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SHAMEFUL!!! Police Federation reacts to the lack of spending from National Security Budget.

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Kingston Jamaica, November 14, 2022. The Jamaica Police Federation has described as shameful the lack of spending from the National Security Budget.

The Police Federation reacting to the news that only 17 percent of the Capital Budget for Security was spent, with 4 months to go, says persons must be held accountable and the matter should not be swept under the carpet. It is tantamount to treason when crime fighting in Jamaica is starved of basic resources.

The Federation Head, Corporal Rohan James lamented that basic uniforms is a challenge for Police Officers who are purchasing uniforms from their pockets.

The Police Federation says it is questioning the country's commitment and accountability to fighting crime when only 17 percent of the capital Security Budget has been spent.

The Federation says all citizens must demand of the Government accountability, as it is the responsibility of the state to ensure adequate resources for National Security.

The Federation says its members will not continue to subsidize National Security with the psaltery remuneration that will be further eroded by the Compensation Review in its present form.

The Police Federation says the Jamaica Constabulary Force must be given the requisite tools to fight crime as presently members are given basket to carry water in the scheme of crime fighting.

According to the Federation, the silence from civil society in the matter is disturbing. The Federation says it is calling on the Prime Minister to shed light on the issue.

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