

Tuen Mun District State of Crime Report for Tuen Mun District Council Meeting
Covering Period from February to March 2015
Submission by Tuen Mun Police District

I. GENERAL SITUATION

1. Overall Crime

Period	Total	Detection Rate (%)
FEB - MAR 2015	599	41.7%
FEB - MAR 2014	520	44.6%
Jan - Mar 2015	891	44.3%
Jan - Mar 2014	820	44.9%

(1) There were 599 reported crimes in FEB - MAR 2015, an increase of 15.2% compared with 520 in FEB - MAR 2014. The increase was mainly due to the increase in report of :

- Shoptheft (+30 / +35.7%);
- Violent Crimes (+15 / +18.1%);
- Technology Crimes (+13 / +37.1%);
- Miscellaneous Thefts (+12 / +9.3%);
- Theft from Vehicle (+11 / +366.7%); and
- Wounding and Serious Assault (+9 / +22%).

Whilst the decrease in cases reported were :

- Pickpocketing (-12 / -80%);
- Burglary (-11 / -42.3%);
- Serious Narcotics Offences (-9 / -40.9%);
- Robbery (-4 / -100%);
- Snatching (-3 / -75 %); and
- Domestic Violence Crimes (-3 / -20%).

(2) The detection rate in FEB - MAR 2015 was 41.7%, compared with 44.6% in FEB - MAR 2014.

- (3) There were 891 reported crimes in Jan - Mar 2015, an increase of 8.7% compared with 820 in Jan - Mar 2014. The overall crime situation remains stable.
- (4) The detection rate in Jan - Mar 2015 was 44.3%, compared with 44.9% in Jan - Mar 2014.
- (5) When comparing Jan - Mar 2015 with Jan - Mar 2014, the increase in reported crimes was mainly due to the increase in :
- Shoptheft (+57 / +44.5%);
 - Technology Crimes (+24 / +45.3%);
 - Theft from Vehicle (+10 / +200%);
 - Violent Crimes (+10 / +7.8%); and
 - Missing Motor Vehicles (+9 / +300%).

Whilst the decrease in cases were :

- Burglary (-24 / -51.1%);
- Pickpocketing (-18 / -75%);
- Serious Narcotics Offences (-11 / - 33.3%);
- Domestic Violence Crimes (-10 / -41.7%); and
- Debt-collection Related Crimes (-8 / -38.1%).

Please see the crime statistics table attached.

2. Violent Crime¹

Period	Total	Detection Rate (%)
FEB - MAR 2015	98	54.1%
FEB - MAR 2014	83	55.4%
Jan - Mar 2015	138	57.2%
Jan - Mar 2014	128	61.7%

- (1) There were 98 Violent Crimes in FEB - MAR 2015, an increase of 18.1% compared with 83 in FEB - MAR 2014.

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

- (2) The detection rate in FEB - MAR 2015 was 54.1%, a decrease of 1.3% compared with 55.4% in FEB - MAR 2014.
- (3) There were 138 Violent Crimes in Jan - Mar 2015, an increase of 7.8% compared with 128 in Jan - Mar 2014.
- (4) The detection rate in Jan - Mar 2015 was 57.2%, compared with 61.7% in Jan - Mar 2014.

3. Homicide²

Period	Total
FEB - MAR 2015	0
FEB - MAR 2014	0
Jan - Mar 2015	0
Jan - Mar 2014	0

- (1) There was no case of Homicide in FEB - MAR 2015, same as in FEB - MAR 2014.
- (2) There was no case of Homicide in Jan - Mar 2015, same as in Jan - Mar 2014.

II. SELECTED KEY CRIMES

1. All Robbery

Period	Total
FEB - MAR 2015	0
FEB - MAR 2014	4
Jan - Mar 2015	0
Jan - Mar 2014	4

- (1) There was no Robberies in FEB - MAR 2015, representing a decrease of 100% compared with 4 in FEB - MAR 2014.

² Belongs to a type of violent crime.

- (2) Overall there was no Robberies in Jan - Mar 2015, a decrease of 100% compared with 4 in Jan - Mar 2014.

2. **Burglary**

Period	Total
FEB - MAR 2015	15
FEB - MAR 2014	26
Jan - Mar 2015	23
Jan - Mar 2014	47

- (1) There were 15 Burglaries in FEB - MAR 2015, a decrease of 42.3% compared with 26 in FEB - MAR 2014.
- (2) There were 23 Burglaries in Jan - Mar 2015, a decrease of 51.1% compared with 47 in Jan - Mar 2014.
- (3) Types of premises burgled between FEB - MAR 2015 : -

Premises Types	Tuen Mun Division	Castle Peak Division	Tuen Mun District
Village house	5	2	7
Public Estate/HOS	1	1	2
Private residential	2	4	6
Shop/Restaurant/Market	-	-	-
Commercial/Industrial	-	-	-
Others	-	-	-
Total	8	7	15

3. **Wounding and Serious Assault**

Period	Total
FEB - MAR 2015	50
FEB - MAR 2014	41
Jan - Mar 2015	72
Jan - Mar 2014	67

(1) There were 50 Wounding and Serious Assault cases in FEB - MAR 2015, an increase of 22% compared with 41 in FEB - MAR 2014.

(2) Breakdown by causes of Wounding and Serious Assault for FEB - MAR 2015: -

Period	Domestic / Family Violence	Triad Related	Minor Dispute	Unknown	Drunk / Emotion	Others	Total
FEB - MAR 2015	11	8	25	0	4	2	50
FEB - MAR 2014	11	4	19	1	1	5	41

(3) There were 72 Wounding and Serious Assault cases in Jan - Mar 2015, an increase of 7.5% compared with 67 in Jan - Mar 2014.

4. Serious Narcotics Offences

Period	Total
FEB - MAR 2015	13
FEB - MAR 2014	22
Jan - Mar 2015	22
Jan - Mar 2014	33

Offenders Arrested for Serious Narcotics Offences

Period	Offenders Arrested for Serious Narcotics Offences		
	Total	Juveniles (Aged 10 - 15)	Young Persons (Aged 16 - 20)
FEB - MAR 2015	16	1	2
FEB - MAR 2014	27	0	2
Jan - Mar 2015	27	3	7
Jan - Mar 2014	46	1	12

- (1) There were 13 cases of Serious Narcotics Offences in FEB - MAR 2015, a decrease of 40.9% compared with 22 in FEB - MAR 2014.
- (2) There were 13 cases of Serious Narcotics Offences involving Psychotropic substances, a decrease of 40.9% compared with 22 cases in FEB - MAR 2014.
- (3) In FEB - MAR 2015, cases involving Heroin and Psychotropic substances accounted for 0.0% and 100% respectively of all Serious Narcotics Offences, compared to 0.0% and 100% respectively in FEB - MAR 2014.
- (4) Ketamine is still the most popular drug of seizure.
- (5) 16 offenders were arrested for Serious Narcotics Offences in FEB - MAR 2015, a decrease of 40.7% compared with 27 in FEB - MAR 2014.
- (6) One Juvenile (aged between 10 and 15) was arrested for Serious Narcotics Offences in FEB - MAR 2015, but none in FEB - MAR 2014. 2 Young Persons (aged between 16 and 20) were arrested for Serious Narcotics Offences in FEB - MAR 2015, same as in FEB - MAR 2014.
- (7) There were 22 cases of Serious Narcotics Offences in Jan - Mar 2015, a decrease of 33.3% compared with 33 in Jan - Mar 2014.
- (8) 27 offenders were arrested for Serious Narcotics Offences in Jan - Mar 2015, a decrease of 41.3% compared with 46 in Jan - Mar 2014.
- (9) 3 Juveniles (aged between 10 and 15) were arrested for Serious Narcotics Offences in Jan - Mar 2015, an increase of 200% compared with one in Jan - Mar 2014. 7 Young Persons (aged between 16 and 20) were arrested for Serious Narcotics Offences in Jan - Mar 2015, a decrease of 41.7% compared with 12 in Jan - Mar 2014.

5. Theft Related Offences

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

Period	Snatching	Pickpocketing	Shop Theft	Theft from Vehicle	Miscellaneous Thefts	Missing Motor Vehicles
FEB - MAR 2015	1	3	114	14	141	7
FEB - MAR 2014	4	15	84	3	129	2
Jan - Mar 2015	3	6	185	15	196	12
Jan - Mar 2014	5	24	128	5	192	3

a) Snatching

There was one Snatching case in FEB - MAR 2015, a decrease of 75% compared with 4 in FEB - MAR 2014.

There were 3 Snatching cases in Jan - Mar 2015, a decrease of 40% compared with 5 in Jan - Mar 2014.

b) Pickpocketing

There were 3 Pickpocketing cases in FEB - MAR 2015, a decrease of 80% compared with 15 in FEB - MAR 2014. Black spots continue to be San Hui Market area and other crowded Shopping Malls.

There were 6 Pickpocketing cases in Jan - Mar 2015, a decrease of 75% compared with 24 in Jan - Mar 2014.

	Pickpocketing cases in Tuen Mun District													
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total	Annual*
2015	3	2	1										6	-
2014	9	9	6	5	2	2	2	2	6	1	3	1	48	48

**Adjusted figures from Statistic Office*

c) Shop Theft

There were 114 Shop Thefts in FEB - MAR 2015, an increase of 35.7% compared with 84 cases in FEB - MAR 2014.

There were 185 Shop Thefts in Jan - Mar 2015, an increase of 44.5% compared with 128 cases in Jan - Mar 2014.

d) Theft From Vehicle

There were 14 cases of Theft From Vehicle in FEB - MAR 2015, an increase of 366.7% compared with 3 cases in FEB - MAR 2014.

There were 15 cases of Theft From Vehicle in Jan - Mar 2015, an increase of 200% compared with 5 in Jan - Mar 2014.

e) Miscellaneous Thefts

There were 141 Miscellaneous Thefts in FEB - MAR 2015, an increase of 9.3% compared with 129 cases in FEB - MAR 2014.

There were 196 Miscellaneous Thefts in Jan - Mar 2015, an increase of 2.1% compared with 192 cases in Jan - Mar 2014.

f) Missing Motor Vehicles

7 motor vehicles were reported missing in FEB - MAR 2015, an increase of 250% compared with 2 in FEB - MAR 2014.

Vehicles stolen between FEB - MAR 2015 included :

Vehicle Type	No. of vehicle	Located
Private Car	2	2
Light Goods Vehicle	2	-
Motorcycle	2	-
Medium Goods Vehicle	1	1

12 motor vehicles were reported missing in Jan - Mar 2015, an increase of 300% compared with 3 in Jan - Mar 2014. The vehicles stolen were mainly taken from roadside.

6. Deception

Period	Total
FEB - MAR 2015	54
FEB - MAR 2014	54
Jan - Mar 2015	89
Jan - Mar 2014	90

- (1) There were 54 Deception cases in FEB - MAR 2015, same as in FEB - MAR 2014.
- (2) There were 89 Deception cases in Jan - Mar 2015, a decrease of 1.1% compared with 90 in Jan - Mar 2014.
- (3) There were 12 Telephone Deception cases in FEB - MAR 2015, 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 was no case in which the culprits successfully deceived the victims.
- (4) There were 21 Telephone Deception cases in Jan - Mar 2015, representing an increase of 15 cases (-41.7%) when compared with 36 in Jan - Mar 2014.

2015	Telephone deception cases in Tuen Mun District												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Reported cases	9	6	6										21
Successful deceived	2	0	0										2

2014	Telephone deception cases in Tuen Mun District												
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Total
Reported cases	15	12	9	13	9	14	10	10	3	5	5	8	113
Successful deceived	4	3	1	4	0	5	3	1	0	2	2	2	27

7. Triad Related Crime²

Period	Blackmail & Criminal Intimidation	Wounding & Serious Assault	Unlawful Society Offences	Others	Total
FEB - MAR 2015	2	8	3	9	22
FEB - MAR 2014	4	4	4	3	15
Jan - Mar 2015	2	13	4	10	29
Jan - Mar 2014	4	9	4	6	23

- (1) There were 22 Triad Related Crimes in FEB - MAR 2015, an increase of 46.7% compared with 15 in FEB - MAR 2014.
- (2) There were 29 Triad Related Crimes in Jan - Mar 2015, an increase of 26.1% compared with 23 in Jan - Mar 2014.

² 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.

8. Domestic Violence³

Period	Domestic Violence			Domestic ⁴ Incident
	Crime Cases	Miscellaneous Cases	Total	
FEB - MAR 2015	12	6	18	144
FEB - MAR 2014	15	6	21	131
Jan - Mar 2015	14	7	21	229
Jan - Mar 2014	24	7	31	225

- (1) 18 Domestic Violence cases were handled by the Police in FEB - MAR 2015, a decrease of 14.3% compared with 21 in FEB - MAR 2014. Of the 18 cases in FEB - MAR 2015, 12 were crime cases, a decrease of 20% compared with 15 crime cases in FEB - MAR 2014.
- (2) 21 Domestic Violence cases were handled by the Police in Jan - Mar 2015, a decrease of 32.3% compared with 31 in Jan - Mar 2014. Of the 21 cases in Jan - Mar 2015, 14 were crime cases, a decrease of 41.7% compared with 24 crime cases in Jan - Mar 2014.
- (3) 144 Domestic Incident cases were handled by the Police in FEB - MAR 2015, an increase of 9.9% compared with 131 in FEB - MAR 2014.
- (4) 229 Domestic Incident cases were handled by the Police in Jan - Mar 2015, an increase of 1.8% compared with 225 in Jan - Mar 2014.

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.

9. Youth Crime Arrest

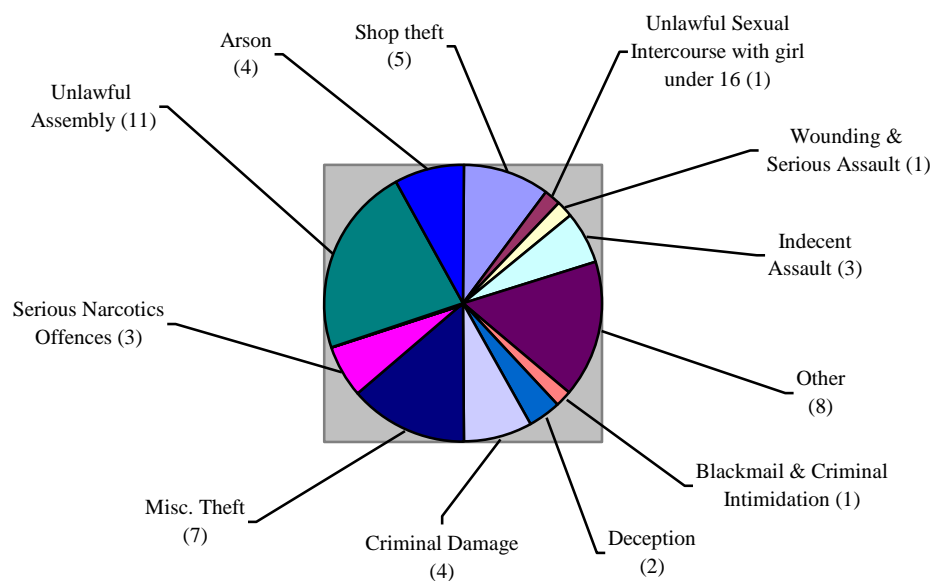
- a) Juveniles (aged 10-15)
- b) Young Persons (aged 16-20)

Number of Offenders Arrested for Crime

Period	Number of Offenders Arrested for Crime	Juveniles (Aged 10-15)	Young Persons (Aged 16-20)
FEB - MAR 2015	290	12	38
FEB - MAR 2014	273	18	38
Jan - Mar 2015	449	29	57
Jan - Mar 2014	459	37	67

- (1) 290 offenders were arrested for crimes in FEB - MAR 2015, an increase of 6.2% compared with 273 in FEB - MAR 2014.
- (2) 12 Juveniles (aged between 10 and 15) were arrested for crimes in FEB - MAR 2015, a decrease of 33.3% compared with 18 in FEB - MAR 2014. 38 Young Persons (aged between 16 and 20) were arrested for crimes in FEB - MAR 2015, same as in FEB - MAR 2014.

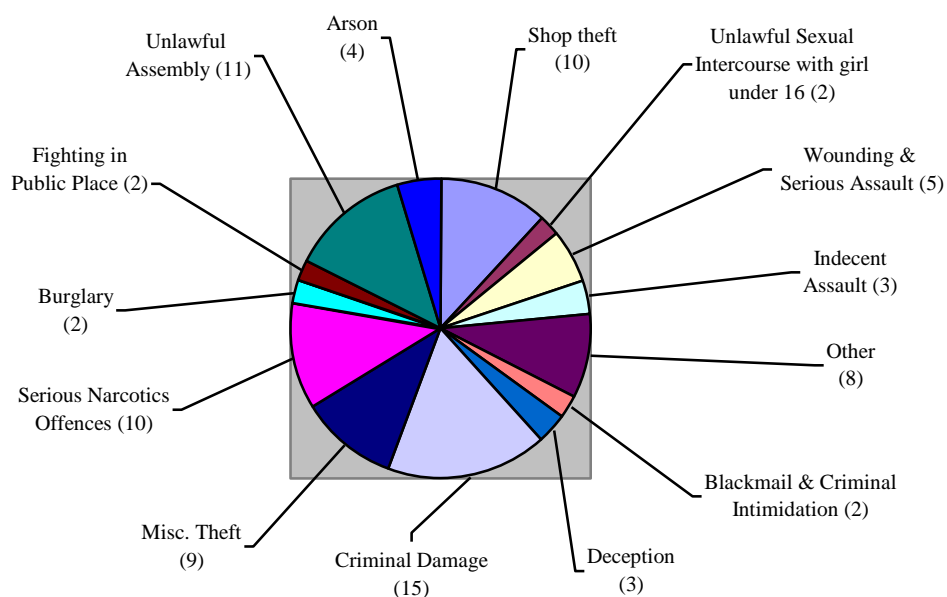
(3) Crimes Committed by Juvenile and Youth in Tuen Mun Police District in FEB - MAR 2015.



(4) 449 offenders were arrested for crimes in Jan - Mar 2015, a decrease of 2.2% compared with 459 in Jan - Mar 2014.

(5) 29 Juveniles (aged between 10 and 15) were arrested for crimes in Jan - Mar 2015, a decrease of 21.6% compared with 37 in Jan - Mar 2014. 57 Young Persons (aged between 16 and 20) were arrested for crimes in Jan - Mar 2015, a decrease of 14.9% compared with 67 in Jan - Mar 2014.

(6) Crimes Committed by Juvenile and Youth in Tuen Mun Police District in Jan – Mar 2015.



III. OTHER CRIMES OF DISTRICT'S CONCERN

1. Debt Collection Related Crimes

Period	Total
FEB - MAR 2015	11
FEB - MAR 2014	12
Jan - Mar 2015	13
Jan - Mar 2014	21

(1) There were 11 Debt Collection Related Crimes in FEB - MAR 2015, representing a decrease of 8.3% compared with 12 in FEB - MAR 2014.

(2) There were 13 Debt Collection Related Crimes in Jan - Mar 2015, a decrease of 38.1% compared with 21 in Jan - Mar 2014.

2. Indecent Assault

Period	Total
FEB - MAR 2015	4
FEB - MAR 2014	5
Jan - Mar 2015	7
Jan - Mar 2014	13

(1) There were 4 Indecent Assault cases in FEB - MAR 2015, representing a decrease of 20% compared with 5 in FEB - MAR 2014.

(2) There were 7 Indecent Assault cases in Jan - Mar 2015, a decrease of 46.2% compared with 13 in Jan - Mar 2014.

3. Technology Crimes⁵

Period	Total
FEB - MAR 2015	48
FEB - MAR 2014	35
Jan - Mar 2015	77
Jan - Mar 2014	53

(1) There were 48 Technology Crimes in FEB - MAR 2015, an increase of 37.1% compared with 35 in FEB - MAR 2014. The increases in Technology Crimes were mainly due to “Naked Chat” cases (+62.5%); “On-line gamed related” cases (+400%).

(2) There were 77 Technology Crimes in Jan - Mar 2015, an increase of 45.3% compared with 53 in Jan - Mar 2014.

⁵ 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).

IV. OTHER MATTERS OF INTEREST OR CASE HIGHLIGHTS

- Nil -