

20 **CAP. 164.] POLICE**

**TITLE IV**

**PROTECTION OF WITNESSES AND VICTIMS**

Witness protection.

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**75.** (1) Where a person is the victim of a crime who is to be produced as a witness in any criminal proceedings against any principal or accomplice in the crime and that person is concerned for his safety, the Commissioner may, subject to the provisions of article 76, set up a witness protection programme hereinafter referred to in this Part as "the programme".

(2) The provisions of subarticle (1) shall also apply to a person who took part in the commission of a crime and whose evidence is indispensably required for the prosecution of any principal or accomplice in the crime where that person agrees to co-operate with the public authorities for the purpose of such prosecution.

Entitlement to

programme.

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**76.** A person may become entitled to benefit under the programme if that person -

(a) is a victim of a crime; or

(b) participated in any organisation or group of persons who have committed or are organised to commit any crime; or

(c) has participated in the commission of a crime liable to the punishment of imprisonment of seven years or more;

and, where paragraph (b) or (c) applies, reveals to the Police such information which the Police consider sufficient as to be likely to secure, upon an eventual prosecution, the conviction of other participants in the crime.

Applicability of

programme.

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**77.** With respect to a