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Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of National Security, the Hon. Dr. Horace Chang, symbolically presents the Commissioner of Police Dr. Kevin Blake with a key to one of the forty new police vehicles at the handing over ceremony earlier today (July 31) at Commissioner's office.

DPM Chang hints at further improvement in JCF's Fleet Management System

Deputy Prime Minister and Minister of National Security, the Hon. Dr Horace Chang says the Jamaica Constabulary Force's (JCF) Fleet Management System is to be improved over time to make the police more agile, mobile and better able to disrupt planned criminal activities.

The Minister was delivering the main address at the Handing Over Ceremony of forty (40) high-end motor vehicles valued at $313 million to the JCF today, (July 31), at the Police Commissioner's Office.

According to Minister Chang, "**This significant investment highlights the government's commitment to enhancing mobility of police personnel in their response to major crime**".

"**This is part of the government's commitment to providing the police with the necessary resources and support to carry out their duties effectively and to maintain public order and safety,**" Minister Chang stated.

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He said he is happy that the police are being adequately trained, organised and equipped with the right tools and resources to respond quickly and effectively to criminal threats, including mobile criminals who carry out drive-by shootings.

In recent years, the JCF has modernized its fleet management system with the mainstay of three brands of vehicles and has streamlined its operations.

Commissioner of Police, Dr Kevin Blake emphasized the government's commitment to police fleet renewal and expansion, pointing out that the police must prioritize maintaining good public order and safety to support the economic fortunes of the country.

Since 2016, a total of $4.8 billion has been spent on the acquisition of motor vehicles for the JCF.

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