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**STATUS REPORT TO PORTFOLIO COMMITTEE ON
CASE MANAGEMENT & CORRECTIONAL
SUPERVISION AND PAROLE BOARDS**

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PURPOSE

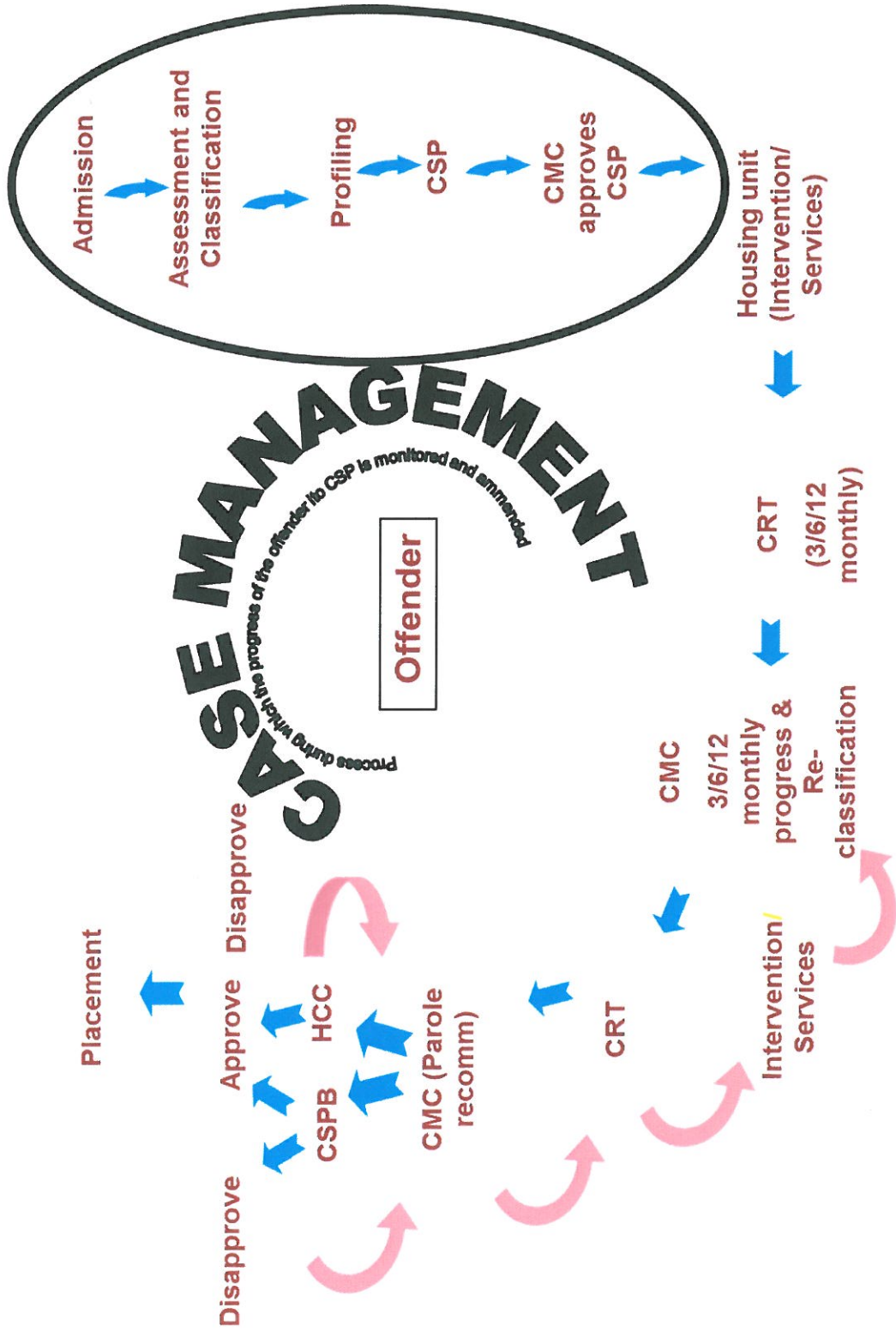
- To provide a status report on the capacity and operations of Case Management Committees (CMCs) and Correctional Supervision and Parole Boards (CSPBs).



MANDATES

- Correctional Services Act, 1998 (Act No 111 of 1998), as amended
- Criminal Procedure Act, 1977 (Act 51 of 1977)
- White Paper on Correctional Services (2005)

CASE MANAGEMENT CYCLE



CAPACITY OF CASE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES

- Interim structures established.
- According to the latest audit the situation is as follows:

Region	No of CMCs	No. of Chairpersons	No. of Secretaries	No. of Clerks	Total
GP	30	36	44	109	219
FS/NC	46	49	47	50	192
W CAPE	50	50	48	102	250
E CAPE	20	17	34	73	144
LMN	28	22	44	67	161
KZN	47	39	45	57	188
NATIONAL	221	213	262	458	1154



CASE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES (cont...)

- National Commissioner has approved Work Study Investigation into CMC's with a view to establish a permanent structure, including a revision of the current interim ratio of 1 x CMC per 480 offenders. The submission is in its final stage for consideration and approval.

TRAINING OF CASE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEES

- Training of interim CMC structures during the 2011/12 financial year has been undertaken and continued during 2012/13 financial year.
- The training is focused on the relevant processes within the case management system as well as in depth training on relevant legislation, policies and policy procedures.
- The following slide reflects on the training of CMC staff from 2011/2012 until 1st Quarter of 2012/2013 financial year.

STATISTICS OF OFFICIALS WHO ATTENDED CMC TRAINING FROM 2011/04 – 2012/06

REGION	CHAIR-PERSONS	SECRETARIES	CLERKS	OTHER OFFICIALS TRAINED I.E CAOS, CIOs, ETC.	TOTAL
GP	24	26	55	82	187
FS & NC	20	17	15	02	54
WC	46	41	94	36	217
EC	10	25	59	71	165
LMN	11	10	20	115	156
KZN	39	45	57	32	173
NATIONAL	150	164	300	338	952

CAPACITY OF CORRECTIONAL SUPERVISION AND PAROLE BOARDS

TOTAL NUMBER OF CSPBs: 53

Vacancies	Chairperson		Vice-Chairpersons		Secretaries		Community Member 1		Community Member 2	
	Filled	Vacant	Filled	Vacant	Filled	Vacant	Filled	Vacant	Filled	Vacant
FS/NC	5	2	4	3	6	1	6	1	1	6
EC	8	1	7	2	8	1	8	1	8	1
GP	10	1	2	9	11	0	3	8	3	8
KZN	7	1	2	6	4	4	8	0	8	0
WC	10	0	4	6	9	1	3	7	0	10
LMN	6	2	1	7	7	1	3	5	1	7
Total	46	7	20	33	45	8	31	22	21	32



CAPACITY OF CORRECTIONAL SUPERVISION AND PAROLE BOARDS (cont...)

Posts	Total Vacancies	Number advertised	Progress Made
Chairpersons	7	3	Advertised vacancies are at different stages of the selection process. In some vacant posts there are members acting and contracts are renewed on one to six months basis until posts are filled.
Vice-Chairpersons	33	25	
Community Member 1	22	15	
Community Member 2	32	20	

TRAINING OF CSPBs

- Comprehensive training was given to all Parole Boards commencing from May 2011 until November 2011 and included selected Case Management Committee members.
- Training on the functioning of Parole Boards and placement of parolees/probationers was also given to all Heads of Correctional Centres during the same time.
- In total 175 members received training in module 2 (1 week training) and 183 members attended the follow-up training of 2 days.

TRAINING OF CSPBs (CONT...)

The training consisted of 3 modules:

Module 1: Orientation/ induction at the Management Area

- Overall structure and functioning of the DCS (including management structures)
- Strategic plan
- Functions, duties and administration of the Parole Board
- Management area overview: including security and general day to day functioning
- Financial and logistical policies and procedures
- HR related issues: including contract requirements; performance management; code of conduct; disciplinary code etc.
- Offender rehabilitation path including sentence planning, CMCs, Community Corrections and the role and functions of the Parole Boards.

TRAINING OF CSPBs (CONT...)

Module 2: Classroom Tuition

DATE	REGION
4-8 July 2011	LMN
18-22 July 2011	WC
1-5 August 2011	EC
15-19 August 2011	GP
29 August – 2 September 2011	FSNC
12-16 September 2011	KZN

- **Consist of group work/classroom discussions based on the following:**
 - Relevant sections of the Correctional Services Acts, 8 of 1959 and 111 of 1998,
 - Relevant sections of the Criminal Procedure Act, 51 of 1977,
 - Promotion of Administrative Justice Act (PAJA), 3 of 2000,
 - The training manual for CSPBs,
 - Policy directives and guidelines applicable to CSPBs,
 - Decisions/motivations of the Review Board and relevant court judgement.

TRAINING OF CSPBs (CONT...)

- Before the training sessions started, all trainees received a CD containing inter alia the Correctional Services Act, Relevant parts of the Criminal Procedure Act, Selected Court Judgements, Training Manual, Document on Lessons Learnt, Compliance Tools, Statistics, Orders, Policy Directives, etc.
- The principles of adult education were followed.
- Attendees were required to prove competence/knowledge by written tests as well as the submission of course work during and after completion of module 2.
- Attendees therefore had to study the training material beforehand to ensure that they could actively participate in group work and classroom discussions.
- Regional Coordinators Social Reintegration and CMC representatives as well as a limited number of Community Corrections officials were also involved.



PROCESSING OF PAROLE CASES

- Offenders serving up to 24 months:
 - National performance of the Department in the 2011/12 financial year was 94.16% with regard to eligible parole cases submitted by the CMCs to the Heads of Correctional Centers (HCCs).
 - During the first Quarter of 2012/13 national performance increased to 95.08%.

- Offenders serving more than 24 months:
 - National performance in the first Quarter of 2012/13 was 71,89%.



OFFENDERS SERVING LIFE IMPRISONMENT (VAN VUUREN COURT JUDGMENT ON LIFERS)

- On 30 September 2010, the Constitutional Court delivered judgment in the case of Van Vuuren v Minister of Correctional Services and Others (2010).
- The implication of the judgment was that all persons sentenced to life imprisonment before 1 March 1994 immediately became eligible to be considered for possible placement on parole.
- In total 368 offenders sentenced to life imprisonment before 1 March 1994 qualified to be considered for parole.

OFFENDERS SERVING LIFE IMPRISONMENT (VAN VUUREN COURT JUDGMENT ON LIFERS) (CONT...)

All qualifying cases were finalised on 14 March 2012 and Minister's decisions were as follows:

- Parole approved: 47
- Day Parole: 95
- Deportation: 3
- Referred to a Mental Health Institution: 3
- Parole not approved – to be reconsidered at a later stage: 220



OFFENDERS SERVING LIFE IMPRISONMENT (VAN WYK COURT JUDGMENT ON LIFERS)

- A total of 343, as on 23 August 2012, in terms of the Van Wyk Judgment (maximum credits allocation) have been submitted to the NCCS for consideration and advice to the Minister.



PROGRESS ON ZONDERWATER INVESTIGATION

- Internal investigation finalized.
- Disciplinary actions instituted.

DCS EFFORTS ON PUBLIC AWARENESS ON PAROLE PROCESS AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT TO REDUCE RECIDIVISM

- Chairpersons, Vice Chairpersons and Community Members are appointed from communities.
- Parole Board members serve on various community forums and market parole processes and community involvement.
- CSPBs also enhance public awareness through Imbizo and partnerships with NGO's and CBOs.
- Enhancement of victim participation (253 victims during first quarter) and Restorative Justice processes.



DCS EFFORTS ON PUBLIC AWARENESS ON PAROLE PROCESS AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT TO REDUCE RECIDIVISM (CONT.....)

- Referral Systems to the relevant stakeholders such as the Department of Social Development, Department of Human Settlements, Department of Labour, Former Convict Development Initiative, Life After Prison, Ex-Offender Rehabilitation, The Pacific Institute.
- Establishment of Halfway Houses.
- Identification of community service institutions for offenders, parolees and probationers to render community services.

DCS EFFORTS ON PUBLIC AWARENESS ON PAROLE PROCESS AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT TO REDUCE RECIDIVISM (CONT...)

- Awareness campaigns on crime prevention, social acceptance and curbing of re-offending are conducted to families, CBOs and FBOs to support and accept offenders on their release and to schools as a crime prevention initiative.
- Facilitate successful reintegration through community structures and National House of Traditional Leaders (NHTL).
- Facilitate criminal record clearance by referring offenders to SAPS and DoJ&CD.
- Memorandum of Understanding were entered into with Helen Joseph Hospital, National House of Traditional Leaders, Department of Human Settlements, Department of Women, Children and People with Disabilities, Tshwane University of Technology which include the involvement of offenders in the building of low cost housing and gardening project.



DCS EFFORTS ON PUBLIC AWARENESS ON PAROLE PROCESS AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT TO REDUCE RECIDIVISM (CONT...)

- Service Level Agreements were entered into with the following:
 - Pillar to Post Christian Services,
 - Lotsha Ministries,
 - Common Law Prisoner Rehabilitation Agency.

DCS EFFORTS ON PUBLIC AWARENESS ON PAROLE PROCESS AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT TO REDUCE RECIDIVISM (CONT...)

- Intervention programmes offered by Community Corrections.
- The following programmes are available to parolees and probationers:
 - New Beginnings
 - Life skills
 - Anger management
 - Substance abuse
 - Sexual offenders programme
 - Crime prevention
 - Orientation

DCS EFFORTS ON PUBLIC AWARENESS ON PAROLE PROCESS AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT TO REDUCE RECIDIVISM (Cont...)

- Employability
- Entrepreneurship
- Mentoring
- Conflict resolution
- Respon sibility Acceptance
- Street Law
- Restorative Justice
- Cross Roads



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