Hong Kong Police Force

Serving Hong Kong with Honour, Duty and Loyalty

COMMISSIONER'S OPERATIONAL PRIORITIES 2025

The Commissioner's Operational Priorities 2025 set out the key operational areas which the Force will accord priority to during the year. In addition to the eight priority areas identified in 2024 with refinements to reflect our current operating environment and key challenges in the year ahead, a new priority is added to emphasise the importance attached to the policing of the 15th National Games and the related events. Successful implementation of the priorities will strengthen our ability to sustain efforts for maintaining a safe and stable Hong Kong.

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NATIONAL SECURITY

- Collect and analyse intelligence and information concerning national security.

- Investigate acts or activities endangering national security, and conduct intelligence-led operations with a view to preventing and deterring acts and activities endangering national security.

- Enhance communication and cooperation with all national security safeguarding government bodies and other relevant stakeholders, and enlist public trust and support for the roles and responsibilities of Police in safeguarding national security through raising the public awareness of national security.

VIOLENT CRIME

- Ensure effective deployment of resources to deter violent crime, particularly at high-risk locations.

- Target violent crime, particularly cases involving firearms or explosive devices; and by strengthening the exchange of intelligence with other law enforcement agencies to combat infiltration of firearms.

- Strengthen intelligence-led operations against street gangs and their activities, particularly those involving youths.

TRIADS, SYNDICATED AND ORGANISED CRIME

Triads

- Target triad personalities and activities, in particular those exploiting youths, by mounting intelligence-led and undercover operations.

Syndicated and Organised Crime

- Target personalities and activities associated with syndicated or organised crime, including syndicated robbery, burglary, illegal immigration and smuggling activities.

- Strengthen the exchange of intelligence with other law enforcement agencies to identify and target cross-boundary and transnational syndicated or organised crime.

Crime Proceeds and Money Laundering

- Take proactive measures to investigate and confiscate proceeds of crime.

- Target and investigate money laundering activities.

DANGEROUS DRUGS

Trafficking

- Enhance cooperation with other law enforcement agencies to interdict the flow of illicit drugs into Hong Kong.

- Target drug traffickers, especially those exploiting students and youths.

- Take proactive measures to investigate and confiscate proceeds of drug trafficking.

Abuse by Students and Youths

- Promote awareness and prevent the abuse of drugs by students and youths through a multi-agency and community-based approach.

DECEPTION AND QUICK CASH CRIME

- Enhance public awareness and secure support through public-private partnership and multi-agency approach to prevent deception and quick cash crime, particularly telephone, Internet and social media deception.

- Target criminal groups and cross-boundary/transnational syndicates involved in deception through joint efforts with relevant government bureaux/departments and other law enforcement agencies, supported by the Anti-Deception Coordination Centre.

- Ensure strategic deployment of resources to blackspots of quick cash crime; and take proactive measures, including intervention with potential victims, cyber patrol, and collaboration with relevant stakeholders, in particular the financial and information technology industry, against emerging trends of deception.

CYBER SECURITY AND TECHNOLOGY CRIME

- Enhance public awareness of cyber security, as well as the risks and liabilities associated with the Internet and social media through a multi-agency approach.

- Enhance cooperation with other law enforcement agencies and stakeholders to target technology crime and mitigate cyber threats.

- Strengthen coordination and sharing of expertise in investigating technology crime.

- Take proactive measures to investigate and gather intelligence for tackling technology crime and cyber attack.

PUBLIC SAFETY

Public Disorder

- Strengthen public awareness about the importance of being law abiding through cooperation with different stakeholders, including government bureaux/departments, schools and non-governmental organisations (NGOs).

- Enhance Police preparedness, readiness and capability in dealing with all scales of public disorder.

- Provide rapid and effective response to all scales of public disorder.

- Enhance cooperation with different stakeholders, including government bureaux/departments, private entities, schools and NGOs, and enlist their support in maintaining and restoring public order and safety during and after any incidents of public disorder.

Public Events

- Strengthen public trust, understanding of, and support for, the roles and responsibilities of Police in maintaining national security, public order and safety for the community, in particular among youths.

- Engage organisers, the media and other stakeholders of public events to enhance mutual understanding and enlist their support.

- Ensure public events, large-scale sports, entertainment and celebration events are held in a safe and orderly manner, through proactive engagement and coordination with relevant stakeholders, including event organisers, venue operators and different government bureaux/departments for effective planning and execution.

- Strengthen intelligence-led operations against groups and/or individuals causing or threatening to use violence during public events, and take resolute action to interdict such activities.

Road Safety

- Reduce fatal and serious accidents, particularly those involving public transport, cycling, motorcycles and goods vehicles, through a multi-agency approach.

- Deter drink driving, drug driving, speeding and illegal road racing.

- Promote safe cycling, and pedestrian safety with particular emphasis on elderly.

- Ensure smooth traffic flow through application of the Selected Traffic Enforcement Priorities (STEP) and the use of technology.

Major Incidents and Extreme Weather

- Ensure preparedness for major incidents and extreme weather situation by conducting regular multi-agency exercises to test and improve contingency plans.

- Provide a professional, coordinated and rapid response (including rescue and evacuation) through cooperation among government bureaux/departments and engagement with stakeholders community-wide.

- Enhance recovery capabilities through a multi-agency approach to ensure timely completion of on-site police action and re-opening of affected areas.

TERRORISM

Prevention

- Under the HKSAR's 'Three-tier Prevention Framework', strengthen intelligence gathering and counter-terrorism capability to deter and prevent terrorist activities through the cooperation and coordination of the Inter-Departmental Counter Terrorism Unit, and collaboration with government bureaux/departments and other agencies.

- Enhance public awareness of situation of terrorism including that of domestic terrorism and self-radicalisation, emphasising roles of the public in the prevention and reporting of terrorism-related activities.

- Strengthen the protection and resilience of critical infrastructure and other identified specific locations through a public-private partnership.

- Enhance capabilities to counter the growing threat of cyber terrorism and domestic terrorism.

Preparedness

- Conduct regular training and multi-agency exercises to test and improve contingency plans.

- Enhance public participation and preparedness against terrorist and violent attacks.

Response

- Deploy counter-terrorism resources strategically to ensure a rapid, effective and coordinated response.

Recovery

- Enhance recovery capabilities to ensure rapid restoration of normality and community confidence following a terrorist incident.

POLICING OF THE 15TH NATIONAL GAMES

- Ensure the 15th National Games and the related events are held in a safe, orderly and secure manner.

- Adopt a multi-agency approach to provide an effective operational strategy and facilitate the effective deployment of resources to manage the Games.