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## AN ELABORATE SPEECH CGP ON OFFICIAL LAUNCH OF THE THREE-IN-ONE COURT.

#### Introduction.

The Commissioner General of Prisons, Mr. Patrick K. Aranduh, CBS, presided over the official launch of the newly constructed Three-in-One Court at Shimo Borstal Institution and Boys' Education Centre on 19th September 2024. The event marked a significant milestone in promoting rehabilitation, talent development, and overall wellbeing of young offenders under custodial care. Special recognition was given to key partners and Donors including: Gruppo Xera CEO Mr. Donato Colleluori and For Kenya ETS Team led by Ms. Luna Lamona, Mr. Abubakar Federico, Ms. Miriam Tomasini, Ms. Sophie Ponzoni and Ms. Giorgia Ponzoni.

The Three-in-One Court comprises facilities for Basketball, Lawn Tennis and Volleyball. The court was designed not only as a sports facility but also as a tool for rehabilitation, character building, and social integration being the first of its kind in the Prisons Department. The Commissioner General emphasized that such facilities contribute to holistic development, preparing the boys for reintegration into society as responsible citizens and it demonstrates the remarkable results the department can achieve in collaboration with partners.

The CGP in his remarks, highlighted the following:

- > The facility will be an important resource for nurturing talent, fostering discipline and offering recreational opportunities to staff, boys and extend to the nearby community.
- > Rehabilitation is not just about custody but about equipping young offenders with life skills and positive values.
- > By supporting education and extracurricular activities, partners are making tangible impacts on the lives of young people in correctional institutions such as construction of boreholes and piping systems thus improving the water

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access and supply. He also commended the partners for the donation of 15 laptops which has transformed the digital literacy programs by enabling virtual court sessions, facilitation of family conferences, assist in training in vocational education, reduced idleness and negative behaviour among others.

The collaboration between Kenya Prisons Service, Xera Group and FOR Kenya Ets is commendable. He appreciated their vision, commitment, and support towards transformation and rehabilitation initiatives. He also noted that this partnership sets a benchmark for other institutions across the country.

#### **Conclusion**

The launch of the Three-in-One Court at Shimo Borstal Institution and Boys' Education Centre is a significant step in advancing the Department's rehabilitation agenda. The facility will go a long way in enhancing sports development, promote positive engagement and encourage better reintegration of young offenders into society.

In closing, the Commissioner General, on behalf of the Kenya Prison's Service officially declared the facility open, praying for God's blessings upon the partnership and urging continued support for such transformative projects.

Attached is the photo grid during the event.

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