

Mauritius Prison Service



Annual Report on Performance 2019

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CENTRAL PRISON



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INTRODUCTION

The Mauritius Prison Service (MPS) in collaboration with other law enforcement agencies strive to make Mauritius a safer place for all. Our main objective is to keep detainees in safe, humane custody and help prepare them for a useful life. The involvement of the civil society is very crucial towards this mission. During the year under review (2019), the Mauritius Prison Service continued to meet the challenge of caring for persons who were committed from the courts. This care related not only to their secure imprisonment, but equally important, the need to influence offenders to lead law abiding and useful lives upon release as clearly stated by our “Mission Statement”.

Unquestionably, the task of rehabilitating offenders contributed in no small way to the development of the country as it seeks to create a better; more equitable society. Working as an integral part of the Criminal Justice System, the Service has continued to be a leading correctional facility within the region. The major challenge that confronted the Service was the international economic crisis which continued to have implications for the amount of resources being made available. Nevertheless, the prison continues to perform efficiently and effectively despite these universal challenges.

Our aim is to provide the degree of custody necessary in each case to ensure that the sentence of the courts is carried out, and, to attempt to modify the behaviour of the offenders so that their activities on release will be law-abiding rather than law breaking. This will be achieved by the provision of treatment and the setting up of conditions which will afford them opportunity for more successful personal and social adjustment.

Prison work can be difficult and demanding. It is a challenge for the prison to meet the needs of all prisoners, which are often complex and at times not merely criminal but incorporating mental health issues, substance abuse, homelessness, family breakdown and other social issues. We should not underestimate the challenge that working in such situation presents. Staff are looking after some of the most dangerous and vulnerable people in Mauritius. It can be a demanding and difficult job, requiring the constant assessment of risk, a need to be alert, knowledgeable, firm and flexible. The best combines these qualities with care and compassion. Prison staff often works without recognition and sometimes under threat, to help those people in custody to change, to become better citizens and to make a positive contribution to their community when they are released. When this is achieved, prisons make a significant contribution to the safety and security of Mauritius.

Fifteen institutions including Pointe La Geule Prison in Rodrigues are directly administered by the Commissioner of Prisons under the aegis of the Ministry of Defence and Rodrigues.

The overall performance of the Mauritius Prison Service (MPS) for the year 2019 can be deemed as a vast improvement over that of 2018. In 2019, the Mauritius Prison Service repositioned itself towards a new and more dynamic rehabilitative and business thrust. Consequently, the department is now well poised to achieve its ultimate goal of purposeful rehabilitation, operational efficiency and self-sufficiency. With a renewed emphasis in counseling offenders effectively, the conduct of needs analysis, and the identification of deficit behavior, significant progress is also being made towards engaging each offender in purposeful rehabilitation.

MISSION, VISION AND VALUES



Mission

We serve the society by keeping detainees in a safe, humane custody and help prepare them for a useful life in society.



Vision

A safer Mauritius through best correctional practice



Core Values



We support our staff to be professional and accountable



we believe that detainees have a potential to change



we value fairness and humane treatment

➤ Our Goals:-

- Keep detainees in a safe custody.
- Maintain order, control, discipline and safe environment.
- Provide decent conditions for detainees and meet their needs, including medical care, advice on and help with personal problems.
- Provide positive regimes which help detainees to address their offending behavior and prepare them to live a full and responsible life.
- Help towards rehabilitation of detainees. Provide a delivery of prison services using resources provided by Parliament with maximum efficiency.
- In meeting these goals, we cooperate closely with other criminal justice agencies and contribute to the effectiveness and development of the criminal justice system as a whole.
- To monitor all statutory to intramural sentences.

➤ Our Objectives:-

- To provide a safe and healthy environment, that is conducive to the rehabilitation and spiritual enhancement as well as vocational training of the detainees.
- To facilitate and safeguard ways and means for the detainees' contact with outside world, i.e. spouse, children, parents and next of kin.
- To provide the necessary structures that will be beneficial for all detainees in terms of education and vocational training.
- To apprise and sensitize the detainees on the ill effects of substance abuse and to empower them so that they may lead a drug-free life.
- To provide the detainees with all the required structures for their mental and physical development through sports and games and to continuously upgrade and rethink the existing physical structures of the prison so that they may be congruent with a healthy and peaceful environment.

STRATEGIC DIRECTION

The Strategic Plan 2013-2023 was worked out with the collaboration of the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime (UNODC). It was developed as it provided an insight for prisons to introduce better and more modern practices. Taking into consideration the different constraints and challenges facing the MPS, the aim of this Strategic Plan has been to devise ways and means to improve prison performances over time. Its purpose is to introduce best correctional practice that fit the Mauritian context. The plan is a road map that points the direction and sets target to reduce recidivism. Six main areas of reform were identified and were categorized as here-under:



As at now, for the successful implementation of the plan, it is imperative to have effective teamwork as well as internal and external partnerships. To this end, two goals of the six main pillars have already been completed viz Strategic Planning & Research Unit and the Operationalising of the Eastern High Security Prison. Each pillar is being monitored by a team of prison staff under the direct responsibility of a Deputy Commissioner of Prisons.



1. Strategic Planning and Research Unit

The Strategic Planning and Research Unit which was established in 2013 as one of the pillars of the Strategic Plan 2013-2023 and which is headed by an Assistant Commissioner of Prisons, is responsible to conduct research and analyze data for emerging trends in prisons across the world. It also provides accurate advice to senior management team to better support decision making for the planning of infrastructure, services and the formulation of policy proposals. It also organizes meetings with internal and external stakeholders and technical people to assist in the implementation of projects in the different units. In order to be proactive in the execution of its challenging duties, the MPS is bound to develop mechanisms to ensure that resources are developed optimally. The Planning Unit has the responsibility to constantly monitor, supervise and report to Senior Management matters pertaining to the effective and efficient use of resources at the MPS. It has a good documentation system to record all progress of work pertaining to different institutions.

2. Integrated Detainee Management

On the 31st of December 2019, the Mauritius Prisons Service held 2483 adult detainees (*Males and Females including Foreigners*) in Mauritius and 37 detainees (*Males and Females*) in Rodrigues. Most of the prisons are old, overcrowded, do not meet contemporary minimum standards for in-cell sanitation and lack adequate facilities for constructive activities. The coming into operation of Eastern High Security Prison in 2014 has provided modern prison accommodation and an opportunity to introduce improved detainee management systems as well as review and rationalize the utilization of the prisons estates. The management of detainees has remained basically unchanged with prison officers largely performing a traditional “turnkey” role. This is not to underestimate some important rehabilitative services and recent innovations particularly the development of a new induction system and the Enhanced Earning Scheme. The Mauritius Prisons Service has long had the aim of rehabilitating detainees and has a number of specialist staff to provide a range of education, training skills, welfare services, along with non-government organizations that provide rehabilitative programmes and service. However, the great majority of prison officers’ roles is focused on security and supervision and is not engaged in the rehabilitative aims of imprisonment. The aim is to instil a positive respectful relationship between staff and detainees using an integrated system of managing detainees that focuses upon protecting the community by reducing re-offending. This will be achieved by developing a training curriculum for prison officers to support the implementation of an Integrated Detainee Management System that addresses all the identified challenges by incorporating the following key components: (1) First night strategy (2) Reception and induction (3) Risk Assessment Tool (4) Programmes (5) Case Management (6) Unit Management (7) Sentence and Release Planning.

3. Rehabilitation and Resettlement

Cognitive Behavioural Programmes should become the key focus for reducing the rate of re-offending. Most detainees have a low educational and employment background and many have poor physical and mental health. There is a high incidence of drug abuse and HIV and other infections. It is obvious that many of these detainee hail from the most vulnerable group in society. There are many challenges being faced to reduce re-offending but in the long run, the following measures are being taken into consideration: -



- To create more space for activities and workshops with expanded vocational opportunities in tune with demand on the contemporary work market thereby enhancing detainee's employability upon release;
- To establish a pre-release plan for each detainee; and
- To establish a comprehensive and coordinated resettlement support services through a coordinating body involving Government and Non-Government Organizations (NGOs).

Looking to the future, and the implementation of the Mauritius Prisons Service Ten-year Strategic Plan 2013-2023, especially the Rehabilitation and Resettlement Pillar, partners will have to ensure that all opportunities are seized to deliver positive results for detainees. Practical, intelligent and innovative approaches to managing the complex needs of detainees will help ensure that the communities are protected, crime is reduced and vulnerable people, especially women, are not victimized in society.

4. Improved Security

Security and safety are the primary concerns of prison systems. Thus, prison staff must constantly be on alert to calculate and minimize a multitude of potential risks to security. These include but are not limited to the risks of: escape; detainee violence and bullying; self-harm and suicide; illicit drug use, infection, and many more. In broad terms, security takes three forms:

- **Physical security** includes architecture of the prison buildings, the strength of the walls of those buildings, the bars on the windows, the door of the accommodation units, the specifications of the perimeter walls and fences, watchtowers and so on.
- **Procedural security** relates to security processes and procedures which have to be followed such as searching, counting and supervision and control.
- **Dynamic security**, which comes from intelligence and from listening and talking to detainees and others.

When physical and procedural security is at their highest level they are extremely costly to run and might be interpreted as being oppressive and inhumane for detainees. If security and safety are absent, prisons can quickly become violent and dangerous places. Consequently, it is important to have a range of prisons that have been constructed and rated to varying levels of security. In Mauritius as in most countries, prisons are designed to four levels of physical security:

- (i) High security; (ii) Maximum security; (iii) Medium security; and (iv) Minimum security (open condition). Ideally, detainees should be individually assessed for the level of risk they pose and be matched and placed into prisons with an appropriate security rating.

To this end, the following have been taken into consideration to improve security: -

- (i) The construction of Melrose Prison has provided a respite to overcrowding.
- (ii) Regular security audits (that build upon the security audits previously sponsored by UNODC) in all prisons will help to reduce the security risk arising from the deterioration of the prison estate.
- (iii) A search strategy to detect prohibited articles such mobile telephones, by making increased use of new technology.

- (iv) Trial of security classification tools for detainees by making use of modern techniques to ensure that detainees are classified to the lowest level of security appropriate to their circumstances.
- (v) Prison security ratings – to ensure that each prison is appropriately rated in terms of its security as high, maximum, medium or minimum security.
- (vi) Standard Operating Procedures (SOP) should be developed for the proper management of prisons.

5. Operationalising Eastern High Security Prison

The Eastern High Security Prison was inaugurated on 20th of March 2014 and became into operation on the 27th of March 2014 and it has reached its cruising speed as a fully functional high security prison. It consists of three cell blocks, five dormitory blocks, high security special units, a geriatric block, educational facilities, a segregation dormitory block, works complex, staff facilities, administrative block, religious facilities, kitchen and service yards. It has the capacity to accommodate 750 to 1000 male detainees especially those undergoing long sentences.

6. Capacity Building

Capacity Building is an important feature in any organization. The quality of service delivered depends on how human resources are recruited, managed and trained. In order to achieve the mission of the Mauritius Prisons Service, human resources must be managed efficiently and responsibly and attention given to building capacity in staff. To address this problem, the following **must be taken** into consideration:

- (i) There is an urgent need to build senior management capacity to ensure that leadership and competent management experience is available to provide future leadership to the organization.
- (ii) Mauritius Prisons Service training curricula do not meet adequate best correctional practices. The Prison Training School presently only offers basic training to new recruits, in-service refresher course, Senior Officer Cadet training, a qualifying course for promotion to Assistant Superintendent. The existing curricula do not include such modules as interpersonal skills, and other skills relevant to modern Unit Management, Case Management and Sentence Planning, etc.
- (iii) With the opening of Eastern High Security Prison, there is an urgent need to develop Prison Officers' training in Unit Management, Case Management and Sentence Planning. The concept of Unit Management will be subsequently implemented in other institutions.
- (iv) For other employees to develop their skills and competencies and to instruct individuals about the prison system, standards and expectations, codes of conduct, and reporting methods, it is necessary to put in place a comprehensive training and development system. A skills-based and competency-based system is the most effective approach to staff development and this training and development can be provided most effectively internally.



- (v) Human resources training should be ongoing and consider the need to re-train personnel when new legislation, policies, procedures and processes are being implemented. The training school must be well resourced. It should be supported by specialist staff with specific skills as trainers and educators.

Evaluation of Strategy

Periodic evaluations of strategies, tactics, and action programs are essential to assessing success of the strategic planning process. It is important to measure performance at least annually (but preferably more often), to evaluate the effect of specific actions on long-term results and on the organization's vision and mission. The organization should measure current performance against previously set expectations, and consider any changes or events that may have impacted the desired course of actions.

Review of the Strategic Plan

After assessing the progress of the strategic planning process, the prison system needs to review the strategic plan, make necessary changes, and adjust its course based on these evaluations. The revised plan must take into consideration emergent strategies, and changes affecting the organization's intended course.

STRATEGIC PLANNING AND RESEARCH UNIT

The Strategic Planning and Research Unit which has its office at the Orchids House and which is under the charge of an Assistant Commissioner of Prison was operational in 2013 under the first pillar of our ten-year Strategic Plan 2013-2023. The Plan was developed by a dedicated team of officers under the close supervision of a UNODC Consultant and it focused on the following areas of concern:

1. Setting up of a Strategic Planning and Research Unit to assist management in policy decisions and project formulations and to address relevant legislative reform
2. Integrated Detainee Management
3. Setting-up of a new high security prison to address the problem of overcrowding in our prisons and the implementation of new rehabilitation methods
4. Rehabilitation and Resettlement of detainees
5. Capacity building
6. Improved Security of prisons

The purpose of the Strategic Planning and Research Unit is to assist management in decision-making by providing a good information system to support an effective prison management system which benchmarks on world best practices. Issues related to legislation, human rights, modern risk management, modern actuarial risk and classification models, credible alternatives to imprisonment, modern concepts of rehabilitation, negative impact of short sentences on cost of imprisonment, effectiveness of the Parole System, long period of remand, high rate of re-offending are some of the subjects of concern for the Strategic Planning and Research Unit.

Qualified Officers posted at the Strategic Planning and Research Unit are expected to conduct research and analyze quantitative and qualitative data for emerging trends in prison management and related social sciences and provide accurate advice to senior management team to better support decision-making for the planning of infrastructure, services and formulation of policy proposals across the criminal justice system. The e-prison system shall be considered as an integral part of the Strategic Planning and Research Unit as without a good management information system planning and research will be impossible.

Projects undertaken at the Planning Unit since its establishment are listed below:

1. Implementation of a Quality Management System ISO 9001:2008 at New Wing Prison Induction Unit in 2013 and maintenance of same as per legal requirement.
2. Implementation of an e-prison system with the collaboration of the Government of India in 2013. Phase 2 of the project is now at the implementation stage.
3. Compost production at Petit Verger Prison with the collaboration of the University of Mauritius under the Sustainable Waste Management Practices Initiative and funded by the United Nations Development Program in 2013/2014. The project was presented at the Public Service Excellence Award organized by the Ministry of Civil Service and Administrative Reform in 2014 and was awarded the prize of Grand Winner in the category of Government Departments.
4. Writing of procedures.
5. Rainwater harvesting in four prisons.
6. Implementation of a Quality Management System ISO 9001:2008 at the Prison Training School in 2016 and maintenance of same as per legal requirement.
7. Writing of draft amendments to the Reform Institutions Act and Prison Regulations.
8. Providing inputs for Parliamentary Questions and for the preparation of the National Report for submission to the relevant committees of the United Nations Human Rights Council.
9. Migration of ISO 9001:2008 to the new version of ISO 9001:2015.
10. Facilitating the realization of the goals of the organization in line with its strategic direction, that is the other five pillars of the Strategic Plan 2013-2023.
11. Interacting with regional and international professional organizations to benchmark with best practices.
12. Implementation of the Prison Inspectorate Mechanism and the Prison Emergency Management Plan.
13. Conducting visits in different prisons to monitor and evaluate implementation of projects and policies.

OPERATIONAL STRUCTURE

The Mauritius Prison Service was established under the **Reforms Institution Act of 1988**.

The Commissioner of Prisons is accountable to the Honourable Prime Minister, Minister of Defence, Home Affairs and External Communications, Minister for Rodrigues, Outer Islands and Territorial Integrity.

The following documents are adhered to whilst on operational management: -

- (i) Constitution of the Republic of Mauritius;
- (ii) Reforms Institution Act 1988;
- (iii) Bail Act;
- (iv) Courts Act;
- (v) Prison Regulations;
- (vi) The Judicial and Legal Provision Act 2018
- (vii) Standing Orders;
- (viii) Commissioner of Prison's Circular;
- (ix) Standard Operating Procedures;
- (x) Customer Charter;
- (xi) Code of Ethics for Prison Officers;
- (xii) MPS Anti-Corruption Policy;
- (xiii) United Nations Convention on Human Rights (UNCHR);
- (xiv) Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture (OPCAT);
- (xv) UN Standard Minimum Rules for the treatment of prisoners (Nelson Mandela Rules);
- (xvi) Standard Minimum Rules for the Administration of Juvenile Justice (Beijing Rules);
- (xvii) Conventions and Treaties relating to Transfer of Prisoners; and
- (xviii) The Juvenile Offenders Act

THE ORGANISATION



Badges of Rank

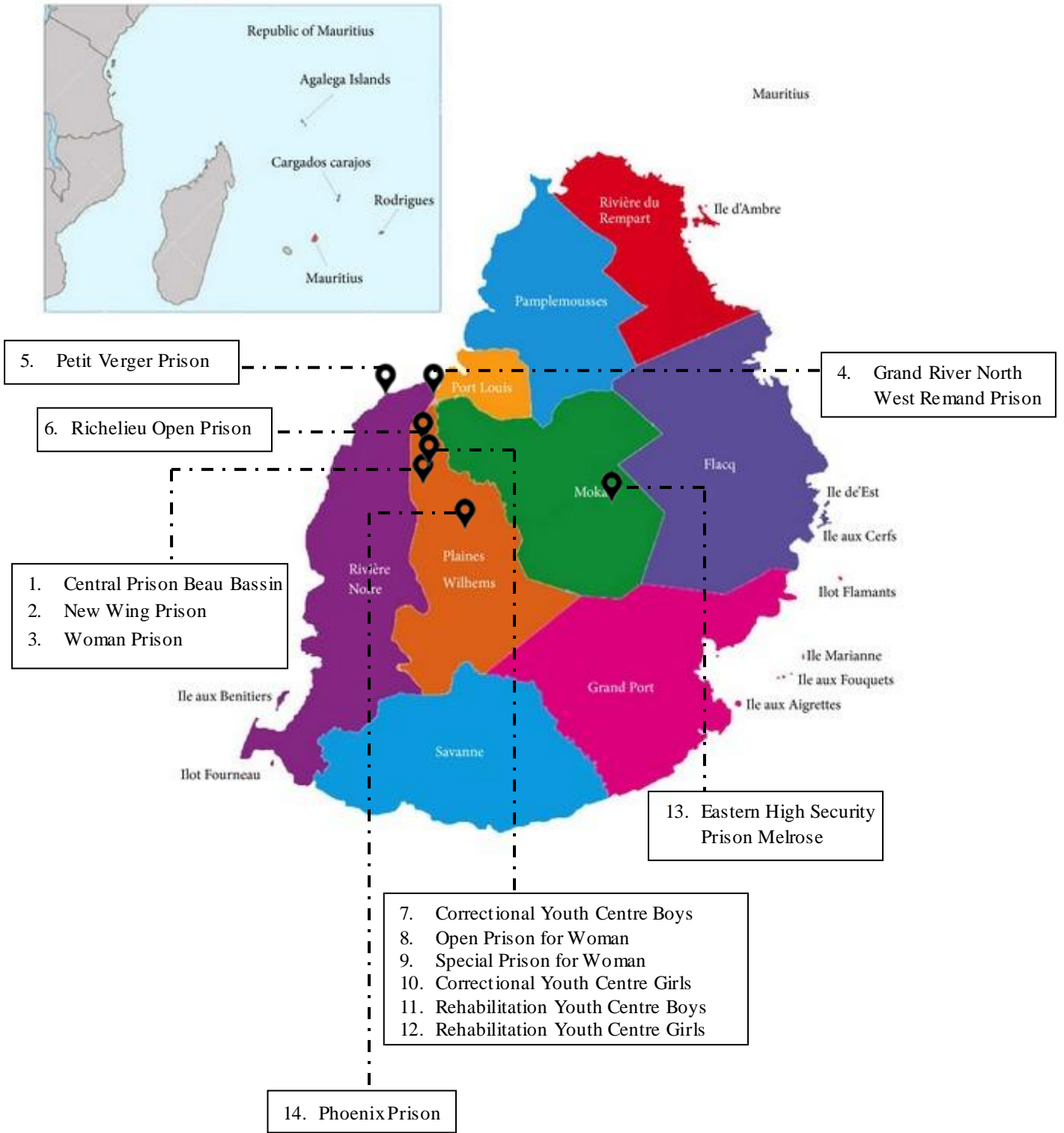


ORGANIGRAM – MAURITIUS CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM



#Ombudsperson for Children Office, Police Family Protection Unit, Independent Commission Against Corruption, National Human Rights Commission

GENERAL OVERVIEW





- The Mauritius Prisons Service comprises of **15 institutions** including one in Rodrigues (*the 10th District of Mauritius*) as well as Correctional Youth Centres Boys/Girls and Rehabilitation Centres Boys/Girls.
- After the inauguration of Eastern High Security Prison on 20th March 2014, detainees were transferred from Phoenix Prison and were accommodated in a segregation unit at Eastern High Security Prison. After some refurbishment that was conducted at Phoenix Prison, it came into operation on 29th March 2018.
- As regards the Rehabilitations Youth Centres for boys and girls, both falls under the jurisdiction of the Commissioner of Prisons and is manned by non wearing uniform officers who have undergone specific training to work with juveniles.

1. Central Prison Beau Bassin (BBP)



The Central Prison Beau Bassin is a maximum security prison which came into operation on the 1st May 1887. It has a current accommodation capacity of 1034 detainees and houses mostly remand ones.

All detainees housed at BBP benefit from educational, vocational, recreational, and spiritual facilities.

However, given that a significant percentage of the prison population are affected by substance abuse and drug related diseases, rehabilitation of drug abusers and health care assumed new scope of reformation.

Towards this end, the Lotus Centre continues to build the coping capacities of illicit drug dependent detainees through provision of multi-disciplinary life skills programmes.

They are also exposed to Methadone Substitution Therapy and antiretroviral treatment.

2. New Wing Prison (NWP)



The New Wing Prison is a medium security institution. Situated at the back of beau basin prison, the said institution came into operation on 6th March 2003 and since April 2006; it started accommodating detainees selected to perform outdoor labour.

This institution accommodates mostly remand detainees and has a maximum bed capacity of 275 detainees.

All newly detainees (*Remanded / Convicted by Court*) are admitted at New Wing Prison to undergo the induction process which consists of

prison life, the prison rules, the daily regime, their rights and privileges responsibilities and how to start preparing themselves to reintegrate the society.

3. Woman Prison (WP)



The Women Prison is a Maximum Security prison catering for both remand and convicted adult female detainees. It is located adjacent to the Beau-Bassin Central Prison.

It became operational on the 11th May 1951. The institution can accommodate up to 160 female detainees.

Female detainees are allowed to keep with them their children up to the age of 5 years. Day care facilities are available for children under the care of NGOs.

Detainees are provided training in Pastry, Beauty Care, Basket and Rattan Wares, Garment Making, Embroidery and Vegetable Cultivation/Bio Farming.

4. Grand River North West Remand Prison (GRNWRP)



The Grand River North West Remand Prison is a Maximum Security Prison. It became operational on 3rd July 1995. It has a maximum accommodation capacity of 284 detainees and houses mostly remand ones.

Some convicted detainees who have been selected for labour in the Prison Kitchen and cleaning are also detained there. Being given that most of the detainees housed at the institution are remand ones, only recreational and spiritual facilities are provided to them.

5. Petit Verger Prison (PVP)



The Petit Verger Prison (PVP), a medium security prison is located at Pointe Aux Sables found in the district of Black River. The institution came into operation on 16th February 1982 and has an accommodation capacity of 328 detainees.

Convicted detainees nearing their date of release with no pending cases and those of good behaviour/conduct are eligible to be transferred to this institution except those classified as high risk.

Detainees housed at PVP are provided training in Gardening, Pastry, Food production, Livestock Rearing, Sheet Metal Works, Block Making, Builders and Constructions, Tailoring and Carpentry. The Templin Training Centre found at the institution dispenses courses under the aegis of Mauritius Institute of Training and Development (MITD) in welding & metal fabrication and wood trade.

6. Richelieu Open Prison (ROP)



Richelieu Open Prison came into operation on the 02nd October 1958. It is characterized by the absence of physical structures and by a system based on self discipline and on a sense of responsibility which the detainees show towards the group in which they live.

Offenders whether committed for long term and reaching the end of their sentence or short term

imprisonment, are eligible for the transfer to the institution subject to a positive response from them in other institution.

However, priority is given to first time offenders (*those admitted in prison for the first time*).

Accommodation is available for 166 detainees who live in four dormitories. The Open condition of the institution allows detainees the privilege of having contact visit with their relatives.

Detainees are provided training in agricultural work and animal rearing as well as vocational work and industrial activities has proved to be beneficial towards their eventual release. The multi-skilling programme, be it, in vegetable production, animal husbandry, shoemaking, printing, layers and metal workshop pave the way for the rehabilitation of detainees. Mauritius Prison Service is at present 100% self-sufficient in eggs due to egg production in the institution.

7. Correctional Youth Centre (CYC) Boys



The Correctional Youth Centre Boys previously known as Borstal Institution became operational on 30th June 1987. It can accommodate up to 44 juveniles. It caters for young offenders up to the age of 18 and is situated at Corner Sir Francis Herchenroder and Pope Hennessy Street, Beau Bassin.

The system of training aims at strengthening character and is based on progressive trust, demanding increasing personal decisions, self responsibility and self control.

The Correctional Youth Centre also provides facilities to juveniles to follow educational and vocational training. Likewise, the inmates also benefit from religious facilities. Lately some of the juveniles had the opportunities to follow courses with SOFAP and FAREI where certificates were awarded to them as well.

8. Open Prison for Woman (OPW)



The Open Prison for Woman was built on a plot of land of approximately 11902 square metres located in same compound where the Correctional Youth Centre is situated.

The institution was founded after several proposals were made to located female detainees of good behaviour were made to the parental Ministry and obtaining the approval of the Ministry of Land and Housing.

The institution was inaugurated on 10th December 2015 and is classified as minimum security since it is surrounded by anti-scaling fence. It can cater for 20 detainees.

The eligibility for transfer at the Open Prison is that female detainees should imperatively be of good behaviour and has at least half of their initial sentence served.

Furthermore, the institution is composed of two buildings – one for the purpose of office and residential block and the other part is used as workshop.

9. Barkly Special Prison for Women (SPW)



Barkly Special Prison for Women started operating as from 09th January 2020. It is a Maximum Security Prison and has a housing capacity of 12 female detainees.

Female detainees committing aggravated prison defaults at Women Prison are temporarily segregated there.

It is a Segregation Unit and female detainees who pose a potential threat to the security of Woman Prison are kept there.

10. Correctional Youth Centre (CYC) Girls



The Correctional Youth Centre for girls also situated at Barkly Beau Bassin keeps in safe custody female offenders up to the age of 18 years. The institution can accommodate up to 14 Juveniles. It provides opportunities for juveniles to follow educational and vocational courses along with religious facilities.

11. Rehabilitation Youth Centre (RYC) Boys



The Rehabilitation Youth Centre Boys is situated in the same compound of the two other centres mentioned above. This institution caters for male juveniles up to the age of 18 years old.

12. Rehabilitation Youth Centre (RYC) Girls



The Rehabilitation Youth Centre Boys is situated in the same compound of the two other centres mentioned above. This institution caters for female juveniles up to the age of 18 years old

13. Eastern High Security Prison (EHSP)



Eastern High Security Prison was built to combat the overcrowding in our institutions as per our strategic plan 2013-2023. It is a modern facility institution which has been built on 37 acres of land situated at Melrose, in the district of Moka.

Eastern High Security Prison was inaugurated on 20th March 2014 and is characterize as a high security prison. It has a maximum bed capacity to accommodate 906 detainees and mostly convicted ones are housed there

Besides, a Chicken Slaughter house is operational at the institution and since, the organisation became self sufficient chicken meat.

14. Phoenix Prison



Phoenix Prison, better known as “La Bastille” is situated at phoenix and is classified as a high security prison. It first became operational on 10th December 1980 (*after the mutiny of 1979*) and accommodate a maximum of 25 detainees.

However, the institution was closed down on 27th May 2014 and all its detainees were transferred to Eastern High Security Prison.

Nevertheless, the said institution started re-operating on **29th March 2018** and now has a maximum bed capacity of 24 detainees.

Detainees who are considered a potential threat to security, who commit serious and aggravated breaches of prison discipline and who have previously escaped from prison or other legal custody are transferred therein as a deterrent.

15. Rodrigues Prison



Rodrigues Prison is the only operated prison in Rodrigues Island. It is a medium security facility and is located at Pointe la Gueule, Rodrigues.

It was proclaimed on 05th December 1963, it covers an area of sixteen (16) acres of land. It caters for 75 detainees male including 12 female.

The Rodrigues Prison is under the direct supervision of the Island Chief Executive, Rodrigues. The general administration is, however, under the supervision of the Commissioner of Prisons.



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OVERALL REVIEW

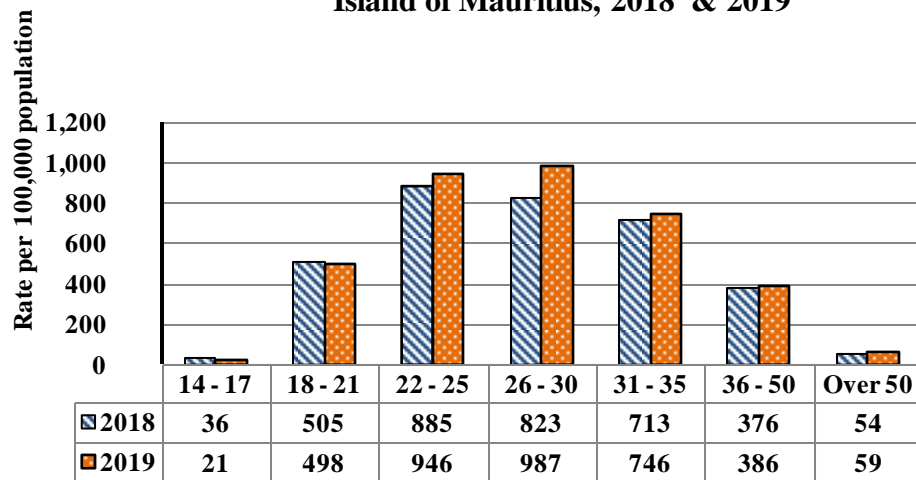
- (i) In 2019, a total of 3,843 adults and juveniles convicts were admitted to penal institutions, representing an increase of 7.2% over the figure of 3,586 in 2018. Out of these 3,843 convicts, 96.7% were males and 3.3% were females. The number of convict admission for juveniles decreased from 27 in 2018 to 15 in 2019. It is to be noted that among the 15 juveniles admitted in 2019, all were males.
- (ii) Out of every 100 detainees in prison, 51 were convicts and 49 were on remand awaiting trial.
- (iii) From 2018 to 2019, the daily average remand and trial population for adults increased by 28.2% i.e. from 1,030 to 1,320 and the number of juveniles decreased from 27 in 2018 to 25 in 2019 respectively.
- (iv) In 2019, the average prison occupancy level for all detainees was 74.6%, with the highest occupancy level at 79.1% and the lowest at 67.1%. The capacity for male and female juvenile was 57 with an average of 26 juvenile.
- (v) In 2019, nearly 99.0% of convict admission were Mauritians with only 35 foreigners (33 adults males and 2 adults female).
- (vi) **During the year 2019, through the Transfer of Prisoners Act, a detainee was transferred to his Country of Origin to serve the remaining portion of his sentence.**

SN	Nationality	Number of detainees	
		Male	Female
1	Romanian	1	-

SNAPSHOTS ON ADMISSIONS OF CONVICTS

- (i) From 2018 to 2019, the number of male convicts admitted to prison increased by 7.7% ; from 3,449 to 3,715 whereas for female, it decreased by 6.6% ; from 137 to 128.
- (ii) The admission rate per 100,000 populations was 373.1 in 2019 with 732.63 for males and 25.24 for females (Figure 1). For 2019, the admission rate was highest at the age group 26-30 years compared to 2018 where it stood at the age group 22-25 years.
- (iii)

Figure 1 - Admission rate of convicts by age group, Island of Mauritius, 2018 & 2019



- (iv) In 2019, the distribution of the admission for males by age group shows a peak at the age group 36-50 years and for females at the age group 26-30 years. (Figure 2 & 3)

Figure 2 - Admission of males by age group, Island of Mauritius, 2019

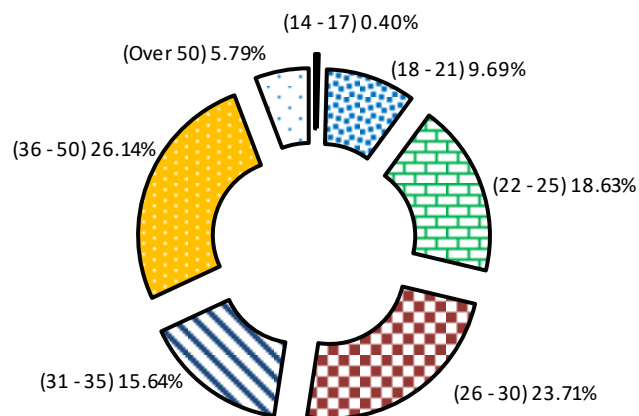
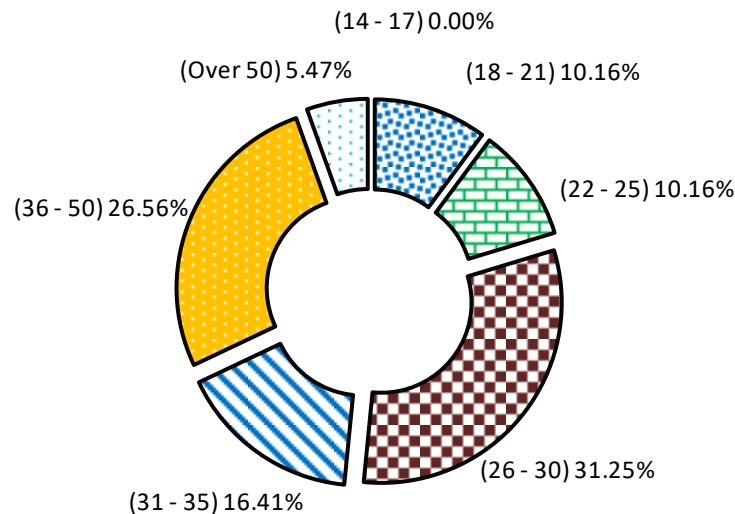


Figure 3 - Admission of females by age group, Island of Mauritius, 2019



- (v) From 2018 to 2019, a rise in the number of admissions has been observed mainly due to an increase in of the following offences (*robbery from 726 to 757, burglary from 370 to 412, theft from 760 to 944, assault from 115 to 122, homicide from 23 to 28*).

On the other hand, the number of offenders admitted for drugs cases **decreased by 0.9%; from 325 to 322**. Besides, admission for violence and sexual exploitation cases was more or less similar during the two periods.

- (vi) Admission for drug offences related to Heroin **decreased by 23.7%, from 122 to 93**. Those related to cannabis also decreased by **16.5%, from 109 to 91**. (Figure 5)

Moreover, 82.9% (267) of the 322 admissions for cases under the charge of drug offences were for “Possession of drugs” (Figure 6).

Notwithstanding the above facts, no convict juveniles were admitted under the charge of drug offences throughout the year 2019.

**Figure 4-Admission of convicts
according to Un classification of offences, Island of Mauritius 2018 & 2019**

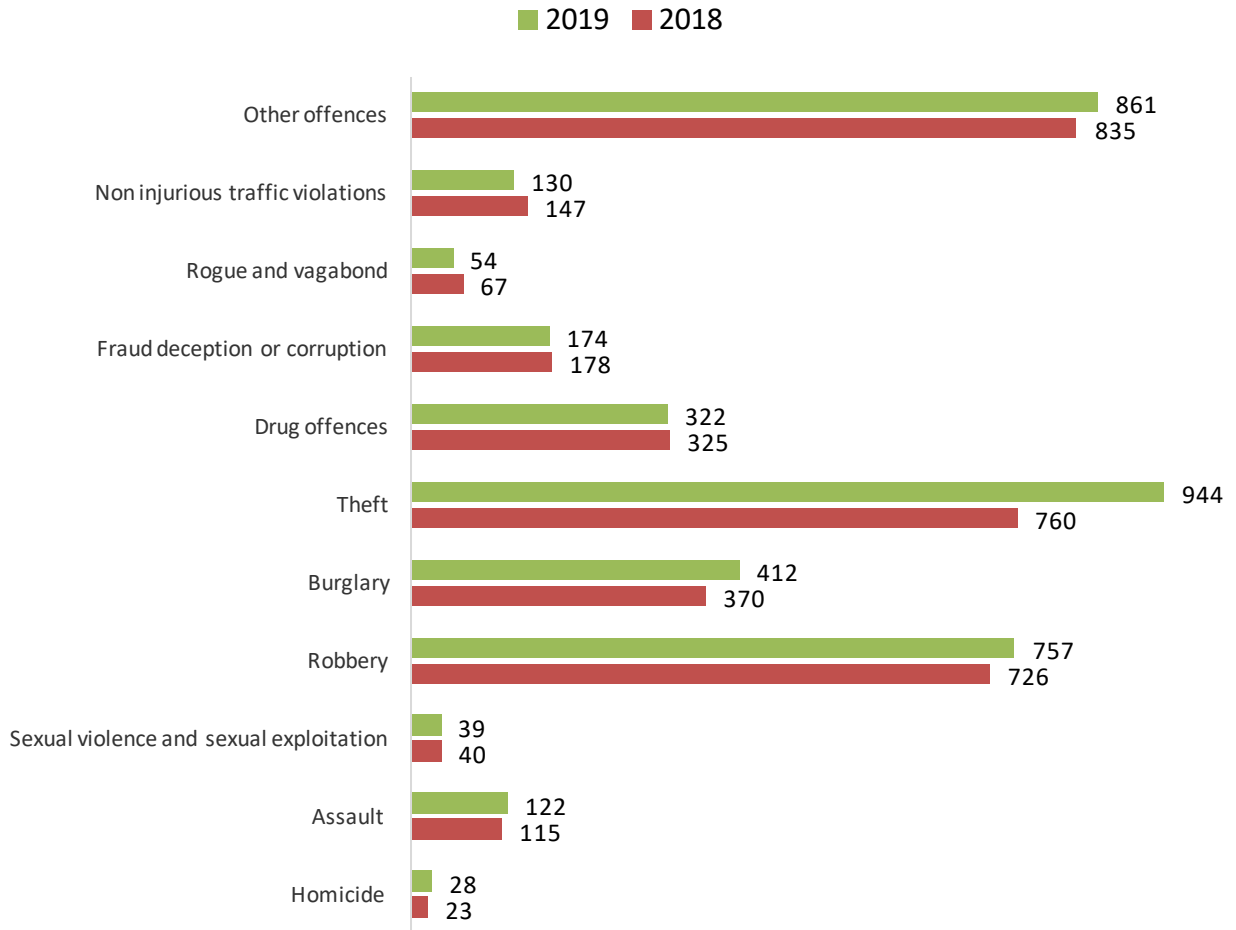
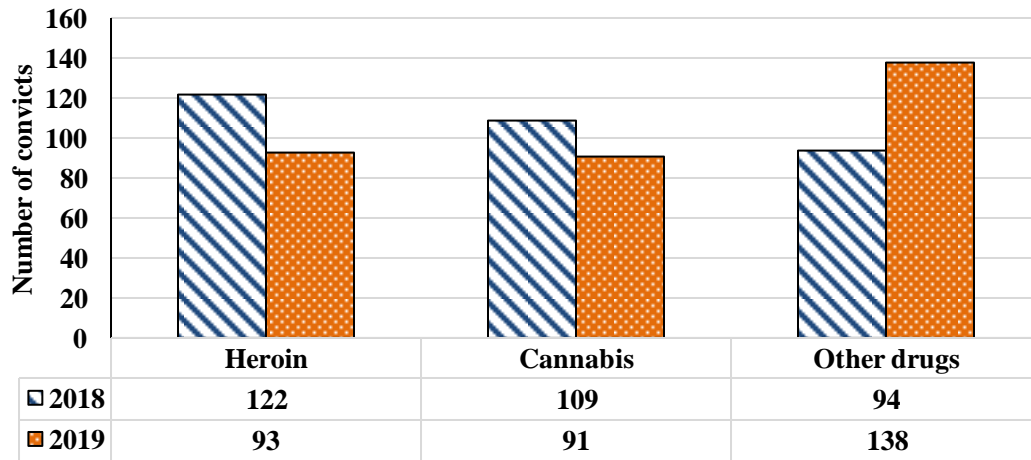
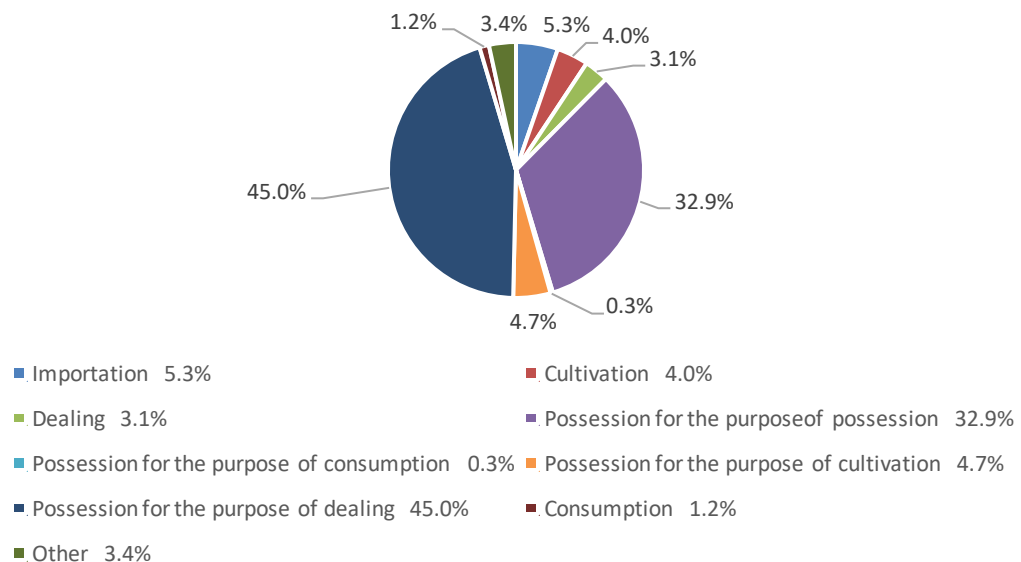


Figure 5 - Admission of convicts by type of drug offences, Island of Mauritius, 2019



Admission of convicts by type of drug offences 2019										
	Importation	Cultivation	Dealing	Possession for the purpose of possession	Possession for the purpose of consumption	Possession for the purpose of cultivation	Possession for the purpose of dealing	Consumption	Other	Total
No.	17	13	10	106	1	15	145	4	11	322
%	5.3	4.0	3.1	32.9	0.3	4.7	45.0	1.2	3.4	100.0

Figure 6- Convicts admitted for type of drug offences, Island of Mauritius, 2019



(ix) Adult convicts with no preceding increased by 10.9% from 1060 (979 males and 81 females) in 2018 to 1,176 (1115 males and 61 females) in 2019.

On the other hand, adults convicts with preceding increased by 6.1%, from 2499 (2,444 males and 55 females) in 2018 to 2,652 (2,585 males and 67 females) in 2019 without considering any observation period for the admissions.

(x) Compared to 2018, the number of convicts for short term sentences of less than one month increased by 7.5% from 881 to 947 in 2019.

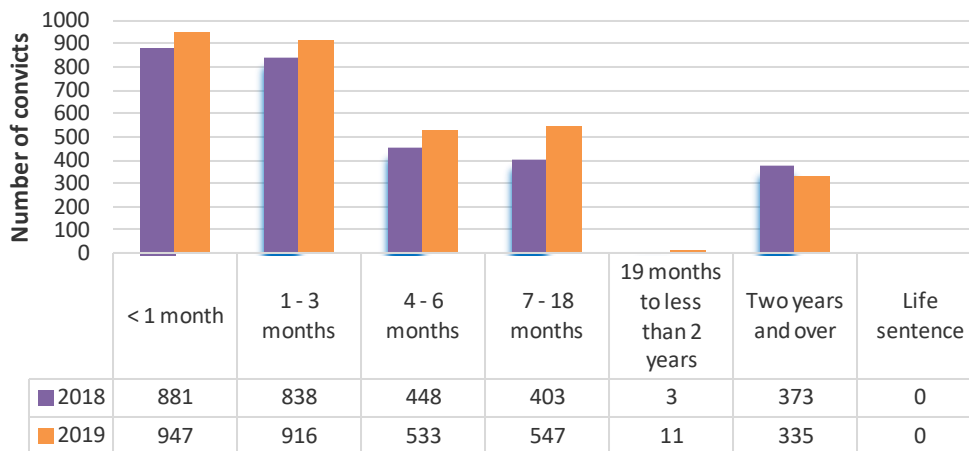
Similarly, those sentenced for 1-3 months increased by 9.31% from 838 to 916.

Those sentenced for two years and above have decreased by 10.2% from 373 to 335.

It is to be noted that in 2019, no person was sentenced to undergo life imprisonment.

Excluding fine defaulters, some 56.6% of all convicted admissions were sentenced for three months or less (Figure 7).

Figure 7- Admission of convicts by length of sentence (excluding fine defaulters), Island of Mauritius 2018 & 2019

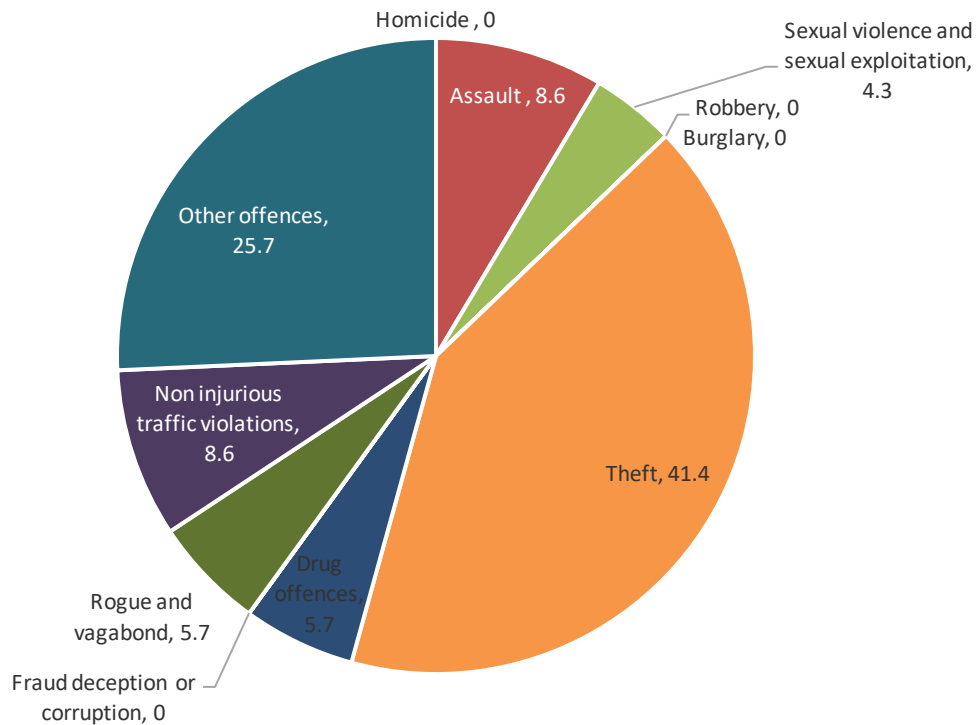


From 2018 to 2019, the number of fine defaulters admitted to prison decreased by 13.4% from 640 (615 males and 215 females) to 554 (536 males and 18 females). The admissions due to non-payment of fines of Rs 30,000 or less also decreased by 8.6% to 540 in 2019 from 591 in 2018.

Island of Rodrigues

- (i) The average prison occupancy level for all detainees was 53.7%.
- (ii) Some 37.1% of the admitted convicts aged 25 years and less, another 28.6% between 26 and 35 years, another 32.9% between 36 and 50 years and the rest above 50 years.
- (iii) There were 41.4% of the admissions related to theft, 8.6% to assault, 5.7% to rogue and vagabond. There was 5.7% of admission related to drug offences. Some 38.6% were due to admissions for other offences.
- (iv) Some 37.1% (26) of the 70 admitted convicts had no previous imprisonment whereas 54.3% (38) had been imprisoned more than once in the past.
- (v) 30.0% (34) were sentenced for short sentence of three months and less whereas 5.7% (4) for long sentence of two years and over.
- (vi) There were 16 fine defaulters admitted to prisons, of which 93.8% (15) were due to non-payment of fines up to Rs 30,000 and less.

Figure 8 - Admission of convicts according to UN classification Island of Rodrigues



PRISON HEALTH CARE SERVICE

1. Introduction

The health care of prisoners is an integral and essential part of every prison’s work. Primary care is the foundation of prison health services. It is the most effective and efficient element of health care’s in any public health system and, as such, should be available to every prisoner. Prisoners have the same right to health care as everyone else in society.

On admission to prison, all detainees (Remand/Convicted) are screened by the Prison Medical Officer in order to know whether they incur diseases such as HIV/AIDS, hepatitis B and C.

2. Health Infrastructure

All institutions have a health care section to dispense care and treatment to detainees and officers. Institutions namely GRNWP, PVP, ROP, OPW, SPW, CYC (Boys) and RYC boys & girls, have a dispensary which are operational from 0800hrs to 1530hrs.

In addition, Central Prison Beau Bassin and Eastern High Security Prison (Melrose) are equipped with an inpatient ward which can accommodate between 15 to 20 detainees, whereas Women Prison Medical Complex can only accommodate 3 detainees.

However during weekend, public holidays and night, hospital officer from Beau Bassin Central Prison are called upon to attend to any emergency in dispensaries male section, and hospital officer from the Women Prison Medical Complex to attend to emergency at OPW, SPW and CYC girls.

3. Prison Ward at Jawaharlal Nehru Hospital (JNH)

Detainees requiring surgical interventions and specialized care or treatment are referred to Jawaharlal Nehru Hospital by the Prison Medical Officers. These detainees are admitted in the Prison Ward until completion of their treatment.

The prison ward can accommodate up to 9 male and 5 female patients.

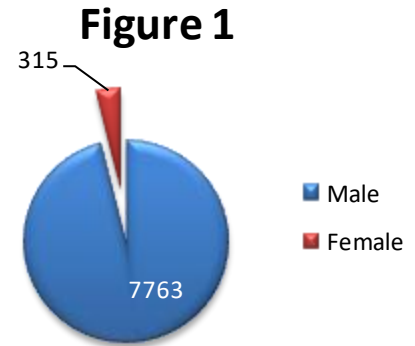


Figure 1: shows the number of male and female detainees seen by the Prison Medical Officer throughout the year 2019

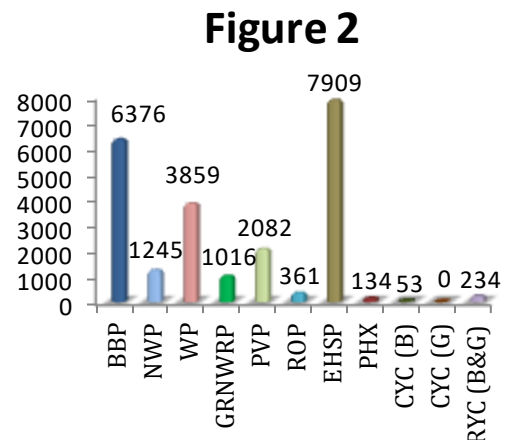


Figure 2: shows the number of detainees/inmates seen by the Prison Medical Officers at institutional level throughout the year 2019

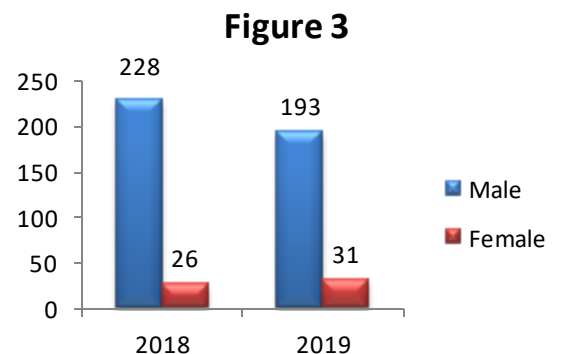


Figure 3: shows the number of detainees admitted in the Prison Ward at JNH for during the year 2018 and 2019 with a slight decrease in male and slight increase in female patients for this current year (2019)

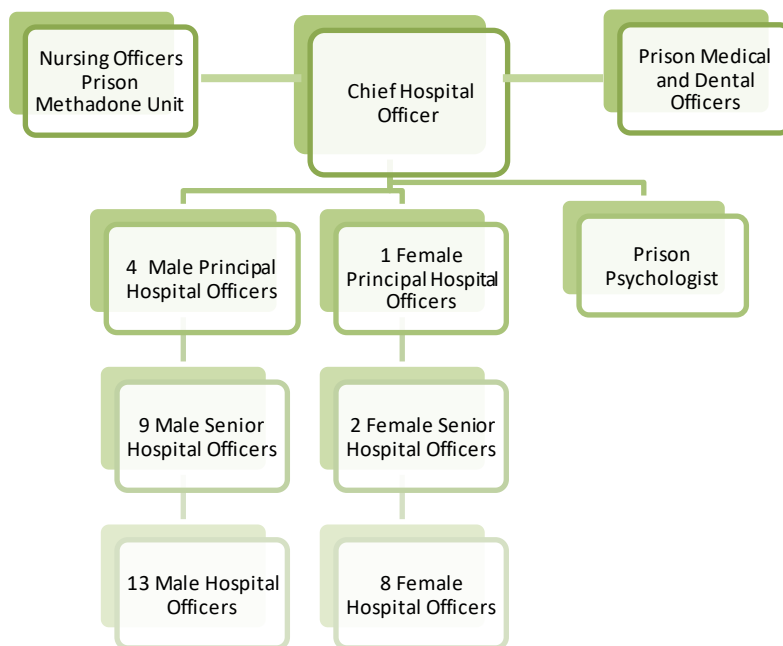
4. Medical and Paramedical Staff

The prison's health care team is currently comprised of 37 qualified Hospital Officers (*including 08 female Hospital Officers*). We also have in our midst **04 Doctors** and **01 Dental Surgeon** seconded from the Ministry of Health and Wellness.

Two Nursing Officers have been employed on Contract and is funded by the Global Fund to run the Prison's Methadone Induction Unit.

Moreover, the Prison's Medical Staff counts ***01 Psychologist** who is providing psychological treatment to both male and female detainees in all the institution across the island including inmates located at CYC Boys.

Organigram of the Prison's Health Department



*Prison Psychologist

- A full time Prison Psychologist has been appointed by the Mauritius Prison Service to provide psychological support to both detainees and staff.
- Psychological Clinic has been made available in all institutions for detainees who are referred by the Prison Medical Officer to be seen by the Psychologist. More so, proper follow up is also maintained regarding cases on admission.
- In the year 2019, **444 detainees** were seen by the Prisons Psychologist.
- Through the Service to Mauritius (STM) Program, we had the privilege of having another psychologist who gave a helping hand in conducting psychological interventions, consultations and evaluation of newly appointed Prison Officers for a period of seven (7) months.

5. Health Care Services

Visiting specialist/consultant attended to detainees

Prison Medical Officers provide a 24/7 medical assistance to both detainees and prisons officers as well as the close relatives of officers.

In contemplation to provide more medical facilities and better quality of health care to detainees, arrangement has been made with the Ministry of Health and Wellness so that Specialist visit the prison premises to consult/examine detainees in need of specialised treatment.

Likewise, Specialists in the field of Psychiatric, Orthopedic, Medical and Surgical tend to visit detainees at the Medical Unit of Central Prison and EHSP monthly and those of E.N.T, Dermatologists and Aids Physicians provide a weekly follow up.

6. Vaccination

In collaboration with the Ministry of Health and Wellness and the National Vaccination Centre, several vaccination sessions **against measles, H1N1 & flu** have been set up to reduce the risk of contagion in the Mauritius Prison Service among detainees and staff. They also provided Information, Communication and Education (I.C.E) campaign.

7. Prison Methadone Unit

A Methadone Induction Unit has been set up at the Central Prison since December 2011 for inducing and dispensing methadone to eligible substance abusers.

The program forms part of an integrated approach to the management of drug issues which includes case management and access to available psychosocial services, health services, and drug and lifestyle education programs.

Eligible detainees at high risk to opioid-related harm in prison have an opportunity to start methadone treatment while in prison.

37 detainees have been induced on methadone at prison level during the year 2019. Doctors from the Harm Reduction Unit of MOH & Wellness attend the clinic on a weekly basis.

Moreover, detainees admitted to prison whilst enrolled on a community methadone maintenance program empowered to continue their treatment during their incarceration/Remand period.

Methadone is being dispensed in 5 institutions: **NWP, BBP, WP, PVP** and **EHSP**, with the help of pharmacy dispenser from the Brown Seaward Mental Health Care centre.

An illustration of the Distribution of Methadone in Pictures



8. Prison and MOH & Wellness Partnership

Detainees have access to a full range of health-care facilities. There is a strong link between healthcare services in prisons and those in the community.

A referral system has been established between the Prison Department and the Ministry of Health & Wellness, for proper medical case management regarding health facilities not available in prison like X-ray, Scan, etc.

Figure 4

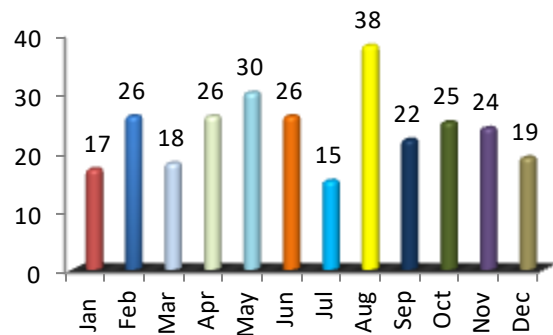


Figure 4: shows the number of detainees referred to Public Hospitals for specialized treatment.

9. Additional Service in the MPS Ambulance Service and nursing coverage

An ambulance fitted with Basic Life Support (BLS) equipment is available to provide emergency care and transportation of emergency cases from prisons to public hospitals. It is also equipped with a range of active visual and audible devices.

These devices have been helpful during medical/nursing coverage of all activities carried out at the Mauritius Prison Service like Passing out Parades, Medals Ceremonies and football tournaments amongst others.

10. Dental Clinic



The prison health service is also equipped with three dental clinics, two for male detainees (*located at BBP and EHSP*) and the last one for female detainees (*located at Women Prison Medical Complex*) where treatments relating to extraction, scaling and filling are provided.

Figure 5

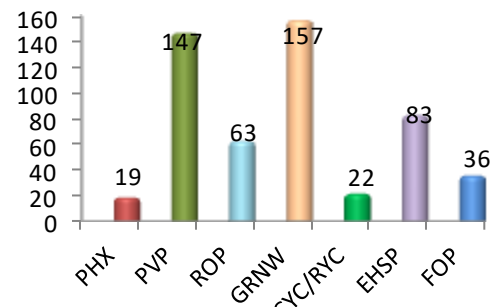


Figure 5: shows the number of detainees attended Mobile Dental Clinic at the respective institution.

For the year 2019, **3452 detainees and 321 Officers have received dental care at Prison dental clinic.**

Besides, since July 2019, a mobile dental clinic is attending the Prison Institutions to reduce the movement of detainees outside the prison compound.

11. Services Provided to Officers and their relatives

Officers and their close relatives have the right to free medical care and treatment. The medications prescribed by the Prison Medical Officer are also free of charge.

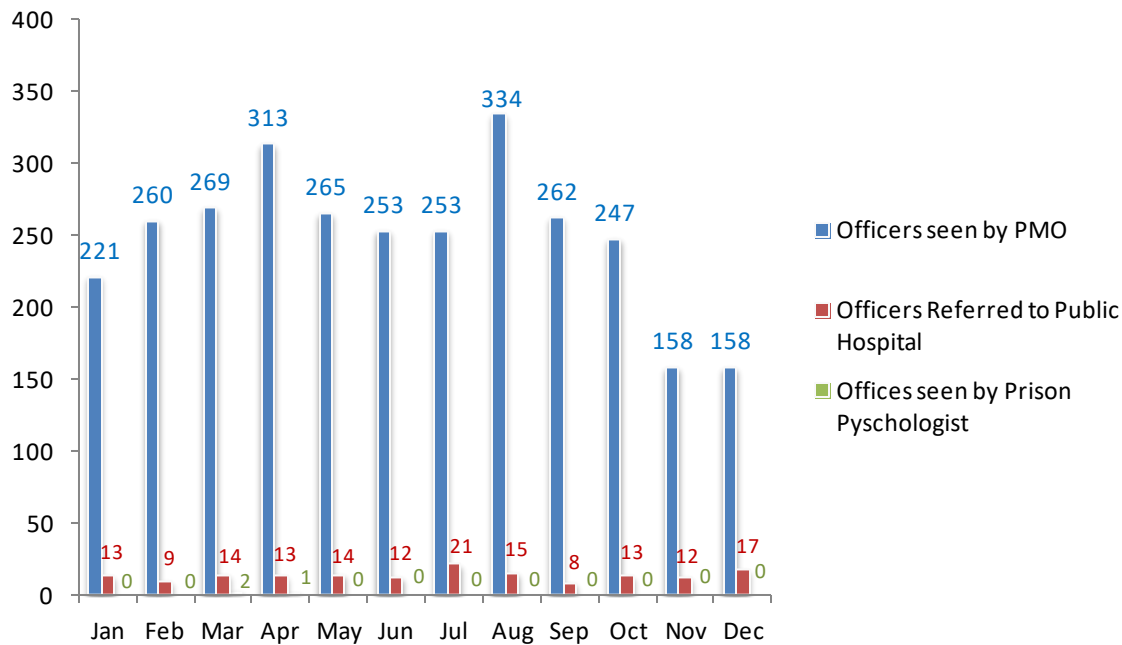


Figure 6: shows the number of officers seen and referred to public Hospital throughout the year 2019.

12. Fighting Diabetes at Workplace Project (FDWP)

The Mauritius Prison Service (MPS) applied and benefitted with the Mauritius Research Council (MRC) under the Social Innovation Scheme of a two-year project on Fighting Diabetes at Work Place (FDWP) for all prison staff.

Fighting Diabetes at the Workplace (FDW) Program is a socially innovative approach which involves a proactive, comprehensive and pragmatic evidence-based model, addressing the multiple risk factors and complications related to diabetes at the workplace.

This approach recognizes that work affects health and vice versa and that both employees and employers should collaborate in a continuous improvement process to reduce the risks and life-threatening complications associated with diabetes that affect work productivity.

The project started in November 2018 with a screening of prison officer. **753 prison staff had their blood test done at Biosante Laboratory.**

Various activities were carried out in relation to the project during year 2019:

1. Team Building Exercise
2. Food Exhibition
3. Health talk
4. Diabetes Weeks celebration in BBP, PVP, GRNWP and EHSP
5. Issuing of health card to prison staff



13. HIV/AIDS

Upon admission to prison, every detainee is screened for HIV/AIDS. Prior to volunteer themselves for the test, sessions of counselling are carried out with them. For known cases follow ups and treatments are made available at institutional level.

Moreover, blood samples are regularly taken from detainees who have been tested positive to HIV/AIDS to perform blood cells count (CD4) and HIV Viral Load are done to maintain proper follow up as these detainees are regularly seen by the Aids Physician. Antiretroviral therapy is maintained in prison for these detainees.

In addition, detainees suffering from HIV/AIDS are served with *a high protein diet* during their incarceration/remand period to avoid any side effect of the medication provided to them.

14. International Organization visits in the MPS

During year 2019, we have received several visits from different international organization directly or indirectly involved with health in the Prison Department. A delegation from the Head of National Drug Law Enforcement Agencies (HONLEA) paid visit to the MPS to evaluate the Methadone Therapy during the incarceration period. They have been very pleased to note that the recommended norms pertaining to administration, induction and psychosocial support have been maintained in the Prison Methadone Induction Unit. Still regarding methadone issues, we also received the visit of Mrs. Sissee accompanied by Dr. Soleiman from the African Union.

In the month of December, Mrs. Marianthi Vezertzi, Monitoring and Evaluation Expert from the Global Fund visited the Prison Department. The objective of her visit was to evaluate the HIV monitoring and Evaluation system.

Other organization either directly or indirectly involved in the Global Fund also paid visit to the MPS in to assess the level of care and treatment regarding Methadone Maintenance Therapy and HIV/AIDS in Prison.

15. Continuous Education Program

Regular training was offered to hospital cadre throughout the year 2019. All the staffs of the prison hospital have been able to attend courses provided by the Civil Service College which have been beneficial at supervisory level.

Hospital staffs were also given the opportunity to top up their certificate into a Diploma in nursing by the Central School of Nursing.

Updates in treatment and care from the Ministry of Health and Wellness are communicated to the health section of the Mauritius Prisons Service. For example with the upcoming of new treatment against Hepatitis C, a two day's working session has been carried out for hospital staff.

To help in the prompt detection of HIV/ AIDS in prison, nurses are regularly invited to attend workshop on HIV/AIDS rapid testing organized by the National Aids Secretariat and Ministry of Health and Wellness.

PROCUREMENT & SUPPLY

The Procurement and Supply section plays an important role in the day to day functioning of the Mauritius Prison Service. It has inter-alia during the year under review procured the following:

1. Prison Sewerage System

Equipment for Prison Plumbing Section for maintenance of sewer pipelines at Beau Bassin Prison.

2. Consolidate Security of the Prison

Enhancement of security fencing at Richelieu Open Prison and fencing of Buffer Zone at Eastern High Security Prison.

3. Equipment

- Security equipments for Correctional Emergency Response Team
- Kitchen equipments
- Photocopy Machine
- Safes
- Tools and equipments for Workshops

E-PRISON PROJECT



E-PRISON PROJECT

The e-Prison System is a Central Database operational since September 2014. This system is being utilized in all Penal Establishments for the smooth running of the Prison Management System. This e-System is helping the Department in terms of quick access of Detainees Information System on a 24-hours basis.

In year 2019, this Office embarked into the second phase of the e-Prison System with the development of four new modules namely:

<i>Module 1</i>	<i>Prison Staff Intelligence Management System</i>
<i>Module 2</i>	<i>Duty management Information System</i>
<i>Module 3</i>	<i>Baby management Information System</i>
<i>Module 4</i>	<i>Prison Training Management System</i>

A Due Diligence Committee was setup under the chairmanship of Mr. M. Gunpath, Permanent Secretary from the Prime Minister's Office along with other Main Stakeholders for the financial reasonableness of the abovementioned project. In May 2019, the Project was awarded to the National Informatics Centre Services Inc. / National Informatics Centre (NICS/NIC) New Delhi India.

The Project was completed in September 2019 and same was implemented in the Test Database of the Main Server of the MPS for testing. After successful testing, all necessary payments were effected as per the Terms of Payment of the Contract Document through Accountant General to NICS/NIC, New Delhi, India. A retention fee of 10% of the Project Value will be effected after one year of warranty i.e. in September 2020.

A four-member Delegation from the Mauritius Prison Service was nominated by the Commissioner of Prisons for Hands-on-Training at the Headquarters of the National Informatics Centre Services Inc. / National Informatics Centre (NICS/NIC) New Delhi.



FINANCE OVERVIEW

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Statement of Revenue

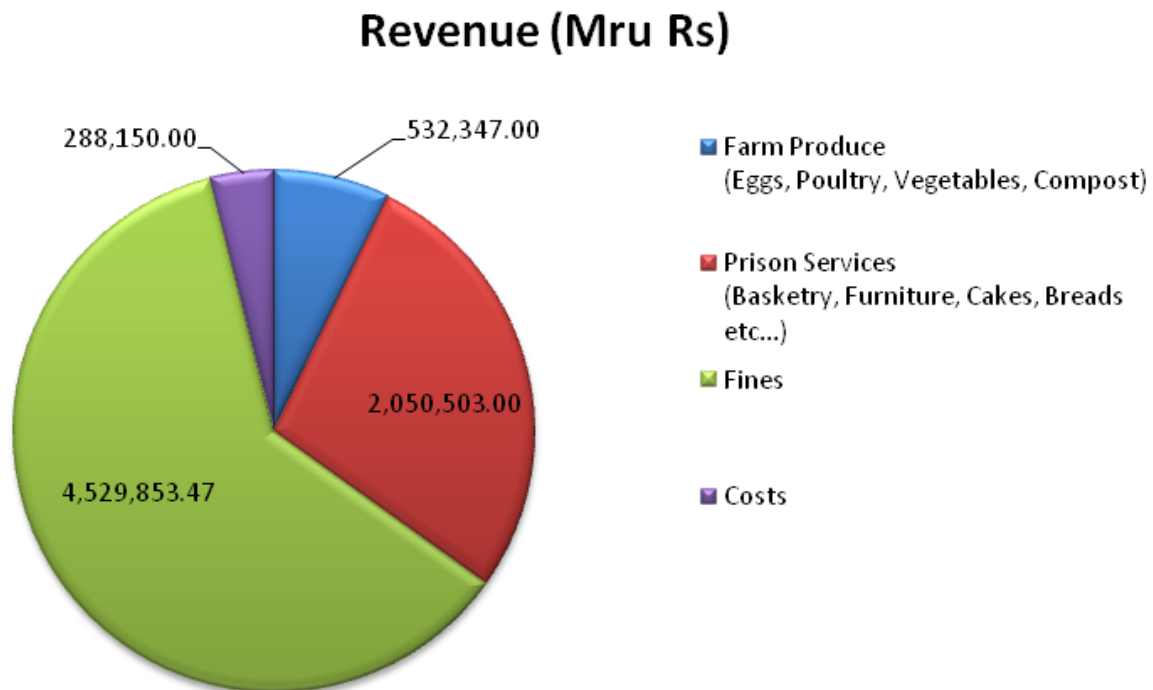
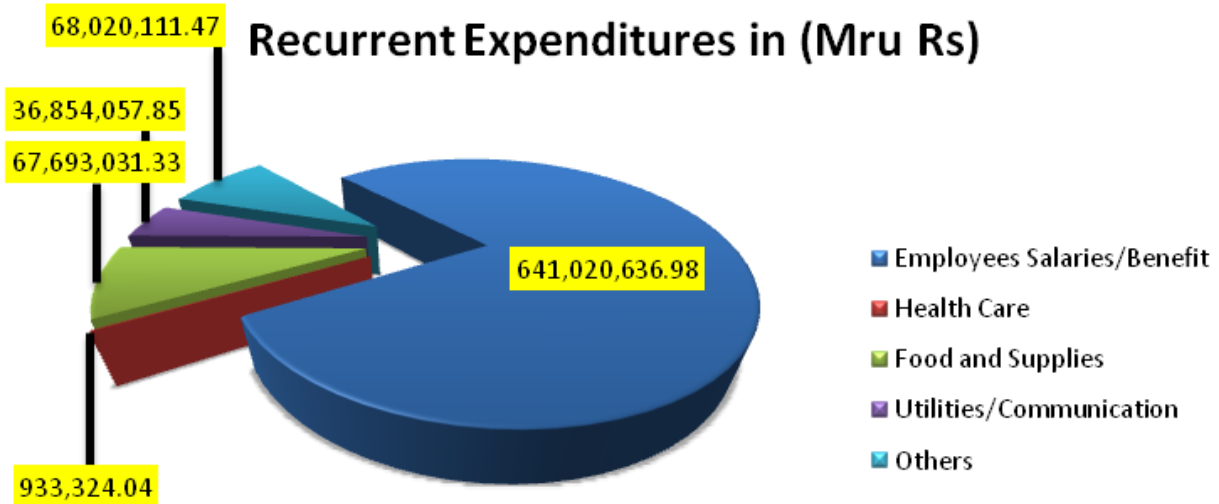
Revenue	Estimates 2018-2019 Rs	Actual 2018-2019 Rs	Estimates 2019-2020 Rs	Actual 2019-2020 Rs
Sales of Farm Produce	1,800,000.00	500,205.00	750,000.00	532,347.00
Prisons Services	2,800,000.00	3,766,520.70	4,100,000.00	2,050,503.00
Total Revenue from User fees and other Sources	4,600,000.00	4,266,725.70	4,850,000.00	2,403,958.00

Statement of Expenditure

Head/Subhead of Expenditure	Estimates 2018-2019 Rs	Actual 2018-2019 Rs	Estimates 2019-2020 Rs	Actual 2019-2020 Rs
Compensation of Employees	629,399,200.00	627,760,542.43	635,940,000.00	641,020,636.98
Goods & Services	171,260,000.00	166,921,937.33	167,700,000.00	150,892,978.48
Grants	60,000.00	52,650.60	260,000.00	59,148.90
Other Expenses	50,000.00	50,000.00	100,000.00	50,000.00
Acquisition of Non Financial Assets	29,230,800.00	26,194,235.63	26,000,000.00	14,949,103.21
Total	830,000,000.00	820,979,365.99	830,000,000	806,971,867.57

1. Expenditures and Revenues

The hereunder figures shows the Total Budgeted Expenditures and Revenues for the Financial Year under the review – FY 2019/2020 (*July 2019 - June 2020*). As regards to fine and costs collected at the Prison, same are credited to the judicial department.



Financial Highlights

1. Expenditure

In accordance with Budget Estimates 2018-2019, the Mauritius Prison Service had 1 Vote under its control namely 4-7.

An amount of Rs 830,000,000.00 was allocated under Vote 4-7 for the financial year 2019/2020 for both recurrent and capital expenditure.

Chart No. 3 on page 27 shows a summary of the total recurrent expenditure incurred by the Mauritius Prison Service under Vote 4-7.

There has been an increase in respect of Compensation of employees in the Financial Year 2019/2020 by an amount of approximately **Rs 13,260,094.00** compared to actual expenditure in the last financial year. This is due to filling of post, a higher rate of officers proceeding on retirement and recruitment of officers.

Goods and Services have decreased by an amount of **Rs 16,028,959.00** from Rs **166,921,937.33** to Rs **150,892,978.48**. This is actually due to the outbreak of the pandemic virus COVID-19 and the confinement imposed.

2. Revenue

A total amount of **Rs 2,050,503.00** for Prison Services has been collected in the current financial year 2019/2020 with a decrease in sale of goods and services by an amount of Rs 1,716,017.70 compared to the actual revenue in the last financial year.

The estimated amount was Rs 4,100,000 but again due to the outbreak of the pandemic virus COVID-19 and the confinement impose, several activities such as auction sale and others could not be organised to raise funds and attain the estimated amount.

PRISON TRAINING SCHOOL

The Prison Staff Training school is responsible for providing training to all Prison officers. Training of staff is very important for improving efficiency in any organisation. Due to routine and monotonous day to day duties, prison staff sometimes tends to ignore certain golden rules relating to their duties, mainly; security and discipline.

Hence, the need of regular training for staff is necessary. Training enables officers to improve their knowledge and skills. It also enables officers to improve their attitude and increase their already acquired knowledge.

It is worth knowing that on July 2016, the Prison Training School received its certificate of accreditation ISO 9001: 2008 and on April 2019, the institution obtained its certificate of accreditation MS ISO 9001: 2015. The Prison Training School is now in a position to implement its quality management system, provide further customer satisfaction and improved processes and systems.

During the year 2019, different types of training were coordinated at the Prison Training School as listed below :-

1. **Development Course for Lead Prisons Officers**
 - **First batch:**
From 18th to 25th January 2019, twenty one (21) newly nominated Lead Prisons Officers followed one week training on the above mentioned.
 - **Second batch:**
From 4th to 11th February 2019, twenty three (23) newly nominated lead Prisons Officers followed one week training on the above mentioned.
 - **Third batch:**
From 18th to 22nd February 2019, thirty-five (35) newly nominated officers followed the course.
2. **Enlistment of New Recruits batch 1/2019**
 - On 28th January 2019, nineteen (19) Trainee Prison Officers were enlisted by the Mauritius Prison Service.

A welcoming ceremony was held at the PTS with the trainees and their relatives.
3. **Tobacco Cessation Programme**
 - **First batch**
On 8th February 2019, thirty four (34) Prison Officers attended the above training.
 - Second batch:**
On 15th February 2019, thirty five (35) participants from the Prison attended above training.
4. **Certificate ceremony for inmates of the Correctional Youth Centre (Boys)**
On 16th February 2019, a certificate ceremony was held for inmates housed at the Correctional Youth Centre (Boys) for those who successfully completed their training on Domestic Electrical Installation.
5. **Workshop on human rights in places of detention**
 - On 11th March 2019, Thirty-seven (37) officers attended the above workshop which was conducted by Mr. JOHN WADHAM, an External Independent Expert from the United Kingdom.
6. **National Day Celebration**
On 12th March 2019 Thirty (30) Prison Officers comprising of both women and men officers participated in the defile on the occasion of the National Day celebration.

Thirty officers (30) from the Prison Marching Band participated in the defile and in the join Tattoo drill together with the Police Band.

7. Visit on the Indian Naval Ship Shardul

- On 13th March 2019, twenty-seven (27) officers including Trainees and PTS Staff proceeded to Les Saline Dock Port-Louis for a visit on the Indian Navy Ship Shardul.

8. Training Programme on E-Prison System IBM Servers and Windows Server Administration

- From Monday 18th to Friday 22nd March 2019, five (05) Prison Officers followed the mentioned training programme with Mr. Virish Kundoo, Senior System Administrator and Mr. Nitesh Pothegadoo, system Specialist from info-system AA LTD.

9. Lecture on Substance Abuse

- On Friday 22nd March 2019, twenty-Two (22) officers participated in the lecture dispensed by Mr. Rajagopal from South Africa.

10. Anticorruption Training Programme for Disciplined Forces.

- On Friday 22nd March 2019, Sixteen (16) Trainee Prison Officers accompanied by LPO Hemraz proceeded to ICAC headquarters to attend

above training which was dispensed on five consecutive Fridays.

11. Mid-Managers Course for newly promoted Assistant Superintendent of Prisons

- From Monday 25th to 30th March 2019, ten (10) newly promoted ASPs attended a one week course.

12. Pranalife Inner Wellness

- Twenty one officers (21) including Trainees, Psychologists, Health officers and Welfare Officers participated in a research study on the impact of Meditation on work stress in the gymnasium of PTS.

The research was conducted over eight sessions, thrice weekly and was dispensed by Mr. Dreepaul.

13. Understanding the fight against Corruption

- On Wednesday 27th March 2019, the above mentioned course was dispensed by Mr. Awotarowa, Chief Corruption Prevention Officer and Mr. Roosaye, Senior Corruption Prevention Officer from ICAC to a batch of Seventeen (17) Assistant Superintendent of Prisons.

14. 12 hours Inter Ministerial relay walk/run/jog for fun

- On Saturday 30 March 2019, Sixty- two (62) officers from different institutions participated in the 12 hours Inter Ministerial relay (walk/run/jog) for fun at the Maryse Justin Stadium, Reduit.

15. Enlistment of New recruits Batch II/2019, Presentation of Medals Cum sending off Ceremony and Promotion

- On Wednesday 3rd April 2019, the above mentioned function was held in the Gymnasium of the Prison Training School:

- Fifty (50) Trainee Prison officers were enlisted;

- Thirty (30) officers were presented with Presidents Long service and good conduct medal;

- Four (04) officers with first clasps Presidents Long service and good conduct medal;

- Two (02) officers with second clasps Presidents Long service and good conduct medal;

- Four (04) officers promoted to the rank of Assistant Superintendent of Prisons and

- Twenty-three (23) officers promoted to the rank of Principal Prison Officers.

16. Defensive Driving Training

- On Thursday 4th April 2019, thirty (30) Officers followed the Defensive Driving Training conducted by CPL Madelon from the Traffic Branch, Mauritius Police Force.

17. Enlistment of new Recruits Batch III/2019

On Friday 17 April 2019, twelve (12) new Trainee Prison Officers joined the service.



A welcoming ceremony was held at the PTS with the trainees and their relatives.

18. East African Community Advanced Training Course for Police officers on Criminal Analysis

➤ **Batch 1**

The Advanced Training Course on Criminal Analysis was held in the Conference Hall of PTS from Tuesday 23 to Saturday 27 April 2019.

The opening ceremony was graced by the Honourable Manish Gobin, Attorney General, Minister of Justice, Human Right and Institutional Reforms.

Mr. Goballeck from the European Union, Mr. Oniyoni from East African Community and Mr. Premananda Appadoo, Commissioner of Prisons were also present.

Five (05) officers from MPS, Two (02) from MPF and sixteen (16) delegates from different countries-Burundi, Somalia, Rwanda, Uganda and South Sudan followed the training.

The training was dispensed by Interpol officers namely Mr. Paulo Alves, Miss Emma Raffray and Miss Irina.

➤ **Batch 2**

From Monday 29th April to Saturday 4th May 2019, a second batch of twenty seven (27) officers followed the above training, two (02)

officers from MPS, Two (02) from MPF and twenty –three (23) delegates from different countries-Burundi, Somalia, Rwanda, Uganda and South Sudan.

➤ **19. Fire Warden Course**

On 8th May 2019, seventy eight (78) officers followed the Fire Warden Course dispensed by personnel from the Mauritius Fire Rescue Services.

➤ **20. Cyclic Meditation**

From 9th to 30th May 2019 on four consecutive Thursdays, the said training was dispensed by PO/SPO Bhugon. to seventy eight (78) trainees

21. Familiarisation tour at New Wing Prison

➤ On 10th May 2019, fifty (50) Officers proceeded to a familiarisation tour at New Wing Prison.

22. Drug Awareness Training

➤ On 14th May 2019, seventy eight (78) recruits attended a lecture on drug awareness delivered by officers from the Anti Drug & Smuggling Unit.

23. Familiarisation tour at Grand River North West Remand Prison

➤ On 15th May 2019, fifty (50) Officers proceeded for a familiarisation tour at Grand River North West Remand Prison.

➤ **24. Lecture on Interpol**

On 23rd May 2019, a batch of one hundred and eight (108)

officers followed the above mentioned lecture which was presented by CPL Prayag and PC Seebaruth from the Central Criminal Investigation Department.

25. Familiarisation tour to Beau Bassin Central Prison

➤ On 1st June 2019, sixty –one (61) trainees proceeded for a familiarisation tour at Beau Bassin Central Prison.

26. Stress Management Programme

➤ On 10th June 2019, above programme was dispensed to Senior Officers by of the department by the representatives of the Art of Living Foundation.

27. Lecture on Asset Management

➤ On 12th June 2019, Senior Officers of the department attended a lecture on Asset Management dispensed by Mr. Callychurn, Accountant General from the Treasury Office.

28. Familiarisation tour to Eastern High Security Prison

➤ On 12th June 2019, seventy – eight (78) trainees proceeded for a familiarisation tour at Eastern High Security Prison.

29. March against illicit drug at Port Louis

➤ On 27th June 2019, seventy seven (77) officers participated in the said March.



- 30. Tree planting campaign**
- On 28th June 2019, a tree planting campaign was held in the orchard of the Prison Training School.
- 31. HIV/AIDS Awareness Training**
- On 2nd July 2019, seventy eight (78) trainees followed the above training conducted by Mrs. Ramchurn, Communication Officer National Aids Secretariat from the Ministry of Health & Quality of Life.
- 32. Training on Cybercrime**
- On the 4th of July 2020, one hundred and four (104) Officers followed the training delivered by Police Inspector Bundhoo and Police Constable Motee from the Cyber Crime Unit.
- 33. Outdoor training to Richelieu Open Prison**
- On 11th July 2019, seventy – seven (77) trainees participated in the outdoor training – PTS – ROP – PTS.
- 34. Cleaning Campaign – Mauritius**
- On 12th July 2019, a cleaning campaign was organised in the vicinity of Barkly by the Prime Minister’s Office. Fifty nine (59) officers participated in the said event.
- 35. Appointment of TPO’S enlisted in year 2018**
- On Wednesday 17th July 2019, one hundred and thirty-two (132) Officers received their appointment letters from the Commissioner’s of Prisons.
- 36. Hand To Hand Training Weapons Disarming And Restraining**
- From 22nd July to 16th August 2019, training on the above was dispensed to a batch of forty nine (49) officers by Mr. Jean Bruneau Laurette.
- 37. Live firing Practice with calibre 0.38mm & Magnum calibre 0.357mm**
- On 7th and 14th August 2019, seventy – one (71) trainees underwent live firing practice at the Miniature Range of Beau Bassin Police Training school
- 38. First Aid Course**
- On 16th August 2019, Trainee Prison Officers started following First Aid courses. The said course was dispensed by Officers from the Mauritius Police Force twice a weekly.
- 39. Training On Departmental Orderly Room**
- On 22nd and 29th August 2019, thirty nine (39) Senior Officers followed the above mentioned training delivered by Officers from the Mauritius Police Force.
- 40. Passing out Parade**
- On 23rd September 2019, the passing out parade for the seventy eight (78) trainee prisons offices was held. The ceremony was graced by the Right Honourable Sir Anerood Jugnauth, Minister Mentor, Minister of Defence and Minister for Rodrigues.
- 41. Gender Cell**
- On 30th October 2019, thirty (30) officers had a working session with Mrs. Kadaroo, second in Charge of the Gender Unit from the Ministry of Gender Equality Child Development and Family Welfare.
- 42. Certification Ceremony – First Aid Course**
- On 20th December 2019, a certificate ceremony was organized to reward the seventy seven (77) officers who had successfully completed the First Aid Courses.
- The said ceremony was graced by the Commissioner of Prisons and the Officer in Charge National Coast Guard.
- 43. Annual Mass**
- On 27th December 2019, the annual Holy Mass was held in the gymnasium of the Prison Training School. The said Mass was presided by father Jean Claude Vedere and assisted by Deacon Runghen.

44. Annual Student Day

- The Annual student day was celebrated at the Prison Training School Gymnasium on 27th December 2019, organised by the Prison Officers Welfare Association. A shield was presented to officers as well as their wards that have successfully got through in their examinations PSAC, SC, HSC, Diploma and Degree.



HUMAN RESOURCE

Number of Staff on Establishment in post as at 31 December 2019

Grade	Male	Female	Total
Commissioner of Prisons	1	0	1
Deputy Commissioner of Prisons	3	1	4
Assistant Commissioner of Prisons	6	0	6
Woman Assistant Commissioner of Prisons	0	1	1
Superintendent of Prisons/Senior Superintendent of Prisons	12	0	12
Senior Officer Cadet	5	1	6
Assistant Superintendent of Prisons	49	0	49
Assistant Superintendent of Prisons (Works)	1	0	1
Assistant Superintendent of Prisons (Industries)	1	0	1
Principal Prisons Officer (Works)	5	0	5
Principal Prisons Officer (Industries)	7	0	7
Chief Prisons Welfare Officer	1	0	1
Principal Prisons Welfare Officer	2	0	2
Senior Prisons Welfare Officer	3	0	3
Prisons Welfare Officer	10	2	12
Principal Prisons Officer	107	0	107
Prisons Officer/ Senior Prisons Officer	930	0	930
Prison Catering Administrator	1	0	1
Woman Superintendent of Prisons/Senior Woman Superintendent of Prisons	0	1	1
Woman Assistant Superintendent of Prisons	0	7	7

Principal Woman Prisons Officer	0	8	8
Woman Prisons Officer/ Senior Woman Prisons Officer	0	90	90
Chief Hospital Officer	1	0	1
Principal Hospital Officer (Male)	3	0	3
Senior Hospital Officer (Male)	9	0	9
Senior Hospital Officer (Female)	0	2	2
Hospital Officer (Male)	13	0	13
Hospital Officer (Female)	0	7	7
Prisons Psychologist	0	1	1
Prisons Driver (on Shift)	10	0	10
Driver	1	0	1
Security Guard	3	0	3
Cook (on roster)	8	0	8
Automobile Electrician	1	0	1
Blacksmith	1	0	1
Carpenter	8	0	8
Mason	11	0	11
Motor/Diesel Mechanic	2	0	2
Motor Mechanic	1	0	1
Panel Beater	1	0	1
Plumber and Pipe Fitter	2	0	2
Tinsmith	1	0	1
Stores Attendant	2	0	2

REHABILITATION & WELFARE PROGRAMME

Introduction of the Welfare Unit

The Prison Welfare Unit is an important component in the Prison Management System. The Unit operates in close collaboration with the Officer in Charge of the different institutions to ensure that the different activities, geared towards the rehabilitation and reinsertion of adult detainees and juveniles, are carried out in an effective way. Welfare officers cater for one specific institution at least and are therefore responsible for the welfare of detainees by attending to their requests and complaints.

The Welfare Officer assists the officer in charge by attending the Reception Board, the Discharged Person Aid Committee, in the implementation of constructive activities and the Adjudication Board for detainees. The Welfare Officer also attends the CYC Board of Visitors for Boys.

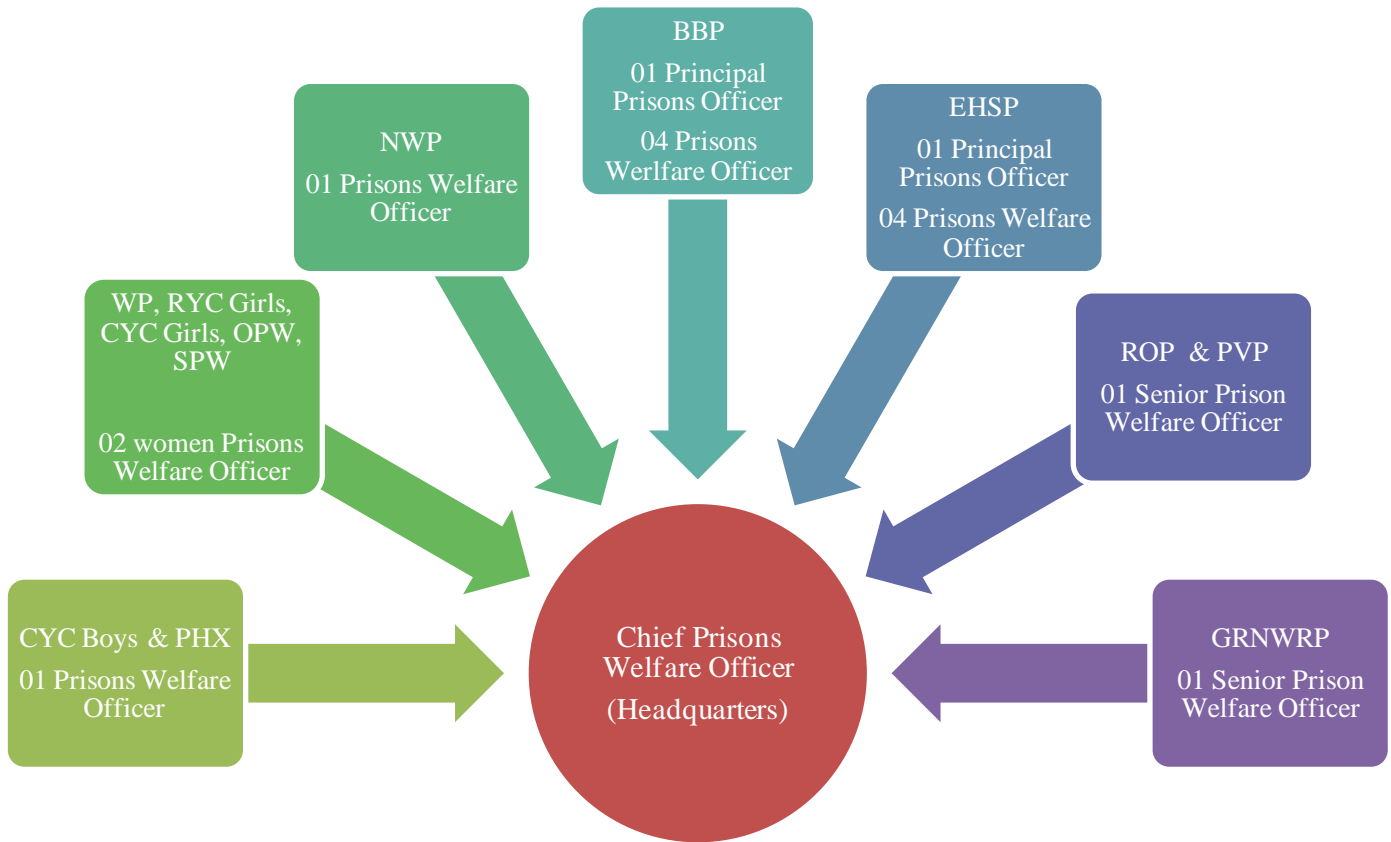
Taking care of at least one institution, the Prisons Welfare Officer looks after the welfare of detainees and generally deals with legal, social and family problems of detainees and liaises with detainees' families. The Prisons Welfare Officer is as well the link between any penal institution and NGOs including moral instructors.

In his quest to deliver a quality service, clearances are sought from competent authorities prior to allowing non-state actors inside any prison. Furthermore, the collaboration of Governmental organizations and the private firms are being enlisted for the enhancement of skills and knowledge across all the penal institutions.

Dissemination of information to detainees admitted at the Induction Units forms part of the core duty of Welfare officers to enable particularly those coming to prison for the first time to cope with the new environment.

As a result, Welfare officers are bound to interview every detainee on admission and connect with their respective families with a view to facilitate communication through visits, telephones and if the need is felt through Skype as well. A family outreach centre has been put in place in several institutions to enable Welfare Officers help families overcome difficulties arising

The welfare section is currently comprised of 17 officers as shown in the organigram below:-





Welfare Activities for Remand Detainees

GRNW Remand Prison/BBP/New Wing Prison

The Prisons above mentioned have the specificity of being '*Remand*' Prisons that is most of the detainees detained there are awaiting trial. Nevertheless, a small number of convicted detainees are housed at the institutions to perform labour as cleaners and helpers in the preparation of meals for detainees (*remand/convicted*).

There has been an encouraging response throughout the year 2019. Moreover, the implementation of the Enhance Earning Scheme has contributed to the financial autonomy of detainees to purchase canteen goods, thus alleviating their relatives from pecuniary burden. Ways and means are being devised to keep remand detainees busy. As a result, they are being posted in cleaning duties and are being remunerated as unskilled grade. The list of canteen goods applies to both convicted and remand detainees.

Many resources were being concentrated in fulfilling the needs of remand detainees and they were the greatest consumers of cigarettes. With the banning of cigarettes, much sensitization work has been undertaken for obvious reasons by the Ministry of Health and Quality of Life in demonstrating the hazardous nature of this item. Activities had to be designed to deter their attention from the addictive nature of nicotine. Recreational items were made available as far as possible to keep them engaged.

Governmental organization like the AIDS Unit has been present nearly every Mondays at the New Wing Prison to sensitize newly admitted detainees on health issues particularly on the transmission of HIV/AIDS. NGOs like 'Befrienders' dwelled more on suicide prevention and extended their services to interested detainees after their release. 'Association Les Mains Ouvertes' and 'Diocesan of Port-Louis' focused more on Pastoral care but devoted some of their time in counselling as well.

NGO 'HOPE' caters for foreign adult detainees (*men and women*). They do counselling and try to address the communication barriers for those who could not interact with co-detainees and the prison staff. They motivate this category of detainees to engage in constructive activities like music and paintings. 'Groupe Elan' and 'Association Kinouété' have been concentrating on the self-development, life-skills, group counselling and activities that were geared towards raising the self-esteem, self-worth and combating the sense of morbidity amongst some.

Allowing remand detainees to attend places of worship and prayers being conducted by religious ministers of diverse faiths, the Easter Mass conducted by Cardinal Piat and the fasting for Cavadee, Maha Shivratree, Easter and Ramadan immensely helped in upholding their respective Religious Faith. Detainees have the right to have their holy books along with them which enable them to seek solace to face the dire consequences of their acts.

Central Prison, Beau Bassin

The remand population trend has made the Central Prison a remand prison and the low convicted population is being engaged more in prison labour. Therefore, the educational needs of remands are being taken care and numeracy and literacy courses are being dispensed in batches by an Educator. It must be acknowledged that a different approach is being adopted just not to hamper the educational development of remand detainees who can be sentenced, bailed out or transferred. At the same time the needs of foreigners were attended to by the single Educator.



At the Lotus Day Care Centre, sensitization programs were held by NGO 'Association Kinouété' as far as the ill effects of drugs were concerned. A program for remand detainees admitted for the first time was also designed. Mr. M. Neeliah lectured on positive thinking and spirituality every week. Mr. Wong carried out Tai-Chi Chuan sessions once every week.

2. Activities and events organised by Welfare Unit and Day Care Centre in collaboration with NGO Kinouété for the year 2019:-

S /no.	Program	Participants
01	Drug prevention Programme-three months sessions	470
02	International Day Against Substance Abuse	65
03	Music Day	728
04	Tai-Chi Chuan	330
05	Individual counselling	361
06	Art competition	28
07	Spiritual support seminar	738
08	HIV/AIDS sensitisation Program- AIDS unit	105
09	Tobacco cessation program by Min of Health	125
10	Yoga & Meditation	22

Welfare Activities at CYC

All juveniles were either involved in education, cleaning or gardening. After the transfer of Mr. Govinden, who was promoted to the rank of DHT, a new teacher was appointed on 24th May 2019 to cater for the educational needs of the juveniles.

Discussion were ongoing at the level of the Mauritius Sports Council (MSC) about how to have the facilities made available to RYC inmates extended to those of the CYC.

Moreover, rehabilitation programs were conducted during the whole year by Prisons Officers/Senior Prisons Officers. Resource Persons from different organizations and Ministries also attended the institution to deliver lectures and also to have working sessions with the inmates.

A list of programmes is detailed as hereunder:

Music Classes

The above classes were held thrice weekly by members of the Arpege School of Music. A minimum of six inmates attended the classes.

Art of Living

Inmates were educated on societal ways of living, respect and self-respect of elders, good behaviours, importance of education, basic needs and others...

Life Skills Programmes

Programmes based on life skills were carried out by the Ministry of Youth and Sports.

Counselling

Counselling sessions were performed by members of Group Kinouété members.

Domestic Cleaning

Cleaning was performed everyday by a group of selected inmates.

Training by the Mauritius Sports Council (MSC)

Since the month of October 2019, inmates are being given training in Volley-ball, Football, Basket-ball and Athletics by the Resource Persons from the MSC.

Pastoral care

The Diocesan of Port-Louis and NGO “*Les Mains Ouvertes*” jointly provided pastoral care to inmates and Christmas Carols was organised to create the festive mood of Xmas.

On the Independence Day celebration and on other festive occasions, activities were organized for the inmates. Inmates were encouraged to participate in various competition such as quiz, drawing, singing, indoor games, long mot in Creole, football, badminton, domino and housekeeping. Different prizes were awarded to the winners and runners-up.

Extra- curriculum activities

Other than numeracy and literacy classes, inmates were also taught about different topics such as good behaviour among others, importance of prayers and national anthem, values education and importance of living together with parents. They were also enlightened on the consequences of taking drugs, drinking alcohol, smoking cigarettes and sniffing.

Petit Verger Prison

Educational

Numeracy and Literacy: 18 detainees (Classes conducted by Mr. Copoomootoo-Teacher seconded from Ministry of Education)

MITD Courses leading to National Certificate level 3:

The Senior Prisons Welfare Officer working at PVP manages MITD courses in all Penal Institutions. His main duties concerning MITD courses is to liaise with the MITD for the Syllabi of examinable courses, payment for exams, enrolment, setting up of new courses and for the renewal of the already existing Memorandum of Understanding (MoU).



Welding	04 detainees -Trainer: LPO Bhageerathree (PVP)
Wood trade	02 detainees- Trainer: LPO Paya (PVP)

1st Semester – Theory exam- Wood Trade & Welding held on 12.08.19

1st semester- Practical exam -Welding held on 19th to 23rd August 2019

1st Semester – Practical exam-Wood Trade held on 19th to 22nd August 2019

2nd semester-Practical exam for Wood Trade held on 25th to 27th November 2019

2nd Semester-Practical exam for Welding held on 5th to 9 December 2019 and 10th December 2019

Theory exam for both welding and Wood Trade was held on 28th November 2019

All the detainees enrolled for the above-mentioned courses are registered under the Tremplin Vocational and Trade Training Centre of PVP.

Events:

Indoor & Outdoor games competitions in March and December
Music Day Celebration by detainees
Angel Tree (Some 26 detainees with their children and families attended on 19.12.19)

Richelieu Open Prison

Educational

Numeracy and Literacy:	05 Detainees attended Classes conducted by Educator
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Tertiary Education Scholarship-BSc in Business Management with specialization in Marketing granted to two detainees every three years by the Open University of Mauritius

Sessions were held at ROP by Tutors from Open University of Mauritius



Year 3- Semester 1- Exams held at Day Care Centre of ROP in May 2019

Year 3 - Semester 2 - Exams held at the Day Centre of ROP in November 2019

Music Day Celebration in June 2019 by detainees

Angel Tree (Some 17 detainees with their children and families attended on 21.12.2019)

End of Year Concert for detainees on 28th December 2019

Eastern High Security Prison

Education Centre

• PSAC	09 detainees (only 08 took part)
• National exam Form 111	02 detainees
• Numeracy and Literacy	20 detainees
• Computer literacy	04 detainees
• Art & Painting	06 detainees
• music	25 detainees
• My Business Program	19 detainees
• Life skills prog. (Duration- Five mths)	30 detainees
• Food Handling Certificate	21 detainees
• Tobacco cessation prog. 13 documentary sessions	
• Alpha Course	40 detainees

Ongoing Day Care Program

1.	Seminar on Spirituality - by Mr. M. Neeliah – NGO Centre Mieux Vivre
2.	Substance abuse Prevention program - Resource Persons – Association Kinouété
3.	Counselling sessions – Resource persons- Ass. Kinouété

Vocational Training/ Employability Skills

- Assembling of Furniture: 44 detainees
- Assembling of bicycles: 15 detainees

Budget Based Program

60 detainees have benefitted from the activities carried out at the Residential rehabilitation Lotus Centre

End of Year Activities

- Football, Volleyball and Indoor games
- Prize Giving
- Detainees

Women Prison

Vocational Activities

S/No.	Course	Recipients
01	Garment Making	02 detainees 1 st semester-Practical exam held on 07,08 & 09 August 2019 1 st semester -Theory exam held on 13.8.19 2 nd semester- theory exam held on 29.11.19 2 nd semester- practical exam held on 05 & 06.11.19

Educational Activities

S/No.	Course	Recipients
01	Education by Teacher for Special Needs	30
02	Art Therapy By NGO	15
03	Self- development Course	25
04	Individual counselling	30
05	Art & Painting	15
06	Peace Education Program	15

Other Activities by NGO's

- **Yoga Course**
- **Meditation**
- **Handicraft**
- **Counselling and Active listening**
- **Other facilities (games organized, Video Conferencing, among others)**

Other Events that occurred in prisons

On 10.01.19- Signature of Agreement between the MPS and Courts Mammouth (outsourcing of tasks)

From 28.05.19 to 31.05.19- Mr. Y. Gauthier author of 'Les Murs de la Solitude' shared his personal experiences with inmates of the Central Prison, Women Prison, New Wing Prison, CYC, ROP, PVP, FOP, EHSP and GRNWRP

On 10.06.19- resource persons from 'Association la Manne' along with a delegation from France visited the WP and FOP

On 28.06.19 -AIDS candlelight organized at BBP and WP

On 04.07.19- AIDS candlelight organized at EHSP

On 05.07.19 -Certification ceremony at the EHSP to mark the end of the 'Alpha Course where forty (40) detainees participated thereat

On 09.08.19 -Representatives of 'Foundation Club Med' visited the 'Kids R Kids' Day care centre

On 02.09.19 -Resource persons from the MCB *forward Foundation* visited detainees, at BBP and New Wing, whose children were doing well in sports activities at national level.

On 19.09.19-Delegation from Togo visited ROP with special focus on the vegetable garden and the techniques being used in vegetable production.

On 19.09.19 – The Minister of Co-Operatives and Business Enterprise visited the EHSP and where the course in 'Entrepreneurship' was being envisaged.

OVERVIEW OF WORKSHOPS



Introduction

In collaboration with MITD, vocational, Agricultural and Technical training are dispensed to detainees by qualified prison officers who are holders of NTC 2 & 3, City & Guilds and other related advanced certificate, the under-mention courses are dispensed in the following fields at Tremplin Vocational Training Centre at Petit Verger, Women Prison, New Wing and Eastern High Security Prison:

- Carpentry & Joinery
- Welding & Metal Fabrication
- Bakery & Pastry
- Tailoring / Garment Making

Detainees had followed courses in the above mention fields; they were thereafter holders of a National Trade Certificate Level 3. Some of them even ranked first at national level.

Works section comprises of a group of forty (40) qualified Officers of different grades in different fields. They are assisted by twenty-three (23) qualified civilian workers. The Works section caters for all repairs, maintenance and new structural projects for the whole department. The following units fall under the direct responsibility of the Works Section.

- Draughtsman and Planning Unit
- Masonry
- Plumbing Unit
- Electrical Unit
- Electronic Unit
- Air conditioning & Refrigeration Unit
- Painting Unit
- Block Making Industries
- Blacksmith Industries

Basket Workshop -BBP

S/N	Items	Quantity (Units)
1.	Rattan laundry basket	5
2.	XXL Bread Basket	47
3.	XXL Bread Baskets repairs	15
4.	XXL Baskets for straining rice	12
5.	Rattan macramé	36

S/N	Items	Quantity (Units)
6.	Rotinage of chairs	12
7.	Mammoth cave basket	10
8.	Nepal pooja basket	10
9.	Water hyacinth flower vase	4
10.	Christening basket	2
11.	Waste paper basket	25
12.	Rattan emperor	8
13.	Rattan duck baskets	10
14.	Rattan baguette basket	20
15.	Couching of chairs	2
16.	Decorative plates with handle	10
17.	Fruit basket	10
18.	Concubine baskets	2
19.	Synthetic flower vase	8
20.	Rattan ball baskets	16
21.	Synthetic middle table	2
22.	Sea grass +water hyacinth flower vase	2
23.	Synthetic poufs	12
24.	Prayer baskets	10
25.	Hat baskets	01
26.	Hanging decorative rattan	18
27.	Sea grass flower vase	06
28.	Rattan flower vase	12
29.	Small rattan square baskets	6
30.	Big rattan square basket	6
31.	Square basket with handle	10
32.	Water hyacinth +Palemba flower vase	4
33.	Rattan poufs	2
34.	Tiny basket	25
35.	Angel tree basket	25
36.	Bread baskets	10

S/N	Items	Quantity (Units)
37.	Pen holders	65
38.	Big rattan plates	5
39.	Repairs of baskets (kermess 2019)	75
40.	Medium square baskets	10
41.	Long rattan flower vase	03
42.	Large prayer baskets	03

Basket Workshop-EHSP

S/N	Items	Units
1.	Square table synthetic	03
2.	Bench Synthetic	02
3.	Middle table synthetic	01
4.	Laundry basket medium	09
5.	XXL Flower vase wooden	02
6.	Cushion for sofa	40
7.	XXL Bakery basket	01
8.	Sofa synthetic	09
9.	Mammoth cave basket	28
10.	Flower vase	10
11.	Seagrass chair	16
12.	Dog basket	02
13.	Laundry basket	02
14.	Rattan tray	26
15.	Waste paper basket	26
16.	Synthetic pool	08
17.	Multipurpose basket	28
18.	Sofa synthetic three-seater	02
19.	Matt door	03
20.	Prayer basket	50
21.	Vegetable basket	08

S/N	Items	Quantity (Units)
22.	Metal sofa one seater synthetic	02
23.	Baguette basket	08
24.	Plate cover rattan	10
25.	Lamp shade rattan	10
26.	Jewel box	04
27.	Flower vase rattan	09
28.	Reparation of decoration dodo	01
29.	Seagrass stoll	11
30.	Seagrass wooden tables	03
31.	Stool bar	06
32.	Souvenir Holloway college	01
33.	Synthetic table round	01
34.	Baby creedal	02
35.	Rattan Basket with handle	05
36.	Sofa bed with synthetic couch	01
37.	Bar table	11
38.	Flower Vase	06
39.	Square synthetic	06
40.	Plywood to record office	01
41.	Rattan fish	10
42.	Canteen basket	05
43.	Fruit basket	02
44.	Synthetic square box	06
45.	XL rattan tray	06
46.	Rattan bird	05
47.	Flower vase synthetic	04
48.	Wooden table	05
49.	Macramin	26
50.	Decorative bicycle	09
51.	Seagrass pool	06
52.	Wooden bench and seagrass	04
53.	Wooden and rattan pool	02
54.	XXL Kitchen basket	07

Bakery- New Wing Prison

Months	Number of loaves
January	198,964
February	192,968
March	263,698
April	279,602
May	291,532
June	279,908
July	295,000
August	236,143
September	167,176
October	214,952
November	205,302
December	245,070
Total	2,870,315

Metal Workshop - BBP

S/N	Items	Quantity
1.	Repairs of cell doors at New Wing	30
2.	Manufacture metal stands for gas burner BBP and New Wing	06
3.	Manufacture security grill Woman Prison	06
4.	Repair inner gate CYC	01
5.	Repaired safe GRNWRP	01
6.	Manufacture and fixed grill separation BRC Phoenix Prison	01
7.	Manufacture burglar proof and fixed in fuel store phoenix	01
8.	Repaired inner gate GRNWRP	01
9.	Manufacture metal frame and door to secured fuel BBP	01



S/N	Items	Quantity
10.	Repaired wheel barrow for kitchen BBP and New Wing	04
11.	Repaired trolley for bakery New Wing	08
12.	Repaired filling cabinet for kitchen BBP and Woman Prison	04
13.	Repaired kitchen door BBP	01
14.	Secured knives for pastry section Woman Prison	05
15.	Manufacture and fixed aperture on cell doors-Phoenix Prison	02
16.	Manufacture and fixing metal doors at BBP Mess Room	03
17.	Manufacture and fixed fit bars Ex-Pirate Wing Yards.	03
18.	Manufacture and fixed hooks in main entrance BBP Gate.	04
19.	Manufacture and fixed tower bolts for Woman Prison	02
20.	Manufacture and fixed grill cage Woman Prison	01
21.	Manufactured and fixed burglar proof for Intelligence	02
22.	Manufacture door in Barricade Training School	01
23.	Manufacture metal bed gate lodge BBP	01
24.	Manufacture and fixed metal door water pump FOP	01
25.	Manufacture and fixed burglar proof-FOP	02
26.	Manufacture grill plates for pastry Woman Prison	12
27.	Manufacture grill boxes for electric section	10
28.	Manufacture and fixed door CERT	01
29.	Manufacture and fixed door control room BBP	01
30.	Repair toilet doors in yard 3- BBP	04
31.	Repair door lock knob Tamil temple-BBP	01
32.	Repair on door store -BBP	01
33.	Provide openings in fuel container store -BBP	02
34.	Repaired grill door in yardNo1,2 -BBP	01
35.	Fixed metal benches in BRC -BBP	02
36.	Fixed double bed in Ex Pirate Wing	04
37.	Repaired and secured knives with chains- BBP kitchen	04

S/N	Items	Quantity
38.	Manufacture and fixed football post –BBP	04
39.	Repaired metal table for Bakery-New Wing Prison	01
40.	Conversion of strong door CO's -BBP	01
41.	Repair gate door -C. R BBP	01
42.	Fixed aperture- visiting room BBP	01
43.	Repaired benches – Woman Prison	05
44.	Repaired metal door – Woman Prison	01
45.	Repaired metal beds- Ex Pirate Wing	02
46.	Manufacture and fixed metal grill in telephone room - BBP	01
47.	Repaired flag poles -Head Quarters	02

Metal Workshop – ROP

S/N	Items	Quantity
1.	Manufacture and fixing of flaps animal farm	16
2.	Manufacture and fixing of plates for poultry animal farm	122
3.	Manufacture and fixing of feeder for animal farm	67
4.	Manufacture and fixing of metal supports	13
5.	Cutting and fixing of expanded metal with frames	28
6.	Manufacture and fixing of tower bolts	05
7.	Repairs of sword	05
8.	Manufacture and fixing of stands and racks	12
9.	Manufacture, welding and fixing of poles for fencing	09
10.	Fixing of mirrors in gym	03
11.	Sharpening of swords and knives	12
12.	Repair of tiller machine	01
13.	Manufacture, repairs and fixing of doors	11
14.	Repairs, fixing of battery cages for poultry	82

S/N	Items	Quantity
15.	Repairs of doors	17
16.	Manufacture of key box	01
17.	Fixing of handle for knives and chain	01
18.	Manufacture and fixing of rack for storage of eggs	01
19.	Fixing of iron sheet in yard at New Wing	04

Metal Workshop - PVP

S/N	Items	Quantity
1.	Repair of wheel barrows	04
2.	Manufacture of doors for PVP, GRNWRP and Gate PVP	32
3.	Fixation of doors	24
4.	Repairs of flaps and tank stand and toilet doors and grill doors	13
5.	Manufacture and fixation of aperture for kitchen	15
6.	Manufacture and fixation of telephone boot	01
7.	Fabrication and fixation of security frames and grill of animal farm	02
8.	Fabrication of metal pads	40
9.	Manufacture of new table for fencing for tin smith	01
10.	Fabrication of expanded metal frames for GRNWRP	14
11.	Manufacture of new benches for Yards C and chairs and step grill	15
12.	Manufacture and fixation of pad locks	02
13.	Manufacture and fixation of benches, chair and filing cabinet at nursery	03

Metal workshop- EHSP

S/N	Items	Quantity
1.	Anti-Burglar Bar	08
2.	Canopy	03
3.	Stool	04
4.	Motorcycle Parking	01

S/N	Items	Quantity
5.	Grease Trap	15
6.	Double Gate	01
7.	Triangular Stand	05
8.	Toilet Door	30
9.	Metal Poles	08
10.	Lighting Poles	06
11.	Kennel Door	10
12.	Strong Box	02
13.	Single Door	01
14.	Double Door	01
15.	Handrail	01

Locksmith Workshop –BBP

	Keys	Locks	Padlock
Manufacture	52	44	0
Modifications	77	67	0
Repairs	92	48	37

Fixing of lock

Details	Qty
Panel locks	16
Servant locks	64
Cell locks	28

These locks were being fixed at Phoenix, BBP, GRNWRP, PVP, Woman Prison, New Wing, CYC boys, CYC girls, SPW and FOP.

General repairs and maintenance of locks and keys were done at different institutions where and when required.

Greasing of Cremone locks and main doors were done on a three months basis at BBP, New Wing, GRNWRP, CYC, PVP, Phoenix and Women Prison.

Tailor Workshop

S\N	Items	BBP	PVP	ROP	EHSP
		<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Quantity</i>
1.	Orange trousers	100	1,175	163	
2.	Orange short				200
3.	Orange shirt	100	1,175	163	100
4.	Overall for officers	100	18	8	
5.	Towel	08	1,900	196	1500
6.	Green trousers	802	262	113	551
7.	Green Overall				102
8.	Orange Overall				129
9.	White Overall				71
10.	Orange Garbs				928
11.	Bed sheet	134	1,275	150	2500
12.	Pillow cases			70	300
13.	Napkin			15	
14.	Covers for kitchen	11		02	
15.	Guitars covers			03	
16.	Aprons			05	95
17.	Caps for detainee			05	
18.	White Cap				87
19.	Pastry wear				14
20.	Curtain for training school	90			
21.	Overall for mechanical	10			
22.	Coat for Medical Unit	75			
23.	Canteen bag	100			
24.	Ceremonial dress for Senior Officer	06			

Mechanical Workshop - BBP

List of repairs effected	Repairs and maintenance of all prisons vehicles, plants, machineries, generators, bush cutters, lawn mowers, chainsaws, limbing saw, hydraulic lift
	Reconditioned of unused vehicles from other ministries and departments and made usable at prisons service
	General panel beating and body repairs
	General body painting
	Vulcanisation task
	Mechanical task: Servicing, clutch, suspension, engine, overhauling, braking system
	Electrical task: alternator, starter, power window, electrical lighting system

Description	Amount (Rs)
Cost of spare parts	670,020.00
Cost of enhance payment	24,610.00
Net cost of repairs	694,630.00
Outdoor repair price	1,323,725.00
Net profit	629,095.00

Aluminium Workshop - BBP

S/N	Description	Quantity (Units)
1.	Swing door /Double swing door	57
2.	Partition / Oversize partition	4
3.	Air vent	32
4.	Windows / Sliding windows	15
5.	Swing door / Fix door	9
6.	L-Shape kitchen set	1
7.	Small set under kitchen table	1
8.	Cupboard for fax machine	1

Vegetable Garden

S/N	Items	BBP	PVP	ROP
1.	Spices	443.2	246	429.7
2.	Coriander	-	127	108.7
3.	Carrots	-	14	1479
4.	Beetroot	-	449	10
5.	Jackfruit	-	-	290.5
6.	Potatoes	5825	5024	-
7.	Turnips	1537	1081	2938
8.	Green Banana	10	-	2356
9.	Tompouce	-	895	4503
10.	Watercress	-	-	54

S/N	Items	BBP	PVP	ROP
11.	Green Brede	19	-	1546
12.	Cabbages	865	3298	6006
13.	Gourd	1210	1898	1831
14.	Tarrow leaves	28	342	2314
15.	Lettuce	-	64	593
16.	Eggplant	14.50	3250.8	573
17.	Onion	-	1557	591
18.	Thyme	-	-	3
19.	Chilies	31.45	58.50	132.95
20.	Garlic	-	-	187.4
21.	Voem	-	-	17
22.	Breadfruit	617	114	-
23.	Cowpeas	-	69	-
24.	Cucumber	-	354	-
25.	Tomatoes	-	1139	-
26.	Fresh Beans	-	404	-
27.	Pumpkin	-	118	-
28.	Mangoes	-	35	-
29.	Pawpaw	15	-	-
30.	Brede Pumpkin	27	-	-
31.	Brede Moringa	13	-	-
	Total (Kg)	10,655.15	20,537.30	25,963.25

Carpenter Workshop -BBP

S/N	Location	Description
1.	CP's Office	Chair repair Wooden panel
2.	New Pirate Wing	Chairs repair Plywood cutting

<p>3.</p>	<p>BBP- Yard No 6 BBP- Remand BBP- School BBP- Officers Mess BBP- Main Entrance waiting room BBP- Hospital BBP BBP- CO's BBP- Kitchen</p>	<p>Mirror frame Chair repair Plywood cutting Fixation of curtain support Fixation of chairs Fixation of doors Rebuilt of cupboard and fixation of telephone Unit Fabrication of water distributor Fabrication of cupboard</p>
<p>4.</p>	<p>BBP</p>	<p>Mirror with frame Jewel box as gift Fixation of wooden shelves of centre</p>
<p>5.</p>	<p>FOP</p>	<p>Removing lockers Cutting of planks Cutting of planks</p>
<p>6.</p>	<p>Women Prison</p>	<p>Fixation of table</p>
<p>7.</p>	<p>Training School</p>	<p>Lectern varnish Podium upholstery complete and varnish Podium pole repaint and varnish Fabrication of stand for tent Fabrication of baton of honour with stand Varnish of existing handrail</p>

Miscellaneous Items - BBP

S/N	Items	Quantity (Unit)
1.	Mouse trap with packet	02
2.	Shield for football tournament	08
3.	Cup shield for veteran tournament	01
4.	Support for grinding store for kitchen	01
5.	Door built and fixation of Remand Hospital Unit	02
6.	Truncheon to main store	60
7.	Fabrication of wooden trays training school	03
8.	Photo frame A4 ACP office	04
9.	Photo frame for new BBP Canteen and fixation	02
10.	Fabrication of handrail training school	02
11.	Wooden spatula	04
12.	Dhal "Gotny" main store	10
13.	Table fabrication for Yard 5	01
14.	Fabrication of book holder	05
15.	Fabrication of wooden stool	06

Items for Public Officers Annual Kerness

S/N	Items	Quantity (Unit)
1.	Wooden panels	11
2.	Ironing table	01
3.	Folding table	10
4.	Fauteuil a voile	05
5.	Wooden bench	13
6.	Spice box stand	02
7.	Rack	10
8.	First aid box	08
9.	Coffee table	02
10.	MDF Shelves	23
11.	Knife holder	20

S/N	Items	Quantity (Unit)
12.	Deco bottle	08
13.	Belna	08
14.	Bread box	06
15.	Folding chair	12
16.	Pirate chest	03
17.	Coat peg	07
18.	Photo frame A4	30
19.	Toothbrush holder	04
20.	Cup holder	10
21.	Tissue holder	17
22.	Ship model	01
23.	Stool	08
24.	Comb	10
25.	Book holder folding	09
26.	Candle holder	17
27.	Cupboard key hanger	01
28.	Wooden spoon	03
29.	Wooden fork	03
30.	Bowl deco	01
31.	Spice box deco	08
32.	Decorative shelve	01
33.	Table Colette	08
34.	Chowki	03
35.	Hibou Deco	01

Carpenter Workshop- EHSP

S/N	Items	Units
1.	Key Box	03
2.	Wooden Stool	10
3.	Fixed of Complaint Box	09
4.	Manufacture Wooden Chair	16
5.	Coat Hanger	20
6.	Office Locker	112
7.	Bread Box	10



S/N	Items	Units
8.	T.V Rack	04
9.	Kitchen Shelves	04
10.	Carousal	20
11.	Book Shelves	04
12.	Shoe Rack	04
13.	Table games	05
14.	Ironing Table	02
15.	Shield	82
16.	Mosquitoes net	08
17.	Spatula & Spoon	04
18.	Candle Holder	06
19.	Mirror Frame	10
20.	White Board	02
21.	Wooden Bench	25
22.	Fixing of Partitioning	06
23.	Wooden Shelves	02

Pastry Unit - EHSP

S/N	Details	Amount (Rs)
1.	Production of pastries for earning section	308,022
2.	Production of cake for detainees	11,000
3.	Production of cake for Independence Day	11,000
4.	Production of pastries for official functions and committees	5,000
5.	Production of pastries for police department	160,000
6.	Officer's Orders	11,898
	Total	506,920

Pastry Unit – WP

S/N	Items	Quantity
1.	Mini cakes	71,683
2.	Half cakes	13,957
3.	Birthday cakes	317
4.	Night Officer's cakes	11,625
5.	Plum cakes (Rs75)	287
6.	Plum cakes (Rs55)	37
7.	Whole cake for detainees (Rs13)	17,204
	Total	115,110 (Rs 981,072)

Pastry Unit – PVP

S/N	Items	Quantity
1.	French cakes	12,216
2.	Mini cakes	2,867
3.	Plumcakes	28
4.	Birthday cakes	11
5.	Tarte	02
6.	Pizza	02
7.	Half cakes	1,150
	Total	16,276 (Rs 119,419)

Poultry Farm

Broilers: 23,402 received
2,086 cull & dead

Manure: 1,532 bags

Shoemaker Workshop –EHSP

S/N	Items	Units
1.	Leather Shoes for officer (pair)	1480
2.	Combat Boots (pairs)	114
3.	Boots (pair)	3
4.	Leather Belt Repairs	29
5.	Warrant Cards	25
6.	Key Pouch	14
7.	Curtain for Training School	3
8.	Refurbishing of bench for Alamanda Unit	1
9.	Refurbishing of sofa for Clarisse House	1
10.	Refurbishing of Armchair	4
11.	Recover of seats for 179 RM 10	1
12.	Recover of seats for 75 RM 03	1
13.	Recover of seats for 320 RM 12	1
14.	Recover of seats for 149 RM 10	1

Slaughter House – EHSP

S/N	Items	Units/ Kgs
1.	Broilers	1886 Units
2.	Clean Broilers	5236.63 Kgs
3.	Liver and Zezier	267.15 Kgs
4.	Layers	540 Units
5.	Clean Layers	679.9 Kgs
6.	Eggs	104 Units



ABBREVIATIONS

◆ ADSU	-	Anti Drug and Smuggling Unit
◆ BBP	-	Beau Bassin Prison
◆ CJS	-	Criminal Justice System
◆ CYC	-	Correctional Youth Centre
◆ DCP	-	Deputy Commissioner of Prisons
◆ EHSP	-	Eastern High Security Prison
◆ GRNWRP	-	Grand River North West Remand Prison
◆ ICAC	-	Independent Commission against Corruption
◆ JNH	-	Jawaharlal Nehru Hospital
◆ MITD	-	Mauritius Institute of Training and Development
◆ MOHQL	-	Ministry of Health & Quality of Life
◆ MOU	-	Memorandum of Understanding
◆ MPF	-	Mauritius Police Force
◆ MPS	-	Mauritius Prison Service
◆ NMR	-	Nelson Mandela Rules
◆ NWP	-	New Wing Prison
◆ NGO	-	Non-Governmental Organization
◆ NICSI	-	National Informatics Centre Service Inc.
◆ OPCAT	-	Optional Protocol to the Convention against Torture
◆ OPW	-	Open Prison for Women
◆ PSS	-	Prison Security Squad
◆ PTS	-	Prison Training School
◆ PVP	-	Petit Verger Prison
◆ PWO	-	Prison Welfare Officer
◆ RIA	-	Reforms Institution Act
◆ ROP	-	Richelieu Open Prison
◆ RYC	-	Rehabilitation Youth Centre
◆ UNCHR	-	United Nations Convention on Human Rights
◆ UNODC	-	United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime

Glossary of Terms

1. **Absolute discharge** is complete and unconditional release.
2. **Admission rate** is defined as the number of people admitted to prison in a given year per 100,000 mid-year population.
3. **Assault** is defined as physical attack against the body of another person.
4. **Acquitted** means dismissed.
5. **Burglary** is defined as unlawful entry into someone else's premises with the intention to commit a theft.
6. **Conditional discharge** is a sentence whereby an offender is released under certain conditions, e.g., regular reporting to police stations for a specified period of time.
7. **Contraventions (least serious offences)** are defined as offences that are punishable by:
 - (a) imprisonment for a term not exceeding 10 days;
 - (b) fine not exceeding 5,000 rupees.
8. **Crimes (most serious offences)** are defined as offences that are punishable by:
 - (a) penal servitude;
 - (b) fine exceeding 5,000 rupees.
9. **Criminal case** means dealing with an offender indicted for an offence.
10. **Detainee** is referred to as any person confined to prison and is classified as follows:
 - (a) **Convict:** person sentenced to imprisonment.
 - (b) **Person on remand and trial:** person charged for an offence with a court of law and awaiting judgment.
11. **Drug offences** are as spelt out under the Dangerous Drug Act 2000. They relate mainly to drugs like cannabis, heroin, hashish, opium, cocaine and other psychotropic substances.
12. **Embezzlement** is defined as the wrongful appropriation of another person's property that is already in the possession of the person doing the appropriating.
13. **Fine defaulters** are convicts sentenced to imprisonment for non-payment of fines; they either stay in prison for a specified period or are released as soon as they pay the fines.



14. **Fraud** is defined as the acquisition of another person's property by deception.
15. **Intentional homicide** is defined as death deliberately inflicted on a person by another person, including infanticide and abortion.
16. **Juvenile** is defined as person aged below 18 years.
17. **Misdemeanors (less serious offences)** are defined as offences that are punishable by:
 - (a) imprisonment for a term exceeding 10 days;
 - (b) fine exceeding 5,000 rupees.
18. **Property offence** includes theft, fraud, embezzlement, damage to property, and illegal possession of property and stolen goods.
19. **Prison occupancy level** is defined as the prison population divided by the prison capacity (number of beds).
20. **Robbery** is defined as the theft of property from a person, overcoming resistance by force or threat of force.
21. **Sexual offence** is defined as sexual intercourse or assault without valid consent. It includes sexual act, attempt to obtain a sexual act and dealing in obscene matters.
22. **Theft** is defined as the removal of property without the property owner's consent.
23. **Victim** is referred to as a person who has been affected by an offence committed by another person.