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FOREWORD

The National Police Service proudly presents this special publication, marking the second anniversary of Inspector General Douglas Kanja's tenure at the helm of the Service. Since taking office, IG Kanja has demonstrated steadfast leadership, guiding the Service with unwavering integrity and a deep commitment to national security. His tenure has focused on modernization, professionalism and most importantly, rebuilding public trust through accountable policing.

Over the past two years, the National Police Service has achieved remarkable progress across multiple operational areas. Key milestones include advanced capacity-building initiatives, enhanced multi-agency security coordination, strategic welfare improvements for our officers, and a heightened responsiveness to contemporary security challenges among other relevant areas. These strides reflect a leadership approach that is both visionary and practical. Central to this transformation is the Inspector General's signature rallying call of transforming police stations and NPS service areas into centers of excellence for police operations and service delivery.

This publication chronicles significant milestones, serving not only as a record of our achievements but also as a roadmap for the future. As we celebrate these two years of progress, the National Police Service remains deeply grateful for the Inspector General's enduring guidance and looks forward to sustaining this trajectory of excellence.



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A NEW CHAPTER OF LEADERSHIP: His Excellency Dr. William Samoei Ruto, CGH, President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces, officially hands over the National Police Service command flag to the newly appointed Inspector General of Police, Mr. Douglas Kanja, MGH, CBS, OGW at State House, Nairobi on September 19, 2024

THE JOURNEY OF APPOINTMENT AND TRUST

"We have a seasoned, disciplined career police officer and a dedicated Kenyan. I have faith in his capability in providing leadership to the National Police Service."

The Inspector General, Mr. Douglas Kanja's journey at the helm of the National Police Service began with a definitive mandate from the Head of State. Recognizing his distinguished career as a seasoned, highly disciplined, and dedicated officer, His Excellency Dr. William Samoei Ruto, CGH, President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces nominated and subsequently appointed Mr. Kanja as the 5th Inspector General of the National Police Service to serve a four-year term via a Special Issue Gazette Notice.

In his address describing the appointment, President Ruto expressed absolute faith in the IG's capabilities, noting: "*We have a seasoned, disciplined career police officer and a dedicated Kenyan. I have faith in his capability in providing leadership to the National Police Service*." This appointment marked a pivotal moment for the NPS, signaling the dawn of an era focused on strategic reforms and structural modernization.

The Solemn Swearing-in And Acceptance Of Mandate

Taking the Oath, Embracing the Mandate

Following his appointment, IG Kanja was officially sworn into office in a historic ceremony presided over by the Chief Justice and President of the Supreme Court of Kenya, Hon. Martha Koome, in a ceremony attended by dignitaries that included Vice Chairperson National Police Service Commission, Dr. Alice Otwala, PAS Office of the President Mr. Arthur A. Osiya; DIG KPS Mr. Eliud Lagat; DIG APS Mr. Gilbert Masengeli; Director DCI Mr. Mohamed I. Amin; and NPS Secretary Administration and Accounting Officer, Ms. Bernice Lemedeket among other senior officers.

Taking the solemn oath of office, the newly minted Inspector General pledged to defend the Constitution of Kenya, enforce the law without fear or favor, and champion the implementation of critical security sector reforms. Chief Justice Koome challenged the new IG to strengthen inter-agency collaboration and ensure that the rule of law remained the absolute guide for every police officer in the country.

In his maiden speech, IG Kanja humbly acknowledged the weight of the task ahead, declaring his readiness to work with all stakeholders to create a modern police service that is fully responsive, transparent, and accountable to the citizens of Kenya. Shortly after the judicial ceremony, he arrived at Jogoo House, where he inspected his first official guard of honor, assuming full command of the Service.

Since taking the oath of office, IG Kanja's tenure has been anchored on a profound commitment to remodeling the Service, enhancing officers' welfare, and fostering public accountability through collaborative, citizen-centric policing.



MOMENT OF OATH: Inspector General of Police Douglas Kanja takes the oath of office at Supreme Court buildings on September 19, 2024.



Inspector General of Police, Mr. Douglas Kanja is officially received at the NPS Headquarters by senior NPS officers after taking his oath of office. He is accompanied by the Deputy Inspector General of the Kenya Police Service, Mr. Eliud Lagat, and the Deputy Inspector General of the Administration Police Service, Mr. Gilbert Masengeli.



Inspector General of Police Mr. Douglas Kanja inspects a guard of honour mounted by NPS officers at the NPS Headquarters.

Synergy in Leadership Towards a Transformed Service Delivery

Two years since Inspector General of Police, Mr. Douglas Kanja, MGH, CBS, OGW took the helm of the National Police Service, his leadership has been defined by seamless NPS Services' synergy, citizen-centered reforms and a commitment to public service delivery.Central to the successes of the past two years is the unity and collaborative command structure forged between the Inspector General and his NPS Leadership team.



A SHARED VISION: The Inspector General of the National Police Service, Mr. Douglas Kanja, alongside the DIG-KPS Mr. Eliud Lagat, DIG-APS Mr. Gilbert Masengeli, and DCI Director Mr. Mohamed Amin

IG Kanja has worked in harmony with his three deputies: Deputy Inspector General of the Kenya Police Service, Mr. Eliud Lagat, Deputy Inspector General of the Administration Police Service Mr. Gilbert Masengeli, and the Director of the Directorate of Criminal Investigations Mr. Mohamed Amin.This joint leadership front has aligned the distinct mandates of the Kenya Police, Administration Police, and the DCI into an efficient National Police Service dedicated to national security and policing services to the members of the public.

IG Kanja has occasionally been flanked by DIG Lagat, DIG Masengeli, and DCI Director Amin during impromptu visits across various police stations to assess operational readiness and service delivery, accountability and boost officer morale.By embracing a collaborative and inclusive command strategy, IG Kanja has solidified close working relations across all three specialized services under his command.

Through scheduled joint appearances at the Senate and National assembly committees or steering multi-agency security programs, the IG and his DIGs remain focused on bringing police operations closer to the public.Under IG Kanja's stewardship the collective vision shared with DIG Lagat, DIG Masengeli, and DCI Director Amin guarantees a citizen-centred National Police Service.



Mr. Douglas Kanja, alongside the DIG-KPS Mr. Eliud Lagat, DIG-APS Mr. Gilbert Masengeli, and DCI Director Mr. Mohamed Amin during a multi-agency security meeting, at the far right is Mr. Abdi Ahmed Mohamud, the Chief Executive Officer of Kenya's Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC).

COMBATING CRIME AND ENHANCING NATIONAL SECURITY

Two Years of Transformative Leadership: IG Kanja's Vision: Accountable and People-Centered Policing

Two years after Inspector General of the National Police Service, Mr. Douglas Kanja, MGH, CBS, OGW, was officially sworn in, the National Police Service has undergone a historic, paradigm-shifting transformation under his leadership. Driven by a relentless focus on institutional reform, technology, and public accountability, IG Kanja has steered the service toward his definitive frontline vision, "Transforming police stations and all NPS service areas into centers of excellence and embedding people-centered policing."

Since taking the oath of office in September 2024, IG Kanja's leadership has focused on shifting policing from a reactive approach to a proactive, highly professional service. By restructuring operational models and directly empowering lower levels of command, his administration has successfully countered complex internal and external security challenges.



Inspector General of Police Mr. Douglas Kanja tours the all-female Special Weapons and Tactics (SWAT) team base at the Rapid Deployment Unit (RDU) Headquarters in Embakasi on November 27, 2024, he is accompanied by the then Commandant RDU, Mr. A M Shamala, AIG.



IG Douglas Kanja, accompanied by DIG KPS Mr. Eliud Lagat, interact with officers during an impromptu visit of Sagana Police Station on August 25, 2026.



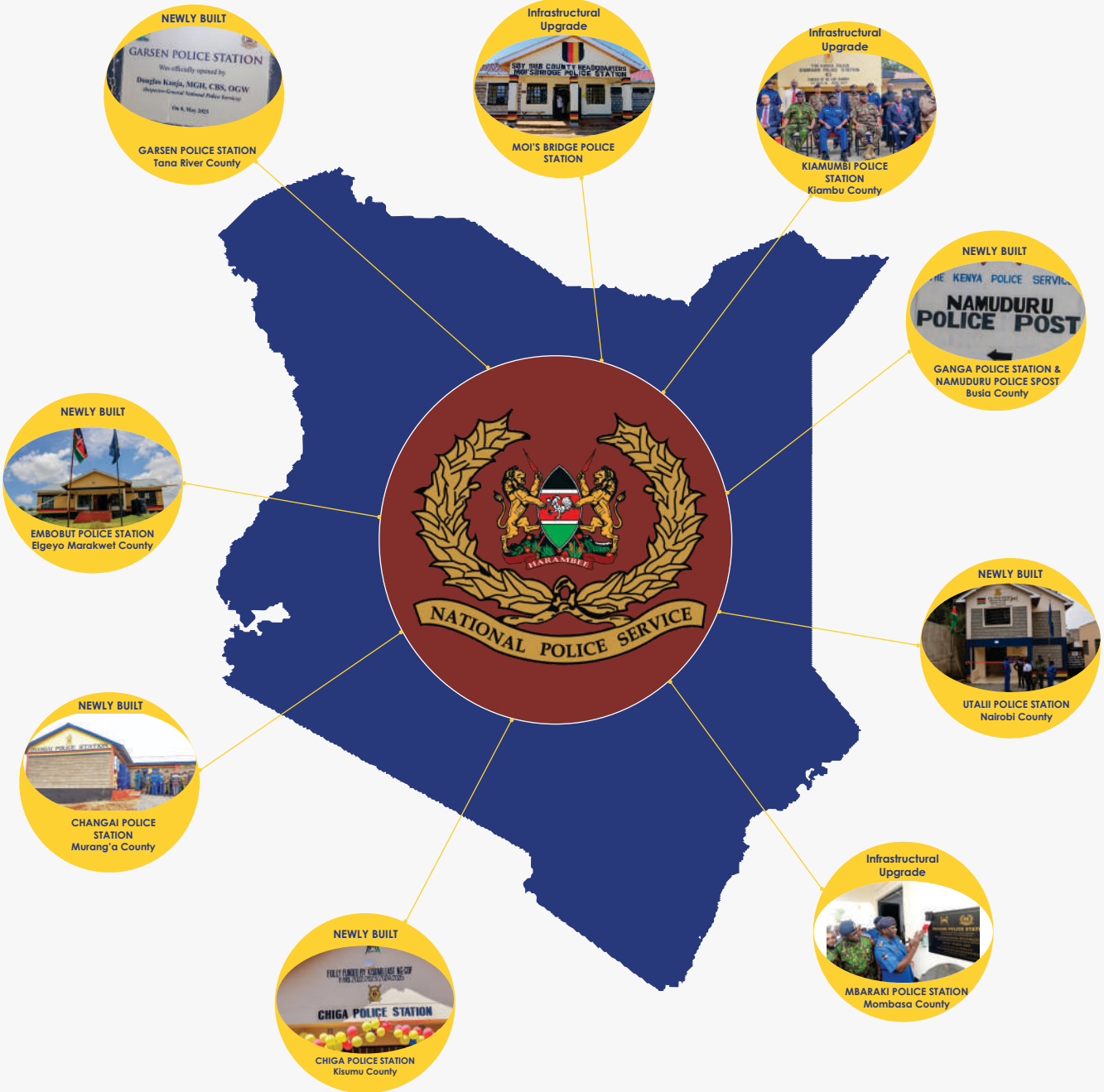
IG Douglas Kanja, addresses police officers at the Karatina Police Station during an unannounced inspection visit on April 2, 2025.

Strenghthening Policing Infrastructure Across The Country

IG Kanja's vision of bringing policing services closer to the members of the public is his push for the establishment, upgrade and gazettement of new police stations. Recognizing that robust infrastructure is the backbone of efficient service delivery, the Inspector General has strategically prioritized the transition of temporary outposts into fully-fledged police command centers.

At the core of IG Kanja's security strategy is the foundational unit of Kenyan law enforcement, the police station. The IG has actively pushed to ensure police stations function as efficient, well-equipped, and welcoming places for public safety.

Recognizing that effective policing relies on proximity and rapid response, IG Kanja has championed the establishment of police stations or the upgrade of infrastructure at existing police stations to handle modern policing demands and bring security closer to the public.



The Inspector General has championed powerful collaborations between the National Police Service and key governance funds such as the National Government Constituencies Development Fund (NG-CDF), National Government Affirmative Action Fund (NGAF) frameworks, and community support for the establishment of new police stations and posts and infrastructural upgrades.

Some Newly Gazetted Police Stations

In line with Section 40(1) of the National Police Service Act, IG Kanja has gazetted the elevation of select police posts and establishments to full police stations across the country. This has empowered station commanders with more resources, personnel, and more administrative capabilities to tackle crime at the grassroots level,

- Kamuguga Police Station – Kiambu County
- Otonglo Police Post – Kisumu County
- Mabera Police Post – Migori County
- Lagbogol Police Post – Wajir County
- Gataka Police Post and Oleopolos-Kisamis Police Station – Kajiado County
- Thuura Police Post – Meru County
- Utalii Police Station – Nairobi County
- Oropoi Police Station & Loreng Police Post – Turkana County
- Chagaiya Police Station – Uasin Gishu County

Through strategic and, at other times, unannounced visits and assessments of police stations with top commanders, IG Kanja continues to inspect station workflows and engage directly with the public to measure real-time service quality.



Inspector General of Police Mr. Douglas Kanja officially opens the new Chiga Police Station in Kisumu County on December 5, 2025; pictured with him is Kisumu East MP Hon. Shakeel Shabbir and Nyanza Regional Police Commander Ms. Gisiri Nyamohanga, AIG

A Place To Call Home: Investment In Police Housing

While ensuring that officers work in dignified and supportive environments, it is equally important that they have decent places to live and access to resources that enhance their long-term wellbeing. Housing is an important part of officer welfare, providing not only a safe and stable home for officers and their families, but also a stronger sense of security, dignity and permanence.

Inspector General Mr. Douglas Kanja has prioritised this aspect of officer welfare, recognising that access to quality housing contributes to a motivated, productive and professional Police Service. With the support of the National Government, through the Affordable Housing Programme, there are new opportunities for officers to access decent and affordable homes while improving their quality of life. Further, the Government has supported the construction of institutional housing within police stations, enabling officers to live closer to their places of duty and remain readily available to respond when called upon. This not only supports operational readiness but also provides officers with more convenient and secure accommodation. For the National Police Service, this represents an important investment in the welfare of officers and their families, with the potential to ease the burden of housing costs and strengthen long-term financial security.

Beyond the provision of housing, officer welfare also encompasses access to essential



President William Ruto , Interior CS Hon. Kipchumba Murkomen , Inspector-General of Police Mr. Douglas Kanja and DIG-APS Mr. Gilbert Masengeli inspect the ongoing modern housing units at the National Police College, Embakasi 'A' Campus on September 4, 2026.

facilities and resources that support the day-to-day wellbeing of officers and their families. This includes the provision of daycare facilities for children, canteens, educational centres, reliable water and sanitation services, recreational facilities and other amenities that make living and working environments more supportive and conducive.

Such facilities are particularly important in helping officers balance the demands of policing with family responsibilities and everyday needs. IG Kanja has ensured continuous investment in these facilities, reflecting a holistic approach to welfare.



His Excellency President William Ruto and Inspector General of Police Mr. Douglas Kanja during the official handover of 60 housing units at Chuka Police Station Tharaka Nithi County on April 4, 2025.



His Excellency President William Samoei Ruto, CGH, interacts with Housing and Urban Development Principal Secretary Charles Hinga, Inspector General of Police Mr. Douglas Kanja, and Deputy Inspector General APS, Mr. Gilbert Masengeli during an inspection tour of the ongoing 540-unit Police Housing Project at the Kilimani Police Station in Dagoretti North, Nairobi County on July 9, 2025.



INSPECTING PROGRESS; Inspector General of Police Mr. Douglas Kanja alongside Housing PS Mr. Charles Hinga, DIG - KPS Mr. Eliud Lagat and DIG - APS Mr. Gilbert Masengeli during an inspection tour of the Affordable Housing projects at Mathare Police Depot and Kilimani Police Station on February 19, 2025.

A COMMITMENT TO OFFICERS' WELFARE



HONORING THE FALLEN. IG Douglas Kanja accompanies H.E President William Ruto in laying a wreath at Embakasi A to commemorate officers who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty.

Leadership transcends the exercise of authority. It is grounded in service, responsibility and a genuine concern for the people entrusted to one's leadership. At its core, leadership recognises that the wellbeing of those who serve is fundamental to their ability to perform their duties effectively and professionally. For the National Police Service, caring for officers' welfare is therefore not merely an institutional responsibility, but an essential part of building a motivated, resilient, and effective Service. It encompasses creating conditions that support officers' physical, emotional, social and professional wellbeing, while ensuring that those who dedicate themselves to protecting others are themselves supported, valued and cared for.

Officers welfare has been at the heart of the leadership of the Inspector General. At the helm of a workforce that confronts serious crimes and complex challenges in the course of duty, ensuring the health, safety and overall wellbeing of officers is critical. This includes providing the necessary support and resources to enable officers to perform their duties effectively and safely.A significant step in this regard was the launch of the Usalama

Cover under the Public Officers Medical Scheme Fund (POMSF) on 2nd April 2026, at Avenue Hospital, Parklands, Nairobi. The scheme brings officers of the National Police Service and the Kenya Prisons Service, together with their dependants, under the umbrella of the Social Health Authority (SHA), providing an important framework for access to medical care and support for officers and their families.

Beyond medical cover, officer welfare also extends to ensuring that those injured in the line of duty receive care, rehabilitation and support. It is equally important that officers recovering from injuries have access to the specialised equipment, assistive devices and other resources they need to regain their independence, continue their recovery and, where possible, return to meaningful service. IG Kanja has ensured that the Service provides the necessary support while partners have also stepped in where additional assistance is required.

This collaboration has helped ensure that officers who sustain injuries in the line of duty are not left to navigate recovery alone, but receive the care and support necessary to restore their quality of life. Supporting officers through recovery and beyond where medical attention has required hospitalisation, the Inspector General and leaders of the National Police Service on occasion visited sick and injured officers to ensure that they receive continued support throughout their recovery, delivering care packages, sharing words of encouragement and messages of reassurance and goodwill. These gestures, though simple, affirm to officers and their families that they are valued, remembered and supported by the Service during difficult moments.

Support when it matters most does not always go according to plan, and sometimes officers and their families have found themselves facing circumstances beyond their control. When disaster has struck and members of the



Inspector General of Police Mr. Douglas Kanja accompanied by DIG- KPS Mr. Eliud Lagat and DIG - APS Mr. Gilbert Masengeli during the National Joint Prayers and Thanksgiving Service for uniformed services held at the Holy Family Minor Basilica in Nairobi on November 8, 2025.

Service have been affected, the Inspector General has ensured that support reaches officers when they need it most; not only in the course of their duties, but also when they face personal hardship.Whether through fires, floods or other emergencies that have disrupted affected homes and work spaces, assistance has been mobilised to help affected officers and their families cope with the immediate impact and begin the process of recovery. In honour of officers who have lost their lives in the line of duty, the National Police Service and the Kenya Prisons Service hold a joint annual commemorative service to remember and pay tribute to the fallen. Officers join the families and friends of the departed in remembering them, the service they rendered and the sacrifices they made in the line of duty.

The Inspector General has consistently supported this important service throughout his tenure, ensuring that the necessary arrangements, resources and logistical support are provided to make each occasion a fitting tribute. Their service and sacrifice will never be forgotten. They gave of themselves in the service of the nation, often in circumstances that demanded courage, resilience and selflessness. The Commemorative Service is a solemn reaffirmation that those who make the



IG Douglas Kanja, during a tour of Kitengela in Kajiado County on June 25, 2026 to assess the security situation and interact with officers on duty,

ultimate sacrifice in the service of Kenya remain part of the National Police Service.

Nurturing Mental Health and Spiritual Well-being recognises that the demands of policing extend beyond physical risk, the welfare of officers also requires attention to their mental and spiritual wellbeing. Providing support is therefore essential to helping them cope with these challenges, maintain their wellbeing and continue serving with resilience and professionalism. Under IG Kanja's leadership, greater attention has been given to strengthening mental health support and spiritual care within the Service. This includes supporting chaplaincy services and mental health and psychosocial support initiatives that provide officers with safe and accessible avenues to seek guidance, counselling, encouragement and emotional support when they need it.The Chaplaincy continues to play an important role in providing spiritual nourishment, pastoral care and guidance to officers and their families, particularly during difficult moments. At the same time, mental health and psychosocial support services provide professional assistance to officers facing stress, trauma, grief and other challenges that may arise from the nature of police work.



MESSAGE OF HOPE: Inspector General of Police Mr. Douglas Kanja, alongside the Deputy Inspector General of the Administration Police Service Mr. Gilbert Masengeli, during a visit to a police officer recuperating in hospital on August 15, 2025.



Inspector General of Police, Mr. Douglas Kanja, leads a high-level multi-agency security delegation during a fact-finding and security assessment tour in Dabel, Moyale Sub-County, Marsabit County. December 11, 2024.

DISMANTLING BANDITRY

Restoring Peace, Securing Communities.

IG Kanja's two-year tenure has yielded critical strides in tackling both persistent and emerging crimes. Through aggressive inter-agency collaboration and operations to dismantle banditry. His tenure has been defined by a relentless campaign against banditry in the North Rift and volatile parts of the Republic. By seamlessly synchronizing police tactical deployments with the broader strategic objectives of the national government, his administration has successfully restored order where lawlessness once thrived, leading to a significant reduction of banditry and recovery of arms and ammunition. Through targeted enforcement operations, the NPS has successfully recovered over 3,000 firearms and more than 8,000 rounds of ammunition; concerted efforts by NPS Officers and close collaboration with members of the public have witnessed voluntary surrender of firearms and ammunition.

A major operation that has produced significant gains is 'The Operation Maliza Uhalifu North Rift,' has drastically crushed banditry networks and forced a major reduction in banditry incidences across the volatile banditry prone areas across, Baringo, Pokot and Elgeyo Marakwet counties. To sustain these hard-won operational gains, the NPS has prioritised structural stability, including the establishment of the Embobut Police Station at a highly strategic vantage point, providing a permanent security anchor and fostering immediate safety for residents.

Recognising that security requires the participation of the local communities, IG Kanja has heavily championed the vital role played by National Police Reservists (NPR) in combating banditry. In a joint initiative with the national government, the NPS has structured rigorous and inclusive modern training. A testament to this commitment was



Cabinet Secretary Hon. Kipchumba Murkomen, alongside Inspector General of Police Douglas Kanja and DIGs Eliud Lagat (KPS) and Gilbert Masengeli (APS), officially presides over the National Police Reservists passing-out parade at Magado Field Training Camp, Meru County, September 23, 2026.

the historic pass-out ceremony of 700 NPR officers drawn from diverse corners of the republic, having completed intensive tactical training at the Magado training grounds.

Eradicating the scourge of banditry relies on multiagency approach. By continuously aligning operations with multi-agency actors among other state security organs, the National Police Service strives to completely get rid of banditry and secure lasting peace.



IG Douglas Kanja during a security assessment tour of Operation Amani Boni in the Boni enclave, Lamu County, on December 24, 2024.

RELENTLESS CRACKDOWN ON ILLICIT DRUGS AND NARCOTICS

Disrupting the Drug Trade, Protecting Communities

IG Kanja has also placed the fight against illicit brews and narcotics at the forefront. Through his deliberate strategy of fostering deep multi-agency collaboration and working hand-in-hand with National Government Administration Officers (NGAO), regulatory bodies and local leaders, the country has witnessed unprecedented, coordinated crackdowns. Resulting in thousands of liters of lethal brews destroyed, massive consignments of narcotics intercepted, and a significant number of high-profile suspects apprehended and brought to justice.

A resounding victory in the war against drugs and narcotics was the multi-agency operation, including specialized units from the NPS who successfully intercepted and seized a massive consignment of methamphetamine valued at Ksh 8.2 billion. Ultimately, IG Douglas Kanja, alongside Interior Cabinet Secretary Kipchumba Murkomen and senior government officials, witnessed the public destruction of the consignment at the Bamburi Cement grounds in Mombasa.



ADVANCING FLEET MODERNIZATION AND OPERATIONAL MOBILITY

Since taking over the helm of the National Police Service, IG Kanja's drive for a comprehensive structural and operational modernization aimed at repositioning NPS to confront emerging security threats and build public confidence has bees been top of his priorities. Through an aggressive Police Modernization Programme, there have been initiatives that have drastically scaled up operational mobility, technological capacity, operational capabilities across the NPS.

A critical pillar of IG Douglas Kanja's modernization agenda has been ensuring that officers are well-equipped to respond swiftly to emergencies and maintain public order. Under his leadership, the Service has seen massive upgrades in its transport fleet and tactical infrastructure.



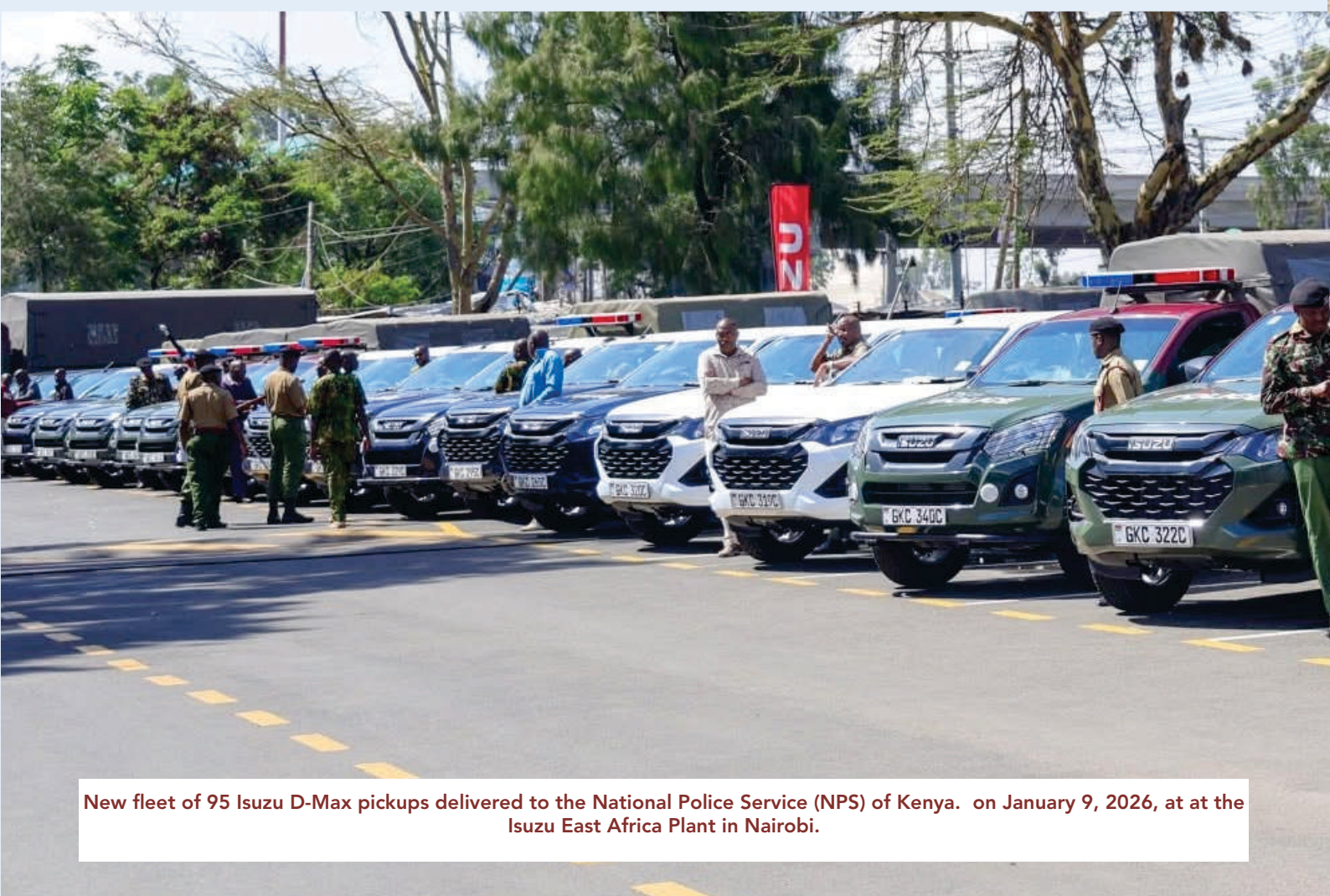
Armoured Personnel Carrier (APC) vehicles at commissioned at the General Service Unit Headquarters in Ruaraka on March 6, 2025.

Strengthening Mobility, Enhancing Response Capabilities.

In an event presided over by Interior Cabinet Secretary Hon. Kipchumba Murkomen, a new batch of advanced armored vehicles was dispatched at the General Service Unit (GSU) Headquarters, the modern operational vehicles and high-grade personal protective gear. The vehicles were acquired under the Police Equipment Modernization (PEM) program and were dispatched to safeguard frontline officers and boost security operations against terrorism, cattle rustling, and banditry.

Simultaneously, the Service also rolled out nationwide logistical expansions under Phase VII of the Motor Vehicle Leasing Programme managed via the National Treasury. In a milestone event, the Deputy Inspector General of the Administration Police Service (APS), Mr. Gilbert Masengeli, acting on behalf of IG Douglas Kanja, officially flagged off a significant batch of 95 new vehicles from Isuzu East Africa. This initial rollout of 56 brand-new Isuzu vehicles consisted of heavy-duty trucks and double-cab pickups, which were deployed to enhance rapid response, fortify rural border patrols, and widen crime surveillance networks across all counties.

Part of the modernization journey also has been the strategic enhancement of operational mobility of the Directorate of Criminal Investigations through the acquisition of state-of-the-art fleet of specialized vehicles from the NPS strategic partners, the UK Government and United States' Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA). The vehicles that were deployed across the country have been essential in fighting crime and enhancing rapid response.



New fleet of 95 Isuzu D-Max pickups delivered to the National Police Service (NPS) of Kenya. on January 9, 2026, at at the Isuzu East Africa Plant in Nairobi.




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ANSI and KCAA Accreditation

The operationalization of the MBIS facility has completely transformed the DCI's forensic and criminal profiling capabilities. Backed by the handover of the ANSI National Accreditation Board (ANAB) certificate to the Forensic Evidence Management Unit (FEMU), the facility integrates advanced biometric data processing. This technological milestone has radically optimized public service delivery, dramatically reducing the turnaround time for processing Police Clearance Certificates from 14 days down to just a single day.

Under the supervision of IG Kanja, the National Police Service Airwing achieved a milestone by securing official certification as an Approved Aircraft Maintenance Organization (AMO) from the Kenya Civil Aviation Authority (KCAA).

This feat legally empowered the Airwing to independently conduct scheduled maintenance and rigorous safety inspections at its Wilson Airport Headquarters. By eliminating third-party dependency, the AMO certification drastically shortened aircraft turnaround times, ensured strict compliance with airworthiness directives, and boosted aerial surveillance and rapid response.





Interior Cabinet Secretary Hon. Kipchumba Murkomen (center), Inspector General of the National Police Service Mr. Douglas Kanja (right), and DCI Director Mr. Mohamed Amin (left) during the official launch of the Multi-Biometric Identification System (MBIS) Version 5 and the handover of the ANAB accreditation certificate to the Forensic Evidence Management Unit at the DCI Headquarters in Nairobi on July 23, 2026.

STEERING NPS INTO THE DIGITAL AGE

In alignment with the government's digitisation agenda, IG Kanja spearheaded a major technological stride by transitioning the Integrated Control and Communication Centre from the IC3 framework to the advanced Integrated Command, Control, Communication, and Coordination / Computation (IC4 system.)

The implementation of IC4 infuses the command centre advanced predictive policing analytics, this modernised digital command architecture also enhances emergency response times, optimizes deployment efficiency, and equips the NPS to neutralise complex, emerging security threats with precision tracking.

To scale up the fight against cybercrime, NPS partners from Germany, through AFRIPOL, donated a range of modern digital forensics equipment to the DCI National Forensic Laboratory. These new tools being crucial on how investigators handle digital and cyber-related crimes hence improving the DCI's ability to keep up with more advanced criminal networks.

In steering National Police Service into the digital age, a crowning achievement of this technological leap was the official launch of the state-of-the-art Multi-Biometric Identification System (MBIS) facility at the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) Headquarters, the implementation of the Multi-Biometric Identification System (MBIS) slashed the processing of Police Clearance Certificates from 14 days down to just one day.

These modernization progresses of the past 24 months stand as a clear testament to a driven vision by IG Kanja's unwavering commitment to protect lives and property and efficient, effective service delivery by NPS.

UNWAVERING COMMITMENT TO TRAINING AND CAPACITY BUILDING

Over the past two years, IG Kanja's unwavering commitment to the comprehensive NPS modernization programs, with a specialized focus on Training and Capacity Building, has fundamentally transformed the service into a highly professional, responsive, and modern law enforcement agency.

Under his strategic guidance, the NPS has witnessed unprecedented advancements across all training fronts; IG Kanja has actively championed advanced leadership preparation, personally presiding over the opening and closing of crucial senior programs, including the County Police Commanders Strategic Leadership Course and the prestigious United Nations Police Commanders Course hosted at the Humanitarian Peace Support School (HPSS) / IPSTC Karen. These programs ensure our commanders are equipped for both local challenges and global peace operations.

In line with global technological shifts, IG Kanja has successfully driven the roll-out of robust e-learning programs across our training campuses, making continuous professional development and specialized security modules easily accessible to officers nationwide.

Across the NPS Services, the Administration Police Service has simultaneously intensified its frontline training, rolling out numerous capacity-building trainings including the vital Peacebuilding and Conflict Transformation Training, cementing the multi-agency approach to community safety, border security, and national cohesion. Other training programs include the Tactical Drivers Course and NPS E-Learning Sensitization Programs.

The Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) has drastically scaled up its technical capabilities under this modernization framework, conducting highly intensive programs such as the Intelligence Profiling and Analytics Course alongside advanced cyber-forensics to defeat emerging and complex crimes, and other relevant courses such as Intelligence Profiling and Analytics Course and Cyber Crime, Digital Forensics, and Ethical Hacking courses.



Inspector General of Police Mr. Douglas Kanja, at the official opening of County Commanders' Conference at the National Police Leadership Academy (NPLA) in Ngong, on March 12, 2026; accompanying the IG are Director DCI Mr. Mohamed Amin (L), Principal Deputy to the DIG KPS Mr. Patrick Tito SAIG (2nd L), Chief of Staff APS Mr. James Kamau SAIG (3rd L) and the NPLA Commandant Mr. Kainga Mathiu, AIG, (3rd R)

REFLECTING ON THE SUCCESSFUL PASS-OUT OF NPS RECRUITS

Two years after taking command of the National Police Service, Inspector General of Police Douglas Kanja continues to advance transformative reforms and professionalism within the NPS. Under the Inspector General's leadership, the service has prioritized a standardized, high-quality curriculum designed to meet modern security challenges for the NPS recruits.

Recruits who recently passed out from the National Police College (NPC) Main Campus – Kiganjo, NPC Embakasi 'A' Campus, NPC Embakasi 'B' Campus, and National Police Service College Magadi Field Campus demonstrated this commitment. Affirming standards of training, the Deputy Inspector Generals, including the DIG-KPS, Mr. Eliud Lagat, and the DIG-APS, Mr. Gilbert Masengeli, have highly commended and asserted that the recruits underwent the highest tier of comprehensive training reflecting the modern curriculum that emphasized crucial policing fundamentals of professionalism, integrity, and strict adherence to human rights. As a result, the graduates emerged as exceptionally disciplined, resilient, and dependable officers ready to uphold the rule of law and safeguard public trust.



Crucial to the cohort's success was the continuous leadership presence throughout their nine-month stay in the colleges. Inspector General Douglas Kanja accompanied the Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration, Hon. Onesmus Kipchumba Murkomen, EGH, on working visits to the training campuses.





During these high-level visits, CS Murkomen and IG Kanja engaged directly with the recruits. The leaders motivated the recruits and urged them to remain resilient and disciplined. IG Kanja reminded them that the uniform they wear is a symbol of public security and national pride. This continuous mentorship instilled deep-seated values of patriotism and endurance early on in the recruits.

The Inspector General also attended and presided over the comprehensive pass-out rehearsals at the three campuses and affirmed their readiness and absolute confidence in their tactical capabilities before presenting them to the nation.

The climax of the training cycle culminated in glamorous passing-out ceremonies hosted across the institutions and presided over by His Excellency Dr. William Samoei Ruto, CGH, President of the Republic of Kenya and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces.
The injection of these highly trained, patriotic, and disciplined officers stands as a resounding testament to a vision realized, strengthening the National Police Service's capacity to serve and protect every Kenyan, residents and visitors with honor.



COMMITMENT TO GLOBAL PEACE
The Haiti Security Mission



Inspector General of Police Douglas Kanja inspects a guard of honour mounted by Kenyan police officers at the MSS Base in Port-au-Prince, during a strategic visit to boost troop morale and assess peace mission operations Haiti. Joining him is the former MSS Force Commander, Godfrey Otunge, SAIG.

IG Kanja's leadership at the helm of NPS has been the flawless execution of the United Nations-backed Multinational Security Support (MSS) Mission in Haiti. His tenure has witnessed NPS officers take to the global stage once again as champions of international peace and security. MSS-Haiti, first-of-its-kind police-led international intervention, the Haiti Security Support Mission put the professional acumen of the NPS to the ultimate test.

Under IG Kanja's guidance, the mission witnessed a seamless deployment and an honorable completion by April 2026. Driven by his absolute conviction that Kenyan police officers possess world-class discipline and operational excellence, the NPS successfully helped restore vital stability, safeguarded key infrastructure, and played a crucial role in empowerment of the Haitian Police.

The IG presided over the course closure of NPS officers' training and reminded the officers of their sacred duty to enforce the law, protect lives and preserve public safety in alignment with the Constitution and international standards.

Demonstrating profound solidarity and command accountability, the Inspector General traveled to Haiti to assess operations and boost morale. In a poignant show of leadership, IG Kanja, alongside Interior Cabinet Secretary Kipchumba Murkomen on April 27, 2026, to oversee the final phase of the mission's transition and the withdrawal of the last remaining Kenyan police contingent. He later joined His Excellency Dr. William Samoei



IG Douglas Kanja aboard a tactical Mine-Resistant Ambush-Protected vehicle (MRAP) during his official operational visit to the MSS Base in Haiti.

Ruto, CGH, alongside other senior government dignitaries and senior NPS officers to witness the official, symbolic handover of the national flag back to the republic's leadership, cementing the fulfillment of Kenya's global mandate.

IG Kanja has consistently affirmed that Kenyan police are not just law enforcers, but excellent global ambassadors of peace. Drawing from the rich history in previous international missions, he has continually championed the deployment of Kenyan officers to complex environments, noting that NPS officers possess extensive international and regional experience capable of steering successful peace support operations.



Inspector General of Police Mr. Douglas Kanja is received by former MSS Force Commander Mr. Godfrey Otunge upon his arrival at Toussaint Louverture International Airport in Port au Prince, Haiti.



Inspector General of Police Douglas Kanja receives a formal salute from former MSS Chief of Operations Mr. Stephen Chebet, AIG, following the IG's address to the MSS troops at the MSS Base in Haiti.



The Inspector General of Police, Mr. Douglas Kanja, alongside senior National Police Service (NPS) leadership, touches down at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA), with the Kenyan contingent returning from MSS mission in Haiti



Inspector General Douglas in a courtesy meeting with EU Ambassador to Kenya H.E. Henriette Geiger at NPS Headquarters.

REFLECTING ON A TWO-YEAR JOURNEY OF STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIPS

Over the past two years, the Inspector General of the National Police Service (NPS), Douglas Kanja, has pursued strategic partnerships designed to modernize, digitize, and professionalize the National Police Service. These partnerships have included; Global, Regional and local bodies, with the meetings steered towards institutional excellence of NPS, affirming that contemporary security challenges cannot be overcome in isolation, but through strong, dynamic strategic partnerships.

At the domestic level, IG Kanja's vision of collaborative security has materialized through active engagement with critical regulatory, oversight, and legal bodies. Recognizing that road safety is a critical pillar of public security, the NPS has worked closely with NTSA to leverage automated technology. Under the current modernization frameworks, the partnership has advanced multi-agency operations and digital integration, rolling out mechanisms such as modern ticketing networks and instant fine structures to streamline traffic management.

In line with Article 244(b) of the Constitution, IG Kanja took a bold approach toward systemic integrity by facilitating an institutional examination of police policies, practices, and procedures by the EACC. This historic systems audit aims to proactively prevent corruption and firmly institutionalize transparency within the rank and file.

To foster greater adherence to human rights and the rule of law, the Inspector General has maintained open doors with the legal fraternity. By building an ongoing dialogue with the LSK, the NPS continues to seek ways to balance maintenance of public order with

BILATERAL COOPERATION: The Inspector-General of Kenya's National Police Service (NPS), Mr. Douglas Kanja and the Inspector General of the Rwanda National Police (RNP), CG Felix Namuhoranye, during an official courtesy visit by CG Namuhoranye at his Jogoo House 'A' office in Nairobi.

constitutional guarantees, enhancing mutual trust between law enforcement officers and judicial stakeholders.

In a testament to community-oriented policing and private sector synergy, the NPS has maintained a highly impactful partnership with the Chandaria Foundation. Through the annual Chandaria Bravery Awards, the service continues to recognize outstanding officers who risk their lives to protect Kenyans, the Foundation this year celebrated over 30 years of continued partnership in an event presided by the Inspector General.

Additionally, the Inspector General officially opened and commissioned a brand-new 16-classroom training block at the National Criminal Investigations Academy (NCIA) in South C, Nairobi constructed through a collaborative partnership with the



Inspector General of Police Mr. Douglas Kanja shares a light moment with SRC Chairperson Mr. Sammy Chepkwony during a courtesy call at NPS Headquarters.

United States Africa Command (AFRICOM), th Counter Drug Element (AFCE), and the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to enhance the academy's intake capacity.

Further, IG Kanja has prioritized robust multi-agency cooperation with his leadership fostering deeper working relationships with sister disciplined services, notably; the Kenya Prisons Service, the Kenya Forest Service (KFS) and the Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS). Under his guidance, NPS has actively co-hosted and participated in the National Joint Prayers and Thanksgiving Service for uniformed and disciplined services.

Recognizing that modern security challenges cross geographical boundaries, IG Kanja has aggressively positioned Kenya as a pillar of East African regional stability. IG Kanja's warm bilateral relationship with the Rwandan Inspector General of Police, Commissioner General Felix Namuhoranye, exemplifies the decade-long partnership between Kenya and Rwanda, with both leaders exploring new joint initiatives aimed at tackling modern security challenges. Additionally, the National Police Service has hosted the Eastern Africa Standby Force (EASF) delegation at the National Police Leadership Academy (NPLA) in Ngong for EASF Police Generation and Capacity Building Workshop, with the



Inspector General of the National Police Service, Mr. Douglas Kanja, during the courtesy visit by Chinese Ambassador to Kenya, H.E. Ambassador Guo Haiyan, at NPS Headquarters, Jogoo House "A" on February 11, 2025.

delegation commending NPS's unwavering commitment to fulfilling its responsibilities and mandates towards regional peace and security under the EASF framework.
Under the umbrella of AFRIPOL as the organization's President, the IG has engaged with international and regional policing bodies to combat transnational organized crime.

At the global front, in a bid to successfully fight evolving security threats, the NPS has relied heavily on technical cooperation from global bodies and the diplomatic corps. During IG Kanja's tenure, the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC) and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) have been indispensable partners in the realization of Kenya's ongoing police reforms. Through resource mobilization, infrastructural development, these organs have drastically bolstered the investigation capacity of the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI).
On tactical preparedness, counter-terrorism, and maritime security, cooperation with AFRICOM has provided specialized training for elite police formations, ensuring Kenya's frontline personnel remain resilient against complex threat landscapes.

Equally important is the hosting various heads of missions and global diplomatic representatives at the NPS Headquarters, IG Kanja has secured bilateral commitments focusing on specialized capacity-building, technology adoption, and wellness programs designed for officers, some of the diplomatic representatives that have been hosted include; The European Union Ambassador to Kenya, Her Excellency Henriette Geiger, Ms. Susan M. Burns is the Chargé d'Affaires of the United States Embassy in Kenya, H.E Matt Baugh the British High Commissioner to Kenya, H.E Mohammed Mutair Al-Shamlani Al-Anzi, the Ambassador of the State of Qatar to the Republic of Kenya among other bilateral visits.



Inspector General of Police Mr. Douglas Kanja during a courtesy call from NTSA Director General George Njao on February 14, 2025.







The Inspector General of the National Police Service, Mr. Douglas Kanja, shares a moment with His Excellency President Paul Kagame during the 25th Rwanda National Police (RNP) Day celebrations in Kigali.

SECURING KENYA'S POSITION AS A PREMIER GLOBAL EVENT HUB

Over the past two years, the collaborative efforts between the National Police Service and its diverse security partners have yielded a seamless flow of activities across the country, firmly establishing Kenya as a premier, safe destination for global events, International summits and diplomacy.

A key achievement was the successful security during the African Nations Championship (CHAN) football matches. Demonstrating the highest levels of discipline and patriotism, NPS officers worked around the clock to provide robust security, crowd control, and support logistical arrangements, and ensure that all matches that were held at the Moi International Sports Centre, Kasarani, proceeded safely. This flawless execution highlighted the country's vast potential and underscored the preparedness of the NPS to handle complex, large-scale security operations for upcoming global events, including the highly anticipated Africa Cup of Nations (AFCON) in Nairobi and future World Athletics Championships.

In addition to sporting excellence, the National Police Service demonstrated its top-tier operational capacity during the Africa Forward Summit held at the Kenyatta International Convention Centre (KICC). The high-level summit brought together heads of government and senior leaders from across the African continent. Through strategic multi-agency planning and deployment, police officers effectively executed their mandates, providing seamless VIP protection, traffic management, and venue security, which earned praise from local and international delegates alike.

These milestones reflect the National Police Service's unwavering commitment to continuously improve its security strategies, adopt modern policing technologies, and support all state and non-state actors. The National Police Service remains dedicated to refining its operational preparedness to ensure that all future public, corporate, and international activities in the country go smoothly, keeping Kenya safe and a secure destination.



Inspector General of Police Douglas Kanja, alongside members of the CHAN 2024 Local Organizing Committee and senior security officials, conducted an inspection of Nyayo National Stadium and Moi International Sports Centre, Kasarani, on August 1, 2025, to assess the venue preparedness and security ahead of the 2024 African Nations Championship (CHAN).

STEERING NATIONAL POLICE SERVICE TOWARDS ENHANCED SECURITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL SUSTAINABILITY

Beyond law enforcement, IG Kanja has been firm in aligning the National Police Service with the National Government's flagship environmental agenda, the ambitious vision to grow 15 billion trees by 2032.

From his early days in command, IG Kanja has continuously emphasized that environmental security is linked to national security. Under his precise command, the NPS has transformed police stations, training campuses, and specialized units into primary drivers of the country's ecosystem restoration.

Under IG Kanja's active direction, the command has successfully integrated tree growing within the NPS during the country's Tree Planting Day. The National Police College Main Campus - Kiganjo has collaborated with key stakeholders such as Safaricom PLC to plant 3,000 trees and joined forces with the Ushiriki Wema Foundation. Meanwhile, the National Police College Embakasi A and B campuses have institutionalized large-scale tree planting ceremonies, and a significant number of tree seedlings have been planted across these institutions. Additionally, all regional, county, and station commanders have spearheaded tree-planting initiatives within their respective police stations.







Two Years of Sporting Excellence

As the National Police Service (NPS) marks the second anniversary of Inspector General Mr. Douglas Kanja being in office. The Service reflects on a remarkable period marked by institutional growth and unparalleled dominance in sport. Under his visionary leadership, the NPS has firmly cemented its status as a global and domestic sports powerhouse.

Inspector General Kanja has consistently held sports at the heart of his command, recognizing it as a vital tool for fostering discipline, enhancing physical and mental wellness, and projecting a positive national image. Over the past two years, the IG has ensured that NPS sportsmen and women are given the necessary professional space, resources and opportunities to represent both the Service and the nation on the national and global stage.



IG Douglas Kanja receives a commemorative jersey from Mr. Demelash Gebremichael Weldeyes, Commissioner General of the Ethiopian Federal Police, during EAPCCO Games in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia on 3rd May, 2025.

Dominance In Track

In athletics, the NPS flag continues to fly high. Following NPS athletes' exploits on the track, IG Kanja has regularly received elite athletes at Jogoo House to honour their achievements and boost morale. Notable global ambassadors such as Beatrice Chebet, Julius Yego, Ferdinand Omanyala, and many more have been among the sports icons hosted at the headquarters after stellar performances.

The Inspector General also attended the Eastern Africa Police Cooperation Organization (EAPCCO) Games closing ceremony on May 3, 2025, where NPS athletes had delivered exemplary performances.

During these occasions, IG Kanja has continuously urged athletes to remain absolute professionals and be exemplary ambassadors of Kenya. He has often urged them to shun unethical practices, strongly cautioning the athletes to avoid doping, maintain the highest standards of integrity, and protect the pristine reputation of NPS and Kenyan sports.

The past two years have seen a historic revolution in police football; the Kenya Police FC and APS Bomet men's premier league side, have risen to the top of domestic football, asserting their dominance in the Kenya Premier League and challenging perennial giants. Equally, the women's Kenya Police Bullets FC side has enjoyed an equally spectacular run, conquering the Women's Premier League and asserting themselves as a dominant force in the CECAFA region after formidable campaigns.



Inspector General of Police Douglas Kanja receives a trophy presented by world javelin champion Julius Yego during a special reception at Jogoo House 'A' on July 2, 2025, when the IG hosted National Police Service athletes and members of the NPS Sports Local Organising Committee (LOC) to celebrate an impressive season of sporting excellence, including accolades from the 2025 Athletics Kenya National Championships.

Supremacy Across Other Arenas

Reflecting an all-around dominance, sporting success under IG Kanja continues to thrive across other disciplines. The General Service Unit (GSU) Men's Volleyball Team has continued its domestic reign, conquering tournaments. Concurrently, the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI) Queens have registered stellar results, constantly at the national championships. Demonstrating versatility, the NPS Kabaddi team has emerged as undisputed regional champions, recently returning from Bujumbura, Burundi, where both the men's and women's squads successfully defended their titles at the East Africa Kabaddi Inter-Clubs Championship.

During this two-year milestone, Inspector General Douglas Kanja has affirmed his unwavering support for sports through continued strategic partnerships and player welfare within the Service. Through collaborative efforts with stakeholders, the NPS is poised to sustain its dominance in sport.



REAFFIRMING SUPPORT FOR SPORTING EXCELLENCE: The Inspector General of Police, Mr. Douglas Kanja, hosts the National Police Service (NPS) Kabaddi team at NPS Headquarters on September 17, 2026, to celebrate the men's and women's teams following their return from Bujumbura, Burundi, where they successfully defended their regional crown to become five-time East Africa Kabaddi Inter-Clubs Champions.


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Celebrating Excellence

A Biography of Inspector General of Police Mr. Douglas Kanja MGH, CBS, OGW on His Second Anniversary at the Helm of the National Police Service

As we celebrate Inspector General Douglas Kanja's second anniversary at the helm, Mr. Kanja has steered the service with dedication and an unwavering commitment to national security. His journey is a testament to resilience, rising from the lowest rank to the highest office in the police service through a distinguished career spanning nearly four decades.

The Early Years: Foundation of a Distinguished Career

Mr. Kanja's exceptional law enforcement journey began when he was enlisted to the Service as a recruit Police Constable. After completing his initial training, he was officially promoted to Police Constable, launching a dedicated career on the front lines of public safety. Throughout his foundational years in the service, he diligently served across various ranks, including; Police Corporal, Acting Inspector of Police, Inspector of Police, Chief Inspector of Police, Acting Superintendent of Police and gradually through the subsequent ranks as Superintendent of Police, Senior Superintendent of Police, Commissioner of Police, Assistant Inspector General, and Senior Assistant Inspector General.

Command and Strategic Leadership Roles

Before ascending to the peak of the National Police Service, Mr. Kanja built a vast portfolio of operational and administrative expertise across multiple regions, including Nairobi, Coast, Eastern, and Rift Valley.

His extensive leadership footprint within the ranks of the NPS includes serving as: Deputy Inspector General of the Kenya Police Service, the critical position he held immediately before he was appointed Inspector General; Commandant of the General Service Unit (GSU); Deputy Commandant of the GSU; County Police Commander; In charge of Kilifi County; Deputy Commandant of the Kenya Airports Police Unit (KAPU); Chief Armourer & Deputy Chief Armourer;

Operational Mastery and Specialized Training

A battle-tested field commander, Mr. Kanja has successfully planned and executed highly complex security deployments. Notably, he led Operation Rejesha Amani to restore law and order in Isiolo and Marsabit counties, as well as Operation Fagia Msitu to counter security threats within the Boni Forest.

To support his extensive field experience, Douglas Kanja has undertaken extensive security-related trainings both at home and abroad and has equipped him with modern tactical skills and strategic management capabilities to tackle contemporary security challenges.

Honoring a Legacy of Service

In recognition of his exemplary, clean, and outstanding service to the nation, Inspector General Kanja is a recipient of prestigious State Awards and Decorations: MGH – Moran of the Order of the Golden Heart of Kenya, CBS – Chief of the Order of the Burning Spear, OGW – Order of the Grand Warrior of Kenya, which underscore his patriotism and bravery in the line of duty.

As the National Police Service marks these two progressive years under his visionary stewardship, the entire service expresses profound gratitude for his continuous transformation agenda, "To make police stations and other NPS service areas as centers of excellence for police operations". We congratulate Mr. Douglas Kanja on this anniversary and wish him the very best, excellent health, and continued wisdom in his ongoing tenure as the Inspector General of the National Police Service.

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