

FUNCTIONS, DUTIES AND POWERS OF KP PRISONS DEPARTMENT

FUNCTIONS & DUTIES: *Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Prisons Department is a progressive department which aims at ensuring the return of the offender to the society as a useful citizen. The gradual transformation of Prisons' administration, in line with the correctional philosophy and rehabilitative approach towards the jail inmates, has resulted in a wholesome and healthy environment in jails. Today, the Department not only lays a great emphasis on the moral education of the inmates but also carries a holistic approach with a view to facilitating the post-release reintegration of the prisoners with the mainstream society. The vision of Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Prisons Department is to be professional, service-oriented, and accountable. The Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Prisons Department aims at ensuring the return of the offender to the society as a normal and useful citizen rather than a discarded entity. Thus, a strong emphasis is laid on the reformation and rehabilitation of inmates besides maintaining good discipline in prisons. The Department firmly believes in "hate for crime but not for criminal" and also the fact that protection of society cannot be achieved merely by detention. The Department provides self-improvement opportunities to assist the offenders in becoming law-abiding citizens.*

The mission of Inspectorate of Prisons, KP is to provide Safe Custody (keeping inmates in safe place of confinement), Care (meeting basic needs e.g. accommodation, food, education, medication), Control (maintaining order & discipline within the prison premises), Correction (motivating inmates through psychological, ethical, moral & vocational teaching to become productive & law abiding citizens).

POWERS: *Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Prisons Department is governed under Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Prisons Rules 2018 & exercises powers conferred upon prison officers/officials under Khyber Pakhtunkhwa Prisons Rules 2018.*