

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

**I. GENERAL SITUATION**

**1. Overall Crime**

Period	Total	Detection Rate (%)
<b>OCT – NOV 2013</b>	<b>677</b>	<b>41.2%</b>
OCT – NOV 2012	708	38.1%
<b>Jan - Nov 2013</b>	<b>3,455</b>	<b>44.7%</b>
Jan – Nov 2012	4,008	42.9%

- (1) There were 677 reported crimes in OCT – NOV 2013, a decrease of 4.4% compared with 708 in OCT – NOV 2012. The decrease in reported crimes was mainly in cases of :

- Miscellaneous Thefts (-51 / -26%);
- Wounding and Serious Assault (-18 / -24%);
- Triad-related Crimes (-12 / -44.4%);
- Burglary (-8 / -22.2%); and
- Violent Crime (-8 / -6%).

The offences that increased included :

- Shop Theft (+20 / +27.8%);
- Pickpocketing (+18 / +257.1%); and
- Technology Crimes (+13 / +48.1%).

- (2) The detection rate in OCT – NOV 2013 was 41.2%, compared with 38.1% in OCT – NOV 2012.
- (3) There were 3,455 reported crimes in Jan - Nov 2013, a decrease of 13.8% compared with 4,008 in Jan - Nov 2012. The overall crime situation remains stable.
- (4) The detection rate in Jan - Nov 2013 was 44.7%, compared with 42.9% in Jan - Nov 2012.

- (5) When comparing Jan – Nov with the same period in 2012, the decrease in reported crimes was mainly due to the decrease in cases of Miscellaneous Thefts (-220 / -22.2%), Violent Crime (-115 / -14%), Debt-collection Related Crimes (-51 / -38.9%), Deception (-21 / -6.5%), Burglary (-21 / -14.9%), Theft from Vehicle (-20 / -29.4%) and Triad-related Crimes (-20 / -15.4%). The offences with an increase include Technology Crimes (+46 / +35.1%), Serious Narcotics Offences (+19 / +15.6%), Missing Motor Vehicles (+18 / +94.7%) and Shop Theft (+12 / +2.4%). Please see the crime statistics table attached.

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

Period	Total	Detection Rate (%)
<b>OCT – NOV 2013</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>53.6%</b>
OCT – NOV 2012	133	54.1%
<b>Jan - Nov 2013</b>	<b>705</b>	<b>63.8%</b>
Jan – Nov 2012	820	64.5%

- (1) There were 125 Violent Crimes in OCT – NOV 2013, a decrease of 6% compared with 133 in OCT – NOV 2012.
- (2) The detection rate in OCT – NOV 2013 was 53.6%, compared with 54.1% in OCT – NOV 2012.
- (3) There were 705 Violent Crimes in Jan - Nov 2013, a decrease of 14% compared with 820 in Jan - Nov 2012.
- (4) The detection rate in Jan - Nov 2013 was 63.8%, compared with 64.5% in Jan - Nov 2012.

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

## II. SELECTED KEY CRIMES

### 1. All Robbery

Period	Total
<b>OCT – NOV 2013</b>	<b>10</b>
OCT – NOV 2012	6
<b>Jan - Nov 2013</b>	<b>23</b>
Jan – Nov 2012	30

- (1) There were 10 Robberies in OCT – NOV 2013, representing an increase of 66.7% compared with 6 in OCT – NOV 2012.
- (2) 8 cases were street Robberies and the 2 others occurred inside a subway and a convenience store respectively.
- (3) Overall there were 23 Robberies in Jan - Nov 2013, a decrease of 23.3% compared with 30 in Jan - Nov 2012.
- (4) Most of the stolen properties were mobile phones and handbags.

### 2. Burglary

Period	Total
<b>OCT – NOV 2013</b>	<b>28</b>
OCT – NOV 2012	36
<b>Jan - Nov 2013</b>	<b>120</b>
Jan – Nov 2012	141

- (1) There were 28 Burglaries in OCT – NOV 2013, a decrease of 22.2% compared with 36 in OCT – NOV 2012.

(2) There were 120 Burglaries in Jan - Nov 2013, a decrease of 14.9% compared with 141 in Jan - Nov 2012.

(3) Types of premises burgled between OCT – NOV 2013 :-

Premises Types	Tuen Mun Division	Castle Peak Division	Tuen Mun District
Village house	10	9	19
Public Estate/HOS	1	0	1
Private residential	1	4	5
Shop/Restaurant/Market	0	0	0
Commercial/Industrial	0	1	1
Others	1	1	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>28</b>

(4) There has been a significant increase in the numbers of village houses burgled in both Tuen Mun and Castle Peak Divisions during October and November 2013 at Sha Po Kong, Pak Long, Tseng Tau Chung Tsuen and Nai Wai. Police stepped up patrol and gave advice to residents to improve security.

### 3. Wounding and Serious Assault

Period	Total
<b>OCT – NOV 2013</b>	<b>57</b>
OCT – NOV 2012	75
<b>Jan - Nov 2013</b>	<b>397</b>
Jan – Nov 2012	403

(1) There were 57 Wounding and Serious Assault cases in OCT – NOV 2013, a decrease of 24% compared with 75 in OCT – NOV 2012.

(2) Breakdown by causes of Wounding and Serious Assault between OCT – NOV 2013 :-

Period	Domestic / Family Violence	Triad Related	Minor Dispute	Unknown	Drunk / Emotion	Others	Total
<b>OCT – NOV 2013</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>57</b>
OCT – NOV 2012	7	13	38	8	7	2	75

- (3) There were 397 Wounding and Serious Assault cases in Jan - Nov 2013, a decrease of 1.5% compared with 403 in Jan - Nov 2012.

#### 6. Serious Narcotics Offences

Period	Total
<b>OCT - NOV 2013</b>	<b>28</b>
OCT - NOV 2012	30
<b>Jan - Nov 2013</b>	<b>141</b>
Jan - Nov 2012	122

#### Offenders Arrested for Serious Narcotics Offences

Period	Offenders Arrested for Serious Narcotics Offences		
	Total	Juveniles (Aged 10 - 15)	Young Persons (Aged 16 - 20)
<b>OCT - NOV 2013</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>
OCT - NOV 2012	37	1	8
<b>Jan - Nov 2013</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>28</b>
Jan - Nov 2012	150	3	27

- (1) There were 28 cases of Serious Narcotics Offences in OCT - NOV 2013, a decrease of 6.7% compared with 30 in OCT - NOV 2012.
- (2) There were 26 cases of Serious Narcotics Offences involving Psychotropic substances, a decrease of 13.3% compared with 30 cases in OCT - NOV 2012. There were 2 cases of Serious Narcotics Offences involving Heroin in OCT - NOV 2013, an increase of 2 cases compared with none in OCT - NOV 2012.
- (3) In OCT - NOV 2013, cases involving Heroin and Psychotropic substances accounted for 7.1% and 92.9% respectively of all Serious Narcotics Offences, compared to 0% and 100% respectively in OCT - NOV 2012.

- (4) Ketamine is still the most popular drug abused in Hong Kong.
- (5) 34 offenders were arrested for Serious Narcotics Offences in OCT – NOV 2013, a decrease of 8.1% compared with 37 in OCT – NOV 2012.
- (6) No Juvenile (aged between 10 and 15) was arrested for Serious Narcotics Offences in OCT – NOV 2013, a decrease of 100% compared with one in OCT – NOV 2012. 2 Young Persons (aged between 16 and 20) were arrested for Serious Narcotics Offences in OCT – NOV 2013, a decrease of 75% compared with 8 in OCT – NOV 2012.
- (7) There were 141 cases of Serious Narcotics Offences in Jan - Nov 2013, an increase of 15.6% compared with 122 in Jan - Nov 2012.
- (8) 175 offenders were arrested for Serious Narcotics Offences in Jan - Nov 2013, an increase of 16.7% compared with 150 in Jan - Nov 2012.
- (9) 4 Juveniles (aged between 10 and 15) were arrested for Serious Narcotics Offences in Jan - Nov 2013, an increase of 33.3% compared with 3 in Jan - Nov 2012. 28 Young Persons (aged between 16 and 20) were arrested for Serious Narcotics Offences in Jan - Nov 2013, an increase of 3.7% compared with 27 in Jan - Nov 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>OCT – NOV 2013</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>92</b>	<b>145</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>12</b>
OCT – NOV 2012	2	7	72	196	16	6
<b>Jan - Nov 2013</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>518</b>	<b>773</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>37</b>
Jan – Nov 2012	8	69	506	993	68	19

a) Snatching

There were 9 Snatching cases in OCT – NOV 2013, an increase of 350% compared with 2 in OCT – NOV 2012.

One Chinese male aged 30 was arrested for Loitering with intent on 30<sup>th</sup> October 2013. Upon investigation, he also admitted to have committed 2 cases of Snatching in Tuen Mun District and was charged with all 3 offences.

There were 17 Snatching cases in Jan - Nov 2013, an increase of 112.5% compared with 8 in Jan - Nov 2012.

b) Pickpocketing

There were 25 Pickpocketing cases in OCT – NOV 2013, an increase of 257.1% compared with 7 in OCT – NOV 2012. Black spots continue to be San Hui Market, V City and other crowded Shopping Malls.

There were 63 Pickpocketing cases in Jan - Nov 2013, a decrease of 8.7% compared with 69 in Jan - Nov 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>11</b>	<b>14</b>		<b>63</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>2012</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>		<b>69</b>	<b>80</b>

*\* figures from Statistic Office*

c) Shop Theft

There were 92 Shop Thefts in OCT – NOV 2013, an increase of 27.8% compared with 72 cases in OCT – NOV 2012.

There were 518 Shop Thefts in Jan - Nov 2013, an increase of 2.4% compared with 506 cases in Jan - Nov 2012.

d) Miscellaneous Thefts

There were 145 Miscellaneous Thefts in OCT – NOV 2013, a decrease of 26% compared with 196 cases in OCT – NOV 2012.

There were 773 Miscellaneous Thefts in Jan - Nov 2013, a decrease of 22.2% compared with 993 cases in Jan - Nov 2012.

e) Theft From Vehicle

There were 16 cases of Theft From Vehicle in OCT – NOV 2013, same as in OCT – NOV 2012.

There were 48 cases of Theft From Vehicle in Jan - Nov 2013, a decrease of 29.4% compared with 68 in Jan - Nov 2012.

f) Stolen Vehicles

12 motor vehicles were reported missing in OCT – NOV 2013, an increase of 100% compared with 6 in OCT – NOV 2012.

Vehicles stolen between OCT – NOV 2013 included :

<b>Vehicle Type</b>	<b>No. of vehicle</b>	<b>Located</b>
Motorcycle	1	0
Private Car	4	1
Light Goods Vehicle	7	2
Public Light Bus	0	0
Taxi	0	0
Medium Goods Vehicle	0	0

37 motor vehicles were reported missing in Jan - Nov 2013, an increase of 94.7% compared with 19 in Jan - Nov 2012. The vehicles stolen were mainly taken from parking meter on the roadside or open space carpark.



## 8. Deception

Period	Total
<b>OCT – NOV 2013</b>	<b>70</b>
OCT – NOV 2012	61
<b>Jan - Nov 2013</b>	<b>302</b>
Jan – Nov 2012	323

- (1) There were 70 Deception cases in OCT – NOV 2013, an increase of 14.8% compared with 61 in OCT – NOV 2012.
- (2) There were 302 Deception cases in Jan - Nov 2013, a decrease of 6.5% compared with 323 in Jan - Nov 2012.
- (3) There were 29 Telephone Deception cases in OCT – NOV 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 12 cases in which the culprits successfully deceived the victims and the total amount lost was HK\$488,985.
- (4) There were 95 Telephone Deception cases in Jan - Nov 2013, a decrease of 28.6% compared with 133 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>18</b>	<b>11</b>		<b>95</b>
<b>Successful deceived</b>	5	1	4	2	0	1	2	4	2	6	6		<b>33</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>OCT – NOV 2013</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>15</b>
OCT – NOV 2012	6	13	5	3	27
<b>Jan - Nov 2013</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>110</b>
Jan – Nov 2012	17	56	21	36	130

- (1) There were 15 Triad-related crimes in OCT – NOV 2013, a decrease of 44.4% compared with 27 in OCT – NOV 2012.
- (2) There were 110 Triad-related crimes in Jan - Nov 2013, a decrease of 15.4% compared with 130 in Jan - Nov 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 <sup>4</sup> Incident
	Crime Cases	Miscellaneous Cases	Total	
<b>OCT – NOV 2013</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>185</b>
OCT – NOV 2012	18	13	31	161
<b>Jan - Nov 2013</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>148</b>	<b>1,038</b>
Jan – Nov 2012	123	64	187	974

- (1) 27 Domestic Violence cases were handled by the Police in OCT – NOV 2013, a decrease of 12.9% compared with 31 in OCT – NOV 2012. Of the 27 cases in OCT – NOV 2013, 20 were crime cases, an increase of 11.1% compared with 18 crime cases in OCT – NOV 2012.
- (2) 148 Domestic Violence cases were handled by the Police in Jan - Nov 2013, a decrease of 20.9% compared with 187 in Jan - Nov 2012. Of the 148 cases in Jan - Nov 2013, 110 were crime cases, a decrease of 10.6% compared with 123 crime cases in Jan - Nov 2012.
- (3) 185 Domestic Incident cases were handled by the Police in OCT – NOV 2013, an increase of 14.9% compared with 161 in OCT – NOV 2012.
- (4) 1,038 Domestic Incident cases were handled by the Police in Jan - Nov 2013, an increase of 6.6% compared with 974 in Jan - Nov 2012.

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<sup>3</sup> 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.

<sup>4</sup> 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)

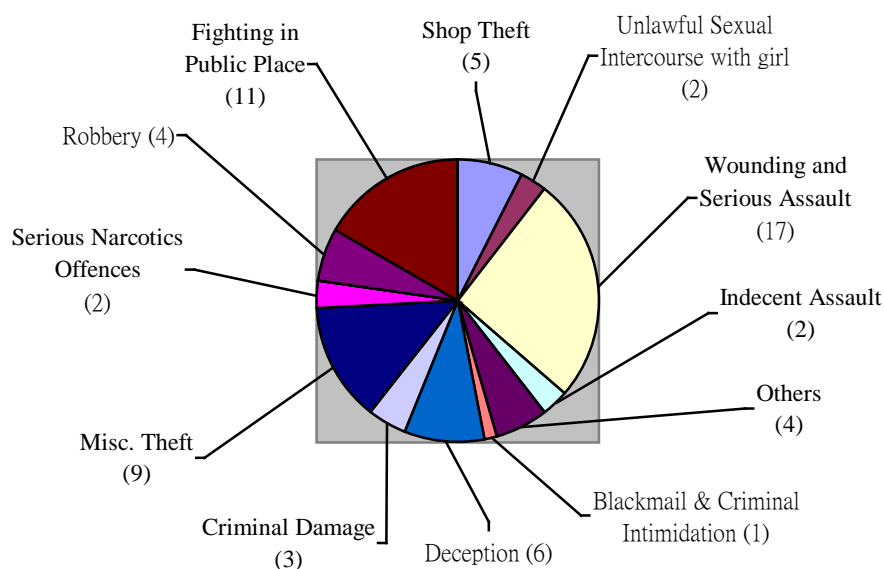
### Number of Offenders Arrested for Crime

Period	Number of Offenders Arrested for Crime	Juveniles (Aged 10-15)	Young Persons (Aged 16-20)
<b>OCT - NOV 2013</b>	<b>361</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>44</b>
OCT - NOV 2012	373	32	55
<b>Jan - Nov 2013</b>	<b>1,929</b>	<b>170</b>	<b>227</b>
Jan - Nov 2012	2,055	203	288

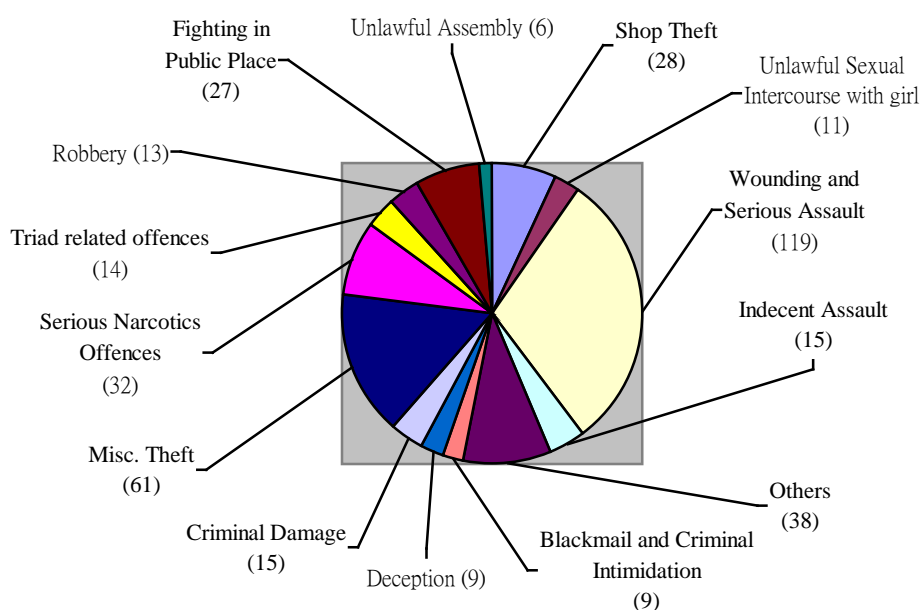
(1) 361 offenders were arrested for crime in OCT - NOV 2013, a decrease of 3.2% compared with 373 in OCT - NOV 2012.

(2) 22 Juveniles (aged between 10 and 15) were arrested for crime in OCT - NOV 2013, a decrease of 31.3% compared with 32 in OCT - NOV 2012. 44 Young Persons (aged between 16 and 20) were arrested for crime in OCT - NOV 2013, a decrease of 20% compared with 55 in OCT - NOV 2012.

(3) Crimes Committed by Juvenile and Youth in Tuen Mun Police District between OCT - NOV 2013.



- (4) 1,929 offenders were arrested for crime in Jan - Nov 2013, a decrease of 6.1% compared with 2,055 in Jan - Nov 2012.
- (5) 170 Juveniles (aged between 10 and 15) were arrested for crime in Jan - Nov 2013, a decrease of 16.3% compared with 203 in Jan - Nov 2012. 227 Young Persons (aged between 16 and 20) were arrested for crime in Jan - Nov 2013, a decrease of 21.2% compared with 288 in Jan - Nov 2012.
- (6) Crimes Committed by Juvenile and Youth in Tuen Mun Police District between Jan - Nov 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>OCT – NOV 2013</b>	<b>15</b>
OCT – NOV 2012	16
<b>Jan - Nov 2013</b>	<b>80</b>
Jan – Nov 2012	131

- (1) There were 15 Debt Collection related crimes in OCT – NOV 2013, a decrease of 6.3% compared with 16 in OCT – NOV 2012.
- (2) There were 80 Debt Collection related crimes in Jan - Nov 2013, a decrease of 38.9% compared with 131 in Jan - Nov 2012.

#### 13. Indecent Assault

Period	Total
<b>OCT – NOV 2013</b>	<b>15</b>
OCT – NOV 2012	17
<b>Jan - Nov 2013</b>	<b>101</b>
Jan – Nov 2012	108

- (1) There were 15 Indecent Assault cases in OCT – NOV 2013, representing a decrease of 11.8% compared with 17 in OCT – NOV 2012. The majority of cases took place in the streets and inside LRT compartments.
- (2) There were 101 Indecent Assault cases in Jan - Nov 2013, a decrease of 6.5% compared with 108 in Jan - Nov 2012.

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

Period	Total
<b>OCT – NOV 2013</b>	<b>40</b>
OCT – NOV 2012	27
<b>Jan - Nov 2013</b>	<b>177</b>
Jan – Nov 2012	131

- (1) There were 40 Technology Crimes in OCT – NOV 2013, an increase of 48.1% compared with 27 in OCT – NOV 2012. The increases in Technology crimes were largely due to “Naked Chat” cases (+900%); Unauthorized access to computers (i.e. hacking of e-mail) (+233.3%); and On-line Game cases (+66.7%).
- (2) There were 177 Technology Crimes in Jan - Nov 2013, an increase of 35.1% compared with 131 in Jan - Nov 2012.

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

- Nil -

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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).