



MINISTRY OF NATIONAL SECURITY ACHIEVEMENTS



The Ministry of National Security is using five key pillars to tackle the issue of crime and violence in Jamaica. These are reflected in a strategy for preventing crime based on social development, situational prevention, effective policing, swift and sure justice processes and reducing reoffending. Over the past year, the Ministry has made strides under each pillar.

PILLAR 1 – Swift and Sure Justice Processes



- Restorative Justice Programme
- Employing retired judges to help clear backlog of cases
- Amendments to **Plea Bargaining Act**
- Employing 20 lawyers
- Audio/Visual equipment in Court Houses
- Traffic Ticket Amnesty

PILLAR 2 – Crime Prevention through Social Development



- Homework after school programmes
- Children curfews
- Parenting programmes under Citizen Security & Justice Programme (CSJP)
- Sports and recreation programmes
- Community violence intervention under Peace Management Initiative (PMI)
- Life and technical skills lessons under the Jamaica Combined Cadet Force (JCCF)
- Police Youth Clubs
- Community-based Animation Training Programme

PILLAR 3 – Situational Prevention



- National Identification System
- Development of National Closed Circuit Television (CCTV) Network
- 21 CCTVs installed in Kingston
- CCTVs installed in Mandeville, May Pen, Ocho Rios and Montego Bay
- Police post for new communities with over 400 units
- Working to upgrade informal housing schemes
- Installation of street names and signs



Pillar 4 – Rehabilitation and Redemption

- Reclassification of inmates
- Mentorship, Furniture Making and Inmate Food Production Programmes
- Chess in Prison Programme
- We Transform Programme for juvenile offenders
- Hydroponics farming through the College of Agricultural Science and Education (CASE)
- Training from Human Employment and Resource Training Trust (HEART Trust/NTA) and Jamaican Foundation for Life Long Learning (JFLL) for CXC, literacy
- Electronic tagging and monitoring of inmates
- Repairing of prisons
- Construction of waiting areas at Richmond and Tamarind Farm facilities
- Restoration of cell phone jammers and cameras
- Construction of new wing at Tamarind Farm
- Inmate production of callaloo/eggs for breakfast
- Strengthened regulatory framework – Deportation Policy and Reintegration and Rehabilitation Strategy introduced
- Strengthened emergency safety nets to effectively reintegrate deported persons in society



Pillar 5 – Effective Policing

- Get the Guns campaign resulted in over 773 guns seized between January and November 2017
- 80 pre-owned cars and 16 pickups acquired to boost mobility
- 25 SUVs acquired for Jamaica Constabulary Force (JCF) Divisional and Area Supervisors
- 114 cars repaired under Operation Quick Fix
- More vehicular check points
- Two ships patrolling areas of the coastline
- King Air aircraft to be handed over in 2018 to boost border security
- 17 police stations and two dormitories repaired
- Parish Consultative Committees restarted
- Retired police officers and private security guards employed
- 31 dogs acquired (24 from Colombia, 7 from the United States of America)
- Increased JCF and JDF recruitment drives

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Pillar 5 – Effective Policing Cont'd

- Major investments in Forensics
- DNA Registry now operational
- Islandwide E-Diary project
- Conversion of police vehicles to use Liquified Natural Gas (LNG)
- Merging databases across the Ministry (FLA, DCS, Forensics, PSRA, JCF, JDF)
- Data Fusion Centre
- Major investments for boosting the intelligence network
- 3,000 vests, 3,500 helmets, boots, bikes and other equipment purchased for the JCF
- Ten mobile police stations being installed
- Repaired 161 stations
- Stay Alert app
- Jamaica Eye Project
- QR Code app
- Pensions for District Constables (DC)
- More vehicles to come
- Amendments to the **Jamaica Constabulary Act, Proceeds of Crime Act, DNA Act, Fingerprint Act, Firearm Act and Anti-gang Legislation**
- Special Zones of Operation Act passed

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