

**Tuen Mun District State of Crime Report for Tuen Mun District Council Meeting**  
**Covering Period from August to September 2013**  
**Submission by Tuen Mun Police District**

**I. GENERAL SITUATION**

**1. Overall Crime**

Period	Total	Detection Rate (%)
<b>AUG – SEP 2013</b>	<b>636</b>	<b>39.6%</b>
AUG – SEP 2012	750	42.1%
<b>Jan - Sep 2013</b>	<b>2,778</b>	<b>45.5%</b>
Jan – Sep 2012	3,300	44%

- (1) There were 636 reported crimes in AUG – SEP 2013, a decrease of 15.2% compared with 750 in AUG – SEP 2012. The decrease in reported crimes was mainly in cases of Miscellaneous Thefts (-62 / -29.5%), Violent Crime (-53 / -30.5%), Wounding and Serious Assault (-19 / -23.5%), Domestic Violence Crimes (-13 / -41.9%) and Robbery (-8 / -80%). The offences that increased included Deception (+17 / +34.7%), Technology Crimes (+10 / +38.5%), Burglary (+7 / +46.7%) and Triad-related Crimes (+6 / +31.6%),.
- (2) The detection rate in AUG – SEP 2013 was 39.6%, compared with 42.1% in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (3) There were 2,778 reported crimes in Jan - Sep 2013, a decrease of 15.8% compared with 3,300 in Jan - Sep 2012. The overall crime situation remains stable.
- (4) The detection rate in Jan - Sep 2013 was 45.5%, compared with 44% in Jan - Sep 2012.
- (5) When comparing Jan – Sep with the same period in 2012, the decrease in reported crimes was mainly due to the decrease in cases of Miscellaneous Thefts (-169 / -21.2%), Violent Crime (-107 / -15.6%), Debt-collection Related Crimes (-50 / -43.5%), Deception (-30 / -11.5%) and Pickpocketing (-24 / -38.7%). The offences with an increase include Technology Crimes (+33 / +31.7%), Serious Narcotics Offences (+21 / +22.8%), Wounding and Serious Assault (+12 / +3.7%) and Missing Motor Vehicles (+12 / +92.3%). Please see the crime statistics table attached.

## 2. Violent Crime<sup>1</sup>

Period	Total	Detection Rate (%)
<b>AUG – SEP 2013</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>57%</b>
AUG – SEP 2012	174	65.5%
<b>Jan - Sep 2013</b>	<b>580</b>	<b>66%</b>
Jan – Sep 2012	687	68.4%

- (1) There were 121 violent crimes in AUG – SEP 2013, a decrease of 30.5% compared with 174 in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (2) The detection rate in AUG – SEP 2013 was 57%, compared with 65.5% in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (3) There were 580 violent crimes in Jan - Sep 2013, a decrease of 15.6% compared with 687 in Jan - Sep 2012.
- (4) The detection rate in Jan - Sep 2013 was 66%, compared with 68.4% in Jan - Sep 2012.

## II. SELECTED KEY CRIMES

### 3. All Robbery

Period	Total
<b>AUG – SEP 2013</b>	<b>2</b>
AUG – SEP 2012	10
<b>Jan - Sep 2013</b>	<b>13</b>
Jan – Sep 2012	24

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<sup>1</sup> Includes homicide, rape, indecent assault, wounding, serious assault, robbery, kidnapping, blackmail, criminal intimidation and arson.

- (1) There were 2 robberies in AUG – SEP 2013, representing a decrease of 80% compared with 10 in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (2) Both cases were street robberies.
- (3) There were 13 robberies in Jan - Sep 2013, a decrease of 45.8% compared with 24 in Jan - Sep 2012.

#### 4. **Burglary**

Period	Total
<b>AUG – SEP 2013</b>	<b>22</b>
AUG – SEP 2012	15
<b>Jan - Sep 2013</b>	<b>92</b>
Jan – Sep 2012	105

- (1) There were 22 burglaries in AUG – SEP 2013, an increase of 46.7% compared with 15 in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (2) There were 92 burglaries in Jan - Sep 2013, a decrease of 12.4% compared with 105 in Jan - Sep 2012.
- (3) Types of premises involved in burglary between AUG – SEP 2013 : -

Premises Types	Tuen Mun Division	Castle Peak Division	Tuen Mun District
Village house	12	2	14
Public Estate/HOS	1	3	4
Private residential	1	1	2
Shop/Restaurant/Market	1	0	1
Commercial/Industrial	0	0	0
Others	1	0	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>22</b>

- (4) There has been a significant increase in the numbers of village houses burgled in both Tuen Mun and Castle Peak Divisions during August and September 2013 at Yick Yuen Tsuen, Tseng Tau Chung Tsuen and Chung Uk Tsuen. Increased police patrol have been mounted and advice given to residents to improve security.

## 5. Wounding and Serious Assault

Period	Total
<b>AUG – SEP 2013</b>	<b>62</b>
AUG – SEP 2012	81
<b>Jan - Sep 2013</b>	<b>340</b>
Jan – Sep 2012	328

(1) There were 62 wounding and serious assault cases in AUG – SEP 2013, a decrease of 23.5% compared with 81 in AUG – SEP 2012.

(2) Breakdown by causes of wounding and serious assault between AUG – SEP 2013 :-

Period	Domestic / Family Violence	Triad Related	Minor Dispute	Unknown	Drunk / Emotion	Others	Total
<b>AUG – SEP 2013</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>62</b>
AUG – SEP 2012	23	10	37	6	1	4	81

(3) There were 340 wounding and serious assault cases in Jan - Sep 2013, an increase of 3.7% compared with 328 in Jan - Sep 2012.

## 6. Serious Narcotics Offences

Period	Total
<b>AUG – SEP 2013</b>	<b>23</b>
AUG – SEP 2012	23
<b>Jan - Sep 2013</b>	<b>113</b>
Jan – Sep 2012	92

## Offenders Arrested for Serious Narcotics Offences

Period	Offenders Arrested for Serious Narcotics Offences		
	Total	Juveniles (Aged 10 - 15)	Young Persons (Aged 16 - 20)
<b>AUG – SEP 2013</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>
AUG – SEP 2012	24	1	1
<b>Jan - Sep 2013</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>26</b>
Jan – Sep 2012	114	2	19

- (1) There were 23 cases of serious narcotics offences in AUG – SEP 2013, same as in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (2) There were 21 cases of serious narcotics offences involving psychotropic substances, a decrease of 4.5% compared with 22 cases in AUG – SEP 2012. There were 2 cases of serious narcotics offences involving heroin in AUG – SEP 2013, an increase of 100% compared with 1 in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (3) In AUG – SEP 2013, cases involving heroin and psychotropic substances accounted for 8.7% and 91.3% respectively of all serious narcotics offences, compared to 4.3% and 95.7% respectively in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (4) Ketamine is still the most popular drug abused in Hong Kong.
- (5) 28 offenders were arrested for serious narcotics offences in AUG – SEP 2013, an increase of 16.7% compared with 24 in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (6) One juvenile (aged between 10 and 15) was arrested for serious narcotics offences in AUG – SEP 2013, same as in AUG – SEP 2012. 5 young persons (aged between 16 and 20) were arrested for serious narcotics offences in AUG – SEP 2013, an increase of 400% compared with the one young person arrested in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (7) There were 113 cases of serious narcotics offences in Jan - Sep 2013, an increase of 22.8% compared with 92 in Jan - Sep 2012.
- (8) 141 offenders were arrested for serious narcotics offences in Jan - Sep 2013, an increase of 23.7% compared with 114 in Jan - Sep 2012.

- (9) 4 juveniles (aged between 10 and 15) were arrested for serious narcotics offences in Jan - Sep 2013, an increase of 100% compared with 2 in Jan - Sep 2012. 26 young persons (aged between 16 and 20) were arrested for serious narcotics offences in Jan - Sep 2013, an increase of 36.8% compared with 19 in Jan - Sep 2012.

## 7. Theft Related Offences

- a) Snatching
- b) Pickpocketing
- c) Shop Theft
- d) Miscellaneous Theft
- e) Theft from Vehicle
- f) Motor Vehicles Reported Missing

Period	Snatching	Pickpocketing	Shop Theft	Miscellaneous Thefts	Theft from Vehicle	Motor Vehicles Reported Missing
<b>AUG – SEP 2013</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>
AUG – SEP 2012	3	5	77	210	13	4
<b>Jan - Sep 2013</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>628</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>25</b>
Jan – Sep 2012	6	62	434	797	52	13

- (1) There were 2 snatching cases in AUG – SEP 2013, a decrease of 33.3% compared with 3 in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (2) There were 8 snatching cases in Jan - Sep 2013, an increase of 33.3% compared with 6 in Jan - Sep 2012.
- (3) There were 8 pickpocketing cases in AUG – SEP 2013, an increase of 60% compared with 5 in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (4) There were 38 pickpocketing cases in Jan - Sep 2013, a decrease of 38.7% compared with 62 in Jan - Sep 2012.

	Pickpocketing cases in Tuen Mun District													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Annual*
<b>2013</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>				<b>38</b>	
2012	7	14	8	12	6	5	5	2	3				<b>62</b>	<b>80</b>

*\* figures from Statistic Office*

- (5) There were 79 shop thefts in AUG – SEP 2013, an increase of 2.6% compared with 77 cases in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (6) There were 426 shop thefts in Jan - Sep 2013, a decrease of 1.8% compared with 434 cases in Jan - Sep 2012.
- (7) There were 148 miscellaneous thefts in AUG – SEP 2013, a decrease of 29.5% compared with 210 cases in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (8) There were 628 miscellaneous thefts in Jan - Sep 2013, a decrease of 21.2% compared with 797 cases in Jan - Sep 2012.
- (9) There were 8 cases of theft from vehicle in AUG – SEP 2013, a decrease of 38.5% compared with 13 in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (10) There were 32 cases of theft from vehicle in Jan - Sep 2013, a decrease of 38.5% compared with 52 in Jan - Sep 2012.
- (11) 8 motor vehicles were reported missing in AUG – SEP 2013, an increase of 100% compared with 4 in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (12) Type of missing vehicles between AUG – SEP 2013 :

<b>Vehicle Type</b>	<b>No. of vehicle</b>	<b>Located</b>
Motorcycle	2	0
Private Car	3	2
Light Goods Vehicle	3	0
Public Light Bus	0	0
Taxi	0	0
Medium Goods Vehicle	0	0

- (13) 25 motor vehicles were reported missing in Jan - Sep 2013, an increase of 92.3% compared with 13 in Jan - Sep 2012.

## 8. Deception

Period	Total
<b>AUG – SEP 2013</b>	<b>66</b>
AUG – SEP 2012	49
<b>Jan - Sep 2013</b>	<b>232</b>
Jan – Sep 2012	262

- (1) There were 66 deception cases in AUG – SEP 2013, an increase of 34.7% compared with 49 in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (2) There were 232 deception cases in Jan - Sep 2013, a decrease of 11.5% compared with 262 in Jan - Sep 2012.
- (3) There were 25 telephone deception cases in AUG – SEP 2013, the usual method used by culprits were ‘pretending as victim’s relative or friend’ and ‘claiming to be detained due to involvement of vice activities or indebtedness’. There were 6 cases in which the culprits successfully deceived the victims and the total amount lost was HK\$170,364.
- (4) There were 66 telephone deception cases in Jan - Sep 2013, representing a decrease of 48 cases (-42.1%) when compared with 114 in the same period in 2012.

2013	Telephone deception cases in Tuen Mun District												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
<b>Reported cases</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>5</b>				<b>66</b>
<b>Successful deceived</b>	5	1	4	2	0	1	2	4	2				<b>21</b>

2012	Telephone deception cases in Tuen Mun District												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
<b>Reported cases</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>139</b>
<b>Successful deceived</b>	1	6	4	3	5	4	4	4	2	3	3	1	<b>40</b>



## 9. Triad Related Crime<sup>2</sup>

Period	Blackmail & Criminal Intimidation	Wounding & Serious Assault	Unlawful Society Offences	Others	Total
<b>AUG – SEP 2013</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>25</b>
AUG – SEP 2012	1	10	4	4	19
<b>Jan - Sep 2013</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>95</b>
Jan – Sep 2012	11	43	16	33	103

- (1) There were 25 triad-related crimes in AUG – SEP 2013, an increase of 31.6% compared with 19 in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (2) There were 95 triad-related crimes in Jan - Sep 2013, a decrease of 7.8% compared with 103 in Jan - Sep 2012.

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<sup>2</sup> Cases arising from triad activities or involving arrested persons who are of triad background are generally referred as triad related crimes. Triad-related crimes normally surface in the form of: Unlawful Society Offences, Wounding and Serious Assault, Blackmail, Criminal Intimidation, Arson and Criminal Damage etc.

## 10. Domestic Violence

Period	Domestic Violence <sup>3</sup>			Domestic Incident <sup>4</sup>
	Crime Cases	Miscellaneous Cases	Total	
<b>AUG – SEP 2013</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>191</b>
AUG – SEP 2012	31	8	39	196
<b>Jan - Sep 2013</b>	<b>90</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>853</b>
Jan – Sep 2012	105	51	156	813

- (1) 27 domestic violence cases were handled by the Police in AUG – SEP 2013, a decrease of 30.8% compared with 39 in AUG – SEP 2012. Of the 27 cases in AUG – SEP 2013, 18 were crime cases, a decrease of 41.9% compared with 31 crime cases in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (2) 121 domestic violence cases were handled by the Police in Jan - Sep 2013, a decrease of 22.4% compared with 156 in Jan - Sep 2012. Of the 121 cases in Jan - Sep 2013, 90 were crime cases, a decrease of 14.3% compared with 105 crime cases in Jan - Sep 2012.
- (3) 191 domestic incident cases were handled by the Police in AUG – SEP 2013, a decrease of 2.6% compared with 196 in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (4) 853 domestic incident cases were handled by the Police in Jan - Sep 2013, an increase of 4.9% compared with 813 in Jan - Sep 2012.

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3 For the purpose of police intervention, domestic violence is defined as any incident involving an assault, or a breach of the peace between parties who can generally be described as married or having a family relationship. This includes couples who are married, separated or divorced, and co-habitants or lovers having a lasting relationship. Miscellaneous cases refer to incidents of dispute, requests for Police assistance / investigation, etc. that involve a breach of the peace.

4 Domestic Incident refers to all cases of trouble, which have not developed into actual violence (e.g. requests for police assistance, drunkenness, etc.). This classification was introduced in January 2009 to facilitate identification of problem couples or partners for early intervention. Like other Domestic Violence categories, Domestic Incidents are included in the “Enhanced Central Domestic Violence Database” which has a system to alert investigating officer of cases of potential risk for early referral to Social Welfare Department for assistance. The existing definitions and handling procedures of Domestic Violence crime and miscellaneous cases remain unchanged.

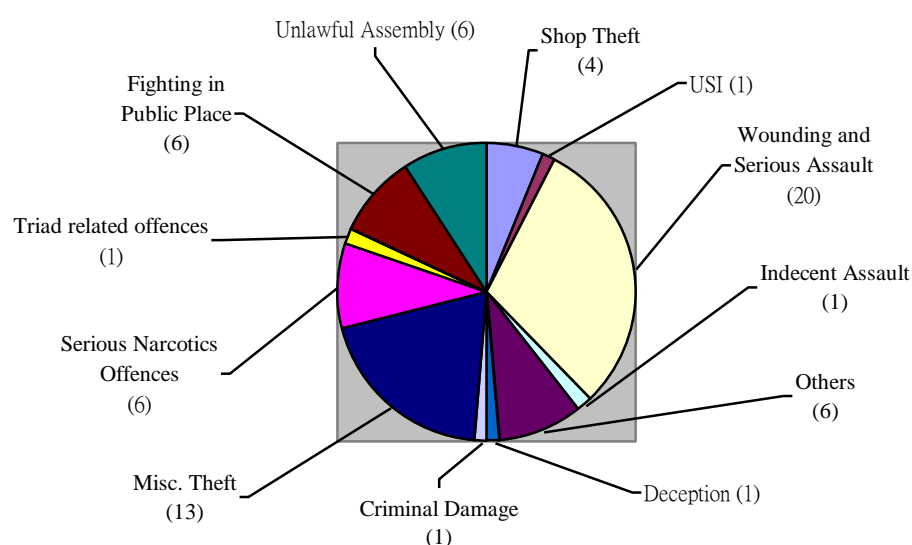
## 11. Youth Crime Arrest

- a) Juveniles (aged 10-15)
- b) Young Persons (aged 16-20)

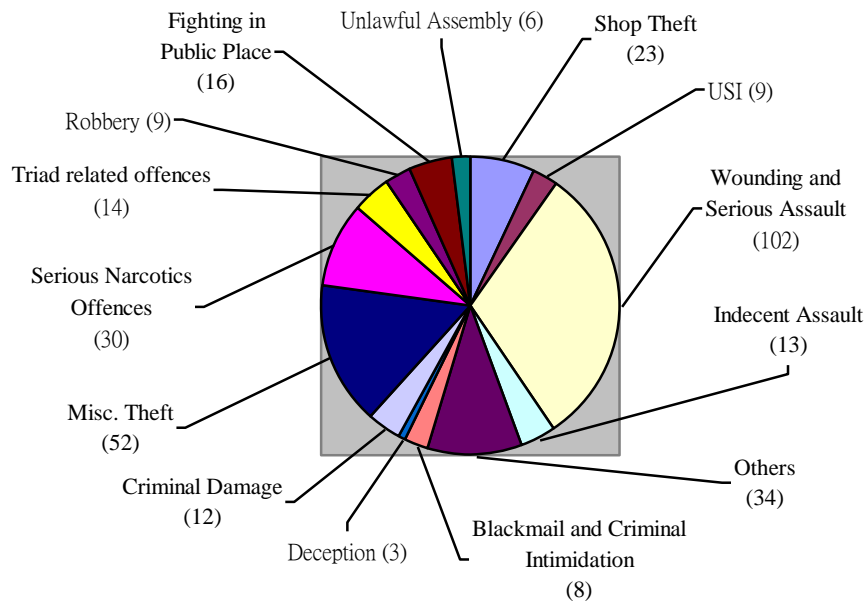
### Number of Offenders Arrested for Crime

Period	Number of Offenders Arrested for Crime	Juveniles (Aged 10-15)	Young Persons (Aged 16-20)
<b>AUG – SEP 2013</b>	<b>349</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>42</b>
AUG – SEP 2012	361	31	49
<b>Jan - Sep 2013</b>	<b>1,568</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>183</b>
Jan – Sep 2012	1,682	171	233

- (1) 349 offenders were arrested for crime in AUG – SEP 2013, a decrease of 3.3% compared with 361 in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (2) 24 juveniles (aged between 10 and 15) were arrested for crime in AUG – SEP 2013, a decrease of 22.6% compared with 31 in AUG – SEP 2012. 42 young persons (aged between 16 and 20) were arrested for crime in AUG – SEP 2013, a decrease of 14.3% compared with 49 in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (3) Crimes Committed by Juvenile and Youth in Tuen Mun Police District between AUG – SEP 2013.



- (4) 1,568 offenders were arrested for crime in Jan - Sep 2013, a decrease of 6.8% compared with 1,682 in Jan - Sep 2012.
- (5) 148 juveniles (aged between 10 and 15) were arrested for crime in Jan - Sep 2013, a decrease of 13.5% compared with 171 in Jan - Sep 2012. 183 young persons (aged between 16 and 20) were arrested for crime in Jan - Sep 2013, a decrease of 21.5% compared with 233 in Jan - Sep 2012.
- (6) Crimes Committed by Juvenile and Youth in Tuen Mun Police District between Jan - Sep 2013.



- (7) The figures of juveniles and young offenders are not an indicator of the actual level of crimes involving juveniles and young persons, but only detected crimes known to involve juveniles and young persons.

### III. OTHER CRIMES OF DISTRICT'S CONCERN

#### 12. Debt-collection Related Crimes

Period	Total
<b>AUG – SEP 2013</b>	<b>21</b>
AUG – SEP 2012	24
<b>Jan - Sep 2013</b>	<b>65</b>
Jan – Sep 2012	115

- (1) There were 21 debt-collection related crimes in AUG – SEP 2013, a decrease of 12.5% compared with 24 in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (2) There were 65 debt-collection related crimes in Jan - Sep 2013, a decrease of 43.5% compared with 115 in Jan - Sep 2012.

#### 13. Indecent Assault

Period	Total
<b>AUG – SEP 2013</b>	<b>18</b>
AUG – SEP 2012	24
<b>Jan - Sep 2013</b>	<b>86</b>
Jan – Sep 2012	91

- (1) There were 18 indecent assault cases in AUG – SEP 2013, representing a decrease of 25% compared with 24 in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (2) There were 86 indecent assault cases in Jan - Sep 2013, a decrease of 5.5% compared with 91 in Jan - Sep 2012.

#### 14. Technology Crimes<sup>5</sup>

Period	Total
<b>AUG – SEP 2013</b>	<b>36</b>
AUG – SEP 2012	26
<b>Jan - Sep 2013</b>	<b>137</b>
Jan – Sep 2012	104

- (1) There were 36 technology crimes in AUG – SEP 2013, an increase of 38.5% compared with 26 in AUG – SEP 2012.
- (2) There were 137 technology crimes in Jan - Sep 2013, an increase of 31.7% compared with 104 in Jan - Sep 2012.

#### IV. OTHER MATTERS OF INTEREST OR CASE HIGHLIGHTS

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<sup>5</sup> For ease of reference and in order to maintain accurate Force Statistics on cyber crime trends, technology crime offences are grouped into four main categories : (a) online game related offences; (b) unauthorized access to computer (e.g. computer hacking, Internet/email account abuse); (c) online business fraud (e.g. e-auction fraud, online shopping fraud, credit card misuse, etc); and (d) others (e.g. child pornography, sexual offences and criminal intimidation, etc).