

PRISON SERVICE

Overview

The Department is responsible to keep detainees in safe and humane custody, and provide a healthy environment conducive to the rehabilitation and vocational training of the detainees.

Key Challenges	Strategies
High recidivism rates	Strengthen rehabilitation by collaborating with NGOs and expand psychological and social support services based on individual needs assessments
Drug addiction and health issues among prisoners	Improve healthcare services in prisons, and implement a structured drug rehabilitation and reintegration programme
High cost of maintaining detainees in custody	Increase self-sufficiency in food production
Persistent entry of prohibited articles in the prisons	Upgrade surveillance systems and security protocols, and enhance coordination with law enforcement authorities to dismantle internal and external criminal networks

Programme Outcomes

Programmes	Outcomes	Indicators	2024/25 Provisional	2025/26 Target	2027/28 Target	2029/30 Target
0240: Prison Services	Effective rehabilitation and resettlement of detainees	Percentage of detainees imprisoned more than once	73.8%	73.5%	73%	72.5%

Financial Resources

Summary by Programmes

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Programmes	2024/25 Estimates	2025/26 Estimates	2026/27 Planned	2027/28 Planned
0240: Prison Services	1,085,000	1,202,000	1,248,000	1,204,000
TOTAL	1,085,000	1,202,000	1,248,000	1,204,000

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Summary by Economic Categories

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Code	Economic Categories	2024/25 Estimates	2025/26 Estimates	2026/27 Planned	2027/28 Planned
Recurrent Expenditure		1,025,000	1,133,000	1,143,000	1,151,000
21	Compensation of Employees	827,700	903,700	913,700	921,700
22	Goods and Services	197,000	229,000	229,000	229,000
26	Grants	100	100	100	100
28	Other Expense	200	200	200	200
Capital Expenditure		60,000	69,000	105,000	53,000
31	Acquisition of Non-Financial Assets	60,000	69,000	105,000	53,000
TOTAL EXPENDITURE		1,085,000	1,202,000	1,248,000	1,204,000

Programme 0240: Prison Services

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Details	2024/25 Estimates	2025/26 Estimates	2026/27 Planned	2027/28 Planned
TOTAL EXPENDITURE [Appropriation]	1,085,000	1,202,000	1,248,000	1,204,000
Recurrent Expenditure	1,025,000	1,133,000	1,143,000	1,151,000
Capital Expenditure	60,000	69,000	105,000	53,000
Sub-Programmes:				
024001: Management of Prisons	109,978	121,900	112,700	112,000
024002: Custody and Rehabilitation of Detainees	975,022	1,080,100	1,135,300	1,092,000
TOTAL	1,085,000	1,202,000	1,248,000	1,204,000

Sub-Programme 024001: Management of Prisons

Accounting Officer: Commissioner of Prisons					
Outcome: Effective rehabilitation and resettlement of detainees					
Main Service/Delivery Unit	Key Performance Indicator	2024/25 Provisional	2025/26 Target	2026/27 Target	2027/28 Target
Capacity building of staff <i>Office of the Commissioner of Prisons and Administration</i>	Number of officers following a minimum of 20 hours training courses	151	200	260	350

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Item No.	Details	2024/25 Estimates	2025/26 Estimates	2026/27 Planned	2027/28 Planned
Recurrent Expenditure		100,978	106,900	107,700	109,000
21	Compensation of Employees	86,993	92,300	93,100	94,400
21110	Personal Emoluments	76,823	81,400	82,200	83,500
	<i>of which</i>				
.001	Basic Salary	61,552	60,200	60,900	62,100
.002	Salary Compensation	4,271	5,800	5,800	5,800
.004	Allowances	2,000	3,500	3,500	3,500
.006	Cash in lieu of Leave	3,000	3,500	3,500	3,500
.009	End-of-year Bonus	6,000	5,500	5,600	5,700
21111	Other Staff Costs	8,570	9,300	9,300	9,300
.002	Travelling and Transport	7,000	7,500	7,500	7,500
.100	Overtime	1,500	1,700	1,700	1,700
.200	Staff Welfare	70	100	100	100
21210	Social Contributions	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600
.001	Contribution to the National Savings Fund	1,600	1,600	1,600	1,600
22	Goods and Services	13,885	14,500	14,500	14,500
22010	Cost of Utilities	5,950	4,500	4,500	4,500
22040	Office Equipment and Furniture	450	470	470	470
22050	Office Expenses	225	250	250	250
22060	Maintenance	3,500	5,200	5,200	5,200
22070	Cleaning Services	200	230	230	230
22100	Publications and Stationery	1,300	1,550	1,550	1,550
22120	Fees	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
22900	Other Goods and Services	260	300	300	300
26	Grants	100	100	100	100
26210	Contribution to International Organisations	100	100	100	100
Capital Expenditure		9,000	15,000	5,000	3,000
31	Acquisition of Non-Financial Assets	9,000	15,000	5,000	3,000
31122	Other Machinery and Equipment				
.802	Acquisition of IT Equipment	6,000	10,000	3,000	3,000
31132	Intangible Fixed Assets				
.401	E-Government Projects: Prison Management System	3,000	5,000	2,000	-
TOTAL		109,978	121,900	112,700	112,000

Human Resources

SN	Position Titles	Funded	
		2024/25	2025/26
1	Commissioner of Prisons	1	1
2	Deputy Commissioner of Prisons	4	4
3	Assistant Commissioner of Prisons	6	6
4	Assistant Commissioner of Prisons (Trades)	1	-
5	Woman Assistant Commissioner of Prisons	1	1
6	Superintendent of Prisons/Senior Superintendent of Prisons	18	18
7	Superintendent of Prisons/Senior Superintendent of Prisons (Works)	-	-
8	Superintendent of Prisons/Senior Superintendent of Prisons (Industries)	1	1
9	Woman Superintendent of Prisons/Senior Woman Superintendent of Prisons	1	1
10	Manager, Financial Operations	1	1
11	Assistant Manager, Financial Operations	1	2
12	Principal Financial Operations Officer	2	2
13	Financial Operations Officer/Senior Financial Operations Officer	2	3
14	Assistant Financial Operations Officer	6	6
15	Manager (Procurement and Supply)	2	2
16	Assistant Manager (Procurement and Supply)	2	2
17	Procurement and Supply Officer/Senior Procurement and Supply Officer	2	2
18	Assistant Procurement and Supply Officer	8	8
19	Manager, Internal Control	1	1
20	Principal Internal Control Officer	1	1
21	Internal Control Officer/Senior Internal Control Officer	1	1
22	Manager, Human Resources	1	1
23	Assistant Manager, Human Resources	1	1
24	Senior Human Resource Executive	1	1
25	Human Resource Executive	4	4
26	Office Management Executive	3	3
27	Office Management Assistant	5	5
28	Office Supervisor	2	2
29	Management Support Officer	35	32
30	Confidential Secretary	2	2
31	Word Processing Operator	4	3
32	Head Office Auxiliary	1	1
33	Office Auxiliary/Senior Office Auxiliary	6	6
34	Prisons Driver (<i>on shift</i>)	13	13
35	Driver	1	1
36	Surveillant	7	5
TOTAL		148	143

Sub- Programme 024002: Custody and Rehabilitation of Detainees

Accounting Officer: Commissioner of Prisons					
Outcome: Effective rehabilitation and resettlement of detainees					
Main Service/Delivery Unit	Key Performance Indicator	2024/25 Provisional	2025/26 Target	2026/27 Target	2027/28 Target
Programmes delivered to detainees <i>Prison Trades Section and Welfare Unit</i>	Number of detainees having completed a Comprehensive Rehabilitation Programme	437	460	490	530

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Item No.	Details	2024/25 Estimates	2025/26 Estimates	2026/27 Planned	2027/28 Planned
Recurrent Expenditure		924,022	1,026,100	1,035,300	1,042,000
21	Compensation of Employees	740,707	811,400	820,600	827,300
21110	Personal Emoluments	672,742	736,400	745,600	752,300
	<i>of which</i>				
.001	Basic Salary	453,488	468,300	476,600	483,000
.002	Salary Compensation	53,354	66,000	66,000	66,000
.004	Allowances	110,000	115,000	115,000	115,000
.006	Cash in lieu of Leave	15,200	18,000	18,000	18,000
.009	End-of-year Bonus	40,700	44,500	45,400	45,700
21111	Other Staff Costs	60,300	65,000	65,000	65,000
.002	Travelling and Transport	60,300	65,000	65,000	65,000
21210	Social Contributions	7,665	10,000	10,000	10,000
.001	Contribution to the National Savings Fund	7,665	10,000	10,000	10,000
22	Goods and Services	183,115	214,500	214,500	214,500
22010	Cost of Utilities	33,415	34,750	34,750	34,750
22020	Fuel and Oil	4,000	5,000	5,000	5,000
22030	Rent	16,800	21,800	21,800	21,800
	<i>of which</i>				
.004	Rental of Equipment	12,500	17,000	17,000	17,000
.007	Rental line for Network Services	4,000	4,500	4,500	4,500
22050	Office Expenses	50	50	50	50
22060	Maintenance	23,450	24,950	24,950	24,950
	<i>of which</i>				
.001	Buildings	6,000	7,500	7,500	7,500
.003	Plant and Equipment	13,500	13,500	13,500	13,500
.004	Vehicles and Motorcycles	2,500	2,500	2,500	2,500
.005	IT Equipment	1,300	1,300	1,300	1,300
22100	Publications and Stationery	1,500	1,800	1,800	1,800
22140	Medical Supplies, Drugs and Equipment	1,250	2,000	2,000	2,000

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Item No.	Details	2024/25 Estimates	2025/26 Estimates	2026/27 Planned	2027/28 Planned
22900	Other Goods and Services	102,650	124,150	124,150	124,150
	<i>of which</i>				
.001	Uniforms	11,000	11,000	11,000	11,000
.005	Provision and Stores	75,000	95,000	95,000	95,000
.029	Enhanced Earnings for Detainees	7,500	7,500	7,500	7,500
28	Other Expense	200	200	200	200
28211	Transfers to Non-Profit Institutions				
.008	Discharged Persons' Aid Committee	100	100	100	100
28219	Other Current Expense to Non-Residents				
.002	Repatriation of Prisoners	100	100	100	100
Capital Expenditure		51,000	54,000	100,000	50,000
31	Acquisition of Non-Financial Assets	51,000	54,000	100,000	50,000
31112	Non-Residential Buildings				
.411	Upgrading of Prisons	20,600	22,900	71,900	20,400
	<i>(a) Beau Bassin Prison</i>	<i>10,500</i>	<i>2,400</i>	<i>2,500</i>	<i>4,000</i>
	<i>(b) Other Prisons</i>	<i>10,100</i>	<i>20,500</i>	<i>69,400</i>	<i>16,400</i>
31121	Transport Equipment				
.801	Acquisition of Vehicles	7,900	8,150	3,900	5,200
31122	Other Machinery and Equipment				
.805	Acquisition of Security Equipment	5,811	5,750	7,000	7,000
.999	Acquisition of Other Machinery and Equipment	16,189	16,600	16,600	16,800
31133	Furnitures, Fixtures and Fittings				
.801	Acquisition of Furniture, Fixtures and Fittings	500	600	600	600
TOTAL		975,022	1,080,100	1,135,300	1,092,000

Human Resources

SN	Position Titles	Funded	
		2024/25	2025/26
1	Prisons Medical and Health Officer/Senior Prisons Medical and Health Officer	-	-
2	Head, Prisons Health Service	1	1
3	Principal Prisons Health Service Officer (Male)	4	4
4	Principal Prisons Health Service Officer (Female)	1	1
5	Senior Prisons Health Service Officer (Male)	9	9
6	Senior Prisons Health Service Officer (Female)	2	2
7	Prisons Health Service Officer (Male)	22	22
8	Prisons Health Service Officer (Female)	7	7
9	Chief Prisons Welfare Officer	1	1
10	Principal Prisons Welfare Officer	2	2
11	Senior Prisons Welfare Officer	3	3
12	Prisons Welfare Officer	12	12

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SN	Position Titles	Funded	
		2024/25	2025/26
13	Assistant Superintendent of Prisons	53	53
14	Assistant Superintendent of Prisons (Industries)	3	3
15	Assistant Superintendent of Prisons (Works)	2	2
16	Woman Assistant Superintendent of Prisons	6	6
17	Prisons Psychologist/Senior Prisons Psychologist	2	2
18	Pharmacist/Senior Pharmacist	-	-
19	Prisons Pharmacy Technician/Senior Prisons Pharmacy Technician	-	-
20	Prisons Catering Administrator	1	1
21	Principal Prisons Officer	112	112
22	Principal Prisons Officer (Industries)	8	5
23	Principal Prisons Officer (Works)	5	5
24	Principal Woman Prisons Officer	8	8
25	Prisons Officer/Senior Prisons Officer	1,027	1,005
26	Woman Prisons Officer/Senior Woman Prisons Officer	105	105
27	Dental Assistant	-	-
28	Receptionist/Telephone Operator	5	5
29	Senior Cook	-	1
30	Cook (<i>on roster</i>)	12	12
31	Automobile Electrician	1	1
32	Blacksmith	1	1
33	Carpenter	6	6
34	Mason	10	7
35	Motor/Diesel Mechanic	1	1
36	Motor Mechanic	1	1
37	Vulcaniser	1	1
38	Panel Beater	1	1
39	Plumber and Pipe Fitter	2	2
40	Tinsmith	1	1
41	Stores Attendant	3	3
42	Handy Worker (Special Class)	-	1
TOTAL		1,441	1,415