

UNAFRI commences a Regional training Course for Correctional Officers



A group Photo taken at the Launch of the Course

UNAFRI has commenced a two week regional training course titled ‘Applied Correctional Sciences Course’ for Correctional officers from Burundi, Kenya, The Sudan and Uganda at the Institute Secretariat in Kampala from May 4- 19, 2009. This is being undertaken in Eastern Africa as the first region to be replicated in other regions such as Southern, Northern and Western regions.



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Middle- level uniformed and civilian correctional officers are taking part in the course that will cover areas such as: the psycho-sociology of the prisoner; social rehabilitation and reintegration as a mission of the correctional system; fundamentals of prisons management; data generation and use and international instruments implementation.

The purpose of such course is to bring in ‘Africanness’ in the way prisons and prisoners are perceived, treated and managed generally.

This course will help personnel get the relevant and updated skills of executing their duty and thereby make significant contributions to crime prevention in their countries. Thus, they are expected to go back and train others. Therefore, the training is, ‘train the trainer’ exercise.

Different guest speakers have been contacted from the field of Crime Prevention and Criminal Justice to address participants on Corrections topics during the two week course.