

Correctional officers stop person in custody from committing suicide by hanging

â€œCorrectional officers stopped an 18-year-old male person in custody from committing suicide by hanging in Pik Uk Correctional Institution today (January 21).

At 1.24am today, correctional officers found the person in custody attempting suicide by hanging with his upper garment tied to the grille bars of a hospital ward. Officers immediately called for reinforcement to rescue and provide first-aid treatment to him. The person in custody was found conscious at the time and was subsequently sent to a public hospital for further treatment.

A clinical psychologist of the Department will follow up on the case.

A spokesman for the Correctional Services Department said, "The department uses all possible measures to prevent persons in custody from attempting suicide or self-harm. These measures include administrative arrangements, improvements of institution facilities, staff training and first-aid services."

The person in custody was sentenced to undergo training at the rehabilitation centre for the offence of conspiracy to defraud in January 2025.