffirming the Service's place among Kenya's athletics powerhouses.

In the women's category, NPS finished as runners-up amassing 18 medals (8 gold, 7 silver, and 3 bronze). The men's team also performed strongly, claiming second place with 23 medals (9 gold, 8 silver, 6 bronze) across various disciplines. Beyond the medal tally, team NPS also formed the backbone of Kenya's squad for the 2026 Commonwealth Games in Glasgow, with athletes earning national team selection following their outstanding performances throughout the season and at the National Athletics Championships.

Leading the sprint were Africa's fastest man, Ferdinand Omanyala, and Millicent Ndoro in the 100 metres. Mercy Chebet and George Mutinda secured places in the 400 metres after impressive campaigns. Vanice Kerubo and Kipkorir Rotich also earned well-deserved slots in the 400-metre hurdles. The middle-distance squad featured proven international stars, including two-time Commonwealth

champion Wycliffe Kinyamal who dazzled in a closely fought 800 metre race. Rosemary Longisa, Reynold Cheruiyot and Brian Komen impressed in the one-mile category also securing their places on Team Kenya. Caroline Nyaga and Andrew Kiptoo Alamisi were selected for the 5,000 metres, while Diana Wanza and Daniel Simiu Ebenyo earned their places in the 10,000 metres.

The squad was further strengthened by rising steeplechase talent Edmund Serem in the 3,000 metres steeplechase category. He has recently taken third place during the Paris Diamond League Meet. Sylvia Cheron, took first place in the 10,000 metres race walk, and a formidable field events contingent comprising triple jumper Kelvin Kiprono Kibet, javelin thrower Irene Jepkemboi and two-time world champion Julius Yego, whose experience and achievements added invaluable depth to Team Kenya.

The Service also saw impressive performances from athletes such as Brian Tinega, Mary Moraa, Clinton Aluvi, Hellen Syombua, Dennis Mwai, Danson Kibet, Moitalel Mpoke among others. Team NPS also enjoyed an outstanding outing in the field events, where Nancy Kanini struck gold in the women's hammer throw and Winny Langat soared to victory in the women's pole vault. The success continued in the jumping events, with Isaac Kirwa Yego leaping to gold in the men's long jump as Ida Jepkorir claimed bronze in the women's competition. Abed Kiprotich Langat rounded off the medal haul with a bronze in the men's high jump.

Team NPS's impressive campaign at the National Athletics Championships was months in the making. Well before the action shifted to Nyayo National Stadium, the National Police Service leadership and the Local Organising Committee had laid the groundwork, investing time, resources and expertise to ensure the athletes were fully prepared. As part of these efforts, Inspector General of Police Mr. Douglas Kanja hosted key sponsors and partners at the NPS Headquarters ahead of the 14th Edition of the NPS Track and Field Championships. More than just an internal competition, the championships, held at the Ulinzi Sports Complex in Lang'ata, served as the selection platform for the elite squad that would go on to represent the Service at the National Athletics Championships.

Speaking during the closing ceremony on behalf of the Inspector General, Deputy Inspector General of the Kenya Police Service Mr. Eliud Lagat congratulated all participants for their dedication and resilience. He reaffirmed the National Police Service's unwavering commitment to sports development through continued investment in modern training facilities, quality equipment and technical expertise. With the team selected, the countdown to the National Athletics Championships officially began as Team NPS was flagged off at the National Criminal Investigations Academy (NCIA) auditorium in South C. As they departed, the athletes carried not only the Service flag but also the hopes of the National Police Service, ready to test themselves against the country's very best.

Every athlete who represented the National Police Service embodied the values of determination, resilience, discipline and professionalism. Their performances have once again strengthened the Service's reputation as one of Kenya's foremost contributors to athletics excellence.

Finally, the journey would not have been possible without the steadfast support of National Bank of Kenya, Kenya Commercial Bank (KCB), Co-operative Bank of Kenya, Kenya National Police DT SACCO, Harambee SACCO, Diamond Trust Bank (DTB), Nairobi Sports House and Athletics Kenya, whose continued financial, technical and material support has played a pivotal role in strengthening the NPS Sports Programme and empowering its athletes to compete at the highest level.

AP WARRIORS CROWNED KRU NATIONWIDE LEAGUE CHAMPIONS, SECURE PROMOTION TO THE KRU CHAMPIONSHIP



AP Warriors Rugby Club celebrate after being crowned champions of the 2025/2026 Kenya Rugby Union (KRU) Nationwide League following an unbeaten season.

The Administration Police Service (APS) continues to demonstrate excellence beyond its core mandate, with the AP Warriors Rugby Club delivering an outstanding performance to emerge as the 2025/2026 Kenya Rugby Union (KRU) Nationwide League Champions after an unbeaten season.

The remarkable campaign culminated in a dominant display during the championship final, where the AP Warriors defeated Kenya Prisons 31-8 to lift the Nationwide League title, capping off a season defined by resilience, discipline, teamwork, and consistency. The victory also secured the team's promotion to the KRU Championship for the 2026/2027 season,

marking a historic return to the second tier of Kenyan rugby after years of rebuilding.

The Warriors' road to glory was characterized by a series of impressive performances. They began their playoff campaign with a commanding 55-12 victory over Chuka Vikings before overpowering Kilifi Titans 30-6 in the quarter-finals to book a place in the last four.

In a closely contested semi-final played at Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology (JKUAT), Juja, the AP Warriors edged Kabarak University 19-17 in a thrilling encounter to secure their place in the championship final. Earlier in the season, the team had also clinched

the Nairobi Region Nationwide Championship after defeating Kabete Stallions 20-19 in a fiercely contested final, following another impressive victory over Makueni Rugby Club, whom they beat 15-6.

The championship final against Kenya Prisons showcased the Warriors' determination and tactical discipline. Holding a 14-0 halftime advantage, the team maintained its dominance throughout the second half to seal a convincing victory and complete an unbeaten season.

The successful campaign reflects the commitment of the players, technical bench, and administration police service leadership in nurturing sporting talent while promoting physical fitness, teamwork, and discipline among officers. The team's coaching unit, which includes rugby star APC Levy Amunga, played a pivotal role in guiding the squad to success after narrowly missing promotion during the previous season.

Congratulating the team on their historic achievement, the Administration Police Service commended the players and technical bench for their hard work, resilience, and unwavering team spirit, noting that the promotion to the KRU Championship is a testament to their dedication and perseverance.

As the AP Warriors prepare to compete in the 2026/2027 KRU Championship, the Administration Police Service remains committed to supporting sports as a platform for talent development, discipline, cohesion, and national pride.

The team's exceptional season stands as a source of inspiration across the National Police Service, demonstrating that with determination, teamwork, and discipline, excellence can be achieved both in service to the nation and in the sporting arena.

Simba ni Moja!





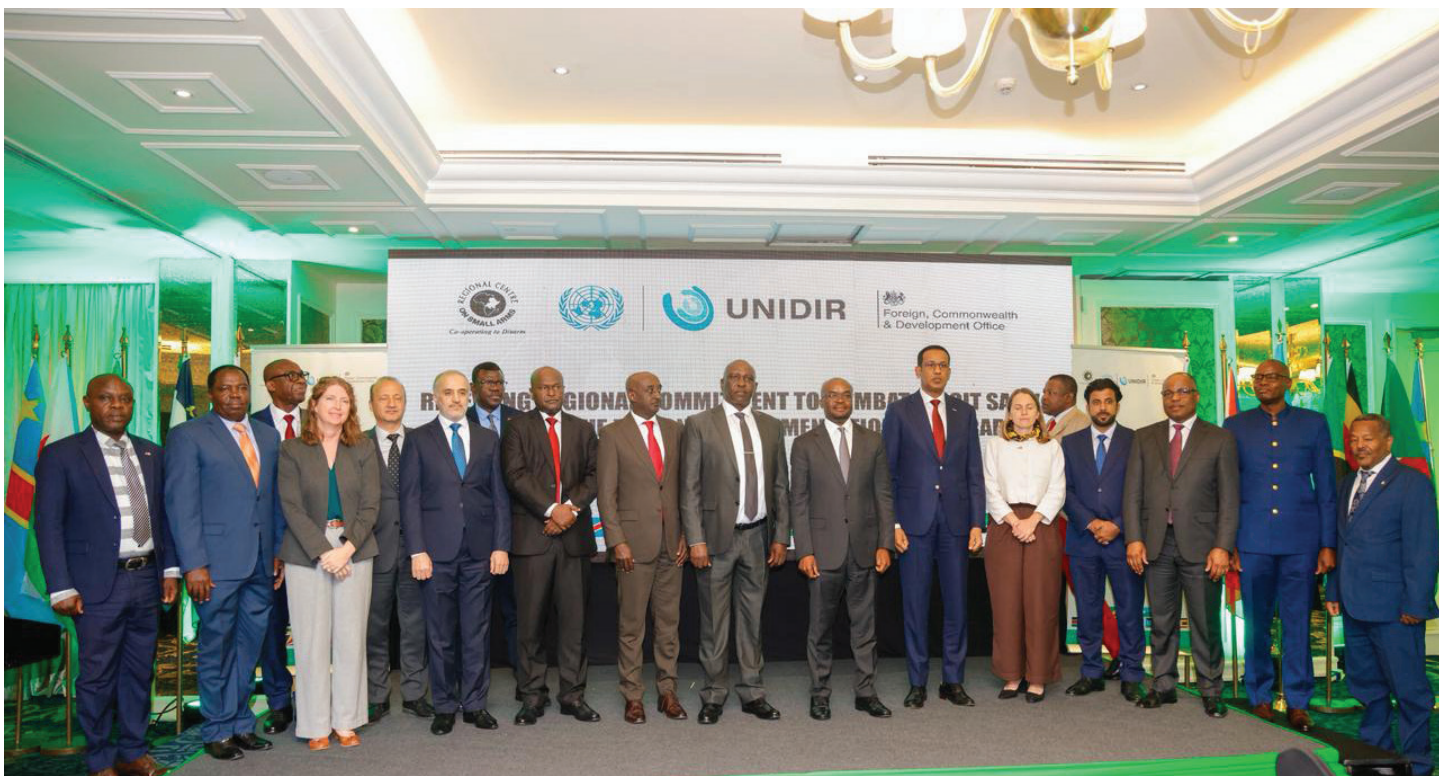
CS for Interior Hon. Kipchumba Murkomen, Kenya's Ambassador to the U.S., Amb. David Kerich, and Deputy Inspector General of the Kenya Police Service (KPS), Mr. Eliud Lagat, during a presentation at the New York Police Department as part of a learning tour, 3rd June, 2026.



Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration, Hon. Onesimus Kipchumba Murkomen, unveils a commemorative plaque during the commissioning of a borehole at the SGB Headquarters on 15th April 2026.



Inspector General of Police, Mr. Douglas Kanja (left), National Security Advisor Mr. Joseph Boinett (right), receive the fourth contingent of NPS officers upon their return from the Multinational Security Support (MSS) Mission in Haiti on 21st April 2026.



PS. Interior Dr. Raymond Omollo flanked by Inspector General of Police Mr. Douglas Kanja (centre), and the Inspector General of Police of Rwanda, Commissioner General Felix Namurahonye (his right) other senior officials poses for a photo during the High-Level Dialogue on Small Arms and Light Weapons (SALW) Management and Control in Nairobi on 25th March 2026.



Deputy Inspector General – Kenya Police Service (KPS), Mr. Eliud Lagat, condoles with students and parents at Utumishi Girls Academy following the tragic fire incident on 28th May 2026.



Deputy Inspector General – Administration Police Service (APS), Mr. Gilbert Masengeli, CBS, OGW, SS, arrives for the 63rd Madaraka Day celebrations in Wajir County on 1st June 2026.



Director of Criminal Investigations, Mr. Mohamed I. Amin, the Chief Executive Officer of EAPCCO, Mr. Sendahangarwa Apollo, and INTERPOL Director of Global Outreach and Regional Support, Mr. Abdulaziz Obaidalla, pose for a photograph.



Officers of the fourth contingent of the National Police Service (NPS) deployed under the Multinational Security Support (MSS) Mission in Haiti upon their return to Kenya on 21st April 2026.



Commandant NPLA, Mr. Kainga Mathiu, AIG (centre), poses for a photo with the Chairperson of the University Governing Council, Prof. Grace Wamue Ngare, PhD (left), and the Vice-Chancellor, Ag. Dr. Solomon Muriiki (right), during the 17th Graduation Ceremony of the Presbyterian University of East Africa on 19th June



National Police Service officers march in formation during the 63rd Madaraka Day celebrations held in Wajir County on 1st June 2026.

MORE GOOD DAYS TOGETHER

Beneath the badge, beneath the blue
Beats a heart both brave and true
A heart that answers every call of doom
Yet quietly carries burdens of all
Behind every smile are unseen scars
Sleepless nights and Silent Wars

Even the strongest needs a hand
Someone willing to understand.
True courage is not standing alone
It's finding strength to let others know
A listening ear....a caring heart
Can help a Weary Soul restart.

To every Police Officer....Hear me out
Your life matters in everyday
Speaking up is NOT weakness- its courage
Together with our NPS bosses, the
Chaplaincy and Counseling Fraternity
Together we listen, Together we care
Together we lighten the Burdens we share
Reaching out to every Police Officer, Families, Friends,
Neighbours, and our Children.....Because we care!!!!
Together we create....
More Good Days.
Together Everyday.
With love

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