INFOGRAPHIC REPORT
Monitoring of Temporary Detention Facilities of the Kyrgyz Republic Internal Affairs Bodies in 2016-2018
Report by the Coalition against Torture in Kyrgyzstan
Between 2016 and 2018, the monitoring programme of the Coalition against Torture covered all TDFs of the Kyrgyz Republic.

**Reference:** The Kyrgyz Republic Ministry of Internal Affairs administers 46 TDFs with 259 cells and 1,217 beds. The actual occupancy rate is 1,374 people. Built between 1960s and 1980s, many TDFs do not meet international standards and sanitation and hygiene requirements.¹

### Number of TDFs visited by member organizations of the Coalition against Torture in charge of the monitoring programme

- 22 «Golos Svobody» PF
- 10 «Spravedlivost» OHRO
- 12 «Luch Solomona» PF
- 2 «Soyuz Edineniya» PA

Responsibility for the practical implementation of the monitoring programme of the Coalition against Torture in relation to TDFs is assigned to four member organizations of the Coalition operating in four major regions of the country.

¹ The 3rd national report of the Kyrgyz Republic on the implementation of the Convention against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment for 2012-2016
In 2016–2018, member organizations of the Coalition conducted 1,018 monitoring visits to TDFs.

### Visits to TDFs

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<td>128</td>
<td>32</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>180</td>
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<td>«Spravedlivost » OHRO (Jalal-Abad)</td>
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<td>100</td>
<td>111</td>
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<td>«Luch Solomona » PF (Osh)</td>
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<td>84</td>
<td>81</td>
<td>284</td>
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<td>«Golos Svobody » PF (Bishkek)</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td>534</td>
<td>247</td>
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During the reporting period (from 2016 to 2018), access of Coalition monitoring team experts to TDFs and persons detained in custody was obstructed 11 times.

Obstruction of access to TDFs

- 2016: 5
  - Batken Rayon DIA TDF (two times)
  - Jalal-Abad City DIA TDF
  - Mailuu-Suu Town DIA TDF
  - Alamudun Rayon DIA TDF

- 2017: 2
  - Osh City DIA TDF
  - Toktogul Rayon TDF

- 2018: 4
  - Nookat Rayon DIA TDF
  - Leilek Rayon DIA TDF
  - Batken Rayon DIA TDF
  - Kyzyl-Kiya Town DIA TDF
Monitoring groups interviewed 1,723 persons detained in TDFs, which is two thirds (66.6%) of the total number of individuals that were kept in TDFs at the time of 1,018 monitoring visits.
During the monitoring, TDF detainees submitted 140 allegations of torture.

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<td>«Luch Solomon» PF (Osh)</td>
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<td>«Golos Svobody» PF (Bishkek)</td>
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<td>8</td>
<td>16</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL</strong></td>
<td>59</td>
<td>43</td>
<td>38</td>
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The analysis of data on persons who reported the use of torture revealed the following:

- **Kyrgyz Republic nationals**:
  - **75.9%**
  - **24.1%** foreign nationals

- **Males**:
  - **97%**
  - **3%** females

- **Adults**:
  - **99%**
  - **1%** minors

The ethnic composition of complainants remained virtually unchanged throughout the reporting period:

- **Kyrgyz**:
  - **48.9%**

- **Uzbek**:
  - **28.9%**

- **Other**:
  - **22.2%**
The most common torture method is beating with arms, legs or various objects on body parts. In every third case, torture is accompanied by handcuffing and putting on a plastic bag or a gas mask on the head, which results in the blocking of air access. In every tenth of the reported torture cases, the victim was exposed to a stun gun.
According to the Kyrgyz Republic Prosecutor General’s Office of the Kyrgyz Republic, officers of internal affairs bodies were reported as torturers in 1,076 (94.6%) out of 1,140 allegations of torture and other cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment or punishment registered in 2016-2018.\(^2\)
CONSIDERATION OF TORTURE AND CRUEL TREATMENT ALLEGATIONS AND REPORTS BY PROSECUTION AUTHORITIES OF THE KYRGYZ REPUBLIC

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<th>Year</th>
<th>Number of torture and cruel treatment complaints registered by prosecution authorities</th>
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<th>Criminal proceedings denied</th>
<th>Prosecutorial directives</th>
<th>Persons subjected to disciplinary action</th>
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<td>2016</td>
<td>435</td>
<td>33</td>
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<td>11</td>
<td>400</td>
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<td>418</td>
<td>41</td>
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<td>4</td>
<td>13</td>
<td>383</td>
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<td>2018 (9 months)</td>
<td>287</td>
<td>20</td>
<td>9</td>
<td>1</td>
<td>14</td>
<td>251</td>
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Number of torture and cruel treatment allegations registered by prosecution authorities:

- **2016**: 435 complaints
- **2017**: 418 complaints
- **2018 (9 months)**: 287 complaints

Criminal cases instituted, incl. under Article 305 of the KR Criminal Code:

- **2016**: 33 cases
- **2017**: 41 cases
- **2018 (9 months)**: 20 cases

Criminal cases suspended:

- **2016**: 47 cases
- **2017**: 10 cases
- **2018 (9 months)**: 9 cases

Criminal cases terminated:

- **2016**: 20 cases
- **2017**: 4 cases
- **2018 (9 months)**: 1 case

Criminal cases referred to court:

- **2016**: 11 cases
- **2017**: 13 cases
- **2018 (9 months)**: 7 cases

Criminal proceedings denied:

- **2016**: 400 cases (91.9%)
- **2017**: 383 cases (91.6%)
- **2018 (9 months)**: 251 cases (87.5%)

Prosecutorial directives:

- **2016**: 24 directives
- **2017**: 21 directives
- **2018 (9 months)**: 6 directives

Persons subjected to disciplinary action:

- **2016**: 12 persons
- **2017**: 34 persons
- **2018 (9 months)**: 1 person
Charges brought against alleged torture victims

58% crimes against property (fraud, theft, robbery, etc.)
6% crimes against public safety (hooliganism, etc.)
23% other
13% crimes against life and health (killing, causing bodily harm, etc.)

The above leads to a finding that the highest percentage of torture victims is represented by persons who are suspected of committing crimes against property that imply criminal sanctions.
The professional work of Coalition lawyers and attorneys who provide assistance to alleged torture victims resulted in the institution of 20 criminal cases, including:

13 under Article 305-1 of the KR Criminal Code (Torture)
7 under Article 304 (Abuse of office) and Article 305 (Exceeding official powers) of the KR Criminal Code.

Judicial review of criminal cases filed and investigated within the framework of the legal assistance provided by the Coalition against Torture resulted in 11 convictions against 20 officials, with 2 of them being convicted of and punished for torture.