

## NHRC Concludes National Workshops on Rights of Inmates



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The National Human Rights Committee (NHRC) has concluded a series of training workshops titled "Enhancing the Treatment of Inmates in Correctional and Penal Institutions in the State of Qatar in Accordance with International Standards and National Legislation." Held from June 22 to 30, 2025, the workshops were organized in collaboration with the Ministry of Interior—represented by the Department of Correctional and Penal Institutions and the Human Rights Department—and Penal Reform International. More than 120 middle-ranking police officers and personnel benefited from the program.

In his closing remarks, H.E. Mr. Sultan bin Hassan Al Jamali, Secretary-General of the NHRC, commended the constructive cooperation among all stakeholders and praised the Ministry of Interior for its efforts in promoting and protecting human rights. He reaffirmed NHRC's commitment to continued collaboration with the ministry and highlighted the goal of strengthening rights-based practices in correctional facilities.

Al Jamali thanked all partners, including the Department of Correctional and Penal Institutions, the Human Rights Department at the Ministry of Interior, and Penal Reform International, noting that the workshops were enriched by the valuable insights, experience, and discipline of the participating officers.

Mr. Mahmoud Shabana, Project Manager for the Middle East and North Africa at Penal Reform International, acknowledged the active engagement of participants and praised NHRC's regional and international standing in promoting rights-based initiatives. He also recognized the Ministry of Interior's serious commitment to applying human rights standards in policing.

Topics included the Nelson Mandela Rules, gender-responsive treatment, classification systems, health, communication, and reintegration practices.