

**STATUS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE RECOMMENDATION PROPOSED BY THE REPORT PREPARED  
BY THE COMMISSION ON PRISON REFORM**

Area of Reform	Punjab	KPK	Sindh	Balochistan
<b>Overcrowding in Prisons</b>	<p><b>Construction of prisons:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Between 2012 and 2018, 08 District Jails, 01 High Security Prison and 01 Sub Jail have been constructed.</li> <li>Construction of two new jails i.e. District Jail Lodhran and High Security Prison Mianwali are underway.</li> <li>Conversion of two judicial locks ups in to sub jails also in process. These steps will further reduce the overcrowding from 42% to 30%.</li> </ul> <p><b>Probation and parole system:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Conversion of the Directorate of Parole and probation into Probation and Parole Service has been completed.</li> <li>Implementation of the new Parole Act, 2019 &amp; amendments in Good Conduct Prisoners' Probation Release Act, 1926 (approved by Provincial Cabinet) will be carried out soon.</li> <li>Drafting of Parole Rules have been completed and a Parole Board has been constituted.</li> <li>Amendments in Probation of</li> </ul>	<p><b>Construction of prisons:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>No overcrowding in KPK Prisons</li> <li>Recently Peshawar jail became functional.</li> <li>Swat jail should also become functional soon.</li> </ul> <p><b>Expeditious case disposals:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Camp Courts are held on each Friday by Judicial Magistrates for disposal of petty nature cases are being held. Some 2860 cases have been disposed off.</li> <li>29 poor and convicted prisoners have been released upon payment of Diyat.</li> <li>Further prisoners need to be released in similar manner.</li> </ul> <p><b>Parole system:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prisons Department KPK has carried out a census and identified prisoners that can be released on parole.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Construction of prisons:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Construction of Several Prisons started.</li> <li>The District Prison Malir being extended to strengthen the existing compound wall.</li> <li>New Prisons planned in District Prison and in Shaheed Benazirabad and Thatta with capacity of 250 prisoners each.</li> <li>Construction of additional 10 new Barracks is underway in Malir Prison Karachi</li> <li>Construction of additional 04 new Barracks underway in District Prison Shikarpur.</li> </ul>	<p>Authorized capacity: 2585, Existing population: 1999.</p> <p>No issue of overcrowding in the Prisons of Balochistan.</p>

	<p>Offenders Ordinance, 1960 approved by Provincial Cabinet</p>			
<p><b>Introduction of centralized file management system of Prisoners</b></p>	<p><b>PMIS:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MoU signed with UNODC for introduction of centralized file management system.</li> <li>• Operationalization of PMIS to be undertaken</li> </ul> <p><b>Mercy Petition Forms:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure that Mercy Petition Forms drafted by MOHR are used in the mercy petition process in their letter and spirit</li> </ul>	<p><b>PMIS:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PMIS Installed in 14 jails wherein 6 modules of prison record, hospital record, store inventory and staff record have been digitized.</li> <li>• A letter of Agreement has been signed with UNODC to upgrade/extend the existing PIMS to all Jails in KPK.</li> </ul> <p><b>Mercy Petition Forms:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure that Mercy Petition Forms drafted by MOHR are used in the mercy petition process in their letter and spirit</li> </ul>	<p><b>PMIS:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MoU signed with UNODC for introduction of centralized file management system.</li> <li>• PMIS to be installed in Prison Inspectorate General Sindh and Regional Prisons Inspectorate at Karachi, Hyderabad and Sukkur.</li> </ul> <p><b>Mercy Petition Forms:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure that Mercy Petition Forms drafted by MOHR are used in the mercy petition process in their letter and spirit</li> </ul>	<p><b>PMIS:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MoU signed with UNODC for introduction of centralized file management system.</li> <li>• In collaboration with Police Department, training given to the staff for centralizing file management system of each prisoner.</li> <li>• UNODC will inaugurate set up of PMIS on 25-02-2020.</li> <li>• Work on Prisons of Balochistan to start within next six months.</li> </ul> <p><b>Mercy Petition Forms:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ensure that Mercy Petition Forms drafted by MOHR are used in the mercy petition process in their letter and spirit</li> </ul>

<p><b>Lack of awareness among both prisoners &amp; Prison staff about their rights</b></p>	<p><b>Training colleges set up:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• College for the training of prison staff in Sahiwal to start functioning soon.</li> <li>• An officer of grade 21 already appointed as a commandant of staff College.</li> </ul> <p><b>Collaboration with other training institutes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agreements signed with different training institutes; Elite Police Training School Badian, Regimental Training Center Mansar Camp Attock, Artillery Training Center Attock, Commando / Pakistan Training at Ranger's Training Center Lahore.</li> <li>• Officers / officials of Prison Department getting trained at these academies</li> <li>• 85 officers of Prison Department have attended International Correctional Management Training Center (ICMTC) Colorado, USA.</li> <li>• Better synergy with National Prison Academy is needed through formalized institutional linkages.</li> </ul> <p><b>Remuneration of Prison Staff:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Government of the Punjab's</li> </ul>	<p><b>Training colleges set up:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prison Training Academy at Haripur under construction</li> <li>• Construction of Academy to be completed in June, 2020</li> <li>• Better synergy with National Prison Academy is needed through formalized institutional linkages.</li> </ul> <p><b>Finance and Budget:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ADP Scheme (Rs. 57 Million) Capacity Building / Training of Prison Staff approved</li> <li>• 687 (Warders) trained till date</li> </ul>	<p><b>Collaboration with other training institutes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 200 officials/officers of Sindh Prisons Department trained by UNODC in December 2019 to use PMIS.</li> <li>• Better synergy with National Prison Academy is needed through formalized institutional linkages.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Collaboration with other training institutes:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Prison staff being sent to attend basic training courses in NAPA Lahore, FC Training Center Loralai, and PTC Quetta.</li> <li>• Newly recruited 138 staff members being trained in Central Prison Mach.</li> <li>• NAPA requested to increase seats for Balochistan.</li> <li>• Currently, only 30% of the staff is trained in their basic recruit course.</li> <li>• Better synergy with National Prison Academy needed through formalized institutional linkages.</li> </ul>
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	<p>decision to upgrade and enhance the pay package of the prison staff at par with other components of criminal Justice System, especially Police Department.</p> <p><b>Enhance training of incoming prisoners</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Display of basic prison rules on main areas of jail premises is planned.</li> <li>• Efforts to create awareness among prisoners through various signs boards are also underway.</li> <li>• Awareness sessions for the inmate inside prisons to be planned.</li> </ul>			
<p><b>Provision of adequate medical &amp; psychological counseling facilities</b></p>	<p><b>Introduction of SOPs</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SOPs have been set up for timely shifting of prisoners to the respective District Head Quarters.</li> <li>• Prison department have been directed to exercise the powers to shift the sick prisoners outside the jail hospitals on emergency basis in anticipation of the sanction of the Government.</li> </ul> <p><b>Up-gradation of Healthcare Department in Prisons</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Specialized Healthcare Department directed to screen all</li> </ul>	<p><b>Rehabilitation Centres:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establishment of Drug Dependents Rehabilitation Center in Central Prison Peshawar underway.</li> <li>• Proposal of Psycho Support Center for inmates in Central Prison Peshawar is under consideration.</li> <li>• Rehabilitation Centre for prisoners with physical disabilities also under process.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Helpdesks</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establishment of health desks by Provincial Health Department to do baseline screening is proposed.</li> </ul>	<p><b>No information</b></p>

	<p>the prisoners of Central Jails and Primary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Secondary Healthcare Department proposed to provide services to all the Prisoners confined in all district jails of the Punjab.</li> <li>• Specialized Healthcare Department directed to design a Proforma to screen drug addicts and patients of Hepatitis B &amp; C and HIV.</li> </ul> <p><b>Treatment of Drug addicts</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Detoxification of drug addicts with collaboration of health and social welfare departments introduced in 09 jails</li> <li>• Designation of 218 beds along with testing for identification of addicts in 09 jails</li> </ul>			
<p><b>Large number of vacant posts</b></p>	<p><b><u>Filling of posts:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Home Department Punjab has taken up the matter with Health Department to employ medical staff on urgent basis.</li> <li>• 17 psychologists and 19 junior psychologists appointed in Prison Department.</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Filling of posts:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Filling of posts through Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Public Service Commission, NTS and PTS underway.</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Filling of posts:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Filling of 117 vacant positions of Medical Officers in Sindh prisons.</li> </ul>	<p><b><u>Filling of posts:</u></b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sanction of 04 posts of psychologists (B-17) approved</li> <li>• 93 posts (all cadres) lying vacant</li> <li>• 16 posts out of 93 newly created/sanctioned which will be advertised in near future.</li> </ul>

				<p><b>Service Rules passing and implementation:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proposal on the Service Rules submitted for approval of the Sub Rules Committee of S&amp;GAD.</li> <li>• Promulgation and implementation of Service Rules required to fill these the posts.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Lack of child care and legal aid facilities</b></p>	<p><b>Legal Aid provision:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Provision of free legal aid is being provided in coordination with District Bar, Lahore High Court Bar Association and Punjab Bar Council</li> <li>• Lists of needy prisoners submitted to District &amp; Sessions Judges during their monthly visits of the jails.</li> <li>• 412 prisoners benefitted from free legal aid in last 3 years.</li> </ul> <p><b>Consular Access:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 155 foreign national prisoners confined in Punjab Jails.</li> <li>• Consular access to foreign prisoners being provided.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Legal Aid provision:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Free legal aid is being provided by referring cases to District Legal Empowerment Committees.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Legal Aid provision:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• UNODC Legal Aid Team Sindh aided 660 Prisoners</li> <li>• Legal Aid Office also providing legal aid to poor prisoners</li> <li>• 1476 prisoners have benefitted till date.</li> </ul> <p><b>Women and Children:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Female DIG also appointed to deal with issues of women and juveniles exclusively in prisons.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Legal Aid provision:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Balochistan Prisons Department on the basis of self-help has started legal aid in the Quetta Prison only.</li> </ul>
<p><b>New Laws/ New Prisons Rules</b></p>	<p><b>Revision of Pakistan Prison Rules</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revision of Pakistan Prison rules</li> </ul>		<p><b>New Laws introduced:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ‘The Sindh Prisons and</li> </ul>	<p>New laws shall be adopted after perusal of</p>

	<p>1978 in line with international guideline on the treatment of offenders underway.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Constitution of committee to prepare the draft rules that were identified for amendment, deletion and review.</li> <li>• Meeting convened on 21.01.2020 in Home Department to review the existing prison rules and propose further amendment in them.</li> </ul> <p><b>New Laws introduced:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draft Act 2019 for Inspectorate of Correctional and Custodial Services under consideration at Standing Committee of the Cabinet on Legislative Business focusing on: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i. Probation &amp; Parole Service</li> <li>ii. Child Protection</li> <li>iii. Prisoners' welfare</li> <li>iv. Monitoring of correctional &amp; custodial services to ensure international best practice</li> </ul> </li> </ul>		<p>Corrections Services Act, 2019' (Act) passed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rules framed under this Act have been forwarded to Law Department for vetting.</li> </ul>	<p>draft law promulgation by either Punjab or Sindh whichever suits the conditions in Balochistan.</p>
<p><b>Individual and institutional accountability</b></p>	<p><b>Oversight committees:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Notification of Oversight committees issued</li> <li>• Regular visits conducted by them.</li> </ul> <p><b>External Mechanism:</b></p>	<p><b>Oversight committees:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Notification of Oversight committees issued</li> <li>• Regular visits conducted by them.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Oversight committees:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Notification of Oversight committees issued</li> <li>• Regular visits conducted by them.</li> </ul>	<p><b>Oversight committees:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Notification of Oversight committees issued</li> <li>• Regular visits conducted by them.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Draft Act 2019 for Inspectorate of Correctional and Custodial Services completed</li><li>• Officers of Human Rights Department, Punjab have been authorized to conduct surprise visits to all jail of Punjab.</li><li>• A notification No. SO(MP)7-28/2015 dated 07.02.2020 is issued by the Home Department Punjab.</li><li>• 45 Non-officials visitors belonging to different strata of the society have been appointed for the visits of all jails of Punjab.</li><li>• Adoption of zero tolerance policy against the maltreatment and inhuman attitude towards the prisoners by Government of Punjab.</li><li>• Prisoners to have the right to file complaint before inspection officers as well as to the learned District &amp; Sessions Judges on their monthly visits.</li></ul>			
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