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## Eldoret City, the home of champions: What it means for residents, investors

Local residents and Governor Jonathan Bii are optimistic that the conferment is not just a milestone for Eldoret but also a defining chapter in Kenya's history and a transformation that would bring good fortune



From left Eldoret Municipality Board chair, Julius Kitur, Uasin Gishu Governor Dr. Jonathan Bii (middle) and President William Ruto holding the Eldoret city emblem during the conferment of Eldoret city status.

BY JUDY TOO(KNA)

As President William Ruto officially awarded a city charter to the agricultural town of Eldoret, transforming the Uasin Gishu County headquarters into Kenya's fifth city—after Nakuru, Nairobi, Mombasa, and Kisumu—local residents and Governor Jonathan Bii are optimistic that this transformation will bring good fortune.

During the conferment of Eldoret's city status at the Eldoret Sports Club, Uasin Gishu Governor Dr. Jonathan Bii remarked, "This marks a historic moment in our nation's history as we gather to witness the conferment of City Status and the Grant of Charter to the Municipality of Eldoret."

Governor Bii expressed his deepest gratitude to the Presi-

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### The Week In numbers

**9,458**

Number of inmates held in prison facilities in the Nairobi region alone.

**150,000**

Jobs the upcoming Sagana Industrial City is expected to create once completed

**480,275**

Mosquito nets that the government has distributed in West Pokot to combat malaria

**Sh352.6b**

Total foreign exchange earnings from tourism sector in 2023

**201,620**

Number of visitors from Kenya's second biggest tourism source market Uganda in 2023.



Cabinet Secretary Dr. Debora Mlongo Barasa.

BY JUDY SHERI(PCO)

The Ministry of Health has reassured Kenyans that there are no active cases of Mpox disease in the country, following the successful recovery of the index case identified on July 29th of this year.

The Ministry recalled that on July 13th of this year, the Africa Centre for Disease Control and Prevention declared the

outbreak a public health emergency of continental concern (PHECC), while the following day, the World Health Organization similarly declared the event a public health emergency of international concern (PHEIC).

These two declarations by the continental and global health bodies, the Ministry said, are similar and highlight the pub-

lic health threat posed by this outbreak and the need for an immediate and coordinated international response to control the disease.

In a statement signed by Cabinet Secretary Dr. Debora Mlongo Barasa and distributed to newsrooms, the Ministry clarified the Mpox situation in Kenya as follows: "Kenya has reported only one case of

Mpox, involving a person who traveled from Kampala, Uganda to Mombasa, and then to Rwanda via Tanzania through the Taita Taveta one-stop border point.

This individual has since made a full recovery and is now well. We have screened twelve persons who came into contact

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## Kenya's lone Mpox case recovers as MoH assures public

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with the index case and another six different suspected cases, all of whom have tested negative for the disease.”

The Ministry declared that no new confirmed cases of Mpox have been reported in the country since the first confirmed case and the Ministry of Health continues to undertake various response measures to prevent new cases of the disease.

These measures, Dr. Barasa noted, include enhanced surveillance through heightened surveillance activities across the country to detect any suspected cases, co-ordination by activating the Public Health Emergency Operation Centers and establishing the Incident Management Teams across the country.

Other measures, the CS revealed include the issuance of advisories adding that the Ministry of Health continues to issue advisories to healthcare workers to

sensitize them on Mpox, guide the identification of cases, as well as infection prevention and control measures.

The Ministry Dr. Barasa added, has deployed public sensitization and public alerts through which active efforts have been made to sensitize the public and engage communities on risk perception and prevention measures.

The CS noted that Mpox preventive measures being used by the Ministry include, on-going vigilance and adherence to health guidelines to prevent the spread of Mpox adding that key preventive measures include: frequent handwashing with soap and water, or using alcohol-based sanitizer., avoiding contact with individuals showing Mpox-like symptoms.

Symptoms of Mpox, the Ministry noted, include skin rash, sore throat, fever, headache, muscle aches, back pain, low energy and swollen lymph glands.

## Eldoret's new city status: What it means for residents and investors

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dent for gracing this monumental occasion, noting that this event is not just a milestone for Eldoret but also a defining chapter in Kenya's history, “as we welcome our fifth city.”

“The atmosphere reflects the collective excitement, joy, and pride shared by the people of Eldoret and the North Rift region, as August 15th, 2024, will forever be etched in Kenya's history as the day Eldoret ascended to the status of the nation's fifth city,” said Governor Bii.

“This achievement marks the beginning of new opportunities and prosperity for all who live, work, and do business in Eldoret, the economic hub of the North Rift Valley,” added Bii.

The Governor emphasized that the Uasin Gishu County Government has closely collaborated with the National Government, aligning its efforts with the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda.

Bii further stated that, in line with the Digital Economy, the SISIBO



President William Ruto puts a seal to documents after signing it to confer Eldoret city status at Eldoret Sports Club.

PAY system adopted by the devolved unit of Uasin Gishu has revolutionized revenue collection, enabling the county to achieve a record Sh 1.4 billion in Own Source Revenue.

“On healthcare innovation, we have pioneered drone services at Huruma Hub, revolutionizing the delivery of healthcare through the rapid transportation of medical supplies and test results,” he said.

The county chief also

stated that his vision for trade and investment is to enhance business and employment opportunities by attracting investors to the new city.

“We are planning an international investment conference to showcase the opportunities in Eldoret and the North Rift Economic Bloc this year, and it will be an honor to invite the President as the chief guest,” said the Governor.

He revealed that, in terms of healthcare im-

provement, the recent commissioning of the Mama Rachel Ruto Maternity Hospital and expanded services in rural areas have significantly improved healthcare in the county.

“On agricultural advancements, in collaboration with the National Government, we are supporting over 40,000 farmers with mechanized farming and high-value crops such as coffee, avocado, macadamia, and pyrethrum,” said Bii.



### EXPORT PROCESSING ZONES AUTHORITY

#### INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITIES IN KENYA'S EPZ PROGRAM (SAGANA, KABATI, ELDORET AND NASEWA EPZs)

The Export Processing Zones Authority (EPZA) is a statutory body established in 1990 through an Act of Parliament (The EPZ Act Cap 517, Laws of Kenya) with the primary objective of promoting and facilitating export-oriented investments and developing an enabling environment for such investments. The benefits of investment in the Export Processing Zones program are:

- Retention of productive capital investment portfolio
- Job creation,
- Technology and skills transfer,
- Diversification and value addition of exportable products and
- Creation of backward integration with the domestic economy.

The Bottom-up Economic Transformation Agenda 2022 – 2027 envisages that by establishing EPZ Flagship Manufacturing hubs in the counties there shall be an increase in manufacturing sector growth and direct job opportunities.

EPZA invites local and international investors interested in investing in the proposed Sagana, Kabati, Eldoret and Nasewa EPZs.

- Interested companies will be required to lease buildings or land for the construction of production spaces on a long-term lease
- Construction of land must commence within three months of leasing EPZ land and receiving the EPZ license and must be completed within 12 months.
- The term of land leases will be **30 years** renewable on a case-by-case basis while the term of building or office unit leases will be **6 years** renewable. These leases require a **90 days** termination notice from either party.

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**The Chief Executive Officer  
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### THE INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY

#### KENYA DIGITAL ECONOMY ACCELERATION PROJECT ICTA-PROGRAM IMPLEMENTATION UNIT

#### REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

#### (Consulting Services – Individual Selection)

<b>Country :</b>	<b>KENYA</b>
<b>Name of project:</b>	<b>Kenya Digital Economy Acceleration Project</b>
<b>Project No.:</b>	<b>P170941</b>
<b>Credit No:</b>	<b>7289-KE and 7290-KE</b>
<b>Assignment Title:</b>	<b>DIGITAL INFORMATION SECURITY EXPERT</b>
<b>Contract No.:</b>	<b>KE-ICTA-392523-CS-INDV</b>

#### ADDENDUM NO 1

S/No.	Area	Previous Requirement	New Requirement
1		A minimum of 7 years of general work experience.	A minimum of 10 years of general work experience.
2	Shortlisting Criteria	A minimum of 10 years specific experience in Information Security, risk, compliance and policy development and General knowledge of Information Security regulatory requirements and standards such as ISO 27001.	A minimum of 7 years specific experience in Information Security, risk, compliance and policy development and General knowledge of Information Security regulatory requirements and standards such as ISO 27001.
3	Closing Date	Closing Date: 23 <sup>rd</sup> August 2024	The closing date has been extended to 30 <sup>th</sup> August 2024

All other terms and conditions of the Request for Expression of Interest remain the same

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Attn: Deputy Director, Supply Chain Management**



# Kenya flips from net importer of sugar to being self-sustainable

BY JOSEPH NG'ANG'A (KNA)

Government efforts to revive the sugar industry have begun to bear fruit, with the country shifting from being a net importer to producing enough for local consumption and even having a surplus.

Agriculture and Livestock Development Cabinet Secretary Dr. Andrew Karanja stated that the sustained government initiatives to transform the sugar sector have yielded positive results, with local factories now producing sufficient sugar to meet domestic demand.

Dr. Karanja emphasized that ongoing reforms in the agriculture sector are crucial for achieving the country's industrialization goals, a key pillar of the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).

Speaking in Nairobi during the launch of the

Agriculture and Food Authority (AFA) Strategic Plan 2023-2027, the CS noted that the success in the sugar sector needs to be replicated in other areas to ensure the country becomes self-sufficient in food production.

Dr. Karanja challenged AFA to work towards reducing the country's food import bill as he promised to work with all stakeholders to ensure that the country is able to become a net exporter of food.

"In the new strategic plan by AFA, we need to come up with a communication plan to inform Kenyans of what the government is doing. One of the challenges as a sector, ministry and government has been weak communication where we are not linking especially to the younger people like the Gen Z's and informing them of the many positive things that are happening in the sector," said Dr.



Agriculture and Livestock Development Cabinet Secretary (CS) Dr. Andrew Karanja speaking in Nairobi. PHOTO: JOSEPH NG'ANG'A

Karanja.

"When you look at the planning whether it is Vision 2030, the Agriculture Sector Transformation and Growth Strategy (ASTGS), Medium Term Plans, the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) they all emphasize the central role played by agriculture in growing the economy and creating jobs."

State Department for Agriculture Principal Secretary Dr. Kipronoh Ronoh said that the latest figures from the sugar sector indicate that the country is producing 83,500 metric tons per month against a demand of 80,000 metric tons which means there is an excess production which can be exported.

Dr. Ronoh said that

with efforts in the Agriculture Transformation Agenda, the sugar sector is one of the most aligned sectors right now and through the AFA reforms they have been able to declare that there will be no more importation of sugar into the country.

"This has never happened in Kenya, the fact that we can produce enough for local consumption and have an excess is testament that the reforms in the sugar sector have worked and I want to applaud AFA, sugarcane farmers and factories for achieving these results," said the PS.

He called on AFA to leverage on creativity, technology and innovation in driving towards the achievement of their strategic plan and develop new products to attract new emerging markets.

"For instance in the tea sector, there is need to come up with new innovative products which attract the younger generation who are no longer taking the normal black tea. We need to look at the new innovative products like green tea, purple tea, refrigerated tea, iced tea, hibiscus tea among many others," said Dr. Ronoh.

AFA Board of Directors chairperson Cornelny

Serem said that in their strategic plan 2023-2027 they have identified four Key Result Areas (KRAs) which will guide their actions and they include: Enhancing food security, nutrition and economic transformation; transforming scheduled crops value chains into commercially viable enterprises; enhancing quality assurance and safety for scheduled crops produce and products; and enhancing the Authority's operational efficiency and sustainability.

"The agriculture sector contributes 21.2 per cent of Kenya's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) with the largest contribution coming from crop production," said Serem.

AFA Director General Dr. Bruno Linyiru said that the strategic plan is a roadmap that is anchored on their mandate as stipulated in the Agriculture and Food Authority Act of 2013. "Our strategic vision as an authority is to be a world class crops regulator for improved livelihoods by enhancing production and productivity by helping farmers address challenges like declining soil fertility, climate change among others and creating tailor made solutions," said Dr. Linyiru.



## PUBLIC SECTOR ACCOUNTING STANDARDS BOARD (PSASB)

### INVITATION FOR PUBLIC COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT PUBLIC SECTOR INTERNAL CONTROL GUIDELINES

The Public Sector Accounting Standards Board (PSASB) is mandated by sections 194 of the PFM Act, 2012 to prescribe frameworks and set generally accepted standards for the development and management of accounting and financial systems by all State organs and public entities. The Board prescribes internal audit procedures and mainstreams best practices for good governance, internal controls and risk management.

Pursuant to the above mandate, the Board, in collaboration with key stakeholders developed Public Sector Internal Control Guidelines. The Draft Guidelines aim to set a broad and standardized guidance for the public sector entities in developing effective and efficient systems of internal control that adapt to changing business and operating environments, mitigate risks to acceptable levels, and support sound decision making and governance of the entities.

In line with Article 10 of the Constitution of Kenya 2010, PSASB therefore, invites all stakeholders to provide comments on the **Draft Public Sector Internal Control Guidelines** before finalization and validation for eventual issuance for adoption and implementation. The draft guidelines can be downloaded from the PSASB Website: <https://psasb.go.ke/service/internal-audit-ing-standards/>

Please email your comments to [auditstandards@psasb.go.ke](mailto:auditstandards@psasb.go.ke) before **6<sup>th</sup> September 2024** in the format below. You can also reach us by email [info@psasb.go.ke](mailto:info@psasb.go.ke) or call **020 251 557**.

No	Section, Title & page of the Draft Guidelines	Current Status	Recommendations	Justification/Remarks

GEORGINA MUCHAI  
AG. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



## MINISTRY OF FOREIGN & DIASPORA AFFAIRS STATE DEPARTMENT FOR DIASPORA AFFAIRS

### TENDER NOTICE

#### RE-ADVERTISEMENT FOR REGISTRATION/PREQUALIFICATION OF SUPPLIERS FOR SUPPLY OF GOODS, PROVISION OF SERVICES & GENERAL CONSULTANCIES.

Ref. No.:	SDDA/PQ/REG/2024 - 2026
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The State Department for Diaspora Affairs invites applications from interested, eligible candidates for registration/Pre-qualification of Suppliers and Service Providers for the years 2024-2026. Members of Diaspora are encouraged to apply.

The Registration documents containing the submission information, detailed terms and conditions of registration may be viewed and downloaded free of charge from the SDDA website: [www.diaspora.go.ke](http://www.diaspora.go.ke) or from the Public Procurement Information Portal at <https://tenders.go.ke> or from State Department for Diaspora Affairs, Procurement Office, UAP Old Mutual Tower, Upper Hill, Nairobi, 28th Floor upon payment of **Kshs.1,000/= only**.

Completed documents can be deposited in the tender box at **UAP Old Mutual Tower, Upper Hill, Nairobi, 28<sup>th</sup> Floor** or be submitted online to the email address provided below on or before **3<sup>rd</sup> September, 2024 at 11.00 a.m. East African Time**.

The applications will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of applicants who choose to attend at **UAP Old Mutual Tower, Upper Hill, Nairobi, 26<sup>th</sup> Floor Boardroom**.

**N/B Those who had already applied for the advertised categories as per our advert on 14<sup>th</sup> May, 2024, need not re-apply.**

**Address for Submission of Tenders.**  
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Principal Secretary  
State Department for Diaspora Affairs



# Government to set up digital procurement centres to curb corruption

BY NURU SOUD (KNA)

The Government is establishing digital centers across the country to facilitate e-procurement and combat the endemic corruption in the sector.

The initiative will be launched on January 1, 2025, and will be piloted in twelve public entities as part of the Digitization and Digital Superhighway Pillar, which aims to enhance the future of efficient government service delivery.

During the 3rd Edition of the Heads of Procurement and Supply Chain Forum 2024 in Mombasa, themed "Navigating Turbulence: Strategic Leadership for Stabilizing Supply

Chain Management in Kenya," Prime Cabinet Secretary Musalia Mudavadi emphasized that the initiative will not only curb corruption but also enable citizens to access government services online and create youth employment opportunities.

"Digitization can disrupt corruption by increasing transparency and enabling accountability, reducing the need

Public procurement is perceived to be more susceptible to corruption as compared to other areas of government

for physical interactions, and providing more effective oversight through data-savvy civil society and smarter accountability institutions," said the Prime CS.

Mudavadi also pointed out that a 2021 report revealed Kenya loses Sh2 billion daily due to corruption, primarily related to procurement rigging. Additionally, Kenya is ranked 126 out of 180 countries in the 2023 Transparency International Global Corruption Index.

Mudavadi noted that public procurement is perceived to be more susceptible to corruption as compared to other areas of the government and urged procurement stakeholders



Prime Cabinet Secretary, Musalia Mudavadi giving his keynote address at the 3rd edition of the Heads of Procurement and Supply Chain Forum held at a Mombasa hotel.

to ensure that their members operate within the laid down legal and regulatory framework, to combat the menace.

The Prime CS consequently urged procurement stakeholders to deepen initiatives that KISM has embarked on, to enable the Govern-

ment to respond better to the needs of the people, these include; giving recommendations on how to overcome the challenges emanating from the impact of the withdrawal of the Finance Bill, 2024, Submitting proposals regarding the review of the public procurement sector

pricing model, enhancing professionalization of supply chain management through enhanced compliance, and automation of procurement processes are spot-on.

These interventions by KISM include creating nine regional chapters in the country, to make its services accessible, growing its active members to over 10,000 from 6,000 in the past few years and automating the registration and licensing processes for responsive service delivery to its members, among others.

Mudavadi commended KISM for being the first professional body in Kenya to operationalize the recognition of Prior Learning Framework, starting with the Kenya College of Supply Chain Management to offer structured capacity-building programs aimed at enhancing the professionalism of the practice.

# CS- ministry to develop digital economy, make ICT access inclusive to all citizens

BY EVALYNE GITHINJI (PCO)

The Ministry of Information, Communication and the Digital Economy has pledged to make digital access in the country inclusive by considering the needs of all citizens.

Speaking in Nairobi, the Cabinet Secretary Dr. Margaret Ndung'u said told public servants in the ministry to be in the forefront shaping the future, leaving a lasting legacy and contributing to a transformative era in the ICT sector.

Dr. Ndung'u was speaking during a five-day induction program for ICT Secretaries and Directors at the Kenya School of Government (KSG), Lower Kabete. In the 21st century, they stand at the forefront of a remarkable opportunity to shape the future, leave a lasting legacy, and contribute to a transformative era in ICT.

"I want to underscore your role in implementing the Digital Superhighway as envisioned in the Digital Masterplan, aligned with Government priorities and Kenya Vision 2030," she said.

The CS emphasized the need to leverage emerging technologies, foster tech-enabled innovations, expand new segments like software engineering, e-commerce, and manufacturing to expand the digital economy.

Dr Ndung'u informed the ICT officials that as public servants in the 21st



The Cabinet Secretary for the Ministry of Information, Communications and the Digital Economy, Dr. Margaret Ndung'u speaking during the closing ceremony of the Induction Program for ICT Secretaries and Directors at the Kenya School of Government (KSG), Lower Kabete. Photo by Beverlyne Musili.

try, you are at the forefront of supporting government departments in automating core processes to improve efficiency and effectiveness in service delivery.

It is time to leverage emerging technologies such as AI, blockchain, data analytics to create innovative solutions across various economic sectors," she noted.

The CS also urged women to pursue leadership positions in the ICT sector and also pointed out the need to proactively mitigate risks by strengthening the country's cybersecurity and data management practices in line with global norms.

"As leaders in the Minis-



## RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AND RENEWABLE ENERGY CORPORATION

### INVITATION TO TENDER

- PROCURING ENTITY:** Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation P.O Box 34585 – 00100 Nairobi
- CONTRACT NAME AND DESCRIPTION: RFX 1000001176:** Solar for schools maintenance contractors – Frame Contract Additional Contractors,
- Tendering will be conducted under National open competitive method using a standardized tender document. Tendering is open to all qualified and interested Tenderers.
- Qualified interested tenderers may obtain further information during office **8.00am-12.45pm to 1.45pm-4.00pm Monday to Friday** at the address given below.
- A complete set of tender documents may be viewed and downloaded by interested tenderers free of charge electronically from the Website [www.rerec.co.ke](http://www.rerec.co.ke) under tender documents or through the e-procurement portal using <https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44300/irj/portal>
- Tenderers who are not yet registered with REREC must register their companies in order to participate in the tender using link below that can be found from the website [www.rerec.co.ke](http://www.rerec.co.ke) Procurement-Supplier registration: [https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44200/supportal\(bD1IbIZjPTUwMCZkPW1pbg==\)/bspwdapplication.do#VIEW\\_ANCHOR-ROS\\_TOP](https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44200/supportal(bD1IbIZjPTUwMCZkPW1pbg==)/bspwdapplication.do#VIEW_ANCHOR-ROS_TOP)
- All Tenders must be accompanied by a tender Security of **Ksh. 500,000**. The Tenderer shall chronologically serialize all pages of the tender document submitted.
- Completed tenders must be delivered to the address below on or before **18/09/2024 at 10.00am**.
- Only Electronic Tenders will be permitted.**
- Tenders will be opened immediately after the deadline date and time specified above or any dead line date and time specified later. Tenders will be publicly opened in the presence of the Tenderers' designated representatives who choose to attend at the address below and the results relayed electronically. Late tenders will be rejected.
- The addresses referred to above are:

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Address for Submission of Tenders: Online Through <https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44300/irj/portal>

Address for Opening of Tenders. **Online**

Chief Executive Officer



# Kwale sets up model ginnery to revitalize cotton industry

BY HUSSEIN ABDULLAHI (KNA)

**K**wale County Government has commenced the revitalization of the cotton industry through the construction of a model ginnery in Msambweni Sub-County.

The ginnery project was initially started by Kwale-based Australian mining company Base Titanium, aiming to revive cotton farming in the coastal county and improve farming, ginning, and garment production in the area.

Base Titanium, working closely with Kwale County Government and Kwale Pamba and Viazi Cooperatives (PAVI), invested Sh1 billion to kick-start the ginnery and textile project.

The PAVI Cooperative, supported by the mining company, has been instrumental in reviving the cotton sector by helping local small-scale farmers plant the cash crop on their farms. Base Titanium General Manager of External Affairs, Simon Wall, has noted that the ginnery will support the compa-



**Cotton farmers supported by Kwale based Australian mining firm, Base Titanium, harvest their cotton plantation. Base Titanium says the cultivation of the cash crop was specifically designed for the purpose of poverty reduction.**

ny's cotton farming initiative, which is part of its community development programs.

Wall states that by ginning the cotton locally in Kwale, farmers will be able to achieve better prices for their produce. He highlights that the cultivation of this cash crop is specifically designed to reduce poverty. Wall adds that the Kwale Cotton Project, supported by Base Titanium, continues to gain traction among local farmers who are adopting

cotton as an income-generating crop.

The PAVI cooperative program, which began with 100 farmers in 2015, has since grown to include over 3,000 farmers cultivating 2,000 acres of cotton. Base Titanium aims to expand the Kwale cotton program to over 10,000 farmers in the coming years.

Governor Fatuma Achani believes the project will enhance cotton production, develop the textile industry, and im-

prove the livelihoods of local cotton farmers. She emphasizes that the new project will focus on developing key components of the cotton value chain, including farming, weaving, ginning, and linting.

Achani notes that the devolved government will make concerted efforts to harness opportunities within the cotton value chain and facilitate investment. She acknowledges that cotton farmers have previously faced challenges such as financial constraints, low yields, lack of a sustainable market, and under-investment in the sector.

She also highlights that the potential in Kwale's cotton value chain is substantial and transformative, with more than 3,000 smallholder farmers now engaged in cotton farming. Achani asserts that the cotton ginnery will leverage Kwale's agricultural potential, such as cash crops like cotton, to drive socio-economic growth.

She says the new ginnery will be able to off-take the high-quality cotton produced by local cotton farmers and urged local farmers to extensively engage in cotton production.

# CS pushes for dialogue over costly litigation in mining conflict resolution

BY ARNOLD LINGA MASILA(KNA)

**T**he state has expressed its preference for community dialogue as a sustainable platform for resolving disputes over mineral resources between investors and rural communities, rather than relying on long-drawn court litigation processes, which often derail multi-billion-dollar mining investments to the detriment of host communities.

The Cabinet Secretary for Mining, Blue Economy, and Maritime Affairs, Hassan Ali Joho, emphasized that unity and intra-community dialogue are key to avoiding protracted court cases over mineral rights—a process that denies communities the multiple benefits generated from mining investments.

Instead of lengthy litigation processes, Joho advocated for consultations and grassroots dialogue

as more efficient and less expensive methods of addressing concerns without jeopardizing the community's economic progress.

"We must engage in dialogue to address any concerns regarding mining investments in our regions. Court litigation can deprive communities of much-needed development and may drive investors away," he noted.

Joho was speaking in the Kishushe area of Taita-Taveta County during his tour of the region to meet with mining communities and familiarize himself with the county's mining investments.

The CS was accompanied by the Principal Secretary for the State Department of Mining, Mr. Elijah Mwangi, and other leaders, including Governor Andrew Mwadime and his Deputy Christine Kilalo.

Also present were Senator Johnes Mwaruma, among others.



## MINISTRY OF ROADS AND TRANSPORT STATE DEPARTMENT FOR TRANSPORT

### MOTOR VEHICLES FOR SALE

Item No.	Item Description	Reg. No.	Y.O.M	To be viewed at
1.	Toyota/ Corolla-Saloon	GKA 341H	2004	State Department for Transport, Transcom House
2.	Toyota/ Corolla-Saloon	GKA 067L	2005	
3.	Toyota/ Corolla-Saloon	GKA 439L	2005	
4.	Nordic/Trailer	ZE 3702	2013	
5.	Nordic/Trailer	ZE 4718	2013	
6.	Toyota/Prado VXL Saloon	GKA 929C	2013	

#### CONDITIONS OF SALE

- Vehicles are sold on a "As is, where is" basis.
- All Bids must be accompanied by an advanced refundable deposit of **KES 20,000/=** (Twenty Thousand) for items 1-5 and **KES 250,000/=** (One hundred Thousand) for item 6.
- Any offer received after bid closing date will not be considered
- Viewing of the motor vehicles to be done at the specified storage yards before placing a bid.
- A complete set of tender documents may be obtained by interested tenders electronically from the Website [www.tenders.go.ke](http://www.tenders.go.ke) and/or [www.transport.go.ke](http://www.transport.go.ke). Tender documents obtained electronically will be **free of charge**.

The bids must be delivered to the address below on or before **20<sup>th</sup> August 2024** at 1000hrs.

**State Department for Transport  
P.O Box 52692- 00200,  
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Transcom House,  
Ngong Road, Nairobi**



## PUBLIC NOTICE

### PLACEMENT OF INVESCO ASSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED UNDER STATUTORY MANAGEMENT

- Insurance Regulatory Authority (IRA) has with effect from 14th August 2024 placed Invesco Assurance Company Limited under Statutory Management as per Section 67C(2)(i) of the Insurance Act.
- The Authority has appointed the Policyholders Compensation Fund (PCF) as the Statutory Manager for Invesco Assurance Company Limited (under statutory management).
- Invesco Assurance Company Limited (under statutory management) is not authorized to enter into any new insurance contracts from 14th August 2024.
- The insurer's existing Policyholders are advised to immediately seek alternative covers from other licensed insurers to ensure that there is no unnecessary exposure.
- The Policyholders Compensation Fund will compensate the affected claimants as provided for under the Insurance Act, Cap 487 Laws of Kenya.

**COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE  
14th August 2024**

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# PS tips youth, fishermen on available Blue Economy opportunities

BY CYNTHIA MASENO(KNA)

State Department of Investment Promotion Principal Secretary Abubakar Hassan has encouraged young people and fishermen to explore the numerous job opportunities available in the blue economy sector, particularly in the fishing and sale of ornamental fish.

During a visit to Kenya Tropical Sea Life EPZ Limited, Hassan highlighted the potential for increased profits in this niche mar-

ket, noting that ornamental fish sales could yield 20 per cent more profit than fish sold for consumption.

"We are seeing a lot of opportunity here, and we are telling our fishermen that when they go out fishing, they should not only focus on fish that can be eaten but also look for ornamental fish," the PS said.

He added that the fish could be sold at a good profit in enterprises like Kenya Tropical, where

they go through a two to three-month value addition process before being exported to the rest of the world. In alignment with the Government's vision, Farm Africa has launched a Sh2.6 billion programme in Kilifi to empower young people by equipping them with the skills and resources needed to access employment opportunities in the aquaculture industry. The initiative, funded by the Mastercard Foundation, aims to bene-

fit 150,000 youth over the next five years.

Speaking at the signing of a memorandum of understanding (MoU) with the Kilifi County Government, Farm Africa Director Mary Nyale emphasized the programme's potential to significantly reduce youth unemployment in the country.

She expressed optimism that the initiative would bridge the gap between education and employment by providing prac-

tical training and support.

"Kilifi County has given us the opportunity to deal with the gap of unemployment among our youth. We have observed that there is enough ocean space and land that we can use to invest in helping our youth rear the fish," Nyale remarked.

She added that the programme would be implemented in five other counties: Kisumu, Homa Bay, Siaya, Kakamega, and Busia counties.

She stated that their partners would work with different interest groups among the youth including young mothers, to train and equip them with necessary skills required to venture into the aquaculture space.

Kilifi County Governor Gideon Mung'aro expressed strong support for the initiative, highlighting its alignment with the county's efforts to reduce unemployment.



## MINISTRY OF EDUCATION STATE DEPARTMENT FOR BASIC EDUCATION

### REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST SECONDARY EDUCATION QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (SEQIP)

PROJECT NO.	P160083
ASSIGNMENT TITLE:	CONSULTANCY FOR CARRYING OUT AN END TERM PROJECT EVALUATION FOR THE KENYA SECONDARY EDUCATION QUALITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (SEQIP)
REFERENCE NO.:	MOE/SEQIP/CQS/01/2024-2025
PROCUREMENT METHOD:	CONSULTANT'S QUALIFICATIONS (CQS)

The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Secondary Education Quality Improvement Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services. The Project has four components; (i) Improving Quality of Teaching in Targeted Areas, (ii) Improving Retention in upper Primary School and Transition to Secondary School in target areas, (iii) System Reform Support and (iv) Project Management, Coordination and Monitoring and Evaluation

- The purpose of this evaluation is to assess the relevance, efficiency, effectiveness, cost-effectiveness, processes, achievements and sustainability of the SEQIP. In addition, the evaluator is required to identify lessons learned, best practices, and to provide recommendations for improving performance and management of education programs. The task requires a Consulting firm or a joint venture or Consortium of firms to undertake the assignment as per the scope of work atleast for 75 days. Details of the assignment are available in the Terms of Reference (ToR) uploaded in the Ministry website; [www.education.go.ke](http://www.education.go.ke).
- The Ministry of Education now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

#### The shortlisting criteria will be:

- The interested consultant shall be a tax registered national consultancy firm or officially registered not-for-profit organization (e.g. research institute, academic institution) incorporated for at least five (5) years, offering similar services and have completed at least five (5) similar project Evaluations in comparable organizations
  - Must have at least five years of continuous professional experience in the preparation of reviews and evaluations processes;
  - The Consultant should provide details (documentary evidence e.g. contract award or reference letter from the clients, stating scope of services and deliverables) of all such projects for the last 5 years or more during which they were completed.
  - Must have at least three years of professional experience in appreciative or asset-based approaches for design, monitoring and evaluation of projects;
  - Must have at least three years of professional experience in the planning, design, management, monitoring and review of development projects;
  - Evidence of availability of appropriate mixed skills to carry out the verification exercise which includes; Project Monitoring and Evaluation, data analysis Education, Supply Chain Management, financial management and environmental and social safeguards etc
- The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" Procurement Regulations 2016 revised September 2023, 5th edition, setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
  - The Consulting firm will be selected in accordance with the **Consultant Qualifications-Based Selection method (CQS)** in accordance to the Procurement Regulations.

Interested Firms should submit their Expressions of interest which must be delivered in a written form accompanied with company profiles and copies of relevant documents and testimonials/recommendations in plain sealed envelope clearly marked with the contract reference number **Reference No. MOE/SEQIP/CQS/01/2024-2025** and addressed (**in person, or by mail, or by fax, or by e-mail**) to;

**The Principal Secretary,**  
Ministry of Education, State Department for Basic Education,  
Attn: Head, Supply Chain Management Services  
Postal Address: P.O. Box 30040-00100, Nairobi, Kenya  
Zip code: +254 Tel: (0)20 318581 Ext.30413 Fax: 254-020-318581  
Email: [scmsequip@education.go.ke](mailto:scmsequip@education.go.ke)

and be deposited in the tender box located at the reception area of Jogoo House 'B' Harambee Avenue, on or before **10<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 at 11.00 a.m.** Kenyan Local Time.

Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours between 0900 to 1700 hours.

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## MINISTRY OF EDUCATION STATE DEPARTMENT FOR TECHNICAL, VOCATIONAL EDUCATION & TRAINING

### SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE

#### ADDENDUM NUMBER 2

PURCHASER:	MINISTRY OF EDUCATION – STATE DEPARTMENT FOR TECHNICAL, VOCATIONAL EDUCATION & TRAINING
PROJECT:	SUPPORT TO TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING AND ENTREPRENEURSHIP (TVETE) PROJECT – (GOK/AFDB TVET PHASE III PROJECT)
COUNTRY:	KENYA
DATE:	20 AUGUST 2024
LOAN NO.:	ADF No. 2100150042254
SUBJECT:	ADDENDUM NUMBER 2: EXTENSION OF CLOSING/OPENING DATE FROM <b>29<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2024</b> TO <b>12<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2024</b>

This addendum number 2 relates to the Specific Procurement Notice (SPN) of tender for Supply, Delivery, Installation, Calibration, Commissioning and Training on the Use and Maintenance of training equipment **tender number OCBI/VTT/TVETE PHASE III/EQUIP/32/23-24** for:-

- Lot 1: Building and Civil Engineering Training Equipment for Ol'lessos Technical Training Institute
- Lot 2: Mechanical Engineering Training Equipment for Limuru Technical and Vocational College and;
- Lot 3: Hospitality (Food & Beverage) Training Equipment for Nyeri National Polytechnic

The tender appeared in the Star Newspaper – My Gov pull out, the Ministry of Education (Kenya) and the African Development Bank websites and the UNDB online on 30 July 2024, prospective bidders are advised as follows:

- That the closing/opening date has been extended from Thursday, 29 August 2024 to Tuesday 12 September 2024 to give adequate time to bidders to prepare bids incorporating clarifications to questions raised.
- That the list of clarifications (**Annex 1 – clarifications**) to the questions raised by prospective bidders on the bidding documents may be obtained from the Project Office on the following address:

**Ministry of Education  
State Department for Technical, Vocational Education and Training  
The Project Coordinator – GOK/AFDB TVETE (GoK/AFDB TVET PHASE III) Project  
Teleposta Towers, Kenyatta Avenue, 24th Floor, Rooms 2409/2012  
NAIROBI, KENYA**

OR

Downloaded from the Ministry of Education (Kenya) website: [www.education.go.ke](http://www.education.go.ke)

OR

African Development Bank (AfDB) website: [www.afdb.org](http://www.afdb.org)

- That this notice (**ADDENDUM NUMBER 2**) and Annex 1 - clarifications to bidders should be submitted together with the bidding documents.
- That item in paragraph 3 above will be taken into account in the evaluation and selection of the successful bidders.
- That all the other conditions and ITB shall remain as in the tender documents and initial SPN
- That all subsequent addendums shall be published on the Ministry of Education website [www.education.go.ke](http://www.education.go.ke) and African Development Bank (AfDB) website: [www.afdb.org](http://www.afdb.org)



# New Tourism Ministry boss unveils raft of measures to unlock huge potential of sector

**BY ALICE GWORO(PCO)**  
Newly appointed Tourism and Wildlife Cabinet Secretary Ms. Rebecca Miano has pledged to fast-track strategies aimed at unlocking the immense potential of Kenya's tourism sector.

Speaking during the official handover ceremony at the Ministry of Tourism and Wildlife Headquarters in Nairobi, Ms. Miano promised to lead consultations in revamping the National Tourism Policy to address emerging trends given the ever-changing tastes of tourists. She noted that the sector holds significant promise for boosting the country's economic growth.

"I am taking over the helm of this critical sector at a time when the focus is firmly on economic transformation and job creation," CS Miano said.

"My priority will be to accelerate the growth of tourism earnings to support the government's development agenda. I will seek broad consensus with key stakeholders in the sector to ensure that the spirit of the Bottom-Up Economic Model is upheld in a manner that distributes benefits from tourism and wildlife conservation more evenly throughout Kenya. I will also con-



**Outgoing Tourism and Wildlife Cabinet Secretary, Dr. Alfred Mutua, hand over office to incoming Cabinet Secretary, Rebecca Miano, during a brief ceremony at the Ministry's Headquarters in Nairobi.**

sult with sector players on ways to reduce human-wildlife conflicts," she added.

The CS was categorical on the need to enhance product diversification that caters to modern tastes and boosts the country's competitive edge. She affirmed that the Ministry would work closely with all stakeholders, to unlock the sector's immense potential for both domestic and

**My priority will be to accelerate the growth of tourism earnings to support government's development agenda**

international tourism. "In collaboration with key sector players, I will seek ways of entrenching a domestic tourism culture as we disabuse the notion that tourism is for visitors from without. I will also encourage the use of modern information technology to rally the travel industry to not only shore up tourist numbers, but also create also memorable experiences of our diverse attractions," Miano commented.

Tourism is the third largest source of foreign exchange for Kenya, with earnings reaching Sh352.6 billion in 2023 compared to Sh268.1 billion the previous year, marking a 31.5%

increase. The Ministry of Tourism & Wildlife, through the Kenya Tourism Board (KTB), is collaborating with County governments to develop niche tourism circuits, which Miano said will be a game-changer for the sector.

"There is need to re-tool wildlife conservation in order to respond to current issues such as climate change, Kenya is custodian to diverse wildlife heritage as well as flora and fauna that we must take care of. We will also focus on ensuring synergy with the County governments as well as creating an enabling environment for investment in tourism

across the country. My door is open for all sector players as we seek partnerships that will be beneficial to the sector," added Miano.

In his remarks, Cabinet Secretary for Labour and Social Protection, Dr. Alfred Mutua, who is the outgoing CS for Tourism and wildlife praised the groundwork laid during his tenure, particularly through initiatives which aim at uncovering Kenya's hidden tourism treasures.

He expressed confidence

that the new CS will bring a fresh perspective to boost tourism earnings.

"I am confident that Miano will build upon the momentum, especially through the collaborations with counties, to drive tourism revenue growth. I wish her success in steering Kenya's tourism sector to new heights," said Mutua.

On the issue of human-wildlife conflict, Ms Miano expressed commitment to finding sustainable solutions.

## INVITATION TO TENDER

Kenya Power invites tenders from interested bidders for provision of the following:-

TENDER NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	TENDER COMMENCEMENT DATE	TENDER CLOSING DATE
KPI/9A.3/OT/01/24-25	Supply of Personal Protective Clothing	Wednesday 21.08.2024	Wednesday 11.09.2024 at 10.00 a.m.

Tender documents detailing the requirements of the above tenders may be obtained from the Kenya Power website ([www.kplc.co.ke](http://www.kplc.co.ke)) from the date shown above.

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Sports Kenya invites eligible and competent firms to submit Tenders pursuant to section 74 of the Public Procurement and Disposal Act 2015 for goods, works and services as below: -

TENDER NO.	DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE	ELIGIBILITY	CLOSING DATE
SK/004/2024-2025	Provision of Medical Services for Sports Kenya staff	Open	3 <sup>rd</sup> September, 2024

Interested eligible bidders may obtain tender documents from the office of the Supply Chain Management, Head Office, Kasarani, upon payment of a non-refundable fee (**cash or bankers cheque**) of Kenya Shillings one Thousand (**KShs.1,000/=**) only, during normal working hours (8.00AM- 5.00PM) from Monday to Friday. The tender documents can be downloaded free from [www.sportskenya.org](http://www.sportskenya.org), [supplier.treasury.go.ke](http://supplier.treasury.go.ke) or **PPIP Portal**.

Completed tender documents are to be enclosed in plain sealed envelopes marked with Tender name and reference number and deposited in the Tender Box at the reception, **MAIN OFFICE, SPORTS KENYA, PRIVATE BAG, KASARANI, KASARANI** or to be addressed to **Director General, Sports Kenya, Private Bag, KASARANI NAIROBI**, so as to be received as shown on the above table.

Applications will be opened immediately thereafter, in the presence of candidates or their representatives who choose to attend the opening meeting, at the Director General's Boardroom.

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Pursuant to the provisions of Section 35(1)(a) (v) of the Universities Act, 2012 amended through Statute Law (Miscellaneous Amendments) Act No. 18 of 2018, the Public Service Commission invites applications from suitably qualified persons for the following vacant positions in Public Universities.

S/ No.	Position	University	No. of Vacancies
1.	Deputy Vice Chancellor - Administration, Finance, Planning and Development ( <b>Re-advertisement</b> )	Chuka University	1
2.	Deputy Vice Chancellor- Academic Affairs and Research	Dedan Kimathi University of Technology	1

The details of the post and mode of application can be accessed on the Commission's website: [www.publicservice.go.ke](http://www.publicservice.go.ke)

Applications should reach the Commission on or before **10<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 latest 5.00 pm (East African Time)**.

**SECRETARY/CEO  
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## National Environment Management Authority

Popo Road, off Mombasa Road, P.O. Box 67839-00200, Nairobi, Kenya  
 Tel: 0724253398, 0735013046, Email: dgnema@nema.go.ke Website: www.nema.go.ke

### NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC TO SUBMIT COMMENTS ON AN ENVIRONMENTAL AND SOCIAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT STUDY REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF FEACAL SLUDGE MANAGEMENT FACILITY IN N'GOMBENI WAA WARD, N'GOMBENI LOCATION, MATUGA SUB-COUNTY, KWALE COUNTY

Pursuant to Section 59 of the Environmental Management and Coordination Act 1999, the National Environment Management Authority (NEMA) has received an Environmental Impact Assessment Study Report for the above proposed project.

The proponent, **Coast Water Works Development Agency**, proposes the construction of a faecal sludge management facility, which will comprise the following components for treatment process: pre-treatment units, solid/liquid separation unit, liquid fraction treatment units, solid fraction dewatering units, ancillary units, associated amenities and facilities in N'ombeni Waa Ward, N'gombeni Location, Matuga Sub-County, Kwale County.

The following are the anticipated impacts and proposed mitigation measures.

Impact	Mitigation Measures
<b>Water Pollution</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Institution of spill prevention and control measures</li> <li>Conservative use of water in construction works</li> <li>Implement a construction waste management plan</li> <li>Implement soil erosion control measures</li> <li>Install and regularly empty sediment traps in surface drains around construction works</li> </ul>
<b>Dust and Air Pollution</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Proper equipment and vehicle maintenance;</li> <li>Use of low Sulphur fuels</li> <li>Regulation of construction vehicle speeds;</li> <li>Sprinkling of dust access and other dust prone areas to lay dust</li> <li>Provision of PPEs such as dust masks to workers</li> <li>Minimise the period for machinery idling</li> <li>Rehabilitation of disturbed areas once completed</li> </ul>
<b>Noise Pollution</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use of noise abatement equipment for machinery</li> <li>Limit construction activities to daytime only</li> <li>Switch of noisy equipment when not in use</li> <li>Provide PPEs such as earmuffs to workers at the site</li> <li>Locate noisy equipment away from receptors</li> <li>Sensitise drivers/operators against hooting</li> </ul>
<b>Biodiversity Disruption</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Development of a Reinstatement Plan and a landscaping/revegetation plan</li> <li>Ensure minimal stripping of vegetation at work areas;</li> <li>Establishment of sediment traps and silt fences;</li> <li>Institution of containment measures for hazardous substances</li> <li>Institution of waste management plan</li> <li>Only clear vegetation necessary for the construction activities</li> <li>Ensure that all personnel are informed and aware of the importance to protect fauna and flora</li> <li>Reinstatement of disturbed site</li> <li>Avoid removal of mature trees that have visual focal points</li> <li>Replacement of removed trees where possible;</li> <li>Proper housekeeping at construction site to reduce visual nuisance</li> </ul>
<b>Soil Pollution</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Avoid offsite disposal of spoil</li> <li>Salvage, stockpile and ensure re-use of native topsoil</li> <li>Implementation of a site-specific reinstatement plan</li> <li>Institution of spill prevention and control measures</li> <li>Hazardous material to be stored as per MSDS's</li> <li>Stabilize and maintain access roads created to access project sites</li> <li>Stabilize construction site and camp(s) entrances/exits</li> </ul>
<b>Increased Energy Use</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Minimise idling of machinery</li> <li>Avoid overloading of trucks and machinery</li> <li>Regular service of vehicles, plant and machinery</li> <li>Use environmentally friendly fuels such as low-sulphur diesel</li> <li>Specify and procure the most energy efficient plant options fit for purpose and avoid use of plant with unnecessary and excess capacity</li> </ul>
<b>Solid Waste Generation</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Modification of construction activities and methods to reduce potential adverse impacts</li> <li>Segregate wastes into inert fill materials, recyclable/reusable materials and hazardous wastes for appropriate disposal</li> <li>Composite organic waste</li> <li>Provide sanitary facilities at construction camps and sites</li> <li>Adopt best practices in concrete waste management</li> <li>Isolate woody vegetation cleared and facilitate collection by neighbouring residents</li> </ul>

The full report of the proposed project is available for inspection during working hours at:

- Principal Secretary, Ministry of Environment and Forestry, NHIF Building, 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, Ragati Road, Upper Hill, P.O. BOX: 30126-00100, NAIROBI**
- Director General, National Environment Management Authority (NEMA) Popo Road, off Mombasa Road, P.O. Box 67839-00200, NAIROBI**
- County Director of Environment, KWALE COUNTY**

A copy of the EIA report can be downloaded at [www.nema.go.ke](http://www.nema.go.ke)

NEMA invites members of the public to submit oral or written comments within **thirty (30) days** from the date of publication of this notice to the Director General, NEMA to assist the Authority in the decision-making process for this project. Kindly quote **ref no. NEMA/EIA/5/2/2219**.

Comments can also be e-mailed to [info@nema.go.ke](mailto:info@nema.go.ke)

**DIRECTOR GENERAL**



## Innovative AI enhances patient care and diagnosis at free medical camp



**Bomet County Governor Hillary Barchok during a free medical camp in Sotik Sub County**

**BY LAMECH WILLY (KNA)**

Artificial intelligence (AI) is making waves in the healthcare sector, significantly transforming medical service delivery in Kenya. This transformative technology was showcased at a free medical camp held at Kamureito Primary School in Sotik Sub-County, Bomet County.

Organized by Safaricom PLC, the M-Pesa Foundation, Zuri Health, Amref Kenya, and Lion SightFirst Eye Hospital in partnership with the County Government of Bomet, the camp highlighted how AI is reshaping healthcare by facilitating the diagnosis, tracking, and management of patient care through telemedicine technologies.

Dr. Amanda Gamba, a consultant medical officer with Zuri Health, demonstrated AI's potential to enhance diagnostic accuracy and efficiency.

"Our system can deliver real-time health data by simply scanning a patient's face, analyzing facial expressions and other signs, without the need for physical contact," Dr. Gamba explained.

Zuri Health's AI technology utilizes advanced algorithms to analyze visual data from a patient's face to assess health metrics such as blood pressure and hemoglobin levels.

This process relies on light sensors and image analysis to extract precise health information with a reported accu-

racy rate of nearly 96 per cent.

Bruno Kiptoo, a developer at Zuri Health, stressed the broader implications of AI in addressing Kenya's healthcare demands.

"AI and advanced technology allow us to provide quick, non-invasive health assessments. Patients can monitor their health without needing to visit a lab, thanks to devices that use light to analyze blood vessels," Kiptoo said.

The integration of AI technology not only improves diagnostic precision but also enhances follow-up care.

Patients who attended the camp will benefit from six months of follow-up through Zuri Health's telemedicine platform, minimizing the need for travel to distant healthcare facilities.

Dr. Felix Langat, representing Bomet's Health Department, highlighted the importance of the County Government's collaboration with Zuri Health.

"Our goal is to provide real-time health assessments and consultations, even in remote areas, through technologies like the Teladoc system," Dr. Langat noted.

In recognition of the challenges faced by rural areas with limited access to advanced technology, Zuri Health has incorporated USSD codes and SMS services.



## NACADA warns against trend of alcohol enemas among the youth

BY MYGOV REPORTER

The National Authority for the Campaign Against Alcohol and Drug Abuse (NACADA) has issued a stern warning following the emergence of a dangerous trend involving alcohol enemas, also known as “butt chugging” or “boofing,” which has recently gone viral in Kenya.

This disturbing practice, reportedly adopted by some youths, involves introducing alcohol into the body through the rectum, a method that poses severe health risks.

In a statement issued by NACADA's Chief Executive Officer, Dr. Anthony Omerikwa, the Authority expressed grave concern over the trend, calling for immediate action from relevant stakeholders to curb its spread.

“This trend, if indeed

factual, poses enormous health concerns and calls for an urgent inquiry by relevant stakeholders,” Dr. Omerikwa said.

Dr. Omerikwa explained that this method of alcohol consumption bypasses the body's natural defenses, leading to rapid absorption into the bloodstream, which can result in life-threatening complications.

“Compared to other methods of consumption, this route is extremely dangerous and poses a significant health risk due to the rapid absorption into the bloodstream,” he stated. Among the risks associated with alcohol enemas, NACADA highlighted the dangers of alcohol poisoning, which can manifest as confusion, vomiting, seizures, slow or irregular breathing, hypothermia, or

unconsciousness.

The direct contact of alcohol with delicate tissues in the rectum can also lead to severe health problems, including ulcers and rectal bleeding. Additionally, the heightened rate of absorption may cause sudden unconsciousness, respiratory failure, or even death. There is also an increased risk of infection, including inflammation, tears in the mucosal lining, and hepatitis, as well as a lack of control over dosage, which can lead to severe dehydration and impaired judgment, resulting in risky behaviour.

Lastly, this method of consumption is more potent and can rapidly lead to alcohol dependence and addiction. NACADA strongly urged the youth and all individuals to avoid such dangerous practices.

## Government to focus on education to tame restive North Rift

BY YOBESH ONWONG'A (MYGOV)

The Government is shifting its focus to education as a long solution for peace and economic growth to tame spiraling insecurity in the North Rift which over the years has been plagued by cattle rustling, conflict, and insecurity.

In whirlwind tour of the region, Interior and National Administration Cabinet Secretary Prof Kithure Kindiki pointed out that the government has initiated several infrastructural interventions

aimed at improving access to education in the area.

“Such initiatives include constructing new schools, equipping them with adequate facilities, and providing learning materials to students,” said Prof Kindiki adding that education is one of the surest pathways for breaking the cycle of insecurity in the North Rift.

“It offers a clear path for economic progress while reducing the chances of communities resorting to conflict and criminal activities,” he noted.

As a part of this strategy, the CS disclosed that legislators and the county governments are being en-



Interior and National Administration Cabinet Secretary Prof Kithure Kindiki (seated) during a visit to the North Rift.

gaged to help students develop skills and education needed to tame the unrest in the North Rift and explore career opportunities.

These programmes, Prof Kindiki said, involve partnerships with government agencies, private sector and professionals from different sectors who will offer guidance, motivation, and support to students throughout their education journey.

“15 schools that were vandalized and destroyed by bandits here in Tiaty Constituency will be reconstructed. All pupils must go back to school, and the Government will make sure they are secure to facilitate uninterrupted learning,” said Prof Kindiki.

He said that education will promote understand-

ing and tolerance by exposing communities in the North Rift to diverse positive cultures, perspectives, and ideas.

Furthermore, Prof Kindiki said that the government has increased investment in technical and vocational education by establishing technical training institutes

across the region. More individuals can access job-oriented courses and gain practical skills that will enhance employability within their communities.


Moreover, he noted that satellite campuses of established universities have also been set up in the North Rift region expanding access to higher education opportunities.

The CS averred that Ministry is optimistic about the long-term impact of these educational initiatives on security and socio-economic development in the North Rift region.

Prof Kindiki said that there is huge belief that by empowering young people through education, we are creating a foundation for peaceful coexistence among community members. Ultimately, education is recognized as a powerful tool, and alternative weapon, against challenges faced by the restive North Rift region.



### KENYA MARITIME AUTHORITY




## NOTICE ON REGISTERED SUPPLIERS FOR THE YEARS 2023-2024 & 2024-2025

Kenya Maritime Authority (KMA) is a state corporation whose mandate is to regulate, co-ordinate and oversee maritime affairs guided by the Kenya Maritime Authority Act No. 5 of 2006 and the Merchant Shipping Act, 2009.

The Authority advertised for its registration of suppliers on 7<sup>th</sup> November, 2023, this process has been concluded and list posted on Authority's website. All suppliers who participated are requested to visit [www.kma.go.ke](http://www.kma.go.ke) to confirm if they were successful.

Further continuous registration for firms registered under AGPO is ongoing and interested firms are encouraged to submit their documents through the Authority's supplier's portal (<https://suppliers.kma.go.ke:643/>). “Supplier registration manual can be accessed from the KMA website i.e. [www.kma.go.ke](http://www.kma.go.ke) under tender portal and incase of any assistance please email [procurement@kma.go.ke](mailto:procurement@kma.go.ke) for assistance”

**DIRECTOR GENERAL  
KENYA MARITIME AUTHORITY**



## Heads of Procurement asked to mediate in stabilizing the economy

BY FATMA SAID AND NURU SOUD(KNA)

The Prime Cabinet Secretary Musalia Mudavadi (Pictured) has urged the Heads of Procurement and Supply Chain to ensure that the government got the value for the tax payers' money through efficient execution of their mandate in accordance with the laid down procedures.

Mudavadi asked the officers to ensure that all procurement processes were efficient and deliver maximum value for money for the good of the public and the general economic growth of the country.

In his keynote address at the third Heads of Procurement and Supply Chain Forum held in Mombasa, the Prime Cabinet Secretary noted that by asking the Heads of Procurement to arbitrate in stabilizing the economy, he has offered them an opportunity to reflect on how they can position their profession to support the country's development agenda.

This will in effect change the negative perception and blanket condemnation of corruption about the noble profession by ensuring that their members operate within the



laid down legal and regulatory frameworks.

He encouraged them to harness the power of emerging technologies such as Artificial Intelligence, block chain, and Cloud Computing to advance ethical practices and drive innovation in the Industry.

Mudavadi emphasized that this could be instrumental in aiding the nation to stabilize its economy and create more growth opportunities while also safeguarding the livelihoods of its citizens.

“Procurement and Supply Chain Management stands at the heart of the country's social and economic transformation. As we navigate economic

challenges intensified by global conflicts and climate change, we must exercise strategic leadership to alleviate supply chains and ensure procurement processes deliver value for money at every level,” he added.

The Prime CS who is also the Cabinet Secretary for Foreign and Diaspora Affairs said that the challenges of climate change, including last year's drought and floods, have contributed to a significant increase in the cost of living.

Further pressure from high debt service has forced the government to make ‘haircut’ budget adjustments on essential public sector development programs.

## PS calls for partnerships between NG-CDF, NITA to equip youth with skills

BY JULIUS NDEGWA (PCO), LAMECH WILLY (KNA)

The Principal Secretary State Department for Labour and Skills Development Mr Shadrack Mwadime is calling for partnerships between NG-CDF programmes and the National Industrial Training Authority (NITA) to equip youth with essential skills that will help them meet demands of the rapidly changing Job market.

Mwadime (pictured) said skills development remains the cornerstone of progress and laying foundation for propelling social economic achievement in the country.

Mr. Mwadime said this when he joined Sotik MP, Amb. Francis Sigei during the graduation ceremony of 52 trainees who have successfully completed training at NITA Kisumu, under the sponsorship of Sotik NG-CDF programme. The ceremony was held at Sotik Primary School in Bomet County.

The PS emphasized the importance of a skilled



Acting Director General, Theresa Wasike.

Mr. Mwadime called for expansion of the partnership to the neighbouring constituencies and government departments, thus broadening the scope and enabling more young Kenyans to benefit from similar programmes. "Such expansion would allow more Kenyans to benefit from similar training and further stimulate regional economic development," he said.

and productive labour force as fundamental to the government Bottom-up Economic Transformation Agenda and achievement of Vision 2030.

He hailed the partnership and collaboration between Sotik NG-CDF and NITA of providing training programmes to the youth, "your investment in education and training is a noble endeavour that will yield immense benefits to the society. By providing the necessary resources and creating opportunities to these young men and women, you have played a critical role in shaping a brighter future for all of us" said the ps who was accompanied by NITA

Amb. Sigei said the partnership had provided invaluable skills through three months of hands-on training in diverse range of courses, equipping the youth with essential skills that will make them meet the evolving market demands, and access job opportunities.

The partnership, spanning over over one year, has seen 52 trainees-drawn from humble families go through the training, with another 61 currently undergoing training at NITA Kisumu, at a cost of Ksh. 2.8M sponsorship from Sotik

## State taps NITA to unveil comprehensive strategy to boost vocational training and youth employment

BY ARNOLD LINGA MASILA (KNA)

The National Government is now harnessing the technical and outreach capability of the National Industrial Training Authority (NITA) to not only create jobs but also produce skilled labour among the youth across the country.

Launching the initiative at the Voi Vocational Training Center (VTC) to offer Trade Tests and certification to individuals with prior training in technical roles which will be rolled out countrywide through vocational training centres with the support of NITA, the Principal Secretary for the State Department for Labour and Skills Development, Shadrack Mwadime, emphasized the urgency of equipping Kenya's youth with practical skills that can drive economic growth and personal development.

Mwadime revealed that the first cohort of 25,000 individuals drawn from 250 training centres across the nation are taking their tests this week with the next cohorts scheduled for the coming weeks.

Mwadime emphasized that the Trade Test is not merely an evaluation but a strategic move to uplift the country's workforce and tackle unemployment, especially among the youth.

The PS stressed the importance of practical skills over traditional academic paths, noting, "It's not just about university degrees; it's about ensuring every young Kenyan has the skills needed to earn a living."

The PS highlighted the government's commitment to Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) as a cornerstone of industrialization and taking Kenya's economy to the next level.

"There is no way we are going to industrialize our economy without these youths who are gaining technical or craft skills that they are doing. That's the only way that our economy will change," he said.

He pointed out that the current focus on vocational skills is aligned with President William Ruto's vision to empower the youth through practical education as part of the broader Bottom-up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).

"That's why our main focus at the moment is on



A student at Voi Vocation Centre demonstrates a water plumbing project to the Principal Secretary of the State Department for Labour and Skills Development, Shadrack Mwadime (second right), accompanied by NITA and Taita Taveta County officials.

TVETs. We don't want even a single child to get lost in our hands. Be it a primary school child, who didn't manage to complete studies because of financial constraints and are very bright but they lacked school fees, take them to VTCs. Be it a form four leaver who hasn't managed to join university and has no skill, bring them here," he added

The PS further announced plans for the introduction of incubation centres near VTCs across the country, a move that will further ensure that the Kenyan youthful labor is skilled, adaptive, sustainable, and in sync with global standards.

According to Mwadime, these centres, inspired by successful models in Canada, will provide graduates with hands-on experience in finance and enterprise management, preparing them for entrepreneurship and employment.

"We will start what we call incubation centres. When our children finish their studies, we place them in these facilities," he said, adding that, "We will monitor their progress, and within a year, they will be ready to start their own businesses or secure jobs within and outside the country."

Addressing the opportunities available abroad, Mwadime encouraged parents not to hold their children back from exploring international job markets.

He stated that the National Employment Authority website has over 300,000 job opportunities and urged the youths to create accounts, upload CVs and match the skills they have with the job opportunities that are available and subsequently send their applications.

He reassured the youth about the legitimacy of the job opportunities, noting that non-compliant agencies have been removed from the website.

"If you go to the website, and see those in black ink, those are legit job opportunities. Those that we have put them in red ink, are fake. Leave them. We've placed them there so that they know that their status is questionable," he explained.

He noted that Kenyan diaspora remittances amounted to \$4 billion last year, a clear indicator of the economic benefits such opportunities can bring back to the country.

"Let your children go abroad. Don't hold on to them. Let me tell you, the Kenyans who are abroad, last year, they brought back about \$4 billion which is about Sh663 billion which came into the country from our children who are abroad," said Mwadime.

NITA's chairman, Aden Noor Ali, echoed Mwadime's sentiments, praising the assessors for their crucial role in identifying and nurturing talent.

"Your contribution is not only commendable, but also exceptional. The role you play in this program extends far beyond evaluation. You are instrumental in identifying and nurturing the skill and talents within our nation," he said.

Ali emphasized that NITA is committed to aligning the skills developed through training with the labor market's demands, thereby supporting the government's development agenda.

He noted that the August trade test will cover 46 counties, assessing over 25,000 candidates.



### NATIONAL SOCIAL SECURITY FUND

#### ANNOUNCEMENT OF VACANCIES

The National Social Security Fund (NSSF) is a State Corporation established under the National Social Security Act that is responsible for providing social security protection to workers in the formal and informal sectors through member registration, receiving contributions, managing funds of the scheme and timely pay out of benefits to eligible members or dependents.

To fulfill its mandate, NSSF wishes to engage suitably qualified and highly motivated persons for the positions listed below.

S/NO	Position	Grade	Post
1.	ICT Officer II	8	3
2.	Compliance Officer II	8	41
3.	Fingerprints Officer II	8	14
4.	Human Resource Officer II	8	1
5.	Office Administrator II	8	35
6.	Security Officer II	8	1
7.	Assistant Records Management Officer III	9	2
8.	Driver II	11	23
9.	Office Assistant II	12	11

1. Details of the vacancies and the application procedure are available on the Fund's website [www.nssf.or.ke/careeropportunities](http://www.nssf.or.ke/careeropportunities)

2. Applications should be received before or by **Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 latest 5:00pm (EAT)**

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# Kampala to host 3rd coast tourism conference in November



**Uganda Consul General Ambassador Paul Mukumbya speaking during the launch of the campaign to attract 500 Kenyans to attend the third Uganda-Kenya Coast Tourism Conference in Kampala.**

BY SADIK HASSAN  
(KNA)

Buoyed by the success of the previous Kenya-Uganda tourism conferences held in Mombasa and Diani, the third edition is set to take place in Kampala, Uganda, this November.

The first Uganda-Kenya Coast Tourism Conference was held on November 17, 2022, in Mombasa, and the second conference took place from November 13-14, 2023, in Kwale County.

The third Uganda-Kenya Coast Tourism Conference is scheduled for November 20-21 at the prestigious Speke Resort and Convention Center in Munyonyo, Kampala. The Ugandan government has launched a campaign to attract at least 500 Kenyan tourism stakeholders and investors to this year's event. The campaign was officially launched by Uganda's Consul General at the Kenyan Coast, Ambassador Paul Mukumbya, alongside key tourism stakeholders from both nations in Mombasa.

Speaking at the launch, Ambassador Mukumbya praised Uganda's strong commitment to strengthening tourism ties with Kenya.

"This year's venue reflects how seriously we in Uganda take the Kenyan market," Mukumbya stated, urging all tourism stakeholders to register for the event.

He noted that the registration portal had already seen over 300 registrations, and they expect number to

reach the 500-participant limit soon.

The conference aims to build on the successes of previous editions held in Mombasa and Diani, which have played a crucial role in enhancing cross-border tourism and trade between the two countries. "In the past, diplomats used to engage in political diplomacy.

However, we are now focusing on what we call economic and commercial diplomacy, which can only be done physically when you are on the ground," said Mukumbya.

He revealed that Kenya is Uganda's number one source market for tourists, and Uganda is Kenya's second biggest tourism source market. In 2023, over 490,000 Kenyans visited Uganda, whereas 201,620 Ugandans visited Kenya.

"There is an opportunity to grow these numbers if the two countries work together," said Mukumbya.

Dr Sam Ikwaye, the Executive Director of the Kenya Association of Hotel keepers and Caterers (KAHC), emphasized the importance of fostering trust and collaboration among tourism stakeholders, noting the positive impact of familiarization trips and business-to-business engagements facilitated by the conference.

"The confidence levels among stakeholders have risen, enabling Kenyan and Ugandan operators to develop and exchange tourism packages effectively," he said



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Applications are invited from qualified persons for the positions shown below.

V/NO.	POST	MINISTRY/STATE DEPARTMENT	GRADE	NO. OF VACANCIES
249/2024	Assistant County Commissioner II	Internal security and National Administration	CSG 9	42
250/2024	Deputy Director, Social Welfare/Counselling Services	Correctional Services - Kenya Prisons Service	CSG 6	1
251/2024	Assistant Director, Social Welfare		CSG 7	6
252/2024	Director, Resource Mobilization	The National Treasury	CSG 4	1
253/2024	Secretary, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises	Micro, Small & Medium Enterprises Development	CSG 4	1
254/2024	Director, Enterprise Development, (Digital Delivery and Communication)		CSG 5	1
255/2024	Director, Enterprise Development, (Innovation, Product and Market Development)		CSG 5	1
256/2024	Director, Enterprise Development, (Financing, Partnership and Coordination)		CSG 5	1
257/2024	Director, Enterprise Development, (Policy and Research)		CSG 5	1
258/2024	Deputy Director, Enterprise Development, (Digital Delivery and Communication)		CSG 6	1
259/2024	Deputy Director, Enterprise Development, (Market Development)		CSG 6	1
260/2024	Deputy Director, Enterprise Development, (Policy)		CSG 6	1
261/2024	Deputy Director, Enterprise Development, (Coordination)		CSG 6	1
262/2024	Deputy Director, Enterprise Development, (Partnership and Linkages)		CSG 6	1
263/2024	Deputy Director, Enterprise Development, (Financing and Resource Mobilization)		CSG 6	1
264/2024	Deputy Director, Enterprise Development, (Innovation and Product Development)		CSG 6	1
265/2024	Deputy Director, Enterprise Development, (Research)		CSG 6	1
266/2024	Assistant Director, Enterprise Development, (Partnership and Linkages)		CSG 7	1
267/2024	Assistant Director, Enterprise Development, (Co-ordination)	CSG 7	1	
268/2024	Assistant Director, Enterprise Development, (Financing and Resource Mobilization)	CSG 7	1	
269/2024	Assistant Director, Enterprise Development, (Market Development)	CSG 7	1	
270/2024	Assistant Director, Enterprise Development, (Innovation and Product Development)	CSG 7	1	
271/2024	Assistant Director, Enterprise Development, (Research)	CSG 7	1	
272/2024	Assistant Director, Enterprise Development, (Policy)	CSG 7	1	
273/2024	Assistant Director, Enterprise Development, (Digital Delivery and Communication)	CSG 7	1	
274/2024	Director, Counselling and Wellness Services	State Department for Public Service	CSG 5	2
275/2024	Deputy Director, Counselling and Wellness Services		CSG 6	1
276/2024	Assistant Director, Counselling and Wellness Services		CSG 7	14
277/2024	Assistant Director, Management Consultancy Services		CSG 7	15
278/2024	Assistant Director, Public Service Reforms		CSG 7	6
279/2024	Assistant Director, Research		CSG 7	10
280/2024	Legislative Affairs Officer	Parliamentary Affairs	CSG 9	2
281/2024	Parliamentary Affairs Officer		CSG 10	3
282/2024	Co-ordination & Strategy Officer		CSG 10	8
283/2024	Assistant Director, Air Transport	Transport	CSG 7	2
284/2024	Assistant Director, Shipping and Maritime		CSG 7	2
285/2024	Director, Youth Development	Youth Affairs and Creative Economy	CSG 5	1
286/2024	Director, Irrigation Sector Development Co-ordination	Irrigation	CSG 5	1
287/2024	Deputy Director/ Senior Principal Superintending Engineer Irrigation Infrastructure Development		CSG 6	1
288/2024	Deputy Director /Senior Principal Superintending Engineer-Water Harvesting and Storage		CSG 6	1
289/2024	Deputy Director Land Reclamation & Ecosystem Restoration		CSG 6	1
290/2024	Deputy Director Irrigation Water Management		CSG 6	1

The details of the posts and mode of application can be accessed on the Commission's website.

Interested and qualified persons are required to make their applications ONLINE through the Commission website: [www.publicservice.go.ke](http://www.publicservice.go.ke) or jobs portal: [www.pscjobs.go.ke](http://www.pscjobs.go.ke) so as to reach the Commission on or before **10<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 (Latest 5 pm East African Time)**.

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# MINISTRY OF INVESTMENTS, TRADE AND INDUSTRY

## STATE DEPARTMENT FOR INDUSTRY



COUNCIL OF GOVERNORS

### REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

### CALLING ON ASPIRING INDUSTRIALISTS IN KENYA

**Introduction**

Kenya's long term development Blue Print, the Vision 2030 aims to transform Kenya into an Industrialized Middle-income country offering a high quality of life to all our citizens.

The Government is promoting the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) and has recognized the role played by the manufacturing sector in income generation, wealth & job creation, increase in foreign exchange earnings, and poverty reduction.

Towards achieving this goal, the National Government through the Ministry of Investment, Trade and Industry and County Governments in partnership with private sector, development partners and United Nation Industrial Development Organization (UNIDO) is establishing County Aggregation and Industrial Parks (CAIP) in thirty-eight (38 No.) counties. This will help the Country enhance the unleashing the potential in both manufacturing and agricultural sectors and increased employment creation, increased farmers' income and export of agro-processed products. The development and implementation of the project will be jointly accomplished between the National Government and County Governments.

Through the CAIPs project for both phase one and phase two counties, we intend to create industrial spaces for local small scale manufacturers and foreigners. The National Government and CoG are working to provide incentives for investors who wish to invest in CAIPs. The government has conceived CAIPs as a way of supporting SMEs in such a way that it removes entry barriers that keep potential SMEs away from the manufacturing sector. This has been done by reducing the cost of land (by providing public land for use in construction), provision of common manufacturing facilities and a common portal for selling finished products. Further, it is intended that a national e-commerce platform will be developed to offtake all CAIPs products in a harmonized national manner. This is therefore a call on Kenyans that have funds, innovative ideas and equipment to partner with government to bring this project to fruition.

**Invitation for submission of Expression of Interest**

The Ministry of Investment, Trade and Industry through State Department for Industry now invites eligible firms/manufacturers/investors to express their interest for the following assignments under the County Aggregation and Industrial Parks.

**Assignments:**

#	Item (EOI) Description	Reference (EOI No.)	Site Visit to the CAIP of Interest	EOI Closing Date
1	EOI for Provision of Management Services for County Aggregation and Industrial Parks (CAIPS)	MITI/SDI/REOI/1/2024/2025	26 <sup>th</sup> to 30 <sup>th</sup> August, 2024	13/09/2024
2	EOI for lease/uptake of Industrial Space within specific County Aggregation and Industrial Parks (CAIPS)	MITI/SDI/REOI/2/2024/2025	26 <sup>th</sup> to 30 <sup>th</sup> August, 2024	13/09/2024
3	EOI for provision of requisite machinery and equipment for own manufacture or to lease them out for common use.	MITI/SDI/REOI/3/2024/2025	26 <sup>th</sup> to 30 <sup>th</sup> August, 2024	13/09/2024
4	EOI for provision of logistics and an e-commerce platform for upcoming industries within the CAIPS	MITI/SDI/REOI/4/2024/2025	26 <sup>th</sup> to 30 <sup>th</sup> August, 2024	13/09/2024

**Shortlisting Criteria**

Interested bidders must provide information to demonstrate their suitability for the roles including the firm's registration information and all other statutory documents, tax compliance, financial capability, local support, and overall firm's experience.

**Note that: -**

- This is a call for private sector investment and support for County Aggregation and Industrial Parks – CAIPS;
- The REOI must not include pricing/commercial proposal;
- The receipt of a response shall not bind the government into any contractual agreement with the bidder;
- Any costs associated with the response and submission of the EOI shall be borne by the vendor;
- State if you intend to submit this bid as a joint venture or consortium or any other association;
- Only bidders who meet the government's minimum requirements will be considered for further engagement;
- Choose from aggregation, cold storage and/or value addition warehouses.
- Each industrial warehouse measures 20 x 50m (1000m<sup>2</sup>). You can also customize your own facility with our flexible build to suit options.
- Whether you are growing your business or starting a new manufacturing venture we have got the ideal space for you.
- Bidding companies will be expected to find innovative ways and their own funds to support CAIPs through their own investment and make their returns; and
- This invitation is for the private sector to co-invest in the CAIPS project.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the requirements of the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Act 2015 and its attendant Regulations.

Firms are eligible to participate in the REOI and propose Individual Consultant however they are required to indicate in the REOI if the contract will be entered into with the firm or the Individual Consultant proposed.

Due to the large volume of details needed to respond to this REOI, additional information with regards to the following listed subheads are available throughout the EOI period at the address below in hard copy and at the Ministry's website; [www.industrialization.go.ke](http://www.industrialization.go.ke).

- (i) Purpose
- (ii) Scope
- (iii) Eligibility and qualification of applicants

Request for clarifications from interested consultants during the Expression of Interest period shall be in writing and addressed to **The Principal Secretary, State Department for Industry not later than seven (7) days** from the date of closing/opening the EOI's. Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours i.e. 0800 to 1700 hours.

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below or be deposited in the tender box situated on the 16<sup>th</sup> Floor, NSSF Building Block an Eastern Wing, on or before **6<sup>th</sup> September, 2024 at 10.00 A.M Local Time.**

**Dr. Juma Mukhwana, PhD, CBS**  
Principal Secretary  
Ministry of Investments, Trade and Industry  
State Department for Industry

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**NOTE:**

All interested applicants are required to undertake a familiarization site visit from **Monday 26th – 30th August, 2024** on the specific CAIP of their choice as per the schedule below: -

**SCHEDULE OF SITE VISITS**

#	Name of County	Scheduled Date	#	Name of County	Scheduled Date	#	Name of County	Scheduled Date
<b>Group I</b>			<b>Group IV</b>			<b>Group VII</b>		
1.	Busia	26/8/2024	1.	Nyandarua	26/8/2024	1.	Migori	26/8/2024
2.	Bungoma	27/8/2024	2.	Laikipia	27/8/2024	2.	Homabay	27/8/2024
3.	Kakamega	28/8/2024	3.	Nyeri	28/8/2024	3.	Kisii	28/8/2024
4.	Vihiga	29/8/2024	4.	Kirinyaga	29/8/2024	4.	Nyamira	29/8/2024
5.	TransNzoia	30/8/2024	5.	Murang'a	30/8/2024	5.	Siaya	30/8/2024
<b>Group II</b>			<b>Group V</b>			<b>Group VIII</b>		
1.	Kisumu	26/8/2024	1.	Kajiado	26/8/2024	1.	Isiolo	26/8/2024
2.	Uasin Gishu	27/8/2024	2.	Narok	28/8/2024	2.	Meru	27/8/2024
3.	Nandi	28/8/2024	3.	Kericho	29/8/2024	3.	Embu	28/8/2024
4.	Baringo	29/8/2024	4.	Nakuru	30/8/2024	4.	Kitui	29/8/2024
						5.	Machakos	30/8/2024
<b>Group III</b>			<b>Group VI</b>			<b>Group IX</b>		
1.	Mandera	26/8/2024	1.	Tana River	26/8/2024	1.	Kiambu	26/8/2024
2.	Wajir	28/8/2024	2.	Kilifi	27/8/2024	2.	Nairobi	27/8/2024
3.	Garissa	30/8/2024	3.	Mombasa	28/8/2024			
			4.	Kwale	29/8/2024			
			5.	Taita	30/8/2024			

**Pictorial**



# Centre deploys robots to teach Science, Technology, Engineering and Maths

BY MYGOV REPORTERS

A studious silence invites you to a maker's and innovation space at the Centre for Mathematics, Science, and Technology Education in Africa (CEMASTE) in Karen. In the ten-by-six-meter facility, a robotics session is underway. Kimberly Waringa and Daniyaa Muriithi, both aged ten, are using plastic materials spread out on a table to create robots.

At the next table, 17-year-old Stacey Kathure is focused on a laptop, programming an already assembled robot to perform various tasks. The Centre is using robots to teach 102 learners Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM) concepts.

The learners, aged between five and sixteen years, who are on August school holidays and drawn from various institutions, are being enabled to explore robotics, creative coding, physical computing, and the incubation of viable STEM ideas.



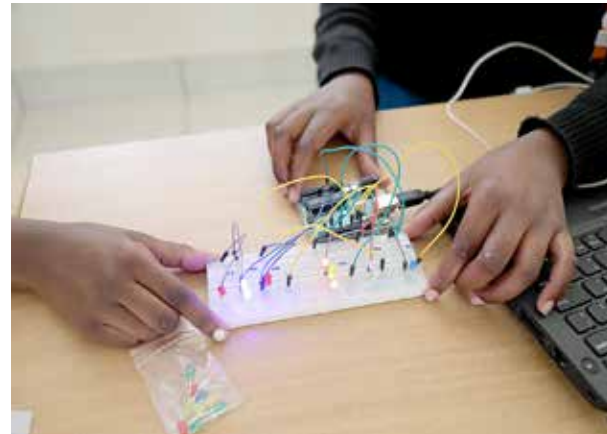
Grade five and eight pupils programme robots and code devices at the Centre for Mathematics Science and Technology Education in Africa (CEMASTE) Karen during the fifth STEM boot camp. The Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development approved coding as a critical skill within the new Competency-Based Curriculum.

The Deputy Coordinator of STEM programs at CEMASTE, Mr. Martin Mungai, says the teaching module has not only made learning easier but also more enjoyable. The robots are assembled using tiny plastic pieces consisting of either studs or holes and other standardized components that fit together to form one functional unit.

Mungai explains that using robots encourages young learners to work in logical and effective ways that foster scien-

tific reasoning and critical thinking, which may not be guaranteed in theoretical learning. He indicates that, for a week, the learners will engage in a 'robotics challenge' and the development of applications, which involve assembling and programming and require a great deal of creativity and learning.

Additionally, Mungai states that mastering coding will help learners think differently, be more creative, grasp mathemat-



ics more easily, and collaborate more effectively. He added that it will provide them with valuable life skills and prepare them for the workforce.

"We need to know how to grow our technology from primary school. You have heard about coding, which is now going to be part of our curriculum to ensure technology becomes part of our journey from primary school all the way to university," he said. He pointed out that promoting coding

in schools exposes young learners to technology and creates a path to a new world of innovation and creativity.

"Coding is really key in the CBC curriculum and in the world we live in today. We are now looking at virtual reality, machine learning, and even artificial intelligence. The world is moving away from computers to automation, engineering, and robotics. People want to automate systems without having to be there."

He said Scratch is a creative learning tool in coding that is highly experimental. "The Scratch coding programming experience allows young people to build on their passions and interests as they get a chance to learn new things about themselves and the world," Mr. Mungai says. The Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development has approved coding as a critical skill within the new Competency-Based Curriculum (CBC).

Kathure, Waringa, and Muriithi say they have not only enhanced their understanding of learning but have also acquired other skills, such as communication, teamwork, tolerance, and time management. Kathure indicated that she has now learned that computers are not simply machines but a gateway to innovation, problem-solving, critical thinking, and collaboration. She said that robotics and coding at the Centre have made science interesting to learners.

## Makueni, Sweden to jointly address climate and water challenges in county

BY PATRICK NYAKUNDI(KNA)

The Swedish Government is exploring potential partnerships with the Makueni County Government on issues related to climate change, the environment, and water harvesting and conservation.

Swedish Ambassador to Kenya Caroline Vicini mentioned at a media briefing in Wote Town that discussions were underway regarding a partnership with Makueni County. She emphasized that the success of such a venture would depend on transparency and accountability in the utilization of funds.

"The county government should be accountable for how money is spent. For us, transparency and accountability are critical for any further progress," Vicini stated after a courtesy call on Makueni Governor Mutula Kilonzo Jr.

She noted that her government is likely to partner with Makueni County



Makueni Governor Mutula Jr (R) and Swedish Ambassador to Kenya Caroline Vicini having talks in Wote.

on climate change, environmental issues, and water management, which is a significant challenge in the region.

"We would like to collaborate on climate change and environmental issues. Makueni faces a major challenge in the water sector, and it is being addressed seriously. For the future of this county, we are committed to supporting these efforts in various ways," she added.

Governor Mutula Kilonzo Jr. confirmed that the Swedish Government has agreed to partner with

his administration under the condition that the initiatives will be free from corruption.

"The Ambassador has agreed to work with Makueni on the condition that any collaboration with the Swedish Government, whether with Kenya or Makueni, will be free of corruption," Governor Mutula said.

"They are serious on matters of corruption and we have demonstrated by use of technology how we monitor our projects and hospitals. We ensure everything we do is re-

corded, there is transparency and accountability and we are able to answer any question at any time," the Governor noted.

During her visit, the Ambassador was taken to the Youth and Innovation Centre at Green Park in Wote Town, also went to Kitungu Sand Dam and later visited Kivale Forest to see the conservation efforts by the Community Forest Associations (CFA) in Mbooni Sub county

Speaking to the press at Kitungu sand dam, the Executive Committee Member (ECM) for Water, Irrigation and Sanitation Eng. John Kieti said that the dam has a capacity of 350,000 cubic meters that they intend to supply to Makueni County Referral Hospital.

However, Eng. Kieti disclosed that they needed Sh34 million to construct a sump of 100 cubic meters, put up a solar system and a conventional water treatment plant whereby water will be pumped to an elevated tank before distribution to the beneficiaries.

"As you can see we have the Ambassador from Sweden with us here, we shall try to convince her if we can enter into a partnership on how they can assist us," said Kieti.

## KenGen joins Global MSCI frontier markets, elevating Kenya's profile

BY MATHEW CHEPKEWEL (MYGOV)

The Kenya Electricity Generating Company (KenGen) has been inducted into the Morgan Stanley Capital International (MSCI) Frontier Markets Small Cap Index.

This significant development signals a potential surge in foreign direct investment for the NSE-listed firm and highlights KenGen's strategic importance in the global energy sector.

According to KenGen Managing Director and CEO Eng. Peter Njenga, this strategic capital investment milestone enhances KenGen's visibility and attractiveness to global investors.

"This development is expected to enhance shareholder value by attracting more international investment, thereby increasing liquidity and potentially driving up share prices," said Eng. Peter Njenga.

The MSCI Frontier Markets Small Cap Index serves as a crucial benchmark for institutional investors seeking to gain exposure to emerging economies with high growth potential. KenGen's inclusion in this index underscores its robust financial performance, innovative energy solutions, and commitment to powering Kenya's future sustainably.

Eng. Njenga added that this inclusion reaffirms KenGen's commitment to delivering affordable and reliable energy solutions to the nation. In statement in response to the news of KenGen's inclusion in the exclusive group, the Nairobi Securities Exchange (NSE), said being part of the MSCI Frontier Markets Small Cap Index provides investors with a unique opportunity to invest in companies like KenGen which have strong growth prospects.

# Judiciary announces critical reforms to tackle overcrowding in prisons

BY BERNADETTE KHADULI (KNA)

The Judiciary is initiating long-term measures designed to prevent the unnecessary detention of unconvicted persons, aiming to decongest correctional and penal facilities in the country.

To achieve this, Chief Justice Martha Koome stated that the Judiciary is leading critical reforms in the criminal justice system to address overcrowding in Kenyan prisons, as part of efforts to promote the proper rehabilitation of offenders.

Justice Koome explained that the Judiciary will encourage the use of Community Service Orders by reviewing sentences and, where appropriate, releasing convicts to perform community service instead of serving time in custody.

Additionally, the Judiciary is streamlining the processes for posting bail, bonds, and sureties to make them more efficient and expeditious. The goal is to transform the correctional system to reflect the highest standards of justice and human dignity.

"We are committed to ensuring that the turnaround time in our registry processes does not delay the approval of bail,



Chief Justice Martha Koome during the launch of the Decongestion Initiative for Nairobi Prisons at Nairobi Remand and Allocation Maximum Security Prison Industrial Area in Nairobi.

bonds, and sureties. We will implement measures to support accused persons in processing their bail, bonds, and sureties," said Justice Koome.

She added "We have already established an interoperable system between the Judiciary with the Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions, we are working to extend this integration to include other agencies, including the prisons".

The second phase of the initiative will involve continuous review of sentences by Judges of the High Court until a sustainable prison population is achieved.

The CJ was speaking during the launch of the decongestion initiative for Nairobi Prisons at Nairobi Remand and Allocation Maximum Security Prison-Industrial Area which was attended by the Principal Secretary for Correctional Services Dr. Salome Beacco, the Commissioner-General of Prisons Patrick Aranduh, and Nairobi Woman Representative Esther Pasaris. Koome observed that the prison facilities in Nairobi region alone host 9,458 inmates, of which 2,496 are convicts, and a staggering 4,962 are unconvicted persons awaiting trial.

# 70 TVETs to benefit from Sh13b Chinese equipment donation

BY JUSTUS ANZAYA (PCO)

Seventy Technical Vocational Education and Training (TVET) institutions across Kenya will benefit from equipment provided by the Chinese government, worth Sh13 billion, through a Government-to-Government arrangement aimed at equipping Kenya's TVET sector.

According to Dr. Esther Muoria (Pictured), the Principal Secretary for the State Department for Technical, Vocational Education and Training, the Kenya-China TVET Project is timely and coincides with the TVET sector's adoption of the Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR).

Dr. Muoria emphasized that for the TVET sector to fully leverage 4IR, it is essential to have state-of-the-art equipment in TVET institutions. With the modernization of the TVET curriculum to Competency-Based Education and Training (CBET), it is crucial to update equipment to ensure that trainees receive training aligned with market expectations.




She further disclosed that the equipping of the seventy TVET institutions under the Kenya-China TVET Project will cost Sh13 billion, a loan from the Chinese government. Dr. Muoria noted that the equipment includes advanced technologies, such as Virtual Reality (VR) and Augmented Reality (AR), which will help TVET trainees acquire cutting-edge skills in high demand globally, enhancing their competitiveness in the labor market.

The equipment will be supplied in the departments of mechanical technology, electrical and electronic technology, agricultural

machinery technology, mechatronics technology, agricultural value addition technology, civil and building technology, welding and fabrication technology, hospitality management technology, automotive technology and refrigeration and air conditioning technology in TVET institutions.

Dr. Muoria lauded the Government for its continued efforts to support the TVET sector adding that currently, there are 240 TVET institutions in Kenya and each constituency in the country boasts of a TVET institution.

She called on the youth to join TVET institutions.



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**EXTENSION OF BID SUBMISSION DEADLINE AND ADDEDUM NO. 1 TO THE BIDDING DOCUMENT**

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All prospective bidders for the above ongoing procurement of works for the **Construction Works for Rehabilitation of Central Nairobi Area Water Network**, Contract No. AWWDA/AFD/NWSP/W-03/2023 are hereby informed that the responses to clarifications sought by bidders, and Addendum No. 1 to the Bid Documents can be downloaded from the AWWDA website: [www.awwda.go.ke](http://www.awwda.go.ke), and PPIP Portal [www.tenders.go.ke](http://www.tenders.go.ke), for free.

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Kenya Maritime Authority (KMA) in consultation with the State Department for Shipping and Maritime Affairs, the Office of the Attorney General and the Kenya Law Reform Commission has developed the draft laws relating to the International Convention for Safety of Life at Sea - Verified Gross Mass Regulations and the Cabotage Regulations which have been uploaded on the KMA website and can be accessed under downloads with the following references: -

- a) Merchant Shipping (Verified Gross Mass of a Packed Container) Regulations, 2024; and,
- b) Merchant Shipping (Cabotage) Regulations, 2024.

In compliance with the Constitution of Kenya 2010, the general public is hereby invited to make comments on the draft laws using the comments template available on the KMA website and submit to [comments.draftlaws@KMA.go.ke](mailto:comments.draftlaws@KMA.go.ke) for consideration on or before **20<sup>th</sup> September 2024**.

The following public participation forums will be held; -

No	Date	Public Participation Forum
1.	2 <sup>nd</sup> September 2024	Kisumu County
2.	4 <sup>th</sup> September 2024	Nakuru County
3.	6 <sup>th</sup> September 2024	Nairobi County
4.	12 <sup>th</sup> September 2024	Mombasa County
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## Mvurya vows to tackle issues stagnating trade, investment and industry sector

BY MICHAEL OMONDI (KNA)

The outgoing Cabinet Secretary for Trade and Investments, Ms. Rebecca Miano, has assured the incoming CS, Salim Mvurya, that the team at the Ministry is well-equipped to help him elevate its current state to new heights.

Ms. Miano commended the staff for their support in various tasks, including overseeing the initiation

of international initiatives that led to the signing of significant trade and economic partnership agreements. These include the Single Euro Payment Area (SEPA) with the UAE, the European Economic Partnership Agreement in December, progress with the Kenya-US Trade and Investment Partnership Agreement, and the Strategic Trade and Investment Partnership (STIP), where significant achieve-

ments were made.

Speaking at the hand-over ceremony, Miano highlighted the Ministry's progress on the industry front. She mentioned that the Ministry signed an MoU with eighteen counties for the County Aggregation and Industrial Parks initiative and successfully expedited the release of funds from the Treasury for the first time to implement the Kenya International Trade Exhi-

bition (KITE).

Miano also revealed that the Ministry actively engaged with various industries, whether through opening, commissioning, or other activities, and hosted roundtable forums with the private sector to resolve longstanding issues, thus improving their relationship.

The outgoing CS, who now heads the Tourism and Wildlife Ministry, emphasized that the Ministry



The new Cabinet Secretary for Trade, Investment and Industry Salim Mvurya receives the Ministry's report from his predecessor Rebecca Miano during the official handover ceremony in Nairobi.

initiated the Business Reforms Action Plan Committee, where 75 issues affecting businesses were prioritized for resolution, presented to the Cabinet, and are now under implementation.

She also disclosed that at a forum held in Durban, South Africa, the African Continental Free Trade Area recommended Kenya as the champion for digital trade, a responsibility that now falls to Mvurya.

## PS urges youth to seize Government openings for growth and employment

BY FATMA SAID (KNA)

The State Department for Youth Affairs and Creative Economy is urging the youth to leverage opportunities available through the National and county governments for personal development, income generation, and employment creation.

Principal Secretary Ishmael Maalim Madey, speaking during the national celebration of International Youth Day in Mombasa, emphasized that the youth segment is a pivotal component of national development. Their efforts, creativity, energy, and the programs they undertake are deserving of celebration.

This year's celebration, themed "From Clicks to Progress: Youth Digital Pathways for Sustainable Development," included youth representation from all 47 counties. The event began with a procession from the iconic Elephant Tusks to the Swahili Pot Hub. The youth had the opportunity to exchange ideas and engage in dialogue with leaders to shape the direction of their government programs.

Madey noted that the theme is timely as the country is advancing in creating online job opportunities for the youth through the Ajira Hub and other platforms. "Thanks to the President's efforts, we can now persuade some social media companies to allow Kenyans to earn from the content they create. For example, META has recently announced programs on their platform that the young people of this country can benefit from," stated PS Madey.



Charlene Ruto, (middle) the founder and patron of Smart Mechanized Agriculture and Climate Action for Humanity and Sustainability (SMACHS) Foundation,



PS Mining Elijah Mwangi responding to a question during the meeting to discuss the reopening of Dabel Gold Mines.

Last year, PS Madey recalled, the Ministry of Youth Affairs, Creative Economy, and Sports collaborated with the Ministry of Education to conduct a Talent Search Program in football and creativity. "As a result, we scouted 2,000 young Kenyans and sent them to a talent and skilling camp at the Kenya Academy of Sports. Six

young Kenyans have been recruited by international football teams and are now playing for various clubs in Europe and America," said PS Madey.

The Talanta Hela Initiative will now focus on creatives, and a new talent search program called "Who is Next" will be unveiled soon. "We also support, in

collaboration with the Ministry of Education, the School Drama and Music Festivals for creativity. Successful talents are linked to different institutions that promote their development," said the PS.

Through Talanta Hela, the Ministry has established agreements with international partners to provide opportunities for Kenyans. The Government has a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with the Grammy Awards for music and with Hollywood Innovation Studios for opportunities in Hollywood.

The Acting Chief Executive Officer of the National Youth Council, Ms Margaret Kiogora expressed her excitement to host this year's Youth International Day in Mombasa County as she noted that their main agenda of the day is to explore what the young people have been up to, including their success stories.

She added that they

aim to listen to the youth's challenges and use the insight to influence policies and laws to enhance their growth and development.

"We continue to encourage young people to join these initiatives by actively engaging with government platforms, whether at the national or county level without fear," Kiogora said.

On matters of Strengthening the National Youth Council Ms Kiogora reiterated that the PS has pledged that they have put in place measures to establish election guidelines and an Act that aligns with the Constitution and the next crucial step is gathering input from young people on how they would like to see the constitution strengthened.

Ms Sophie Nikoye Waliyaula, Chairperson of the Youth Advisory Board at the National Youth Council encouraged the youth to interact using the digital aspect and embrace technology in all activities that they do.

Charlene Ruto, the founder and patron of Smart Mechanized Agriculture and Climate Action for Humanity and Sustainability (SMACHS) Foundation, said that she had a lengthy talk with the youth of Mombasa and that she affirms that they are well supported by the County Governor.

"I encourage the young people to continue reaching out to our leaders, especially within our youth networks so they can help us implement our ideas and dreams into reality," Charlene said.

## State to roll out plan to revolutionize youth talents

BY BERNARD MUNYAO AND FRANCIS ANJALIWA (KNA)

The Government is planning to roll out a program that will transform youth talents into more productive skills and help them engage in self-employment through the National Youth Towards Advancement Programme (NYOTA). The Secretary for Administration of the State Department for Youth Affairs and Creative Economy, Mr. Allan Machari, noted that the National Youth Towards Advancement Programme, dubbed NYOTA, is specifically designed to harness the potential of young people and support them in using their talents for meaningful activities.

Machari who was speaking during a youth engagement forum in Murang'a said NYOTA Like Kenya Youth Employment Opportunities Project (KYEOP) will empower young people with development and financial skills, and fund their talents to enable them start business ventures with ease.

"The government has specific projects that are aimed at uplifting the well-being of youths, we had KYEOP and are now rolling out a programme called National Youth Towards Advancement.

"This is a programme that will come to specifically identify the youths, mold their talents into more productive skills for them to be able to earn a livelihood," Explained Machari who represented Youth Principal Secretary during the occasion held at Murang'a University of Technology.

The Secretary urged youths to have plans and identify their talents so that they can know how they will fit into the programme and benefit from it.

For those in the creative industry, Machari remarked, the Ministry is waiting for the cabinet to approve the creative economy policy and bill, which will serve as the legal framework for regulating the sector.

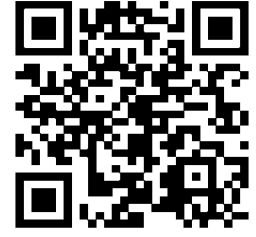


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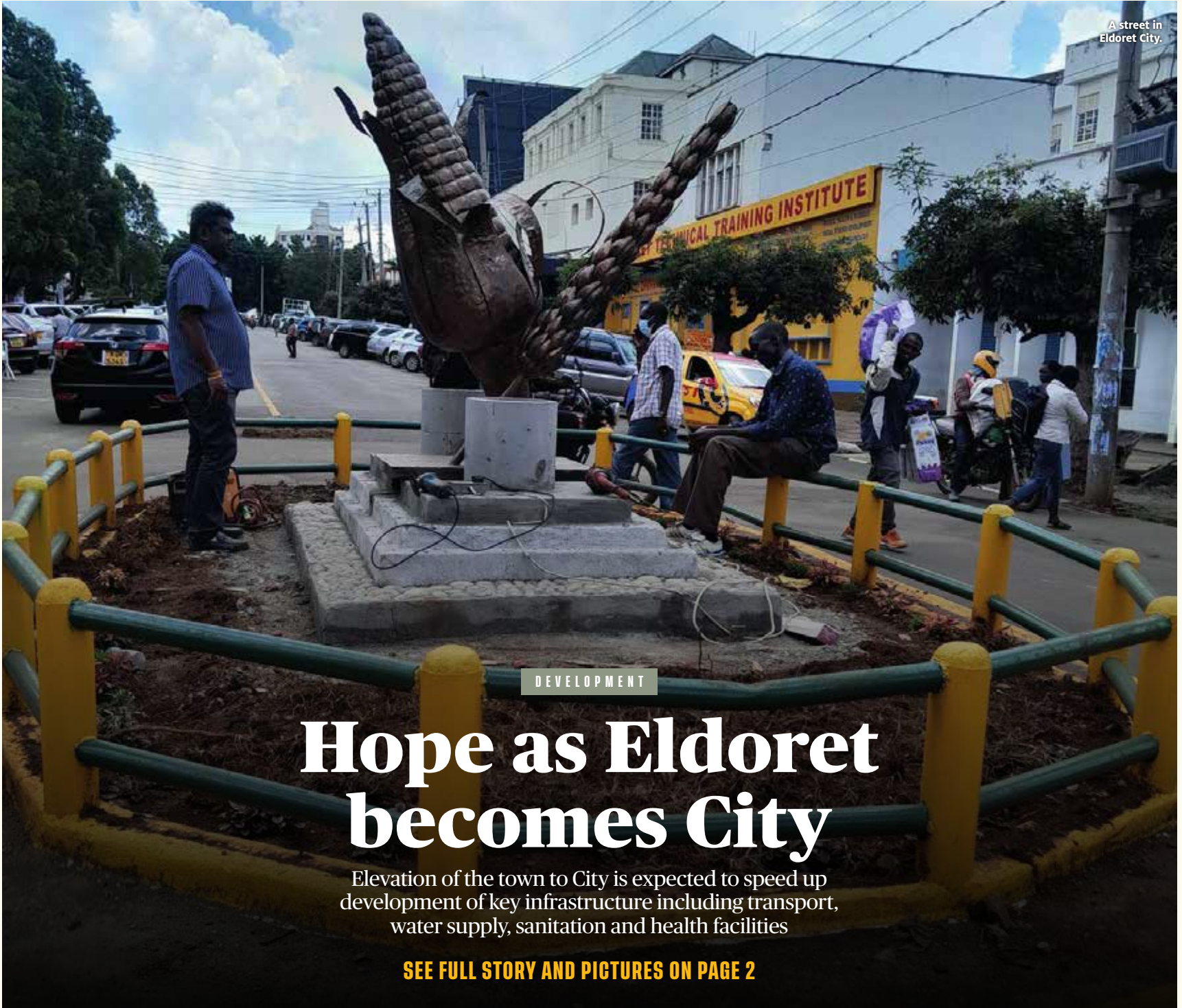
Huduma Samburu shines at the Yare Camel Derby

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A street in Eldoret City.

**DEVELOPMENT**

## Hope as Eldoret becomes City

Elevation of the town to City is expected to speed up development of key infrastructure including transport, water supply, sanitation and health facilities

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The Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board (KYEB) joined the country in celebrating the elevation of Eldoret to the nation's fifth City. KYEB produced a souvenir AgendaKenya newspaper for the occasion, which highlighted the milestones Eldoret had made in the past years.

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**COUNTY SPOTLIGHT**



UASIN GISHU COUNTY

**ELDORET**

The county's headquarter became Kenya's fifth city



Youth employment gets a boost as State steps up labour migration

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President William Ruto interacts with students and athletes in Eldoret during the conferment ceremony



President Ruto affixes the public seal during the Conferment of Eldoret City Status at Eldoret Sports Club.



BELOW: President Ruto signs the conferment charter for Kenya's fifth city, Eldoret.

## DEVOLUTION

## Eldoret's new status expected to accelerate town's growth

President Ruto elevates town to city, a move that is expected to speed up development of key infrastructure including transport, water supply, sanitation and health facilities

The elevation of Eldoret into a City last week by President William Ruto not only gave Kenya its fifth strategic region, but it is also expected to accelerate the town's growth and transformation.

Among the changes residents should expect are the development of key infrastructure like transport, water supply, sanitation and healthcare facilities.

Residents should also look forward to improved access to education, with more institutions expected to be built to complement the existing ones.

This is because with the elevation, focus now shifts to development planning and more resource allocation by the Government towards the area's urban needs.

More foreign and domestic investors are further set to find the town attractive due to perceived higher growth potential and improved infrastructure.

Ongoing projects such as the construction of the Eldoret Central Market and affordable housing initiatives, are already paving the way

for a more vibrant and economically robust city. "In exercise of the powers conferred on the Head of State under Section 7 of the Urban Areas and Cities Act, I Kipchirchir William Samoei Ruto, President of Kenya and commander in chief of Kenya's Defence Forces do hereby ordain, declare and direct that the municipality of Eldoret has been conferred with City Status," President Ruto declared as he conferred a City Status to the Town last week

He informed the Uasin Gishu County leadership that what they have done so far is commendable, but must move to the next higher step. He identified the Kenya Urban Programme (KenUP) and the Kenya Urban Support Programme Phase Two, which collectively invest Sh175 billion (\$1.35 billion) in Eldoret, as key to the City's transformation.

These initiatives focus on critical areas such as waste management, digital connectivity and socio-economic infrastructure, all which are essential for fostering sustainable urban growth. According to the President, the

development and prosperity of Eldoret lies in the strategic framework laid down by the county through its planning, policy and regulations.

He added that the Board that manages the City must also work to make it safer, orderly, sustainable and an efficient city that promotes the dignity and well being of all its residents and communities.

"The new City must foster an economic environment which provides opportunities and a business climate that rewards enterprises which bring their investments here," he said.

To boost sports activities, President Ruto announced plans to upgrade Kipchoge Keino Stadium to modern standards in recognition of Kenya's athletics achievements.

This initiative will cement the city's role as a sports hub, as it hosts various training facilities including Kaptagat, the Great Rift Valley Sports Camp, 64 Stadium, Kapsait Athletics Club and the Chepkorion Athletics Club, which focuses on student athletes.

These facilities offer an ideal setting for

endurance training, allowing athletes to enhance their aerobic capacity and endurance through the benefits of hypoxic conditions.

The Kipchoge Keino Stadium was among those proposed to host the 2027 AFCON Games under the Pamoja Bid involving the three East African nations – Kenya, Uganda and Tanzania.

It is named after Kipchoge "Kip" Keino, a legend in long distance run-ning, who won four Olympic medals, and comes from Uasin Gishu. Keino has contributed immensely to athletics in the region, having founded the Kip Keino High-Performance Training Centre in Eldoret, which has played a crucial role in nurturing young athletic talent.

The institution has produced numerous world-class athletes; further cementing Eldoret's status as a breeding ground for elite runners.

Uasin Gishu Governor Jonathan Bii said Eldoret's elevation reflects its diverse and dynamic character as a City.

He observed that there is increasing pres-

sure on its infrastructure, and called for a reassessment of the revenue-sharing formula to better address the unique challenges faced by burgeoning cities like Eldoret.

"We are excited about the elevation of our town to City and the hard work begins to ensure that we build the town to levels where it will be a major hub in the country and beyond," Dr Bii said.

Uasin Gishu's budget stands at Sh9.8 billion in the 2024/2025 financial year, out of which the county expects to receive Sh8.4 billion from the shareable equitable revenue from the National Government, and Sh1.2 billion from local revenue. Being a City and seat of power of the county, a good chunk of the money is now expected to be used to develop Eldoret.

President Ruto underscored the need for national unity and collective action.

"A time comes when the interest of the nation supersedes the interest of political sides, individuals, or leaders," he said, noting that leadership should be determined through democratic processes and not through conflict.

After Eldoret, all eyes now shift to Bungoma, another town that is eyeing a City Status.

During his recent visit to Bungoma County, President Ruto revealed plans to elevate Bungoma town to a city, a status that comes with autonomy and more responsibilities in terms of governance.

Bungoma meets some of the requirements a town needs to become a city including having an integrated development plan and the ability to generate sufficient revenue to sustain operations and a population of at least 500,000 residents according to the latest census. ■

## TELLING THE STORY

### Kenya Yearbook celebrates Eldoret City with a souvenir publication

The Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board (KYEB) joined the country in celebrating the elevation of Eldoret to the nation's fifth City.

KYEB produced a souvenir Agenda-Kenya newspaper for the occasion, which highlighted the milestones Eldoret had made in the past years.

Among them was the City becoming a hub for development of athletics champions as it hosts various sports facilities.

Eldoret is also a health hub as it hosts a number of top medical facilities in the country, including

the Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital (MTRH), where patients seek specialised treatment in oncology, cardiology, neurology and nephrology, among others.

As an economic hub, Eldoret hosts various industries including Rivatex and Ken Knit and is one of the largest producers of maize in Uasin Gishu County and the county.

KYEB Chief Executive Officer Lilian Kimeto led a team from the institution in attending the historic event.

The attendance demonstrated KYEB's commitment to documenting and celebrating significant national

developments, particularly those that shape the country's future.

As it steps into this new role, the City is expected to become a critical driver of economic growth, attracting investment and improving the quality of life for its residents.

The City of Eldoret is set to embark on upgrading its infrastructure, public services, and overall living standards for residents, milestones that KYEB will document as part of its mandate in creating awareness on national and county government projects, programmes and initiatives. ■



The public read Kenya Yearbook's Agenda Kenya newspaper during the conferment event.



## Huduma Samburu shines at the Yare Camel Derby

HUDUMA CORNER

**H**uduma Centre in Samburu took part in this year's Yare Camel Derby, showcasing its services while also strengthening community bonds and promoting unity and progress.

The annual Yare Camel Derby in Maralal Town, Samburu County, attracts global participants and this year's edition was special, as the Centre facilitated access to essential Government services through Huduma Mashinani.

In conjunction with the derby, the Manyatta Festival (Buy Samburu, Build Samburu), organised by youth entrepreneurs

under 35, showcased a variety of businesses that are driving local economic growth and fostering business connections.

Some of the proceeds from the event were donated to the Samburu Food Charity event and also to the Samburu County Referral Hospital and several children's homes.

Other proceeds will be used to establish the Manyatta Youth Foundation, which will focus on fully sponsoring needy Form 4 leavers who performed poorly to access technical institutions/polytechnics and help finance them for SME start-ups. ■

**Huduma Samburu staff offer services to the public during the Yare Camel Derby**

DIASPORA JOBS

# Youth employment gets a boost as State steps up labour migration

The Government's strategy to solve the jobs crisis has three fronts, that is creating jobs locally, facilitating Kenyans to work online and also abroad

**T**he Government has stepped up the migration of labour as it seeks to ensure thousands of Kenyans benefit from economic opportunities abroad.

The labour export is part of the Government's bottom-up transformation agenda since it is a solution to the unemployment crisis facing the country, according to Roseline Njogu Njogu, the Principal Secretary in the State Department for Diaspora Affairs.

Ms Njogu noted that the Government's strategy to solve the jobs crisis is three-pronged; that is creating jobs in both private and public sectors at home, facilitating Kenyans to work online and as well as abroad.

"We are in a global labour market, which presents both opportunities and risks. Our focus is on maximising on the opportunities and minimising the risks," she said.

Ms Njogu noted that every year, a million Kenyans join the job market, but only a few are absorbed, what calls for new strategies, including the labour migration.

Last week, the government flagged off 350 workers headed to the United Kingdom to offer farm labour under the programme Mkulima



PS Diaspora Affairs Roseline Njogu.

Majuu, which provides graduates from various Technical and Vocational Education Training (TVET) institutions a chance to gain practical experience while working in agriculture.

They will work in the UK for six months. Ms Njogu said the 350 were selected through the Youth Enterprise Development Fund.

The Government covered all travel expenses in accordance with the labour agreement with

the UK, which is part of its commitment to tackling domestic unemployment and creating global opportunities for the youth.

"Since the launch of Mkulima Majuu last year, this initiative has made a significant impact. We started with three TVET institutions and now have 13, with over 1,500 youths benefitting," said Ms Njogu during the send-off ceremony.

INFOBOX

Jobs abroad: BY THE NUMBERS

350

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The latest send-off follows the flagging off of 70 teachers to the United States late July by Prime Cabinet Secretary, Musalia Mudavadi,

She noted that the programme initiated by the Kenya High Commission in London and the State Department for Diaspora Affairs.

The workers have travelled to the UK at a critical time, as it is the harvest season. This period is essential for gathering crops such as wheat, barley, potatoes, and carrots, and the Kenyan team is expected to provide crucial support during this busy time.

The success of the programme so far has encouraged the State Department to seek partnerships with other nations such as Canada and Australia.

The team will also gain crucial knowledge on horticulture as well as post-harvest losses, some of the biggest challenges that Kenyan farmers face. The Cabinet Secretary for Labour and Social Protection, Dr Alfred Mutua, said, "We are currently sending out 2,000 workers each week. My goal is to raise this to 10,000 per week, which would translate to 40,000 workers per month, or 1,000 workers per county each week."

The latest send-off follows the flagging off of 70 teachers to the United States late July by Prime Cabinet Secretary, Musalia Mudavadi, who noted that Kenyans are well known for being hard workers and dedicated to their professions.

And last week, a call was made for youths who have graduated from the National Youth Service to apply for jobs in Australia. The opportunities are for the youth working in light vehicle mechanics, motor vehicle electricians, painters, construction carpenters and fitter machinist, among others. ■

COLLABORATION

## Kenya Yearbook, University of Eldoret to collaborate on publishing and research

**K**enya Yearbook Editorial Board (KYEB) and University of Eldoret (UoE) will partner to enhance visibility and impact of both institutions in the fields of publishing and research. KYEB CEO Lilian Kimeto and UoE Vice Chancellor, Prof Thomas Cheruiyott, agreed during a meeting at the university last Friday that the two institutions would leverage their strengths to support each other.

Ms Kimeto committed that KYEB will aid UoE in its strategic positioning by providing publicity through its various publications, including



From left, KYEB Board Director Dr Dinah Samikwoh and CEO Lilian Kimeto hand Olympic Souvenir book to University of Eldoret VC Prof Thomas Cheruiyott and ICT Director Prof Victor Kimeli at the university in Eldoret.

AgendaKenya, Infobytes, and the Kenya Yearbook. "We will also share our publications with the UoE library and collaborate on disseminating information about UOE's extension services through special features in AgendaKenya," Ms Kimeto said.

The two institutions agreed to draft a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) to outline the specific areas of their collaboration.

Other areas of cooperation include UoE providing space for the "Kenya Yearbook", jointly publishing special publications, including Agro-innovation, and co-hosting a conference focused on research dissemination.

Others present at the meeting were KYEB Board Director, Dr Dinah Samikwoh, and Prof Victor Kimeli, UoE's Director, Directorate of Information and Communication Technology. ■

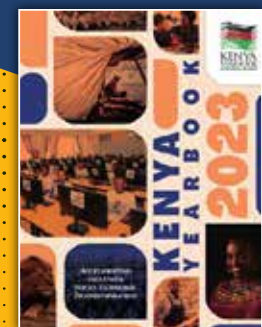


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PICTURESPEAK



President William Ruto when he welcomed Paris Olympics medalists at the State Lodge Eldoret. The State awarded Gold medalist Sh3m. Present were Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua (left) and National Assembly Speaker, Moses Wetangula.



CS Trade Salim Mvurya (third from left) when he met with a delegation comprised of edible oil manufacturers led by BIDCO Chairperson Vimal Shah (third from right).



INSET: CS Mvurya (right) and the BIDCO Chairperson, Vimal Shah.



TOP: PS Korir Sing'Oei tours major Kenya's major infrastructure projects implemented under the Belt and Road initiative. The tour was together with Ambassadors from over 15 African countries.



PS Public Health and Professional Standards, Mary Muthoni when she inspected the Moi International Airport to assess preparedness measures following the WHO declaration of MPox as a public health emergency.



## Small businesses thrive as KISIP 2 unveils upgrades in urban slums

BY MUTISO MBITHI(MYGOV)

Saphine Akinyi, popularly known as ‘Okinyo,’ squeezes herself amid an animated crowd gathered to witness the launch of a street lighting project in one of the informal settlements in Homa Bay County. This initiative is made possible thanks to the interventions by the Second Kenya Informal Settlement Improvement Project (KISIP 2).

In her late thirties but speaking with the energy of a fifteen-year-old, Ms. Saphine is confident that she wouldn’t have made it to the busy streets of the lakeside town if it weren’t for the positive changes brought by KISIP’s interventions, which are mainly focused on bringing decency, dignity, and sanity to Kenya’s informal settlements.

“I usually close my business at dusk, but the high mast lights being launched today will enable me to operate my business until late at night without fear of being attacked or molested. This will allow me to increase my sales,” says



Ongoing upgrading of Kisumu’s Manyatta slums by KISIP2

the jovial small-scale entrepreneur. Saphine also expresses optimism that the planned road upgrades will enable motorbike operators (boda bodas) to access markets more easily.

Ms. Saphine is a typical example of the thousands of residents living in Kenya’s urban informal settlements across 33 participating counties who are set to benefit from KISIP’s interventions, supported by the World Bank, Agence Française de Développement (AFD), and the European Union (EU), the latest entrant in this monumental venture.

Three months ago, while speaking during the launch of the Second Kenya Urban Support Programme (KUSP2), President William Ruto stated that his administration will stop at nothing to help Kenyans move out of informal settlements. The Head of State noted that over 60 percent of Kenyans currently living in urban areas come from informal settlements.

“I say this 60 percent with a very heavy heart because informal settlements are very unhygienic and indecent places where Kenyans live, and we must do whatever it takes, using

the resources we have,” noted the President.

According to KISIP 2 National Project Coordinator George Arwa, the objective is to improve access to basic services and land tenure security for residents in participating urban informal settlements and to strengthen institutional capacity for slum upgrading in the country.

“Already, we have started rolling out several interventions on infrastructure upgrading across 23 counties, including mobilizing contractors by the county teams. Upgrading works are ongoing in five counties: Kakamega, Nakuru, Homa Bay, Kilifi, Kisumu, and Nyamira,” says the Coordinator of the Project, which became effective on March 17, 2021, and is scheduled to close on July 31, 2025.

KISIP2 is being implemented across 33 participating counties and is domiciled at the State Department for Housing and Urban Development in the Ministry of Lands, Public Works, Housing and Urban Development.

### BRIEFS

#### KWS to build protective fence to fight human-wildlife conflict

■ The Deputy Government Spokesperson, Mwanaisha Chidzuga, has assured the public that the Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS) is working on the best solution to curb the human-wildlife conflict affecting residents living along animal corridors.

Speaking in Taru while distributing relief food to families whose farms were invaded by elephants and whose crops were destroyed, Chidzuga stated that the human-wildlife conflict observed in the area will be addressed, with KWS already making plans for a permanent solution.

“As the President mentioned last week during his visit to Kinango Institute and Vocational College, KWS officers are in the process of constructing a proper fence to keep the wild animals within the park and to reduce the rising cases of human-wildlife conflict,” Chidzuga said.

She emphasized that the government is committed to addressing this

challenge to ensure that locals can live peacefully and practice sustainable farming, which is crucial for food security as aligned with the BETA program.

“The Government is committed to address this challenge of human-wildlife conflict so that you can live peacefully and practise sustainable farming for food security as aligned in the BETA,” she continued. However Chidzuga also stated that government projects are meant to empower locals and improve their livelihood.

“These projects that are being implemented by the government are meant to act as an empowerment opportunity so that they can transform your lives,” she said.

Chidzuga noted that president William Ruto has assured Kenyans that JI-TUME hubs will be in every constituency so that it can assist youths in earning a living.

By Munira Mandano

#### 480,000 nets distributed in West Pokot in malaria fight

■ The government has launched a distribution of mosquito nets to the residents of West Pokot County as part of a sustainable initiative aimed at combating malaria nationwide.

The distribution was launched by West Pokot County Deputy Governor Robert Komolle at the Kapkoris Health Centre in the Kapenguria constituency. Deputy Governor Komolle stated that the initiative aims to provide a total of 480,275 mosquito nets throughout the county, with a particular emphasis on areas highly susceptible to malaria.

He noted that the program is designed to reach 111,903 households, benefiting approximately 908,371 individuals.

Komolle emphasized that the net distribution effort is an integral component of a comprehensive strategy to address the challenges posed by malaria and enhance public health in the area.

He highlighted the importance of public participation in malaria prevention efforts and encouraged

community members to collect their bed nets from the assigned distribution locations and use them correctly.

“If you use your mosquito nets properly, you will be playing a crucial role in reducing the spread of malaria in your communities,” Deputy Governor Komolle said.

He also stressed that utilizing bed nets is an essential measure for protecting against mosquito bites, especially during peak transmission seasons. The Deputy Governor urged all members of the community to take the responsibility of preventing diseases seriously in order to promote the health and safety of their families and communities.

DG Komolle discouraged the public against the improper use of mosquito nets, which includes using them to shield chickens or for fencing kitchen gardens.

“Use mosquito nets solely for their intended purpose for the nets to contribute effectively to malaria prevention efforts,” he urged.

By Antony Melly(KNA)

## Thiba Dam site assets handed over to Kirinyaga County Government

BY MUTAI KIPNGETICH (KNA)

The County Government of Kirinyaga has received assets formerly held by the National Irrigation Authority (NIA) at the Thiba Dam site.

In a ceremony held at the site, NIA Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Engineer Charles Mwasia, who oversaw the handover, said the facilities will greatly benefit the local community.

Engineer Mwasia stated that the NIA is committed to fostering a strong relationship with the community, as one of its largest irrigation schemes, the Mwea irrigation scheme, is located in the county.

“Today is a significant day for us and for our relationship with the County Government of Kirinyaga. We have come here in compliance with the Pres-



Kirinyaga deputy governor David Githanda (in suit) flanked by other officials receives keys from National Irrigation Authority CEO Engineer Charles Mwasia.

ident’s directive to hand over these facilities, which we established during the construction of the dam,” said Engineer Mwasia.

During the commissioning of the dam, Kirinyaga Governor Anne Waiguru had requested Sh50 million support to help the county

in transforming the facility into a full medical facility which the President promised to honour.

The dam changed the region’s ecosystem, bringing about diseases such as malaria and other waterborne illnesses necessitating conversion of the abandoned

offices and assets into a hospital.

Deputy Governor David Githanda who represented Governor Waiguru during the handover ceremony promised that the facility will be put into good use for the benefit of the community.

Githanda expressed his gratitude for the successful transfer of the assets, highlighting the potential impact of a new medical facility on the community’s healthcare services said the assets handed over include six prefabricated residential houses, nine masonry residential houses, two dormitories, and four semi-detached houses, all of which are in excellent condition.

However, transfer of the land on which these assets sit will be concluded later as per the Land Registration Act No. 3 of 2012.