

Historical Background

SMF was created in 1960 following the withdrawal of the British Garrison from Mauritius after 150 years of service in the island. The SMF comprises of a Headquarters, operational Companies/Squadrons, Administrative Sub Units, Support Groups and Specialised Units. The various components of the SMF are based at Abercromby Barracks Vacoas, Mobile Wing Compound Vacoas, SSRIA SMF Complex, Rodrigues Island and Agalega Island.

Our Motto

"We'll do it, what is it"

Our Vision

We are committed to providing effective and high standard quality service to the nation.

Duties and Responsibilities

- Operational Duties
- Public Order Operations
- Aid to Civil Authorities
- Managing Risks of Natural and Human Induced Disasters
- VCPs/ Road Blocks/Mobile Patrols
- Guarding of Vital/Key installations
- Bomb clearance/Disposal, Blasting Operations & Central Control of Explosives
- Inland Search and Rescue Operations
- Intervention and Commando Styled Operations
- Anti-Hijacking and Hostage Release Operations
- Diving Operations
- Joint Operations with other Units of the MPF

Ceremonial Duties

- Ceremonial Guards
- Parades/Guard of Honour/ Haie d'Honneur

Training

The SMF Centralised Training Wing is the focal point for the planning, organising, directing and monitoring of all training activities at the SMF. Training meeting is held once weekly to plan, organise and direct the training at Companies/Squadrons and Sub Units level including the GIPM, Engineer, DRU and EHU.

Contact Nos.



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Police Information & Operations Room

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	686 3048 (Fax)	1420
		1416
		1415
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SMF OPS Room	686 6305	
	686 6306	
	686 6307	
	686 6308	
	686 6309(Fax)	1330/1331

Note: All requests for the services SMF/GIPM/Engineer Squadron/ DRU/EHU will be channelled to the SMF Ops Room through the PIOR.



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Special Mobile Force

ANNUAL OPERATIONAL

PLAN 2021



'Together, for a Safer Community'

Foreword

I have the pleasure to present the Special Mobile Force (SMF) Annual Operational Plan 2021. SMF being a Para-Military Branch, shoulders the responsibility to ensure the internal security and defence of the Republic of Mauritius to provide support in disaster management, to undertake search and rescue missions and to carry out public order policing and vital installations protection tasks. However, keeping in line with the changing security environment and its impact on the traditional role of the paramilitary organisations in the society, the role of the SMF has been more geared towards supporting the concerned authorities inter alia, in maintaining civil order, managing disasters, assisting in search and rescue, assisting in communicable disease control and helping in civic education thereby meeting public hopes and aspirations. Moreover, as a small island developing state, Mauritius is ranked 47th country with the highest disaster risk in the index of the World Risk Report 2019 and as such, SMF is called upon to play a leading role in providing efficient and effective response during time of disasters. In conformity with the National Disaster Risk Reduction and Management Act 2016, a Disaster Response Unit is operational at the SMF. In our strive towards quality services, the SMF has adjusted its operational capabilities to the evolving environment bearing in mind that the SMF is the ultimate recourse to legitimate force in the preservation of the public peace, law and order. We commit ourselves to perform our duties in accordance with the force priorities, our Annual Training Directives and SMF Standing Operating Procedures (SOPs), mindful of human rights, rule of law and code of ethics for Police Officers. This will be the backbone of our organization towards its mission accomplishment. I will ensure that the required attention is given to training and that our troops are equipped with necessary skills to deal with all types of situations without any glitch.



Joined the Force on 11.09.1981. Holds a BSc in Police Science, MSc in Police Science & Management from University of Portsmouth, UK. Fellow of the International Institute of Security, UK. From 2009 to 2011, been the ICRC Regional Delegate to Police & Security Forces for South East of Asia and Pacific. Undertaken consultancy mission in Haiti and Rwanda Police.

Mr. A.K DIP, PMSM
Deputy Commissioner of Police
Ag. Commanding Officer
Special Mobile Force &
Officer-In-Charge NDRRCM

OUR COMMITMENT

We are committed to achieve the Force Priorities through efficient and effective response with a high degree of commitment, dedication and personal involvement of all ranks of the SMF. Our operational preparedness and readiness will depend to a large extent on scrupulously adhering to our Annual SMF Training Directives. Similarly, we shall adapt diligently with utmost professionalism to unforeseen events and circumstances.

OPERATIONAL STRATEGIES

Subject to the national needs & requirements with regards to national security & public safety and taking into consideration the SMF specificities, we have come up with the following objectives for the year 2021:

PROTECT & PRESERVE THE INTEGRITY OF STATE

We shall provide 24/7 security to vital/key installations, conduct specialised operations and provide security during events of national importance. In order to maintain a high level of operational readiness for prompt response, we shall conduct:-

- (a) 21 Key Points/ Vulnerable Points guarding simulation exercises so as to ensure preparedness and high security alertness.
- (b) 14 "Maintien d'Ordre" exercises with a view to enhance our operational effectiveness.
- (c) 8 Field Training Exercises (FTX).

INTEGRATION OF LATEST TECHNOLOGIES

Scientific research worldwide has brought to light the extensive use of technologies by offenders, highlighting the need for adopting novel approaches. The SMF shall adapt itself in order to remain at the helm by integrating latest technologies in its operational framework. To this end, we shall :-

- (a) Procure state of the art equipment.
- (b) Minimise delays in the logistic and administrative chain with the use of latest communication tools and applications.
- (c) Revise existing Procedures to incorporate Real Time C4 structure. (Command, Control, Computers & Communications).
- (d) Promote use of technology by all ranks through Training.

SUPPORT TO POLICING

As the last resort, the SMF also ensures quick response with regard to Public Order Policing, Disaster Risk Management as well as Search and Rescue Ops whilst giving due consideration to Human Rights. To this aim we shall endeavour to :-

- (a) Provide assistance to policing for 35 hrs per week.
- (b) Attend to at least 100% Requests/Calls within 15 mins Notice to Move (NTM).
- (c) Ensure Police Dog Unit is attending to at least 100% of Requests/Calls within 15 mins.

PREPARE AND ADAPT TO NEW & EMERGING THREATS/ DISASTER PREPAREDNESS & RESPONSE

In order to improve the operational readiness with the ever evolving environment and emerging threats, we shall contextualise and standardise our training by constant research work, strategic thinking and planning process through the implementation of a Research and Development cell at the CTW.

In so far as disaster response and relief operation, we aim:

- (i) To conduct 20 Community Disaster Response Programmes in liaison with Local Authorities so as to ensure disaster preparedness and operational capabilities.

FOSTERING AID TO CIVIL AUTHORITIES & BAND PERFORMANCE

With a view to enhancing the SMF capabilities regarding aid to civil authorities, we shall endeavour to acquaint ourselves with personnel from different Ministries, Departments/Agencies. As such, we shall strive for:-

- (a) Capacity building of stakeholders and partners.
- (b) Support to local authorities in disaster relief ops.
- (c) Assist in containing proliferation of vector borne diseases.
- (d) Adapt military expertise to provide workable solutions for crisis response to other agencies.

We also endeavour to enhance Band Performance by:-

1. Daily Practices (Rehearsal of Wood Wind, Brass & Percussion)
2. Weekly Practices (Church Orchestra, Pop Group & Junior Pop Group Rehearsal)
3. Twice Weekly Practices (Military Band Rehearsal)
4. Thrice Weekly Practices (Marching Band Rehearsal)
5. Outreach Programme - To conduct outreach programme with vulnerable groups throughout the Island.

- (i) Ensure 75% of correspondences/ letters are responded to within 21 days.
- (ii) Reply to PHQ's within 15 days as the case may be.
- (iii) Reply to PIAC correspondences within five (5) working days.

Administrative mechanisms in place at the level of SMF play a vital role and has a direct impact on Policing and the quality of service delivery. Therefore, we will ensure that administrative support are optimised in ensuring that objectives set are achieved.

Implementation, Supervision, Monitoring & Evaluation

Implementation, Supervision & Monitoring

1st Level
Weekly and Monthly Meeting at SMF Level

Monitoring & Evaluation

2nd Level
Force Monthly Coordinating Meeting by Commissioner of Police

Achievements 2020

