

Police quell fighting among inmates in Al Qusais

Inmates detained on drug charges fight among themselves and try to set cell on fire

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Dubai: Police on Wednesday quelled a fighting among inmates at Al Qusais police station.

Police told *Gulf News* that the fighting began at around noon and was brought under control by 6pm.

Some prisoners attempted to burn down their cells, police said, adding that many were wounded in the melee. Police, however, did not say if anyone died in the fight.

Police sources said the prisoners were Emiratis detained on drug charges.

Prisoners told *Gulf News* that the unrest started with a fight among prisoners who set fire to a cell. "We have all our belongings burnt," a prisoner said.

A prisoner said he saw from his the cell that Emirati prisoners were picking a fight and later they began fighting with the police.

Police said several arson incidents happened lately in the police station and a number of Emirati prisoners detained on drug charges had committed suicide inside the jail.

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