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Government validates performance contracts to bolster service delivery



Deputy Chief of Staff, Performance and Delivery Management, Eliud Owalo speaking at Kilimo House.

Deputy Chief of Staff for Performance and Delivery Management, Eliud Owalo, says that the government is evaluating the extent to which ministries, departments, and agencies (MDAs) have aligned their Strategic Plans with the overall policy framework

BY JOSEPH NG'ANG'A, KNA

The Government has initiated a program to validate performance contracts for the 2024/25 financial year in order to enhance service delivery and expedite the achievement of its development goals.

Deputy Chief of Staff for Performance and Delivery Management, Eliud Owalo, stated that the government is evaluating the extent to which ministries, departments, and agencies (MDAs) have aligned their strategic plans for the 2023/24 to 2027/28 period with the overall policy framework. This framework is anchored in the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).

Owalo explained that all government institutions have aligned their policy frame-

works with the Fourth Medium Term Plan (MTP4 2023-2027) of Vision 2030, the BETA plan, as well as other frameworks such as the African Union (AU) Agenda 2063 and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

"To operationalize these plans, the line ministries have developed annual work plans on which the annual performance contracts are based. The rationale of the performance contracting framework is to hold institutions and individuals accountable for their results," Owalo said.

He emphasized that at the beginning of each financial year, all MDAs are required to sign performance contracts, committing to minimum levels of both quantitative and qualitative performance.

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Cost of a maritime rescue centre Kenya Maritime Authority has unveiled to provide search and rescue services within the Lake Victoria region

The Week In numbers

60b
Amount of money the Ministry of Co-operatives and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) Development has mobilised from donors to support MSMEs.

490
Wards in Arid and Semi Arid Lands that will benefit from the construction of feedlots to cushion pastoralists from drought.

800,000
Small scale farmers supplying green leaf tea to KTDA-managed factories in Kenya

305
Number of households that will benefit from the Nyamchodhre Market Electrification Project in Migori County

40,000
Smallholder farmers in Kenya benefiting from Boosting Sustainable Food Production Action in Kenya ("BOOST") programme

Grade 9 textbook distribution to begin October in all Junior Secondary Schools

BY EMILY KADZO

Junior Secondary Schools across the country will begin receiving Grade 9 textbooks starting next month.

The distribution is scheduled to run from October 1st this year through January 31st, 2025, across the over 20,000 schools identified to host Junior Secondary Schools (JSS), as assessed by the Ministry of Education.

This initiative is part of the government's plan to supply more than 9.6 million textbooks to public primary schools nationwide, targeting learners from Grade 1 to Grade 9 by next year.

The Principal Secretary of the State Department for Basic

Education, Dr. Belio Kipsang, stated that the government is pleased to be achieving a 1:1 pupil-to-textbook ratio. He noted that Kenya is the first country in East Africa to implement a policy in the education sector where each Grade 1 to 9 learner will have their own textbook.

"The government is firmly on track to achieve a 1:1 learner-to-textbook ratio to ensure effective teaching and learning in schools across the country. These books are expected to reach all schools that have been found suitable to admit Grade 9 learners," Dr. Kipsang said.

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Principal Secretary, State Department for Basic Education, Dr. Belio Kipsang (left) at Sulgwita primary in Turi, Molo sub-county to inspect the construction progress of grade nine classes.

Grade 9 textbook distribution to begin this month in all JS schools

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Speaking in Nakuru County after assessing the preparedness for transitioning learners to Grade 9, Dr. Kipsang confirmed that the government will provide all nine textbooks for examinable subjects.

“The Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development (KICD) has prepared all the instructional materials for Grade 9 learners. Together with our publishers, we have printed all the required books. Distribution begins in October and will end in January next year,” he added.

The PS emphasized that only books approved by KICD should be used, as they have undergone rigorous evaluation to ensure they meet the curriculum requirements.

Dr. Kipsang also listed some of the publishers contracted to print and distribute Grade 7 textbooks for various subjects, including Oxford University Press, Kenya Literature Bureau, East African Educational Publishers, Longhorn Publishers, Storymoja

Publishers, Mountain Top Publishers, Jomo Kenyatta Foundation, Spotlight Publishers, and Moran Publishers, among others.

He reiterated that the distributed textbooks meet international standards. While public schools will receive the books, private schools will need to purchase them from bookstores across the country.

Dr. Kipsang also affirmed the government’s commitment, through the Teachers Service Commission (TSC), to granting permanent employment to the over 46,000 Junior Secondary School (JSS) intern teachers. He explained that the government has allocated Sh18 billion to the TSC to convert intern teachers to permanent and pensionable positions.

“These intern teachers have played a crucial role in strengthening JSS over the past three years. The TSC is also undergoing a rationalization process, which will offer job progression to teachers who have advanced their academic qualifications,” he

said.

Once the current intern teachers are confirmed, the government plans to hire an additional 20,000 intern teachers, bringing the total number of JSS teachers to 76,000.

Additionally, the government is constructing 11,000 classrooms nationwide to support the full implementation of junior secondary schools.

Meanwhile, the PS announced that the Sh3,000 capitation allocated to schools will be used for maintenance and the furnishing of desks.

Kipsang also revealed that in July this year, the Ministry of Education conducted an initial pilot assessment for Grade 9 learners to help teachers prepare for next year’s assessments. Another pilot assessment is planned for later this year for Grade 6 learners, mirroring the exam they will take in November next year. The second pilot will also help determine placement for Grade 10 learners in January 2026, focusing on pathways in STEM, humanities, creative arts, and sports.

State validates performance contracts to enhance delivery



Agriculture and Livestock Development Cabinet Secretary (CS) Dr. Andrew Karanja (Centre) speaking at Kilimo house.

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Owalo noted that one of the key areas of focus is compliance with the government’s digitalization agenda, specifically the integration of services onto the e-Citizen platform. This initiative aims to enhance efficiency and effectiveness through automation. “We are also assessing the absorption of donor funding to ensure its value is maximized and to evaluate the efficiency of fund utilization,” he added. Owalo explained that the Performance and Delivery Management team is also evaluating the im-

plementation of Cabinet decisions, particularly in cases where delays have occurred in turning Cabinet memos into enabling policy frameworks or laws passed through parliament. He highlighted the Ministry of Agriculture’s achievements over the past two years, including the implementation of a comprehensive fertilizer subsidy program that has significantly reduced the cost of fertilizer for smallholder farmers.

The distribution of fertilizer bags increased by 7.2 million, from 1.4 million in 2022 to 8.6 million by 2024, marking

a 514% increase. Additionally, the cost of fertilizer per bag dropped from Sh7,500 in 2022 to Sh2,500 in 2024, a 66% reduction, which has led to increased crop yields and improved food security. Owalo also noted that the ministry has successfully lowered the cost of a two-kilogram packet of maize flour (“unga”) from Sh250 to Sh120.

In the sugar sector, the government cleared all farmer arrears, amounting to Sh1.7 billion, and is now addressing outstanding payments owed to employees of sugar factories.



MINISTRY OF INTERIOR AND NATIONAL ADMINISTRATION STATE DEPARTMENT FOR INTERNAL SECURITY & NATIONAL ADMINISTRATION

INVITATION TO TENDER

The State Department for Internal Security and National Administration invites sealed tender for the **Replacement of 2No. Lifts: Supply, Installation, Testing and Commissioning of 2No. Lifts at Harambee House** under **Tender No. MINA/SDIS&NA/003/2024-2025**

A complete set of tender documents may be purchased by interested tenderers upon payment of a non-refundable fees of KShs.1,000 in cash or Banker’s Cheque and payable to the address given below. Tender documents may be obtained electronically from the Website(s): www.tenders.go.ke and www.interior.go.ke. Tender documents obtained electronically will be free of charge.

Tenderers who download the tender document must forward their particulars to Head, Supply Chain Management Services, Email Address: sddscms@interior.go.ke. and P.O. Box 30510-00100, Nairobi, Kenya to facilitate any further clarification or addendum.

Completed bid documents must be enclosed in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked with the tender number and tender description, addressed to: **The Principal Secretary, State Department for Internal Security and National Administration, P.O. Box 30510-00100, Nairobi, Kenya** and deposited in the Tender Box located at Harambee House, Ground Floor on or before **Friday 11th October 2024 at 10.00 a.m.** Electronic Tenders **WILL NOT** be permitted.

Tenders will be opened immediately after the deadline date and time specified in the presence of the Tenderers’ representatives who choose to attend.

Late tenders will be rejected.

**Head, Supply Chain Management Services
For: Principal Secretary/Internal Security & National Administration**



INVITATION TO TENDER

KWS is inviting interested and eligible national candidates to tender for the following:

NO.	TENDER REFERENCE NO.	TENDER NAME	ELIGIBILITY	BID SECURITY
1.	KWS/ONT/ADMIN/34/2024-2025	PROVISION OF GROUP LIFE ASSURANCE SERVICE FOR YEARS 2024/2025,2025/2026	OPEN TO ALL	500,000.00
2.	KWS/ONT/ADMIN/35/2024-2025,	GENERAL AND LIFE INSURANCE BROKERAGE SERVICES (POLICIES FOR YEARS-2024/2025, 2025/2026		1,000,000.00

Tender documents containing detailed specifications and requirements can be downloaded for free at the KWS website; www.kws.go.ke and the Public Procurement Information Portal; <https://www.tenders.go.ke/> website; Interested candidates may seek further information from the Procurement office at KWS Headquarters between 8am -1pm & 2pm - 5pm during weekdays, **Tel. 020-2379407-15 Cell: 0726610508/9**, or email: hps@kws.go.ke.

All clarifications and/or amendments will be published on the KWS website and tenderers are required to check for any addendums or amendments in the course of the bidding period before the closing date.

An original tender Security must accompany all Tenders indicated above and be valid for **126 days** from the date of tender opening, in the form of a bank guarantee from a reputable bank recognized by the Central Bank of Kenya or an Insurance Company payable to the Director General Kenya Wildlife Service. (Self-insured tender securities are not allowed)

The completed bids in plain sealed envelopes marked with the tender reference number and tender name shall be deposited into the Tender Box located at the entrance of Main Reception, KWS Headquarters, Langata Road P.O. Box 40241, Nairobi on or before **Thursday 18th October 2024 at 11.30 am.**

Tenders shall be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of bidders’ representatives who wish to attend at the KWS Vet Board Room.

Further information is available at www.kws.go.ke and the PPIP portal; <https://www.tenders.go.ke/> website

DIRECTOR GENERAL



UK commits to boost Kenya's digital transformation in agricultural sector

BY SALOME ALWANDA AND RODGERS OMONDI (KNA)

The United Kingdom has committed to supporting the Kenyan government in enhancing digital transformation in the country.

Speaking during the launch of a community action plan and an agricultural digital platform at the Busia Agricultural Training Centre, UK Deputy High Commissioner Ed Barnett stated that the UK has much to learn from Kenyan innovators and vice versa.

"Here in Busia, we want to translate that commitment into tangible goals through the support of agricultural digital platforms," he said.

Dr. Barnett announced that the UK will initiate a Sh390 million project in Busia and Mandera Counties to support youth, women, and people with disabilities.

He further stated that the project will provide digital literacy skills to farmers and other citizens to enable them to use digital tools and platforms to



Busia County Governor Paul Otuoma (right) and UK Deputy High Commissioner Dr. Ed Barnett during the launch of the community action plan.

access relevant content and services.

"It will train young people to develop their digital skills as community digital champions, they will pass on this training which includes financial literacy, entrepreneurship and psycho-social and mental health wellness to the wider community," he said.

The official added that

the project is part of the broad digital access programme across Kenya that started in 2019 and has reached over five million people.

"We have supported government websites like e-citizen and other 14,000 government digital services," he said.

The Deputy High Commissioner at the same time said his government has

also undertaken a comprehensive accessibility assessment to ensure that persons with disability benefit from the project.

Busia County Governor Paul Otuoma said Digital Access Program (DAP) will revolutionise Busia and Mandera County by enhancing digital inclusivity to ensure universal access to digital resources and technology to foster



The UK Deputy High Commissioner Dr. Ed Barnett speaking in Busia

socio-economic empowerment among marginalized groups.

Otuoma noted that a number of youth in the county had no access to employment, adding that mothers are also struggling to pay school fees.

He urged Members of County Assembly to mobilise the residents and ensure that youth and women participate in the programme. The Governor at the same time said the agricultural digital platform will connect farmers to markets, improve access to agricultural services across the county and offer real time weather updates, crop management advice and market information.

On the community action plan the gover-

“Here in Busia, we want to translate that commitment into tangible goals through the support of agricultural digital platforms,” - Dr. Barnett

nor said, “The plan will address real aspirations and challenges by empowering local leaders and residents, we aim to build a more resilient and dynamic community. We cannot continue to do agriculture the way our ancestors did it. We must be able to know what our input and output is. That is the only way we will be able to monetize our rural economies and bring our people out of poverty”, he said. Former Busia governor, who is now the chair of New Partnership for Africa's Development Africa Peer Review Mechanism NEPAD/APRM Sospeter Ojaamong, promised to partner with Busia County to ensure effective delivery in the area of agriculture, youth empowerment and good governance.



HIGHER EDUCATION LOANS BOARD INVITATION TO TENDER NATIONAL OPEN TENDERS

The Higher Education Loans Board is a state corporation whose mandate is to source for funds and provide loans, scholarships and bursaries to Kenyans studying in recognized institutions of higher learning.

HELB invites interested, reputable firms with experience for the submission of sealed tenders as follows: -

Tender Number	Tender Description	Tender closing date	Eligibility
HELB/OT/03/2024-2025	Provision of cleaning Services	Tuesday 15 th October 2024 11.00am	AGPO-WOMEN

Interested and eligible firms may obtain further information and inspect the tender documents at the Procurement office on 18th floor of Anniversary Towers, University Way, Nairobi during normal working hours or view and download the respective **detailed tender advert** and **tender document** from our website www.helb.co.ke/procurement/ or <https://tenders.go.ke>. All bidders interested in participating in the tender must notify HELB of their participation in the tender by emailing their contact details to procurement@helb.co.ke in case of any further tender addendum.

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Kenya Civil Aviation Authority

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Kenya Civil Aviation Authority is responsible for providing regulatory oversight, air navigation services and aviation training in Kenya. The Authority is seeking to recruit qualified Kenyan citizens to fill the following vacant positions in its establishment:

NO	JOB TITLE	REFERENCE NO.
1.	Manager Legal Services	(REF: CS/02/24)
2.	Manager Airworthiness	REF: ASSR/AW/01/24

Interested candidates are required to submit their application letters quoting the job reference number on the envelope & application letter and attaching copies of certificates, testimonials and a detailed CV with full contact details of three professional referees to the address below. The applications should be received not later than **21st October 2024**.

Details of the job specifications can be obtained from the KCAA website at www.kcaa.or.ke

Kenya Civil Aviation Authority is an equal opportunity employer. Female candidates and persons with disabilities (PWDs) are encouraged to apply. Note that persons with disabilities are required to attach a copy of a valid NCPWD membership card.

The Director General
Kenya Civil Aviation Authority
Aviation House - JKIA
P. O. Box 30163 - 00100
NAIROBI

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.



Government mobilises Sh60 billion to boost growth of MSMEs

BY MANU MUMBA AND JOAN OGOLLA, KNA

The Ministry of Co-operatives and Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) Development has mobilized Sh60 billion from donor funds to support MSMEs. Co-operatives and MSMEs Development Cabinet Secretary Wycliffe Oparanya announced that the Ministry has refurbished 21 Constituency Industrial Development Centres, which has led to the creation of approximately 5,600 groups.

Oparanya, speaking at a press briefing at the NSSF building, mentioned that through the Hustler Fund, the Ministry has lent out Sh57 billion to 22 million Kenyans.

“So far, two million people have graduated from the Hustler Fund. These individuals have consistently borrowed money since the fund’s initiation and are now moving to the Small and Medium Enterprise category,” the CS said.

He added that, through the Hustler Fund’s man-



CS for Co-operatives and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) Development, Wycliffe Oparanya (C) and the Deputy Chief of Staff, Performance and Delivery Management Eliud Owalo (left) addresses the media at the NSSF building.

datory savings of five percent, the Ministry generated Sh3.5 billion as of June 30, 2024.

Regarding coffee, Oparanya stated that under the coffee sector, the ministry has advanced farmers Sh4.5 billion through reforms undertaken by the Deputy President. The CS further noted that in the dairy sector under the new Kenya Cooperative Creameries,

the ministry has guaranteed farmers a payment of Sh50 per litre of milk from the initial Sh37. “We have agreed that a farmer will be paid half the money immediately if he or she delivers the milk either through cooperatives or directly and the rest of the money will be paid as soon as the milk is processed,” he said. In his remarks, the Deputy Chief of Staff, Performance and Delivery

Management Eliud Owalo stated that his office and the office of the Ministry of Cooperatives have agreed on several commitments that need to be achieved within the current financial year.

He singled out the promotion of Kenyan coffee as one the ministry’s commitment to endorsing coffee varieties in the local and international market through trade fairs.

Bungoma introduces trade loans to foster growth in juakali sector

BY DOUGLAS MUDAMBO KNA

Bungoma County has rolled out a Sh40 million trade loan initiative to support local traders and the Juakali sector across its 45 wards.

Speaking during the launch at Webuye Municipal Hall, Bungoma Governor Kenneth Lusaka hailed the program as a critical step toward the economic empowerment of small-scale traders, adding that the loan is expected to benefit 4,500 traders.

The Governor noted that the county would enable traders to access affordable credit while linking them to mainstream banks, Saccos, and microfinance institutions to help grow their businesses. Lusaka emphasized that the initiative represents a pillar in the government’s mission to uplift Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs).

“I, having pioneered trade loans in 2014/2015, am confident these loans will enable traders to ex-

pand and enhance their operations,” he said.

The Governor urged beneficiaries to invest the revolving funds wisely to foster business growth. He further stressed that responsible loan management would ensure long-term development. Lusaka noted that the loans would be invested in ways that generate both individual and community prosperity. He indicated that the program operates within a legal framework and urged traders to make timely repayments to maintain its sustainability. The county government has put regulations in place to recover defaulted loans. Lusaka urged traders and Juakali artisans who benefited to honour their repayment schedules to keep the programme sustainable and boost the county’s revenue. Kapsokwony town village administrator Boaz Machowera applauded the move by the governor for providing loans to the local trader and Juakali artisans.



KENYA REINSURANCE CORPORATION LIMITED

INVITATION TO TENDER

The Kenya Reinsurance Corporation Ltd invites sealed tenders from eligible candidates for the following items as detailed in the tender document:

TENDER No.	DESCRIPTION	TENDER SECURITY (Kshs)	TENDER SUBMISSION DATE
KRC/2024/2367/206	REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR PROVISION OF CONSULTANCY FOR ASSET VALUATION SERVICES	550,000.00	15TH OCTOBER 2024

Prospective bidders may download the tender documents from the Kenya Reinsurance Corporation website www.kenyare.co.ke free of charge or Public Procurement Portal www.tenders.go.ke. Tender documents in plain sealed envelopes clearly bearing the correct tender number and name should be deposited in the Tender Box located on the 16th floor of Reinsurance Plaza Aga Khan Walk NAIROBI or be sent to:-

Managing Director
Kenya Reinsurance Corporation, Ltd
Reinsurance Plaza, Nairobi
Aga Khan Walk
P.O. Box 30271 - 00100 NAIROBI

To be received before or on **15TH OCTOBER 2024 at 10.00 a.m** as detailed in the invitation to tender. Tenders will be opened the same day and time in the Corporation’s Boardroom in the presence of bidders or their representative who choose to attend. Tenders that are delivered after the deadline for submission will be rejected.

Prices quoted **MUST** be expressed in Kenya Shillings as detailed in the invitation to tender inclusive of Kenyan Government taxes (VAT, WITHHOLDING TAX) and should remain valid for a period of 120 days from the date of closing of the tender.

Bidders who download the tender documents from the Corporation website or the Public Procurement Portal **MUST** forward their particulars immediately via email to procurement@kenyare.co.ke. This is for record and any further tender clarifications and addendum where necessary. The particulars should include: Name of Firm, Postal Address, Telephone Number, Email Address, Tender Number and Tender Name. The said e-mail may be used for clarification.

Any canvassing or giving of false information will lead to automatic disqualification.



NATIONAL COHESION AND INTEGRATION COMMISSION

INVITATION TO TENDER

The National Cohesion & Integration Commission (NCIC) invites sealed bids from interested and eligible firms for the following National Open Tenders:

No	TENDER NO	TENDER DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY	CLOSING DATE
a)	NCIC/OT/HR/003/2024	PROVISION OF MEDICAL, LIFE, GROUP PERSONAL ACCIDENT(GPA) INSURANCE COVERS	OPEN	Wednesday October 16, 2024 at 12:00 Noon
b)	NCIC/OT/ADM/004/2024	PROVISION OF COMPREHENSIVE MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE COVERS	OPEN	Wednesday October 16, 2024 at 12:00 Noon

- Tender documents containing detailed specifications and requirements can be viewed and downloaded **FREE of charge** from the website www.cohesion.go.ke or www.tenders.go.ke. Tenderers who download the tender document **MUST** forward their particulars immediately to email: tenders@cohesion.go.ke or **17TH FLOOR, BRITAM TOWERS, HOSPITAL ROAD, UPPERHILL P.O BOX 7055-00100 NAIROBI, KENYA** to facilitate any further clarification or addendum.
- Qualified and interested tenderers may obtain further information and inspect the Tender Documents during office hours from 8:00AM to 5:00PM at the address given below.
- Duly Completed Tender documents shall be enclosed in plain sealed envelope clearly marked with the tender number as stated in the tender documents and be deposited in the Tender box provided at the office HQs, Britam Towers, 17th Floor, Hospital Road, Upper hill, Nairobi or addressed to:

The Ag. Commission Secretary/CEO,
 National Cohesion & Integration Commission
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 Email: tenders@cohesion.go.ke

so as to be received on or before **Wednesday October 16, 2024 at 12:00 Noon**

- The applications will be opened immediately thereafter, at the NCIC’s Boardroom on 17th Floor Britam Towers, Upper hill, Nairobi in the presence of bidders or their representatives who choose to attend.
- Further information is available at www.cohesion.go.ke
- Late tenders will be rejected.

The Commission reserves the right to reject any tender application in whole or part.

Commission Secretary/CEO



Kenyan pyrethrum sector set for revival amid huge global demand

BY LAMECH WILLY, KNA

The Ministry of Agriculture is spearheading an initiative to revive the pyrethrum sector, aiming to capitalize on the increasing global market demand. Agriculture Cabinet Secretary Andrew Karanja announced this during his visit to Bomet, where he emphasized the ministry's commitment to encouraging local farmers to engage in pyrethrum production.

Dr. Karanja highlighted that Kenyan pyrethrum has garnered attention for its high pyrethrin content, making it a sought-after commodity in the international market, particularly in the United States. To facilitate the revival, the Ministry is focusing on 14 counties, with Bomet identified as a key area for growth.

"Production of pyrethrum has declined in recent years due to poor pricing," Dr. Karanja noted.



Agriculture CS Dr Andrew Karanja (L) and Bomet Governor Prof Hillary Barchok (R) launched the distribution of 14 pyrethrum dryers to farmers.

"We are determined to ensure that farmers receive maximum benefits from this venture."

During his visit, he delivered 14 pyrethrum dryers to local farmers, a move aimed at improving the quality of the produce and encouraging the adoption of modern agricultural practices. "These dryers will help protect the qual-

ity of our pyrethrum, and we urge farmers to embrace technology to enhance their yields," he added.

Karanja reiterated that the ministry has established a robust system for providing quality seeds and fertilisers to farmers, emphasising that effective service delivery is crucial for agricultural success.

"The provision of these dryers is a significant step forward under the Bottom-up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA), aligning with our mission to support farmers and promote sustainable practices," he stated.

Bomet County Governor Hillary Barchok echoed Dr Karanja's sentiments, underscoring the county's potential in pyrethrum farming. He urged the ministry to extend its support to other regions and provide seedlings and inputs necessary for maximizing yields, particularly in areas like Merigi in Bomet East.



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The SACCO invites interested, qualified and eligible vendors to submit their interest for prequalification to be included in the SACCO database for supply of goods and provision of services and works for the financial years 2024 to 2026. For more information on the categories and requirements, kindly visit the SACCO website www.kenyattamatibabusaccosociety.or.ke.

The deadline for submission is **16th October, 2024 by 12.00 noon.**

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

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KENYA REVENUE AUTHORITY
Tulipe Ushuru, Tujitegeme!

Tender Notice

Kenya Revenue Authority invites bids from eligible candidates for the following tenders:

DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY	PREBID DATE, TIME AND VENUE	CLOSING/OPENING DATE, TIME AND VENUE
KRA/HQS/NCB-008/2024-2025 Provision of Upgrade and Renewal of Citrix Virtual Desktop Infrastructure (VDI) Software Licenses and Partner Support for a Period of Three (3) Years	OPEN	11 th October 2024, at 11.00 a.m. VENUE: VIRTUAL	22 nd October, 2024 at 11.00 a.m. TIMES TOWER
KRA/HQS/NCB-009/2024-2025: Construction of Access Road, Storm Water Drainage, Service Conduits and Associated Protective Works at Malaba OSBP	OPEN	8 th October, 2024 at 11.00 a.m. Venue: Virtual Site Visit 11 th October, 2024 at 10.00am Venue – Malaba OSBP	23 rd October, 2024 at 11.00 a.m. TIMES TOWER
KRA/HQS/NCB-010/2024-2025 Renewal of Tenable Security Centre Subscription Licenses and Support Services for a Period of One (1) Year	OPEN	9 th October, 2024 at 11.00 a.m. VENUE: VIRTUAL	21 st October, 2024 at 11.00 a.m. TIMES TOWER
KRA/HQS/NCB-011/2024-2025 Provision of Group Life Assurance and Last Expense Insurance Brokerage Services for a period of two (2) years	OPEN	9 th October, 2024 at 11.00 a.m. VENUE: VIRTUAL	24 th October, 2024 at 11.00 a.m. TIMES TOWER

Tender documents detailing the requirements of the above tender may be obtained from the Kenya Revenue Authority website www.kra.go.ke and the Public Procurement Information Portal (PIIP) www.tenders.go.ke

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TEACHERS SERVICE COMMISSION

RECRUITMENT OF TEACHERS ON PERMANENT AND PENSIONABLE TERMS OF SERVICE

The Teachers Service Commission invites applications to fill **46,000 vacancies** for qualified teachers on Permanent and Pensionable terms of Service. The available posts are as follows: - **6,000 posts for Primary Schools, 39, 550 posts for Junior Schools and 450 posts for Secondary Schools.**

Eligibility

To qualify for recruitment, a candidate should meet the following minimum requirements:

- Be a Kenyan citizen;
- Must be a holder of minimum of a P1 certificate in the case of Primary Schools and a minimum of a diploma in education in the case of Junior and Secondary schools;
- Must be a registered teacher with Teachers Service Commission.

Mode of Application

Interested and qualified candidates should submit their applications online through the Teachers Service Commission's website, www.tsc.go.ke under 'Careers' or teachersonline.tsc.go.ke not later than **7th October, 2024, at midnight.**

Details on available vacancies per county/Sub-Counties/or schools is in the Teachers Service Commission's website: www.tsc.go.ke

General Information

Please note that:

- The Teachers Service Commission Recruitment Guidelines 2024/2025 Financial Year shall apply.
- Shortlisted candidates will be required to present original academic and professional certificates.
- Successful candidates must not fill more than one Application for Employment Form. Filling of two or more Application for Employment Forms will lead to disqualification.
- Manual applications will not be considered.
- Serving interns are expected to apply in their current Counties/Sub-Counties/Work stations.
- Serving interns will only be required to present their identity cards during the verification process.

The Teachers Service Commission is an equal opportunity employer as per the constitutional provisions and law and persons with disabilities (PWDs) are encouraged to apply.

CAUTION:

The recruitment exercise is **free of charge**. The Teachers Service Commission forewarns **applicants against fraudsters** who might **extort money from unsuspecting persons** purporting to **assist in recruitment**.

REPORTING OF FRAUD

Any fraudulent activity should be reported to the nearest TSC office or Teachers Service Commission headquarters through the following telephone lines: Director Staffing (0202892193) and Deputy Director- Staffing (0202892131) or write to the Commission through the email address dirstaffing@tsc.go.ke or info@tsc.go.ke

In addition, any such fraudulent activity should be reported to the nearest police station.

Details on available vacancies per County/Sub County/or school is in the Teachers Service Commission's website: www.tsc.go.ke

TEACHERS SERVICE COMMISSION



Ongoing agricultural reforms lead to higher earnings for small scale tea growers in Kenya

BY JOSEPH WANGUI (DPCS)

Small-scale farmers in the tea and coffee subsectors have started earning more money as the ongoing reforms in these sectors begin to bear fruit. Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua stated that the annual bonus payout for over 800,000 small-scale farmers supplying green leaf tea to KTDA-managed factories has improved in several locations due to these agricultural reforms.

“Looking at the figures, the bonus payments in most KTDA factories have improved and are higher in a number of factories, especially in the eastern Rift Valley,” he said.

Gacharage Tea Factory from Murang’a County tops the list of KTDA-managed factories with the highest bonus payments, announcing a rate of Sh62.80 per kilogram. It is followed by Mununga at Sh62.65, while Makomboki ranks third at a rate of Sh62.50.

Deputy President Gachagua noted that demonstrations by farm-



A farmer picks tea leaves in Othaya, Nyeri County FILE PHOTO

ers at locations such as Githambo Tea Factory in Murang’a, as well as other factories in Nandi and Bomet counties, are part of the reforms aimed at educating small-scale farmers.

“Demonstrations occur in places where tea directors have increased the cost of production, and farmers are raising ques-

tions due to their heightened awareness.”

Directors have had too many travels and allowances, so the cost of production is eating on the profit of the tea farmer. Farmers are aware because of the reforms,” he added.

The Deputy President said farmers will gain more once the Tea Act will be implemented fully

following the withdrawal of court cases that were a stumbling block.

“I held the tea conference in Kericho and brought together all stakeholders. But there was a big problem with the implementation of the Tea Act because various stakeholders had gone to court. “Through my intervention, I have success-

fully negotiated all those cases to be dropped, and the Tea Act will be implemented to the latter and farmers will get a return on investment,” Mr Gachagua said.

He said that he had unlocked the stalemate at Mombasa Tea Auction and the stocks are now moving.

“We had a challenge with tea from the Western Region of the Rift Valley (Kericho, Bomet and Nandi) because they had set a reserved price that was too high against the quality, therefore, stocks were not moving.

“I went to Mombasa Auction, and we have adjusted the reserved price, brought it a little down so that the stocks can move,” he stated.

About the coffee industry, the Deputy President said the government is banking on legal amendment proposals contained in the Coffee Bill, 2023 and Cooperatives Bill, 2023, which are pending before Parliament, to turn around the sub-sector.

The Bills are because of

reforms initiated after a robust conversation with farmers and other stakeholders in the Meru Coffee Conference in 2023.

He said earnings of coffee farmers have improved this year since the majority of them pocketed an average of Sh100 per kilogramme of coffee delivered to their respective factories.

“I had a very successful coffee reforms conference in Meru, bringing together all stakeholders. Out of that conference, we worked with all stakeholders and came out with the Coffee Bill, 2023 that is now before the National Assembly.

In that Bill, we recommended the re-establishment of the Coffee Board of Kenya to market coffee for farmers instead of private entrepreneurs,” he said.

Another recommendation in the Bill, he said, is the revival of the Coffee Research Foundation to work on disease tolerant crop varieties.

Mr Gachagua added that since he was tasked to lead reforms, the government has been able to initiate a direct sales settlement system where coffee farmers sell their produce directly.

THE FINANCIAL REPORTING AWARD (FiRe) 2024

Theme: “Championing Effective Sustainability Reporting through Technology and Innovation to Enhance Transparency.”

The Public Sector Accounting Standards Board (PSASB) has partnered with other regulators namely: the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Kenya (ICPAK), the Capital Markets Authority (CMA), the Nairobi Securities Exchange (NSE), and the Retirement Benefits Authority (RBA) to jointly promote Financial Reporting Award (FiRe).

SUBMISSION OF ENTRIES

Following the launch of the FiRe Award 2024, on 27th August 2024, Promoters of the Award (PSASB, ICPAK, CMA, NSE & RBA) are calling on the State Organs and Public Sector Entities to participate in the Award by submitting one hard copy and a soft copy version of their Annual Report and Audited Financial Statements for the Financial Year 2022/2023 and complete the participant’s entry form which can be accessed on FiRe Award website www.fireaward.org or PSASB website: www.psasb.go.ke.

The submission deadline for public sector entities (FiRe Award 2024 entries) is **Friday, 11th October 2024**. The soft copy version of the Annual Report and Audited Financial Statement should be sent to: fireaward@icpak.com with a copy to acctstandards@psasb.go.ke. The hard copy version should be submitted to **PSASB, CPA Centre, 8th Floor, Thika Rd. Ruaraka**, either physically or through our postal address **P.O Box 38831 – 00100, Nairobi**.

The Conference takes place on 5th December 2024 at Serena Hotel and the Gala Dinner and Award Ceremony on 6th December 2024 at Safaripark Hotel, Nairobi.

CALL FOR MEMORANDA FOR LEGISLATIVE PROPOSALS ON PUBLIC PARTICIPATION IN KENYA

The Office of the Attorney General & Department of Justice is developing a legislation on public participation in Kenya. The Constitution of Kenya establishes public participation as a fundamental value and a cornerstone of effective governance.

We therefore seek views from the public, all stakeholders and experts to shape the contents of this proposed legislation that will enhance public participation in governmental decision-making processes. This office is open to receiving views from individuals, public and private institutions and interested parties by way of written memoranda and should address the following issues;

The memoranda should be submitted in hard copy or soft copy via email through the following addresses so as to reach this office by **30th October, 2024**.

PHYSICAL LOCATION FOR SUBMISSION OF MEMORANDA: Office of the Attorney General and Department of Justice, 10th Floor, Cooperative House, Haile Sellasie

POSTAL ADDRESS: P.O BOX 40112-00100
EMAIL ADDRESS: publicparticipation@ag.go.ke
SOCIAL MEDIA HANDLES:
 Facebook:
 Twitter:

Members of the public are advised to submit either hard or soft copies of the Memoranda in the following format. The template below can be downloaded, filled and submitted via the email address provided or hand delivered at the address given.

DRAFT PUBLIC PARTICIPATION BILL

NAME/INSTITUTION:

DATE:

Section/ Clause	Copy and Paste here the Specific Provisions in the Public Participation Bill, 2024 you wish to Comment about.	Proposed Amendment (Provide the exact wording of how your proposed amendment should read.)	Explain the Reason for the Proposed Amendment
GENERAL COMMENTS FOR INCORPORATION IN THE BILL			

Sh500m irrigation project to benefit Kangema residents

BY FLORENCE KINYUA, KNA
Construction work for the water intake of the Kaihi Irrigation Project in Kangema Constituency has begun.

The multi-million shilling project, which is set to benefit over 10,000 residents of Kanorero, Ihigaini, and Gikui villages, was initiated by farmers in 2009 but stalled due to a lack of funds.

Joseph Gichore, the project secretary, noted that the commencement of the irrigation project is a relief for residents who have long awaited access to water for agricultural activities.

He mentioned that over 1,700 households have already registered to benefit from the Sh500 million irrigation project.

“Our people will be able to take advantage of this resource, contributing to

the county’s nutrient-rich food basket while also improving the economic and social standards of this area,” he said.

The project has also created employment opportunities for hundreds, with locals in the project’s catchment area being hired as casual laborers.

“We are hardworking people with acres of land, yet we have not been able to produce enough food even for ourselves because we lack water but with this project, we finally have light at the end of the tunnel,” Boniface Mwangi, a resident, said.

“Apart from working in this project as a casual laborer where I am able to put food on the table for my family, I am excited that I will be able to practice profitable farming of bananas, French beans and tomatoes using the



Kaihi Irrigation Project commences in Kangema.

water from this project,” Mwangi added.

Faith Wanjiru, a mother of three beams with joy as she narrates how the project has transformed her life.

“I have been doing menial jobs which are hard to

come by and sometimes I would go home to hungry children with empty hands but since I started working in this project as a casual laborer, my children are well taken care of,” Wanjiru said.

She added that she will

also be able to save some money for her son who will be joining Junior Secondary School next year.

The area Member of Parliament Peter Kihungi lauded the Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation for its commitment

towards the vital project that is expected to significantly boost agricultural productivity in the area, thus improving food security. He noted that the residents have a chance to utilize the project productively by engaging in agricultural activities like farming and animal rearing to leverage on the ultra-modern market that is coming up at Karugia.

“A market for your farm produce is already coming up where you will not only sell your produce but also have a reliable sales channel with a large customer base for your fresh produce which will potentially improve the social economic standards of this area,” Kihungi noted.

Kihungi urged the residents to use the irrigation water to nurture and produce high quality and profitable farm produce.



TENDER NOTICE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

PROVISION OF CONSULTANCY SERVICES TO UNDERTAKE ENVIRONMENTAL, SOCIAL AND GOVERNANCE (ESG) ASSESSMENT

1. The Capital Markets Authority invites proposals for Provision of Consultancy Services to Undertake an ESG Assessment in full consistency with the Terms of Reference (TOR) contained in the Request for Proposal (RFP) which;

- i) Can be found at the following website: www.cma.or.ke or www.tenders.go.ke or;
- ii) Can be obtained at the address given below;

Name of Procuring Entity: **Capital Markets Authority**
Contact Person/Official: **Principal Supply Chain Management Officer**
Telephone number: **+254 20 2264000/ 2264900/ 2264308**
Email Address: **supplychain@cma.or.ke**
Postal Address: **P.O. Box 74800 - 00200**
Physical Address: **KENYA, Nairobi, Longonot Road, Upperhill, 3rd Floor Embankment Plaza.**

2. Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected. The maximum number of JV members shall be as specified in the Data Sheet.

3. The Consultant shall chronologically serialize all pages of the Request for Proposal document submitted.

4. A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality Cost Based Selection (QCBS) Method and in a format as described in the RFP document, in accordance with the Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Act 2015, a copy of which is found at the following website: www.ppra.go.ke

5. Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours from 0900hrs to 1500hrs (Local Time, Nairobi):

Name of Procuring Entity: **Capital Markets Authority**
Contact Person/Official: **Principal Supply Chain Management Officer**
Telephone number: **+254 20 2264000/ 2264900/ 2264308**
Email Address: **supplychain@cma.or.ke**
Postal Address: **P.O. Box 74800 - 00200**
Physical Address: **Kenya, Nairobi, Longonot Road, Upperhill, Embankment Plaza, 5th Floor**

6. Proposals must be delivered in written form to the address below in person, or by postal mail and be deposited in the Tender Box provided at The Capital Markets Authority’s Offices, 3rd Floor, Embankment Plaza, Longonot Road, Upperhill, Nairobi, on or before **22nd October 2024, 11:00am EAT Time** and addressed to:

Name of Procuring Entity: **Capital Markets Authority**
Contact Person/Official: **Chief Executive Officer**
Telephone number: **+254 20 2264000/ 2264900**
Postal Address: **P.O. Box 74800 - 00200**
Physical Address: **Kenya, Nairobi, Longonot Road, Upperhill, Embankment Plaza, 3rd Floor**



MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

STATE DEPARTMENT OF EARLY LEARNING AND BASIC EDUCATION

NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR NOMADIC EDUCATION IN KENYA (NACONEK)

REQUEST FOR BID (RFB)

OPEN TENDER

S/NO.	TENDER NAME	TENDER NUMBER
1.	PROVISION OF TRANSPORT SERVICES (FRAMEWORK AGREEMENT)	NACONEK/FA/01/2024-2026

The National Council for Nomadic Education in Kenya (NACONEK) is a Semi-Autonomous Government Agency under the Ministry of education. The agency is established under Section 94(1) and the sixth schedule of the Basic education Act of 2013 to address the disparities in education in the ASALS, Pockets of Poverty and Urban Informal Settlements. The council has robust programmes towards improving access, retention, transition and completion rates in these regions.

1. The Council wishes to invite sealed bids for provision of transportation services under framework agreement.
2. Tendering is open to all qualified and interested Tenderers.
3. Qualified and interested tenderers may obtain further information and inspect the Tender Documents during office hours 0800-1700hrs at the address given below or be viewed from our website: www.naconek.ke or www.tenders.go.ke
4. The bidding documents may be purchased by interested bidders upon payment of a non-refundable fee of KES 1,000.00 to National Council for Nomadic Education in Kenya (NACONEK) Office, at Uchumi House, 10th floor or be downloaded for free from the website www.naconek.ke or www.tenders.go.ke
Tenderers who download the tender document must forward their particulars immediately to the procurement office at the address given below or through the Council email: procurement@naconek.ke to facilitate any further clarification or addendum.
5. Completed tenders must be delivered to the address below on or before **14th October, 2024 at 11.00 a.m.** late tenders will be rejected.
6. Tenders will be opened immediately after the deadline date and time specified above or any deadline date and time specified later. Tenders will be publicly opened in the presence of Tenderers’ or representatives who choose to attend on 6th floor, Uchumi house.
7. The address referred to above is:

SECRETARY/CEO
NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR NOMADIC EDUCATION IN KENYA
UCHUMI HOUSE 6TH FLOOR, ALONG AGHAKAN WALK,
P.O.BOX 30040-00100 NAIROBI, KENYA

Head Supply Chain Management Services
For: Secretary/CEO



Sh 3.2b maritime centre opened to bolster search and rescue efforts

BY ABYGAE SAMBA AND MICHELLE WANGA (PCO)

The Kenya Maritime Authority (KMA) has unveiled a Sh3.2-billion maritime rescue center to enhance the provision of optimal and efficient search and rescue services within the Lake Victoria region and other inland water bodies.

KMA's Director General, Eng. Martin Dzombo Munga, stated that the Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre will ensure the safety of navigation, secure water transportation, and promote economic activities.

"The Lake Victoria Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre reaffirms the government's commitment to reviving the Blue Economy sector, enhancing maritime safety, and strengthening search and

rescue (SAR) operations for communities that depend on the lake for their livelihoods," Eng. Dzombo said.

He noted that an estimated 5,000 people die in the lake every year, citing numerous cases of vessels capsizing and deaths due to unfavorable weather and drowning.

Eng. Dzombo mentioned that KMA plans to build five search and rescue centers in Kisumu, Siaya, Homa Bay, Migori, and Busia counties to facilitate prompt coordination of search and rescue operations, ultimately saving the lives of those who depend on the lake for their daily livelihoods.

The Director General said, "The centre will coordinate rescue operations on the lake in collaboration with Uganda and Tanzania

as the government moves to revive transport links between the three countries through the lake."

KMA's Director of Maritime Safety, Eng. Julius Koech, added, "The project will ensure safe and secure water transportation, enhance the GSM network across the entire lake region, dispatch resources that will pinpoint the exact origin of a distress call, and improve communication technology, including a toll-free line to enable the public to promptly relay distress calls."

Eng. Koech also stated that the Authority will first ensure that all vessels in the Lake Region are inspected for safety, confirming that they are equipped with life-saving appliances such as life jackets.



TENDER NOTICE

The Geothermal Development Company Limited (GDC) invites sealed tenders from eligible candidates for the following:

TENDER NO.	TENDER DESCRIPTION	TARGET GROUP	TENDER SECURITY AMOUNT	CLOSING DATE
GDC/DO/OT/010/2024:2025	Tender for Supply and Delivery of Wellhead Equipment & Valves	Open to All	Ksh 500,000.00	24.10.2024 at 11.00am
GDC/DO/OT/011/2024:2025	Tender for Supply and Delivery of Rig Accessories	Open to All	2% of tender sum	25.10.2024 at 11.00am
GDC/DOCU/OT/014/2024:2025	Tender for Supply of Dry Foods and Non-Food Items for GDC Camp Site Catering Unit Through Framework Contract for a Period of One (1) Year.	Women & Youth	Tender Securing Declaration Form	21.10.2024 at 11.00am
GDC/DOCU/OT/015/2024:2025	Tender for Supply of Fresh Fruits and Vegetables for GDC Camp Site Catering Unit Through Framework Contract for a Period of One (1) Year.	Women Only	Tender Securing Declaration Form	22.10.2024 at 11.00am

Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information and inspect the tender document from the office of Manager, Supply Chain at Kawi House, South C off Mombasa Road, Red Cross Road between 9.00am and 4.00pm during week days.

A complete set of the tender documents may be obtained by interested firms upon payment of a non-refundable fee of Kshs.1000 payable to our accounts office in cash or by banker's cheque. The documents can also be viewed and downloaded from the website www.gdc.co.ke or PPIP Portal www.tenders.go.ke free of charge. Bidders who download the tender document from the website **MUST** forward their particulars immediately to procurement@gdc.co.ke for records and any further tender clarifications and addenda.

The completed tenders in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked with **Tender No.** and **Tender reference name;** shall be addressed to:

**Managing Director & CEO,
Geothermal Development Company
P.O Box 100746-00101
NAIROBI, KENYA**

and deposited in the tender box at Ground Floor GDC office Kawi House, South C Off Mombasa Road, Red Cross Road on or before the dates specified above.

Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the tenderers or their representatives who choose to attend at Kawi House, South C GDC Board Room Ground Floor.

Late tenders will not be accepted.

MANAGER, SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT

Kawi House, South C Bellevue
Popo Lane, Off Red Cross Road
P.O BOX 100746-00100, Nairobi

T: +254(0)719 036 000
E: info@gdc.co.ke

www.gdc.co.ke



MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR AGRICULTURE



REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

Country:	Kenya
Name of Project :	National Agricultural Value Chain Development Project - NAVCDP
Credit No.:	70640
Assignment Title:	Consulting Services for Sustainable Land Management, Climate Change Adaptation and Building Resilient Farming System
Reference No.:	KE-MOALF-438180-CS-CQS

- The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the National Agricultural Value Chain Development Project (NAVCDP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.
- The Consulting Services ("the Services") include Consulting services for sustainable land management, climate change adaptation and building resilient farming system. The estimated period of assignment is four (4) months.
- The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: - www.kilimo.go.ke
- The State Department for Agriculture ("the Client") 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.

The shortlisting criteria are:

- Core business and years in business:** The firm shall be registered/incorporated as a consulting firm in the field of agriculture and rural development or related fields for a period of at least eight (8) years.
- Experience:** The firm shall demonstrate as having successfully executed and completed at least two (2) assignments similar in nature both in scope and complexity in a similar operating environment in the last eight (8) years. Details of the assignments (Name and address of the client, scope, value, and period) should be provided and submitted in the submitted expression of interest (EOI).
- Technical and managerial capability of the firm:** The firm shall demonstrate as having the requisite technical capacity including relevant equipment, tools, software, etc. and managerial capacity to undertake the assignment in the submitted company profile(s).

Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage

- 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" First Published July 2016 and revised Fifth Edition September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
- Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.
- A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Selection Based on the Consultants Qualification Selection (CQS) method set out in the World Bank's Framework Agreement arrangements described in the procurement Regulations.
- Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 0900 to 1600 hours East African Time (EAT).

**National Project Coordinator
National Agricultural Value Chain Development Project (NAVCDP)
P.O. Box 8073-00200
NAIROBI
Capitol Hill Towers, 5th Floor, Cathedral Road.
Phone: 0773206315
Email: info@navcdp.go.ke**

- Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by mail, or by e-mail) by **14th October, 2024 at 1100 hours EAT** and be deposited in the tender box clearly marked State Department for Agriculture located at Kilimo house main reception –Ground floor, Cathedral Road Nairobi or be sent to info@navcdp.go.ke and clearly marked "Consulting Services for Sustainable Land Management, Climate Change Adaptation and Building Resilient Farming System"

Address:
**The Principal Secretary
State Department for Agriculture
P.O Box 30028-00100
Nairobi, Kenya.
E-mail: info@navcdp.go.ke
Tel.0773206315**

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Health ministry rolls out new IT system for affordable care



Medical Services Principal Secretary Harry Kimutai

BY JUDY SHERI (PCO)

The Ministry of Health is implementing an Integrated Healthcare Information Technology Management System (IHITS) to make healthcare affordable and accessible to all Kenyans. Medical Services Principal Secretary Harry Kimutai states that the ministry is committed to achieving Universal Health Coverage (UHC) to ensure that every Kenyan has access to quality healthcare, regardless of location or economic status.

In a press release, Kimutai emphasized that this commitment is not merely a project but a national mission to save lives, save time, and reduce costs for all Kenyans. To support the implementation of the UHC blueprint, the Principal Secretary announced that the Ministry of Health has awarded a contract for the IHITS implementation to a consortium led by Safaricom Plc.

The consortium includes the global patient-care digitization firm Apeiro Limited (Apeiro Digital) and the enterprise technology firm Konvergenz Network Solutions Limited (KNS). Notably, the Safaricom Consortium will invest the full project cost and recover their investment over ten years through monthly installments, which will commence in February 2025, contingent upon the successful implementation of the project.

He said the structure of the project will

enable the ministry to roll out the IHITS System without incurring any upfront capital expenditure (Capex) and operating expenditure (Opex).

“The investment cost Sh104,808,136,478 billion is a bold step towards building a comprehensive healthcare infrastructure that will touch the lives of all Kenyans,” the PS said.

The IHITS System covers a wide range of components, from infrastructure to technology, to training of public healthcare professionals and system maintenance, and is aimed at providing long-term benefits to every Kenyan.

He said the Health Information Exchange (HIE) will unify patient records across all levels of care.

“For too long, our healthcare system has been fragmented with patient histories scattered across different facilities which has led to delays in diagnosis, inappropriate treatments, and even the denial of life-saving care,” the PS said.

The Hospital Management Information System (HMIS) for all public health facilities will be deployed in partnership with the county governments and will digitize the operations of all public health facilities, allowing doctors and healthcare professionals to access (under consent management) patient records instantly, make informed clinical decisions, and provide care that is tailored to each patient’s needs.



THE NATIONAL TREASURY & ECONOMIC PLANNING

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL (RFP)

RFP NO. RKFIFNA/NCB/01/2024-2025

Name of Project:	Rural Kenya Financial Inclusion Facility (RK-FINFA) project, Kenya
Assignment Title:	Development of a Management Information System (MIS) for the Rural Kenya Financial Inclusion Facility Project
Reference No.	2000004121 and No: 2000004122

The Government of the Republic of Kenya has received financing from the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) towards the implementation of the Rural Kenya Financial Inclusion Facility (RK-FINFA) project and intends to apply part of the proceeds under the loan to Develop a Management Information System (MIS) for the Rural Kenya Financial Inclusion Facility Project.

The use of any IFAD financing shall be subject to IFAD’s approval, pursuant to the terms and conditions of the financing agreement, as well as IFAD’s rules, policies and procedures. IFAD and its officials, agents and employees shall be held harmless from and against all suits, proceedings, claims, demands, losses and liability of any kind or nature brought by any party in connection with the Rural Kenya Financial Inclusion Facility (RK-FINFA) project.

RK-FINFA project management unit wishes to establish a customized and functional Performance Management Information System (PMIS) to operationalize a central system for all project data and information. The system is expected to meet the multifaceted data, information and knowledge needs of RK-FINFA and its key stakeholders. The system is expected to aggregate results from different project implementing partners and their contribution to the overall project goal as well as aggregate learning from different project components to guide in implementation. The PMIS will support in tracking implementation and performance against the project’s expected results. The system aims at tracking the project’s performance consistently and systematically, and to avail data which would support decision making, planning, accountability, learning and a continuous quality improvement.

RK-FINFA is therefore seeking the services of a Service Provider to facilitate the development and deployment of the PMIS based on the project’s specific information and data needs.

Specifically, this assignment will need to:

1. Familiarize with existing databases and systems
2. Develop a written plan for development of information management system which is specific to the needs of RK-FINFA
3. Define system hardware, software and human ware requirements (hosting, cloud based, maintenance, upgrades, cloud storage space, offline/online, remote accessibility)
4. Install, test and deploy the final performance management information system based on the defined information
5. Develop metadata standards and interface requirements including appropriate data flow system
6. Develop user documents including manuals for the developed performance management information system
7. Build RK-FINFA’s and implementing partners’ staff capacity to use the system
8. Upon operationalization, evaluate the system in terms of performance, usability and other metrics
9. Identify lessons learnt and recommend areas of improvement
10. Provide one-year system support.

This Request for Proposal (RFP) follows the General Procurement Notice that appeared on the IFAD website and on UNDB on 1st March, 2023 and on MyGov newspaper on 28th February, 2023.

The National Treasury, Rural Kenya Financial Inclusion Facility (RK-FINFA) project (“the client”) now invites eligible Service Provider to indicate their interest in providing the services. Interested Service Provider should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the services. Interested Service Providers should fill the template for Request for Proposal (RFP) found at the following links; www.treasury.go.ke and www.tenders.go.ke and send it to the address indicated below.

The attention of interested Service Provider is drawn to IFAD’s Anti-Money Laundering and Countering the Financing of Terrorism Policy (<https://www.ifad.org/en/document-detail/asset/41942012>) and the Revised IFAD Policy on Preventing Fraud and Corruption in its Activities and Operations (www.ifad.org/anticorruption_policy). The latter sets forth IFAD’s provisions on prohibited practices. IFAD further strives to ensure a safe working environment free of harassment, including sexual harassment, and free of sexual exploitation

and abuse (SEA) in its activities and operations as detailed in its IFAD Policy to Preventing and Responding to Sexual Harassment, Sexual Exploitation and Abuse (<https://www.ifad.org/en/document-detail/asset/40738506>).

The Service Provider shall not have any actual, potential or reasonably perceived conflict of interest. A Service Provider with an actual, potential or reasonably perceived conflict of interest shall be disqualified unless otherwise explicitly approved by the Fund. A Service Provider including their respective personnel and affiliates are considered to have a conflict of interest if they a) have a relationship that provides them with undue or undisclosed information about or influence over the selection process and the execution of the contract, b) participate in more than one RFP under this procurement action, c) have a business or family relationship with a member of the Procuring Entity or its personnel, the Fund or its personnel, or any other individual that was, has been or might reasonably be directly or indirectly involved in any part of (i) the preparation of this RFP, (ii) the shortlisting or selection process for this procurement, or (iii) execution of the contract. The Service Provider has an ongoing obligation to disclose any situation of actual, potential or reasonably perceived conflict of interest during preparation of the RFP, the selection process or the contract execution. Failure to properly disclose any of said situations may lead to appropriate actions, including the disqualification of the Service Provider, the termination of the contract and any other as appropriate under the IFAD Policy on Preventing Fraud and Corruption in its Projects and Operations.

A Service Provider will be selected in accordance with the Quality Cost Based Selection Method set out in IFAD’ project procurement handbook that can be accessed via the IFAD website at www.ifad.org/project-procurement.

Any request for clarification on this RFP should be sent via e-mail: procurement@treasury.go.ke and procurement.rkfinfa@treasury.go.ke to the address below not later than **4th October, 2024 at 5.00 p.m. Kenyan Time**. The client will provide responses to all clarification requests by **8th October, 2024 at 5.00 p.m. Kenyan Time**.

RFP Document must be delivered in written form using the forms provided for this purpose.

Completed RFP documents enclosed in a plain sealed envelope clearly marked “RFP for Development of a Management Information System (MIS) for the Rural Kenya Financial Inclusion Facility Project” and addressed to: -

**The Principal Secretary
The National Treasury
Rural Kenya Financial Inclusion Facility (RK-FINFA) project
Reinsurance Plaza
Aga Khan walk/Taifa Road
7th Floor,
P.O BOX 30007-00100,
Nairobi, Kenya
Tel: 203225000 ext 152
Email: procurement@treasury.go.ke
procurement.rkfinfa@treasury.go.ke**

and be deposited in the Tender Box provided at the Reinsurance Plaza Building, 7th Floor, Aga Khan Walk and Taifa Road, Nairobi, so as to be received on or before **15th October, 2024 at 1100 hours, Kenyan Time**.

The Request for Proposals will be opened immediately after the closing date and time in the presence of candidates or their representatives who choose to attend at the Reinsurance Plaza, Aga Khan Walk/ Taifa Road, Nairobi, **7th Floor, on 15th October, 2024 at 1100 hours, Kenyan Time**.

**HEAD, SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SERVICES.
FOR: PRINCIPAL SECRETARY / NATIONAL TREASURY**

New feedlots planned for 490 wards in ASAL lands to combat drought impact

BY MUTURI MWANGI, KNA

Plans are underway to construct feedlots in the 490 wards in Arid and Semi-Arid Lands (ASALs) to cushion pastoralists from adverse effects of drought.

The Principal Secretary (PS), State Department of ASAL and Regional Development Harsama Kello speaking Sololo, Marsabit County, during a public participation for Walda Integrated Agro-pastoralism feedlot project said the government is committed to addressing effects of drought in ASAL areas where residents bear the brunt of the loss of livestock because of perennial dry spell.

“The President has issued a directive of constructing feedlots in 31 ASAL counties. In the last five years, pastoralists lost over 2.5 million livestock which has resulted to poverty among people living there,” the PS said.

Harsama pointed out that the project in the 490 wards would cost Sh13 billion.

Additionally, the PS said the government would prioritize the 10 counties of Garissa Manderu, Tana River, Isiolo, Samburu, Turkana, Baringo, West Pokot, Wajir and Marsabit.

“The President Dr. William Ruto has directed that we start feedlot projects in 31 counties, but we will prioritize 10 counties so that cattle can withstand perennial drought,” the PS noted.

Walda Integrated Agro-pastoralism feedlot project which will cost Sh27 billion in Marsabit County and being implemented by Ewaso Ng’iro North Development Authority will be under 12,000 acres of land benefitting more than 1,000 livestock keep-



Livestock drinking water in Luruk community borehole, Laikipia County. Photo/Muturi Mwangi/KNA

ers in the region.

“We have got an approval from the Marsabit community to establish a feedlot in Walda aimed at supporting pastoralists in times of drought and especially now we are expecting La-Nina after the last El-nino season,” Harsama said.

The project is expected to stock more than 2,000 an-

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- Harsama

imals besides the farmers’ livestock which is a game changer for livestock keepers.

Residents who donated their chunks of land for construction of the Walda feedlot project applauded the initiative, noting it would create job opportunities for the youth and at the same time improve their livestock breed. Area governor Mohamud Ali applauded the project and urged residents to take ownership to recover from the past dry seasons.

Marsabit County commissioner James Kamau said the Walda feedlot project has more than 10 other components including cattle fattening, water points among others which will be of benefit to the community.

On their part, residents said that the project would create job opportunities for the youth, prevent them from drugs and substance abuse due to idleness and strengthen the region’s resilience to drought.

Fire Department, Red Cross to train students on fire fighting procedures

BY MUTAI KIPNGETICH, KNA

The Kirinyaga County Fire Department and Kenya Red Cross will embark on a training program targeting students and the community on handling fire emergencies. The training will involve drills in various scenarios aimed at reducing injuries during such incidents.

John Kiama, the Head of the County Fire Department, stated that when students are knowledgeable about safety procedures, it becomes easier and safer for them to escape danger. While conducting drills with first-aid providers in Kerugoya, Kiama emphasized that the department’s primary role is to extinguish fires, conduct searches for missing persons, and hand over to the Red Cross for first aid services.

“We have been joined by first-aid providers for these fire drills because fire incidents can cause injuries beyond just burns. Our goal is to ensure that the extent of damage is significantly reduced and, ideally, prevented,” Kiama said.

He noted that, for accountability, all schools must establish a fire assembly point where all pupils can converge in an emergency, making identification and search missions more efficient. He recalled a past incident where students fled to the neighborhood instead of going to designated fire safety points. “We have seen pupils running to

neighbours in case of school fire, all schools must have a fire assembly point where it will make rescues and accountability fast,” he said.

He added that teachers received the training positively and have been placing requests for their students to be trained.

Immaculate Itemba, Red Cross Kirinyaga Chapter, said the collaboration with the Red Cross will start with visiting schools and training them how to evacuate from fireplaces and later extend drills to larger communities.

The Red Cross mainly offers first aid services but has chosen a multi-sectoral approach to equip students with all necessary skills and steps to reduce injuries.

“We are focusing currently on students to train on how to evacuate safely, procedures to follow until handing over to relevant teams,” she said.

She said it is the role of all people to prevent fire incidents and in case it happens everyone has basic skills on how to handle it under different conditions.

“It is our collective responsibility to ensure we prevent and control fire during an emergency, we hope training will reduce incidents and enhance the rescue procedures,” she added.

The fire drill at Kerugoya brought together first-aid providers from various departments at institutions then after, part of the teams visited various schools.



NATIONAL BIOSAFETY AUTHORITY

NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC ON ACTIVITIES INVOLVING GENETICALLY MODIFIED ORGANISMS (GMOs)

The National Biosafety Authority is a State Corporation established under Section 5 of the Biosafety Act, No. 2 of 2009, to exercise general supervision and control over the transfer, handling and use of genetically modified organisms (GMOs) with a view to ensuring safety of human and animal health and provision of an adequate level of protection of the environment.

The Authority wishes to bring to your attention the provision of Section 18(1) of the Biosafety Act which prohibits any person from conducting any activity involving genetically modified organisms (GMOs) without the written approval of the Authority. These activities include research, placing on the market, import, transit or export of GMOs.

By virtue of the above provision, this notice requires that any person or institution carrying out any of the above activities involving GMOs, including in plants, animals, microorganisms, and research in pharmaceuticals and vaccines should first seek and obtain approval from the Authority; and those with ongoing research to regularize their projects within three (3) months from the date of this notice. Under Section 3 of the Act, finished and approved pharmaceutical products for human use which are or may be products of genetic modification are exempt from this notice.

For more information, please contact:

The Chief Executive Officer
National Biosafety Authority
P.O. Box 28251 - 00100
NAIROBI.
Tel: 020 2678667 or 0713 854132
Email: info@biosafetykenya.go.ke
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KENYA MEDICAL SUPPLIES AUTHORITY (KEMSA)

INVITATION FOR TENDER (IFT) NOTICE

The Kenya Medical Supplies Authority (KEMSA) has set aside funds for the provision of the following services and herewith invites sealed tenders as follows:

No.	Tender No.	Tender Description	Tender Closing Date and Time	Eligibility
1.	KEMSA/ONT01/2024-2026	Provision of Private Security Services	15th October, 2024 at 10:00am	OPEN TO ALL

Interested and eligible bidders may download a complete set of tender documents from the KEMSA Website: www.kemsa.go.ke and/or PPIP Portal: <https://tenders.go.ke>.



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INVITATION TO TENDER

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

NO.	TENDER NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	TENDER COMMENCEMENT DATE	TENDER CLOSING DATE
1.	KP1/9A.2/OT/003/HRA/24-25	Provision of Professional Physical Planning Services	Wednesday 02.10.2024	Wednesday 23.10.2024 at 10.00 a.m.

Tender documents detailing the requirements of the above tender may be obtained from the Kenya Power website (www.kplc.co.ke) from **the date shown above**.

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TENDER ADVERTISEMENT NOTICE


The Kenya Airports Authority invites sealed tenders from eligible firms for the following tenders: -


Tender Reference Number	Tender Description	Pre-Bid Meeting / Site Visit	Closing/ Opening Date
KAA/OT/ICT/0020/ 2024-2025	Re-Tender for Provision of Servicing, Maintenance and Support of ICT Hardware for Kenya Airports Authority	N/A	24/10/2024
KAA/OT/MALINDI/0021/ 2024-2025	Provision of Environmental Management Services at Malindi Airport Environmental Management Services (Grass Cutting, Vegetation Control, Gardening, Drainage, Cleaning of All Paved Areas and Garbage Collection) (Eligibility Duly Registered Women Owned Enterprises)	There shall be a site visit on 16/10/2024 at Malindi Airport at 10:00 am	24/10/2024
KAA/OT/WAJIR/0022/ 2024-2025	Provision of Cleaning Services for General Areas, Toilets and Pest Control Management Services at Wajir International Airport (Eligibility Duly Registered Youth Owned Enterprises)	There shall be a site visit on 16/10/2024 at Wajir International Airport at 10:00 am	24/10/2024
KAA/OT/JKIA& HQS / 0023/2024-2025	Provision of Pest Control Services At Jomo Kenyatta International Airport And Head Quarters (Eligibility Duly Registered People living with Disability Owned Enterprises)	There shall be a site visit on 16/10/2024 at Jomo Kenyatta International Airport at 10:00 am	24/10/2024
KAA/OT/MIA/0024/2024- 2025	Provision of Meet and Assist Services At Moi International Airport	N/A	24/10/2024

Information on these tender notices and documents detailing the requirements, tendering procedures and guidelines should be downloaded from our website at <https://www.kaa.go.ke/corporate/procurement/> or <https://suppliers.kaa.go.ke/irj/portal> or Public Procurement Information Portal at www.tenders.go.ke free of charge.

Bidders are advised to note that bidding process for the tenders is through our online tender portal at <https://suppliers.kaa.go.ke/irj/portal>. For any information or clarifications, please contact us through our email, tenders@kaa.go.ke


Canvassing for the tender by the tenderer or by proxy shall lead to automatic disqualification of their tender.

MANAGING DIRECTOR/CEO 



**MINISTRY OF WATER, SANITATION
AND IRRIGATION**

CENTRAL RIFT VALLEY WATER WORKS DEVELOPMENT AGENCY



ADVERTISEMENT FOR THE POSITION OF CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

JOB REF: CRVWDA/HRA/CEO/1/2024-25

Introduction

Central Rift Valley Water Works Development Agency is one of the nine (9) Water Works Development Agencies established by the Government of the Republic of Kenya under the Water Act 2016 to develop and manage public water works. It was established through the legal notice No. 4 of 7th February 2020. The Agency area of jurisdiction include five counties of Nakuru, Baringo, Nyandarua, Narok and Laikipia. The Agency is located in Nakuru town at Maji Plaza, Prison Road off Eldama Ravine Highway.

The Agency invites applications from qualified persons with the relevant professional skills and competencies to fill the position of the **Chief Executive Officer**.

(a) Duties and Responsibilities

- (i) Implement the decisions of the Board for the day-to-day management of the affairs of the Agency.
- (ii) Being responsible for day-to-day operations of the organization;
- (iii) Providing leadership to senior management and staff;
- (iv) Coordinating preparation of the annual budgets and establish proper internal controls;
- (v) Being responsible for the execution and communication of the Board's strategies, decisions and policies;
- (vi) Developing and recommending to the Board the annual investment plans, work plans and procurement plans for the Agency;
- (vii) Ensure that the Agency has an effective management structure including succession plans;
- (viii) Ensuring that all Board papers are accurately written, are relevant and are availed to the Board members in good time;
- (ix) Serving as the link between the Board and the Management;
- (x) Being responsible for the achievement of the objectives of the Agency;
- (xi) Putting in place effective administrative structures, processes and systems;
- (xii) Providing regular, thorough and prompt communication to the Board on key technical financial and administrative matters; and
- (xiii) Being responsible for stakeholder management and the enhancement of the corporate image of the organization.

(b) Requirements for Appointment

To be appointed as the Chief Executive Officer, the candidate must have attained the following requirements:

- (i) At least fifteen (15) years relevant work experience with five (5) years of which should have been in senior management position.
- (ii) Bachelors' Degree in any of the following disciplines: - Civil Engineering, Water Engineering, Structural Engineering, Electro Mechanical Engineering, Business Administration, Commerce, Management Accounting and Control; Forensic Accounting and Control, Finance, Economics, Business Administration (Accounts Option) or equivalent qualification from a recognized Institution.
- (iii) Masters' Degree in any of the following disciplines: - Civil Engineering, Water Engineering, Structural Engineering, Electro Mechanical Engineering, Business Administration, Commerce, Management Accounting and Control; Forensic Accounting and Control, Finance, Economics, Business Administration (Accounts Option) or equivalent qualification from a recognized Institution.
- (iv) Membership to a professional body and in good standing where applicable;
- (v) Leadership course lasting not less than four(4)weeks from a recognized Institution; and
- (vi) Proficiency in Computer Applications.

(c) Terms of Employment

The terms of employment for the Chief Executive Officer is a three (3) years contract renewable once subject to performance.

(d) Remuneration (KES)

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(e) Mandatory requirements for the advertised position.

Applicants must provide the following documents on application;

- i. Dully signed application letter.
- ii. A detailed curriculum vitae, indicating current and previous employers, positions held and with at least three professional referees.
- iii. Certified copies of academic and professional certificates.
- iv. Certified copy of National Identification card or passport.
- v. Fulfil the requires under Chapter Six of the Constitution.

In addition to the qualifications set above, applicants must further obtain clearances from the following:

- Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC)
- Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA)
- Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI)
- Higher Education Loans Board (HELB)
- Credit Reference Bureau (CRB)

(f) Submission Of Application


If your background, experience, and competencies match the above specifications, submit your applications in hard copy to:

**The Chairman
Central Rift Valley Water Works Development Agency
Maji Plaza Prison Road, Off Nakuru Eldama Ravine Highway
P.O Box 2451- 20100
NAKURU
OFFICE LINE:0725-999-000**

Or soft copy through email addressed to: chairman2024.ceo@crvwvda.go.ke.

To be considered, all applications should be received not later than **29th October, 2024 at 5.00 p.m.(EAT)** indicating Reference number (Ref. No) of the job in their application. **Only shortlisted candidates shall be contacted for Interviews.**

Central Rift Valley Water Works Development Agency is an equal opportunity employer and embraces diversity. Without sacrificing merit Persons living with disabilities are encouraged to apply. Canvassing of any nature will lead to automatic disqualification.

**CHAIRPERSON
CENTRAL RIFT VALLEY WATER WORKS DEVELOPMENT AGENCY** 



EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
CHIEF OF STAFF & HEAD OF PUBLIC SERVICE

OFFICE OF THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF,
PERFORMANCE & DELIVERY MANAGEMENT



THE RATIONALE FOR PERFORMANCE CONTRACTING IN THE PUBLIC SERVICE

In 2001, the Government of Kenya launched several reform initiatives to enhance performance in the public service and ensure effective service delivery. These initiatives were grounded in a Results-Based Management (RBM) framework and included the introduction of Strategic Planning, Annual Work Planning, Performance Contracting, Rapid Results Initiatives (RRI), Programme-Based Budgeting (PBB), Monitoring and Evaluation, the Staff Performance Appraisal System (SPAS), and Business Process Re-engineering (BPR), among others.

The Government has been implementing these Performance Management initiatives to align planning, budgeting, implementation, and the delivery of targeted results. These initiatives also aim to accelerate the realization of the National Development Agenda, as outlined in Kenya Vision 2030 and its Medium Term Plans (MTPs), as well as the Kenya Kwanza Administration's Bottom-up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA). They are integrated at the organizational level within the Strategic Plans for Ministries, Departments, State Corporations, and Tertiary Institutions (MDAs).

Performance Management aims to achieve the following objectives: provide a framework that connects national and MDAs' development planning, budgeting, and implementation processes to ensure optimal program execution and the delivery of targeted results; enhance the capacity of the public service to deliver services more efficiently and effectively; and focus public service efforts on facilitating the achievement of the National Development Agenda. Additionally, Performance Management establishes a framework for cascading strategic intent and promotes the participation of all stakeholders. It improves the implementation of projects and programs, enhances service delivery to citizens, and fosters a performance and results-oriented culture with the appropriate values and ethos within the public service. Furthermore, it links rewards and sanctions to performance outcomes.

Since its launch in 2004, Performance Contracting has been utilized by successive governments to drive the National Development Agenda and foster a results-based culture in public service delivery. It has ensured clear allocation of roles and responsibilities among various accountability centers, enhancing the overall performance of public institutions. Additionally, Performance Contracting has reduced duplication of functions among public sector organizations, improved the utilization of public resources, and boosted revenue generation. Furthermore, it has increased transparency in government operations and promoted accountability for results by linking rewards to measurable performance.

The Performance Contracts (PCs) for Government Ministries, Departments, and Agencies (MDAs) are derived from their respective Strategic Plans, which are aligned with the Fourth Medium-Term Plan (MTP IV) 2023-2027 and the Government's Bottom-up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA). The commitments outlined in the Performance Contracts are based on each MDA's man-



By Eliud Owalo FIHRM FESK EGH

date, priorities, approved budget, and Annual Work Plan for the financial year. They are also aligned with the available human capital and equipment or facilities necessary to support the achievement of set targets.

The target-setting process involves examining the baseline performance levels from the previous financial year, along with the available resources, systems, and the current operational environment to facilitate the achievement of the established targets.

Performance Contracts for Cabinet Secretaries for the current 2024/25 financial year were negotiated within the MDAs and vetted by a technical team from the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Performance and Delivery Management in the Executive Office of the President. This process is followed by ongoing validation of commitments with Cabinet Sec-

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retaries, aimed at establishing a common understanding and promoting ownership of the commitments outlined in the Performance Contracts. The validation also facilitates the clear apportionment of targets to accountability centers at various levels within the ministries. This exercise is a critical step in preparing for the signing of the Performance Contracts between His Excellency the President and the Cabinet Secretaries, ensuring effective leadership and implementation of the commitments.

Upon signing the Performance Contracts, all

Cabinet Secretaries will cascade their commitments to their respective Principal Secretaries, Heads of Directorates, Divisions, Sections, and Units, and ultimately to all officers within the respective MDAs. Additionally, Cabinet Secretaries are expected to sign Performance Contracts with state corporations and Semi-Autonomous Government Agencies (SAGAs) under their jurisdiction.

Every three months during the financial year, each State Department and its State Corporations are required to prepare and submit a Quarterly Performance Report, detailing their achievements against the set targets. A Mid-Term Review is conducted at the six-month mark to assess progress and identify strategies for accelerating results, particularly in areas where performance is lagging. At the end of the financial year, an Annual Performance Report is compiled, allowing for the evaluation of results and providing feedback to MDAs, along with key lessons for improving future performance.

In Performance Management, it is a widely accepted fact that people deliver what is inspected, not just what is expected, and what gets measured gets done.

One of the key challenges identified in the implementation of the Government's performance contracting system is the weak connection between actual performance by MDAs and the communication of results to key stakeholders, particularly the public. It has been observed that Government MDAs often achieve significant results with the potential for a positive impact, yet these achievements remain largely unknown to the public, who are the primary beneficiaries. To address this issue, the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Performance and Delivery Management, in collaboration with all ministries, is launching a major awareness and publicity campaign aimed at informing the public about key results and milestones achieved by MDAs and their relevance to the daily lives of Wananchi. This campaign is also expected to provide an opportunity to gather feedback and enhance public confidence in government institutions.

It is H.E President Dr William Samoei Ruto's belief that everyone, one appointed to public service, is accountable for results to the citizens.

The writer is the Deputy Chief of Staff for Performance and Delivery Management in the Executive Office of the President.



Facts & Figures



KSH 2,900

Avail sexed semen to dairy farmers at a subsidized rate of KSH 2,900 from KSH 8,000.



65,334

Restock livestock lost due to drought and floods - distribute 65,334 animals in 10,208 households to 16 counties.



12.5 million

12.5 million bags of fertilizer to be distributed by June 2025



250,000

The Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation plans, in this Financial Year, to increase paddy rice production to 250,000 tons



773,069

The Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation plans to increase the area under irrigation to 773,069 acres.



5,000

Enhance the industrial Skills for 5,000 Youths Through Training



470,000

Government will contribute to the expansion of the employment creation base from 410,000 to 470,000



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Consolidated commitments from first seven Ministries vetted

OFFICE OF THE PRIME CABINET SECRETARY AND MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AND DIASPORA AFFAIRS

1. Enhancing Diaspora Savings, Investments and Remittances through:

- Diaspora Investment Strategy Finalized and Launched
- Platform for dissemination of Diaspora Investment information established
- Conference on Remittances hosted
- Establishment of Diaspora Bond championed

2. Promoting Diaspora Skills and Expertise through:

- Finalisation of an Integrated Diaspora Jobs Platform (KaziMajuu Portal)
- Strategic Partnerships on International Jobs Negotiated with Three (3) Potential Employers/Countries
- Sensitization of Kenyans on International Jobs

3. Promoting Economic Cooperation, Trade and Investment by:

- Economic cooperation deepened through participation and articulation of Kenya's strategic interest in EAC, COMESA, AfCFTA, OACPS -EU, IORA, WTO, UNCTAD, TICAD, and FOCAC
- Commercial ties strengthened and market access expanded through:
 - Participation of Kenyan trade delegations in 10 international trade fairs, exhibitions and business meetings (15%)
 - Kenya's participation in three (3) Joint Economic Commission (JEC)/Joint Trade Committees (JTC) (15%)
- Promoting Kenya as a diplomatic hub and venue for international meetings by lobbying to host two (2) conferences and events in Kenya

4. Coordinating the Government Legislative Agenda (GLA) by:

- Tracking the implementation of Government Legislative Agenda (GLA)



- Status of Government Business in Parliament
- Parliamentary Liaison Framework Developed and Implemented
- Policy Advisory Briefs on Emerging Issues Rendered

5. Championing Diaspora Welfare and Protect their Rights by:

- Repatriating Kenyans in Distress/Mortal Remains
- Offering Mobile Consular Services to the Kenyan Diaspora in Five (5) Countries
- Operationalizing Diaspora Safe Houses in Thailand and Qatar
- Developing a Comprehensive Diaspora Growth Strategy
- Develop and implement the Kenya Diaspora Mental Wellness Action Plan

6. Strengthening the Policy, Legal and Institutional Framework by:

- Committing to finalizing the Kenya Diaspora Policy 2024
- Ensuring that the Diaspora Bill is formulated
- Reviewing the Foreign Service Act, 2021 and submitting it to Parliament for approval
- Developing and submitting the Sessional Paper on Foreign Policy to Parliament for approval

- Reviewing the Foreign Policy, 2014
- Operationalising the Diaspora Placement Agency
- Operationalising the Diaspora Agencies in 10 Missions

7. Elevating Kenya's Anchor State Status by:

- Promoting National, Regional and International peace, and security through:
 - Monitoring and assessing the political and security situations globally for emerging issues and trends and prepare quarterly reports (5%)
 - Facilitating Kenya's participation in 10 regional and international peace and security mechanism within the framework of the EAC, ICGLR, IGAD, AU and the UN (10%)
 - Facilitating dialogue, mediation and negotiations to resolve regional and global conflicts and prepare quarterly progress reports (5%)
 - Articulating Kenya's Foreign Policy Position during participation in the following meetings:
 - The 79th session of the UN High Level General Debate (4%)

- Africa Union Summit (4%)
- IGAD Ministerial Meeting (3%)
- EAC Heads of State Summit (3%)
- Forum on China Africa Cooperation (FOCAC) 3rd -6th September 2024 (4%)
- TICAD (2%)
- Strengthening existing bilateral relations and opportunities for cooperation by:
 - Undertaking 10 inbound and outbound State/official visits (5%)
 - Concluding negotiation and signing of five (5) Agreements and five (5) MoUs (5%)
 - Undertaking 10 JCCs/JMCs/JPCs/MTRs and Political Consultation Sessions (10%)
 - Strengthening Kenya's presence and influence in Regional and International organizations through:
 - Lobbying for three (3) Kenya Country candidatures in key organs in the multilateral system (7%) and
 - Lobbying for the appointment of three (3) Kenyans to strategic positions in international organizations (8%)
 - Developing and implementing Strategy for Elevating Kenya's Anchor State Status
 - Strengthening international cooperation on environment and climate issues through Participation and Kenya's contributions in the 29th Session of the Conference of the Parties (COP 29) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change

8. Strengthening Public Diplomacy, Socio-Cultural Heritage and Stakeholder Engagement through:

- Preparing and publishing the 11th President's Report to the National Assembly on fulfilment of Kenya's International Obligations
- Preparing the 8th Cabinet Secretary's Report to the National Assembly on Treaties Ratified by Kenya

MINISTRY OF COOPERATIVES AND MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (MSMEs)

1. Promotion of Kenya Coffee

This will entail the government participating in national and international coffee trade fairs to promote Kenya's coffee.

2. Waiving verified coffee debts

The Ministry will facilitate the verification of submitted coffee debts and waive the same up to a value that is accommodated by the budgetary allocation (KSH 2b for FY 24/25)

3. Governance and accountability within the cooperative movement enforced

The Ministry will carry out the following activities in its endeavor to fulfill this commitment:

- Disseminate code of conduct and ethics to cooperative societies management
- Conduct inspections in Cooperatives societies as a prerequisite for inquiries in

Cooperatives, as well as a mandate in Apex, Federation, Diaspora, Digital & Holdings Cooperatives

- Train cooperative officials on Ethics, Integrity and Good Governance as per the existing MOU with EACC Process all the corruption and noncompliance cases submitted to the State Department
- Sensitize 47 County Government staff on the Cooperatives Act
- Disseminate the Cooperatives Act to stakeholders (Cooperatives)
- Other activities to be carried out under this commitment include
 - Prepare quarterly and annual reports on Declaration of Income Assets, Liabilities for Cooperative Societies officials
 - Review MOU with EACC on combating and preventing corruption, economic crime



- and unethical practices in cooperative societies
- Conduct inquiries in Cooperatives societies
- Issue all applicable surcharges
- Register all submitted audited accounts
- Register all eligible audit firms authorized to audit cooperatives societies
- Issue two technical updates

on emerging issues affecting Cooperative societies

4. Enabling Access to Quality and Affordable Finance for Growth of the MSME Sector

The Ministry will carry out the following activities under this commitment:

- Develop and socialize Financial Inclusion Fund credit score to promote credit worthiness

- Develop and promote adoption of alternative data for credit underwriting
- Undertake mid-term evaluation to assess impact of Financial Inclusion Fund (FIF)

5. Creating a Conducive Business Environment for MSME Sector

The activities that will be carried out under this commitment by the Ministry include:

- Review MSME Policy 2020 and forward to the Cabinet for approval
- Develop MSME formalization policy and forward to Cabinet for approval
- Review the MSME Act 2012 and forward to the Cabinet for approval
- Develop draft MSME Start-up Bill
- Develop the Financial Inclusion Policy and forward to the Cabinet for approval



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Consolidated commitments from first seven Ministries vetted

MINISTRY OF INVESTMENTS, TRADE AND INDUSTRY

1. Textile and Apparel Value Chain Development

The Ministry will develop a Cotton, Textile and Apparels Policy in order to enhance value addition in the textile and apparels sub sector, increase production of locally manufactured fabrics and garments and increase exports in the sector during the FY 2024/2025

2. Leather Sector Promotion and Development of Value Chain

The Ministry will formulate a strategy for processing and manufacturing of leather and leather products in order to enhance promotion of quality leather and leather goods and promote leather value chain sector

3. Increase Manufacturing Sector Output

Increasing manufacturing sector output to Ksh 3.8 trillion by the Ministry will be done by facilitating exemptions on IDF/RDL for manufacturers and finalising the Kenya Quality Policy.

4. Expand the Employment Creation Base

Government will contribute to the expansion of the employment creation base from 410,000 to 470,000 by improving the productivity of 100 small and medium enterprises (SMEs) by 20% and enhancing rapid tech skills for 600 trainees.

5. Enhance the industrial Skills for 5,000 Youths Through Training

The Ministry will ensure this target is met by June 2025.

6. Coordinate the implementation of the Local Content's Buy Kenya Build Kenya (BKBK)

The Ministry will coordinate the Buy Kenya Build Kenya initiative by updating and publishing the Procurement Master Roll of 2021, coordinating and tracking the procurement of uniforms and shoes for the Disciplined Forces from local manufacturers and ensuring, through coordination and tracking, the procurement of health products and technologies by KEMSA from local manufacturers

7. Increase Total Exports

The Ministry will promote the increase of exports by:

- Implementing the National AGOA Strategy to expand Kenya's share in the USA market
- Reviewing and implementing the



Integrated National Export Promotion and Development Strategy to expand Kenya's market share in five (5) major priority markets

- Undertaking bilateral trade engagements for market access with Brazil and India
- Negotiating and implementing EAC, AfCFTA and TFTA outstanding issues
- Negotiating and implementing WTO
- Negotiating and implementing Kenya-United States of America Strategic Trade and Investment Partnership and Kenya-UAE Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement (CEPA), Implementation of the EU trade agreement

8. Enhancing E-commerce Trade

The Ministry will enhance E-Commerce Trade by developing an E-commerce Policy which will be submitted to Cabinet for approval, a Digital Services Export Strategy and operationalising the Kenya E-trade Portal.

9. Promoting Fair Regional Trade for Locally Manufactured Products

The Ministry will promote fair regional trade for locally manufactured products by participating in the EAC-CET review meetings and EAC/AfCFTA Rules of Origin meetings

10. Increasing the Value of Investments

Government, through the Ministry of Industry, Trade and Investment will increase the value of

investments by:

- Onboarding 20 Enterprises into the (Special Economic Zone) SEZ programs and another 20 enterprises into the EPZ programs
- Conducting Market Investment Projects in 12 local and international forums
- Enhancing Competitiveness of Nairobi International Financial Centre Authority (NIFCA) by linking it with the Special Economic Zones
- De-risking Private Investments into priority value chains
- Signing 10 National, Regional and International Investments MoUs

11. Develop Flagship Export Processing Zones

In order to nurture SME exporters with the majority local Kenyan shareholding in the Horticulture/Food Processing, Textile/Apparel, Leather, Commercial Crafts, BPO and ICT sectors, six (6) Flagship Export Processing Zones will be developed and operationalized.

The Ministry will ensure the construction and operationalization of 19 County Aggregation Integration Parks (CAIPS).

12. Enhance Fair Trade Practices and Consumer Protection

To ensure fair trade practices and consumer protection, surveillance of pre-packed goods

and value chains (tea; coffee; meat; leather; dairy; construction and building materials; rice; edible oils) in all the 47 Counties for compliance with Weights and Measures Act and Trade Descriptions Act will be undertaken. Further, verification of weighing and measuring equipment will be conducted as follows: i.) 51 weigh bridges ii.) 9 bulk meters iii.) 30 Bulk storage tanks and iv.) 30 alcohol sector meters at strategic National Installations as well as in the alcohol sector meters.

13. Enhance the Legal Environment for Investments, Trade and Industry

The Ministry will enhance the legal environment for investments, trade and industry by finalising on the:

- Legal Metrology Bill
- Trade Descriptions Bill
- Trade Development Bill
- National Quality Policy
- Industrial Subcontracting Strategy
- Kenya Economic Zones Bill
- County Licensing (Uniform Procedures) 2024 Regulations
- Industrialization Policy
- Cotton, Textile and Apparel policy
- Automation Bill
- Investment in research, science, technology and innovation- critical in increasing productivity, enhancing efficiency levels

14. KNTC Turn-around Undertaken

In order to ensure that KNTC plays its rightful role as a strategic national asset that secures price stabilization of essential food items and consumer goods, the Ministry will develop and implement the turn-around strategy for KNTC.

15. Ease of Doing Business

In order to enhance the investment climate and business environment through targeted and impactful reforms the Ministry will undertake 10 Business and Investment Reforms in the following areas: Taxation; Energy; Cost of Capital; Pending Bills; Land Issues; Entry Restrictions; Counterfeits; Wages; and Logistics. In addition, the Ministry will establish the County Competitive Index (CCI) as well as review and operationalise the Investor Journey Structure.

MINISTRY OF INTERIOR AND NATIONAL ADMINISTRATION

1. Implementing reforms in the National Police Service, Kenya Prisons Service and NYS as per the Strategic Framework

2. Improving access to government services to Kenyans by:

- On-boarding of all identified Government services to e-Citizen platform
- Coordinating the integration of all MCDAs payment checkouts to gazetted government payment Gateway 222222
- Rolling out of eCitizen services to all the 53 Huduma Centres

3. Enhancing immigration services through:

- Issuance of Passports within 7 days
- Reducing the time taken in issuing Work Permits to 21 days,
- Reducing the time taken in issuing Foreign Nationals Certificates Cards from 30 to 21 days
- Registering Dual Citizenship Declarations within 14 working days.

4. Operationalizing 336 gazetted Administrative Units (6 sub counties, 30 divisions, 100 locations and 200 sub locations) to bring Government services closer to the people

5. Transforming Kenya Prisons Enterprises by:

- Reviewing the Prison Industries Revolving fund
- Reviewing the Prisons Farm Revolving Fund
- Developing a policy on payment of prisoners engaged in prison enterprises





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MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT

1. Dairy:

- Purchase and Install 220 milk coolers in 36 counties.
- Implement quality-based payment system for dairy farmers - farmers to get better pay for higher quality milk (move away from volume-based payment)

2. Leather:

- Complete Kenya Leather Industrial Park
- Mop up quality Hides and Skins from the slaughter houses for use by the leather manufactures

3. Livestock Breed Improvement:

- Avail sexed semen to dairy farmers at a subsidized rate of KSH 2,900 from KSH 8,000.
- Execute the government's national breed improvement program by availing quality superior livestock genetics to farmers across the country.

4. Complete and operationalize 3 model community feedlots:

- Wajir, Baringo and Meru

5. Livestock Identification and Traceability System:

- Implement a nation-wide Livestock and Traceability System that will ensure food safety and facilitate trade of livestock products

6. Livestock Restocking:

- Restock livestock lost due to drought and floods - distribute 65,334 animals in 10,208 households to 16 counties.

7. Fertilizer Subsidy Programme Coordinated:

- In line with the Government policy of providing farmers



with fertilizers for increasing production and productivity and facilitating management of the cost of living.

8. Food Generation Diversity Improved:

- The Ministry commits to improve food generation diversity

9. Dairy Value Chain Development:

- To enhance value addition, market access and competitiveness of the dairy industry

10. Improved Agricultural Research Coordination

- The Ministry committed to improve agricultural research coordination

11. Fertilizer Distribution:

- 12.5 million bags of fertilizer to be distributed by June 2025

12. Construction of Grain Storage Facilities:

- Complete construction of nine grain aggregation, drying and storage facilities by June 2025.

13. Construction of the Homa Bay Agricultural Technology Development Center:

- The Ministry of Agriculture will continue to drive progress by scaling up successful initiatives, exploring new opportunities for sector development, and maintaining alignment with the BETA agenda. Regular updates on our ongoing efforts and future plans will be communicated to stakeholders and the public.

MINISTRY WATER, SANITATION AND IRRIGATION

1. Paddy Rice Production

The Ministry plans, in this Financial Year, to increase paddy rice production to 250,000 tons (an increase of 9.14%). This will generate a crop value of Kshs. 23 billion and bridge the rice deficit.

2. Area Under Irrigation

The Ministry plans to increase the area under irrigation to 773,069 acres, a 5.5% increase (i.e. 40,000 additional acres) and harvest 166,726,736 M3 water to be used for irrigation

3. National Water Coverage

The Ministry will focus on increasing national water coverage to 74.5% which is a 1.5% increase in water coverage thus connecting over 2.5 million people

to clean and safe water.

4. Access to Safely Managed Sanitation

The Ministry plans to increase access to safely managed sanitation to 35% (a 2% increase in proportion of population accessing safely managed sanitation). This will impact 100,000 households who will be connected to safe sanitation and sewerage services.

5. Non-Revenue Water (NRW) Level

The Ministry plans to reduce Non-Revenue Water levels to 40% from 43% (a 3% reduction). This will lead to the recovery of Kshs. 2 billion revenue from Non-Revenue Water.



MINISTRY OF LANDS, PUBLIC WORKS HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

1. Develop Affordable and Social Housing Units

The Ministry commits to construct 66,155 affordable housing units to various levels of completion as well as 52,758 social housing units to various levels of completion.

2. Construct Institutional Housing

The Ministry further commits to construct 41,964 Housing units consisting of 24,152 for National Police, 10,033 for Kenya Defense Forces and 7,779 for Student accommodation to various completion levels

3. Develop Urban Markets

The ministry will construct 100 ESP Markets and 27 modern markets to various stages of completion

4. Issuance of Title Deeds

The Ministry commits to register and issue 280,000 title deeds covering all the 47 counties in this financial year.

5. Landless Households Settled

During the contract period, the Ministry commits to guarantee security of tenure, land rights and improved livelihood of 16,000 household squatter families in ten (10) counties.



6. Digitization of Land Registries

Mombasa Island, Isiolo, and Marsabit are now ready to go online after the land records have been digitised while digitisation of land records will start in Mombasa mainland and Baringo.

7. Develop National Land Value Index

The Ministry commits to develop a Land Value Index for three (3) more counties namely: Migori; Homa Bay and Lamu to guide the compensation for infrastructure projects,

guide investment and curb speculation on land

8. Ease of Doing Business

During the contract period, the Ministry will put in place measures to

- Undertake registration of transfer of property and issuance of title deeds within 3 days upon submission of all supporting documents;
- Register charges and discharges within 24hrs in Nairobi and Murang'a; and 3

days in other county land registries.

9. Decentralise Land Services

The Ministry will, in this financial year, decentralise land services through:

- Opening of four (4) new land registries in: Malindi, Kajiado South, Gilgil and South Imenti.
- Decentralizing Registry Index Maps Amendment centres in 10 land offices namely: Thika, Samburu, Lamu, Nyamira, Kilifi, Kwale, Kajiado South, Bomet, Siakago and Kuria.

10. Geo-reference Land Parcels

The Cabinet Secretary commits to minimise land disputes and overlaps, and support land registration through:

- Establishing 260 geodetic controls in 5 counties namely Mombasa, Murang'a, Nairobi, Isiolo, and Baringo Counties for development of geo referencing infrastructure
- Developing cadastre for: Mombasa (Mombasa Mainland) and Baringo land offices
- Surveying 4,000 Sectional Properties units in various counties

State invests millions in new school in West Pokot to foster peace, education

BY ANTHONY MELLY AND AGNETA CHEBET, KNA

The Government has constructed a multi-million-shilling primary school in West Pokot County to serve as a peace and education center for the locals and neighboring communities.

Sangak Primary School, situated in Pokot Central Sub-County, is an initiative from the government to provide quality education while fostering peace and stability among communities affected by banditry.

The school is located in an area that has historically faced challenges related to conflict and limited access to educational resources along the boundary of West Pokot and Turkana Counties.

Olando Sitati, the Managing Director in the President's Delivery Unit for the Rift Valley Region, stated that the school would be a center of peace and education.

Sitati led a team from the Office of the President to inspect the quality of the ongoing construction work, the sustainability of the project, and its potential impact on the local community.

He noted that the construction of the boarding school is progressing well, with approx-



Multi-million shilling Sangak primary school in West Pokot that is set to address peaceful coexistence on border.

imately 80 percent of the work completed.

Mr Sitati expressed satisfaction with the construction progress, stating that the government is optimistic about launching the project within the next two to three weeks following the final phase of construction, making it a valuable resource for different communities.

He noted that the inspection of the Sangak Primary School construction work is an essential task for the government and for local stakeholders to continue monitoring its progress and gather feedback from the community to ensure that the school facility meets the needs of its students and serves its intended purpose. Sitati reiterated that the government has listened to the concerns raised by residents

and is committing to enhance security in the school area.

West Pokot County Director of Education Simon Wamae praised government efforts in establishing the project in an area that is historically faced by security challenges.

Wamae expressed optimism that the education project will bring significant positive changes, not only for the local population but also for neighboring communities.

He said the new facility will help address major challenges in the area such as education disparities along the area prone to insecurity. "The boarding school at Sangak Primary School is part of a broader effort to enhance educational opportunities in areas affected by insecurity," Wamae said.

Project roots for climate-smart agriculture to boost potato production

BY ANNE MWALE, KNA

Egerton University, the National Potato Council of Kenya (NPCK), and the Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization (KARLO) have intensified a campaign to help potato farmers reduce production costs and boost their incomes.

Dubbed the Kenya Sustainable Potato Initiative (KSPI) Project, it aligns with climate-smart innovations and technologies aimed at cushioning farmers against climate change challenges such as drought, floods, diseases, and pests.

According to the project's coordinator, Professor Antony Kibe, the initiative's objective is to promote sustainable potato production through the adoption of climate-smart farming practices, good agricultural practices (GAP), the use of certified seeds, and the promotion of climate-smart agricultural technologies and innovations.

Professor Kibe, who teaches agronomy in Egerton University's Department of Crops, Horticulture, and Soil Sciences, indicated that KSPI supports activities aligned

with climate-smart innovations to ensure farmers adopt practices and technologies that mitigate the challenges they face.

The project, which has received financial and technical support from the Alliance for a Green Revolution in Africa (AGRA), has also engaged the County Governments of Nakuru, Nyandarua, Meru, Laikipia, and Nandi, as well as the State Departments for Crop Development and Cooperatives, the Agriculture and Food Authority (AFA), the Kenya Plant Health Inspectorate Service (KEPHIS), and the Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS). The don made the remarks at Egerton University's Njoro campus after a consultative meeting of key stakeholders implementing the project.

Disclosing that the project is also incorporating seed producers, fertilizer companies and, financial institutions, Professor Kibe explained that climate smart agriculture practices include: development and use of drought and heat tolerant potato varieties, finding use for waste products from potatoes etc.



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S/ NO	TENDER DESCRIPTION	TENDER REFERENCE NUMBER	CLOSING DATE
1.	TENDER FOR PROVISION OF CLEANING, SANITATION, GARBAGE COLLECTION AND GROUNDS MAINTENANCE/ ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES FOR KETRACO PREMISES FOR TWO (2) YEARS 2025-2026. There shall be a mandatory site visit as follows: 1. KAWI House- 8 th October 2024 at 10.00am EAT 2. Suswa Substation - 9 th October 2024 at 10.00am EAT 3. Isinya Substation - 10 th October 2024 at 10.00am EAT.	KETRACO-PT-031-2024	24 th October 2024 at 10:30am EAT

KETRACO tenders run on SAP ARIBA e – procurement platform and therefore interested bidders may examine and obtain detailed Tender documents from KETRACO e – procurement portal found on the KETRACO website (www.ketraco.co.ke) or through Public Procurement Information Portal (PIIP) www.tenders.go.ke from Tuesday 1st October 2024.

Qualified and interested tenderers may obtain further information during office hours Monday to Friday between 0900hrs and 1600hrs and in writing via hkisero@ketraco.co.ke, kettenders@ketraco.co.ke or through message board in SAP Ariba.

Complete bid documents should be electronically submitted through SAP ARIBA platform on or before the closing dates.

Bids will be opened electronically promptly thereafter in the presence of the Tenderers or their representatives who choose to attend in KETRACO Supply Chain Management Offices at KAWI House, South C, Nairobi.

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KENYA RURAL ROADS AUTHORITY

INVITATION TO TENDER

PROVISION OF CLEANING SERVICES AT KeRRA HEAD OFFICE

TENDER NUMBERS: KeRRA/08/38/1/2024-2025

1. Kenya Rural Roads Authority (KeRRA) is a State Corporation established under the Kenya Roads Act, 2007 with the responsibility for management, development, rehabilitation and maintenance of rural roads.
2. This Invitation to bid is Reserved for Women Service Providers.
3. Tender Documents and the Long Advertisement for the **Provision of Cleaning Services at KeRRA Head Office** may be obtained electronically from the Authority's Website (www.kerra.go.ke) and the PPIP Portal (www.tenders.go.ke) free of charge with effect from 3rd October 2024.
4. Pre-bid Site visits shall be **MANDATORY** as per the details on the Long Advertisement and shall be held on 7th October 2024.
5. Completed Bid Documents shall be enclosed in plain sealed envelopes, clearly marked with the **Tender Name and Tender Number**, and be deposited in the Tender Box located at the Ground Floor, Barabara Plaza Block B, or be addressed and posted to the address indicated in the Long Advertisement so as to be received on or before the dates and time indicated in the same Long Advertisement.
6. Opening of the Bids will take place on 14th October 2024 at 11.00am as per the details on the Long Advertisement that is available on the Authority's website and the PPIP Portal.
7. Bidders seeking more information and/or with enquiries are encouraged to send them via the Email Address: procurement@kerra.go.ke.
8. Bidders are advised to regularly visit the KeRRA website for any additional information (addendums) on the above tender.
9. Bids not received at the submission venue by the closing date and time indicated on the long advertisement available on the website will not be accepted for opening and will be rejected and returned unopened.

DIRECTOR GENERAL KENYA RURAL ROADS AUTHORITY



State rolls out Last-Mile Connectivity projects in Migori

BY GEOFFREY MAKOKHA,
KNA

The government will continue to implement the last mile connectivity projects and major electrification programs for social and economic benefits.

Speaking during the commissioning of the Sh25.6-million Nyamchodhre Market Electrification Project in Awendo Sub-County, Energy Cabinet Secretary Opiyo Wandayi said Migori was

allocated Sh200 million in the 2023/2024 financial year for electrification projects that are currently at different stages of completion.

The Nyamchodhre Market Electrification Project will provide electricity to 305 households, enhancing social and economic activities in the local community and Migori County in general.

Wandayi announced that the Awendo to Isebania transmission line,

with Masaba sub-station, is awaiting commissioning, while other projects like Sondu to Ndhiwa and Narok to Bomet are in initial stages. Wandayi emphasized the importance of implementing last mile connectivity projects and other major projects to ensure a consistent electricity supply in the Nyanza region.

On the other hand, the CS also noted that Kenya Power is implementing stop-gap projects to fast-

track power stability all the way from Kericho, Bomet Counties and the South Nyanza region.

He explained that the mini grades at Ngodhe and Takawiri Islands in Homabay will help to solve power outages in the county. On the issue of electricity cost, Wandayi said the government is focused on providing efficient and effective transmissions to reduce power losses to end users. The Rural Electrification and



CS for Energy and Petroleum Opiyo Wandayi during the commissioning of an electrification project in Awendo

Renewable Energy Corporation (REREC) General Manager Beatrice Njuguna who accompanied Wandayi thanked the residents of Nyamchodhre for their support in implementing the electrification project.

Ministry's new campaign encourages tourists to help grow 15b trees by 2032



Principal Secretary, State Department for Tourism, John Ololtuua joins participants in tree planting during the launch of the 'One Tourist, One Tree' campaign at Kajulu Forest in Kisumu County.

BY ROBERT OJWANG',
KNA

The Ministry of Tourism and Wildlife has unveiled a new tree-planting campaign requiring every tourist visiting Kenya to plant at least one tree. This initiative aims to position the country as a sustainable tourism destination while contributing to environmental conservation.

The campaign, dubbed "One Tourist, One Tree," targets both domestic and foreign visitors, encouraging them to participate in tree-planting activities at various tourist sites across the country.

This effort also supports the government's ambitious goal of growing 15 billion tree seedlings by 2032, a move aimed at enhancing Kenya's forest cover and combating climate change.

John Ololtuua, Principal Secretary of the State Department for Tourism, emphasized the need to conserve natural ecosystems to protect wildlife habitats and address climate change during the campaign launch at Kajulu Forest in Kisumu County.

"While the tourism

sector contributes 10 percent to Kenya's GDP, it also accounts for about eight percent of greenhouse gas emissions. With global tourist numbers expected to reach 1.8 billion by 2030, it is essential to adopt sustainable practices to protect the natural and cultural resources that attract visitors," Ololtuua said.

He urged stakeholders in the tourism industry including hotels, tour operators, community-based organisations, and travelers to fully support the initiative.

"The Ministry is committed to the government's reforestation agenda. This campaign calls on every visitor to contribute to Kenya's sustainability by planting a tree, offsetting their carbon footprint while enjoying the beauty of our country," Ololtuua added.

The 'One Tourist, One Tree' campaign was unveiled on the week Kisumu County hosted Kenya Tourism Week, culminating in the 2024 World Tourism Day celebrations last Friday.

Kisumu County Executive Committee Member

for Tourism, Trade, and Marketing, Farida Salim, highlighted the county's commitment to environmental conservation as a key focus of tourism development.

She noted that the campaign being implemented in collaboration with local communities would help them transition to clean energy solutions, reducing dependence on charcoal and tree cutting that has degraded areas like Kajulu Hills.

"Kajulu Forest, with its rich biodiversity and indigenous trees, is set to become a key ecotourism destination in the Western Tourism Circuit," Salim stated.

The Kenya Tourism Board CEO June Chepkemei commended the tree-planting initiative, emphasising its role in promoting sustainable to "Kenya's main attraction lies in its natural beauty and diverse wildlife. By integrating sustainability into our tourism strategy, we not only attract conscientious travelers but also preserve our natural heritage for future generations," she said.



THE INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY
Kenya Digital Economy Acceleration Project (KDEAP)
ICTA-Program Implementation Unit

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (Consulting Services – Firms Selection)

Country:	KENYA
Name of Project:	KENYA DIGITAL ECONOMY ACCELERATION PROJECT (KDEAP)
Project No.:	P170941
Credit No.:	7289-KE and 7290-KE
Assignment Title:	CONSULTING SERVICE FOR PROVISION OF POLICY, LEGAL AND INSTITUTIONAL FRAMEWORK FOR ICT
Contract No.:	KE-ICTA-418668-CS-QCBS

- The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Kenya Digital Economy Acceleration Project (KDEAP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.
- The consulting services ("the Services") include Provision of Policy, Legal and Institutional Framework for ICT. The assignment is expected to take Nine (9) calendar months from the date of contract commencement.
- The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: www.icta.go.ke and www.tenders.go.ke or can be obtained at the address given below.
- The Information and Communications Technology Authority through the Program Implementation Unit (PIU) 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. The shortlisting criteria are:

- Core business and years in business:** A law firm registered/incorporated with core business in providing consulting services in telecoms, digital access advisory and research or related services for a period of at least Seven (7) years
- Relevant experience:** The firm shall demonstrate as having successfully executed and completed at least two (2) assignments of similar nature, complexity and in a similar operating environment in the last Seven (7) years. Details of the assignments (name and address of the client, scope, value, and period) should be provided.
- Technical and managerial capability of the consulting firm:** The firm shall demonstrate having the requisite technical and managerial capacity to undertake the assignment (attach company profile).

Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

- 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" First Published July 2016 and Revised Fifth Edition September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
- Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.
- A Consulting firm will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.
- Further information can be obtained at the address below during the following office hours 0900 and 1600 hours from Monday to Friday excluding lunch hour (1300 to 1400hours) East African Time (EAT) and public holidays.
- Expression of interest must be delivered in written form by **14th October 2024 at 1000hours EAT**. - using one of the following modalities: (i) deposit in the tender box located on 12th Floor, Telposta Towers, Kenyatta Avenue in Nairobi, Kenya or (ii) send by email to: procurement@ict.go.ke and quote the Assignment title and Contract No. in the subject row. For expressions of interest that will be deposited at the tender box, the packages should be clearly marked **Consulting Service for Provision of Policy, Legal and Institutional Framework for ICT; Contract No. KE-ICTA-418668-CS-QCBS**

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Authority grafts one million mango seedlings annually to boost West Pokot's economy

BY RICHARD MUHAMBE AND ANTHONY MELLY, KNA

West Pokot County, through the Kerio Valley Development Authority (KVDA), has introduced the production of high-value mango seedlings to be propagated within the region and supplied to other areas.

According to the KVDA strategic plan, the authority has the capability of generating 1,000,000 mango seedlings per year, which reach maturity in a short time once established in different ecological zones.

David Onyango, the Director of Planning at KVDA, stated that grafting seedlings is one of the initiatives in which KVDA is actively involved and is being implemented across the country. He noted that the project has positively impacted many individuals in the region, and the seedlings are being distributed to various locations throughout the country.

"The project has helped the people of Turkana, West Pokot, Uasin Gishu, and Elgeyo Marakwet in many ways because this project is like gold; it has money," Onyango said. He mentioned that local youths were engaged on a casual basis to graft 1,000 fruit seedlings each day, providing them with wages to supplement their incomes.

"One fruit seedling goes for Sh120 on our plots, but an additional fee is applied when sold outside the farm to cover transportation costs. The project has attracted customers from across the country, particularly farmers, schools, and various institutions," he said.



Orlando Sitati, the Managing Director at the Office of the President's Delivery Unit Rift Valley Region the watering a tree he planted during his tour of duty to Weiwei irrigation mango seedling nursery situated in Pokot Central Sub County of West Pokot

He emphasized the pressing need for more individuals to embrace this technology by visiting the farm to acquire mango fruit seedlings, highlighting that mangoes represent wealth and financial opportunity.

He said the KVDA has already established a mango juice processing factory at Tot in Elgeyo-Marakwet County, and urged all farmers to cultivate additional mango seedlings to ensure the factory has a steady supply of raw materials.

He noted that annually, approximately 30,000 litres of juice is processed from the mango farms managed by KVDA, and the revenue generated from mango sales significantly benefits farmers, as KVDA purchases the mangoes directly from them,

providing financial support that enables them to pursue other ventures.

He encourages West Pokot residents and neighbouring counties to visit the KVDA facilities to purchase fruit seedlings and observe the ongoing progress of the projects, highlighting the financial potential of the mango tree seedling initiative.

"We encourage farmers in the county to consider the Weiwei Irrigation Project, recognizing the potential it holds, and the efforts being made to ensure that youth, women and men alike can benefit from this initiative," Onyango said.

He disclosed that the Weiwei Irrigation Project spans approximately 325 hectares, primarily designated for maize cultivation,

with a segment dedicated to a mango seedling initiative.

He affirmed that since residents of West Pokot County started utilizing the land for over 20 years, they have realised numerous benefits.

He said the project has helped to address the historical challenges which the residents faced including low school attendance and prevalent health issues.

He noted that since the project's inception, residents have expressed increased happiness

due to improved financial resources, allowing them to send their children to school, a notable enhancement compared to previous conditions.

Onyango further said the residents are now able to provide adequate food for their families.

In addition to the mango initiative, Onyango said KVDA farm project focuses on other agriculture activities that aim at promoting food security through the cultivation of maize, sorghum, and various other crops.




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Tourism Fund is a body corporate established under the Tourism Act, 2011, charged with the mandate of mobilizing resources to finance sustainable development of the tourism and hospitality industry in Kenya.

The Fund invites sealed bids from interested and eligible bidders for the following tenders.

NO	Tender Description	Tender Number	Closing Date & Time
1.	Provision of Manned Security Services for Tourism Fund Commercial Property	TF/02/2023-2024	9th October, 2024 at 12 Noon

The tender documents can be viewed and downloaded free of charge from the following websites: www.tourismfund.co.ke or www.tenders.go.ke

AG. CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
TOURISM FUND



PSASB unveils changes in new global internal audit standards

BY MYGOV REPORTER

The Public Sector Accounting Standards Board (PSASB) has unveiled changes in the updated Global Internal Audit Standards (GIAS), 2024 that comes into force on 9th January 2025.

The GIAS, which address key areas such as oversight, strategy, risk assessment, and reporting, are expected to improve governance and strengthen internal audit practices in the public sector.

Speaking in Naivasha during a workshop for internal auditors and risk officers from state corporations, independent offices and commissions, PSASB Chief Executive Officer Ms Georgina Muchai urged the officers to acclimatize themselves with the new GIAS for a seamless transition next year.

The previous version Standards International Professional Practice Framework (IPPF), 2017 will remain valid for a transition period of one year.

However, PSASB encourages public sector entities to make early adoption of the new GIAS.

During the workshop which attracted over a hundred professionals, PSASB issued copies of the GIAS 2024 edition to 50 public sector entities that were represented at the event.

The new GIAS have been updated with several significant changes aimed at enhancing the effectiveness of internal audit (IA) functions across organizations.

Structurally, the new GIAS combines multiple guides into an all-inclusive standard that previously encompassed

the mandatory implementation guidance section within the IPPF 2017 Standards.

As it is, the GIAS are no longer split into "attribute" and "performance" categories. Also, "interpretations" is not a separate section anymore. Also, the numbering system and the order of the standards have changed.

Ms Muchai noted that, contextually, one of the major changes falls under Domain III, which outlines the "Essential Conditions" that must be in place for effective oversight by the board and senior management.

The section, Ms Muchai said, covers Standards 6.1 to 8.4, which requires Heads of Internal Audit (HIA) to ensure that the board and senior management have the necessary information to oversee internal audit activities effectively in the public sector.



NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM) OF MURANG'A WATER AND SANITATION COMPANY (MUWASCO)



NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all members of Murang'a Water and Sanitation Company Ltd that the 12th Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on **Friday, the 25th October 2024 at 10.00 a.m. at NOKRAS HOTEL GENERAL, MURANG'A** to conduct the following business/agenda:-

1. To read the notice convening the meeting.
2. The Secretary to read the minutes of previous AGM held on 9th June 2023 and to note any matters arising.
3. To receive and adopt the Chairman's Report.
4. To receive and adopt the Managing director's Report.
5. To receive the Audited Financial Statements with the Directors' and Auditors' reports thereon for Murang'a Water and Sanitation Company and Fort Beverages Industries Ltd for the year ended 30th June, 2023.
6. To note that the Auditor General shall continue in office and to authorize the directors to fix their remunerations in accordance with provisions of section 724 of the Companies Act, 2015.
7. Election of Directors;
 - (a) To receive and adopt the report from the Stakeholders' Selection Committee.
 - (b) To appoint Stakeholders' Selection Committee.
8. Special Business; To consider and pass the amendments to Memorandum and Articles of Association for Murang'a Water and Sanitation Company and Fort Beverage Industries Ltd.
9. To consider any other business for which due notification will have been received by the Hon. Secretary forty eight (48) hours before the Annual General Meeting.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

Charles Njenga
Company Secretary



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VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT - REGISTRAR/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Nairobi Centre for International Arbitration (NCIA) is an institution whose mandate is to promote international commercial arbitration and alternative forms of dispute resolution. The Centre was established in 2013 by the Nairobi Centre for International Arbitration Act No. 26 of 2013.

NCIA seeks to recruit a dynamic, transformative and innovative leader with a demonstrable passion in the field of Alternative Dispute Resolution to fill the position of Registrar/Chief Executive Officer.

Ref No	Position	Grade
NCIA/HR/02/2023-2024	Registrar/Chief Executive Officer	NCIA 1

The detailed job description, requirements, and how to apply are available on the NCIA website www.ncia.or.ke.

Terms & Conditions of service:

The successful candidate will be engaged on a 4-year contract renewable once subject to satisfactory performance.


How to Apply:

If you possess these qualities and your career objectives align to this role, you are requested to submit your application (**the prescribed application form can be downloaded from the Centre's website**) including soft copies(PDF) of Curriculum Vitae, application letter, copies of academic certificates, professional qualifications, testimonials, day time telephone contacts, names and addresses of three professional referees, a copy of ID/Passport, and indicate your current remuneration, through the email address ceorecruitment@ncia.or.ke, so as to be received on or before 5.00p.m.(Kenyan time) **Tuesday, 22nd October, 2024** to the undersigned:

Chairperson- Board of Directors
Nairobi Centre for International Arbitration
Co-operative Bank House, 8th Floor
Haile Selassie Avenue
P.O. Box 548 -00200
NAIROBI - KENYA

(Ref: Application for the position of Chief Executive Officer/Registrar)

(NCIA is an equal opportunity employer. Any canvassing for the position will result in disqualification of the applicant)



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PUBLIC NOTICE

INVITATION FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION AND SUBMISSION OF MEMORANDA

THE WATER KIOSK AND STAND PIPE MANAGEMENT POLICY

Following the Judgment of the Mombasa High Court (Constitutional & Judicial Review Division), MOWASSCO is subjecting the Water Kiosk and Stand Pipe Management Policy for Public Participation.


The policy has been posted to the Mombasa Water Supply & Sanitation Company Ltd website on www.mombasawater.co.ke.

Pursuant to Sections 4 (a) and 5 (3) (a) and (b) of the Statutory Instruments Act, 2013, MOWASSCO invites interested members of the general public and stakeholders to submit written comments and or inputs/memoranda on the Water Kiosk and Stand Pipe Management Policy in the following format:

No.	Area of Concern	Recommendation
1.		
2.		

The comments or inputs or memoranda may also be forwarded to the Managing Director, Mombasa Water Supply & Sanitation Company Ltd, P.O. Box 1100- 80100, Mombasa; hand delivered to the Office of the Managing Director, Mombasa Water Supply & Sanitation Company Ltd, Mikindani Street, Off Nkrumah Road, Mombasa; or soft copy email info@mombasawater.co.ke and to be received by **14th October, 2024, at 5.00 pm (E.A.T.)**.

MANAGING DIRECTOR
MOMBASA, 1ST OCTOBER 2024






JOB VACANCIES

The Hydrologists Registration Board (HRB) is a Regulatory State Corporation formed under the Hydrologists Act No 19 of 2017. The Board falls under the Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation and is mandated to regulate, coordinate and oversee the practice of hydrology in Kenya.

In order to fulfil this mandate, HRB invites applications from suitable and qualified candidates to fill the following vacant positions:

S/NO.	VACANCY	JOBSCALE	REFERENCE	POSITIONS
1.	Principal Accountant	HRB 4	HRB/REC/2024/01	1
2.	Principal Hydrologist	HRB 4	HRB/REC/2024/02	1
3.	Hydrologist	HRB 6	HRB/REC/2024/03	4
4.	Supply Chain Management Officer	HRB 6	HRB/REC/2024/04	1
5.	Information Communication and Technology Officer	HRB 6	HRB/REC/2024/05	1
6.	Office Assistant	HRB 10	HRB/REC/2024/06	1


Additional details are available on the HRB website www.hydrologistsboard.go.ke or the Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation website www.water.go.ke.

SOFT COPY APPLICATIONS ONLY may be submitted through the email address, hr@hydrologistsboard.go.ke to reach us not later than **18th October, 2024 at 5.00pm** to the following address:

Registrar/CEO
Hydrologists Registration Board
P.O. Box 51224-00100
NAIROBI, KENYA

HRB is an equal opportunity employer and female candidates and people living with disabilities are encouraged to apply.





TENDER NOTICE

Sports Kenya (SK) is a body corporate established by the Sports Act 2013 with the mandate of harnessing Sports development, encouraging and promoting sports and recreation, providing for establishment of sports institutions, facilities, administration and management of Sports in the country and for connected purposes.

Sports Kenya invites sealed tenders from eligible bidders for the tender below;


TENDER NO.	DESCRIPTION OF SERVICE	ELIGIBILITY	CLOSING DATE
SK/DOA/001/2024-2025	DISPOSAL OF SCRAP METALS AT MOI INTERNATIONAL SPORTS CENTRE	Open	16th October 2024 at 11.00am

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, PPIP or supplier.treasury.go.ke

Completed tender documents chronologically serialized in all pages 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**.

DIRECTOR GENERAL



Kenya's EALA MPs move into modern offices to enhance regional integration

BY MUNYASYA NZESE
(PCO)

Kenya's nine members of the East African Legislative Assembly (EALA) have received new, modern offices in Nairobi from the Ministry of East African Community (EAC), the ASALs, and Regional Development.

The offices, located at the Hazina Trade Centre in Nairobi's Central Business District, also provide parking space for the MPs and their staff.

During the handing-over ceremony, Cabinet Secretary Mrs. Beatrice Moe stated that EALA MPs are important agents of the government's Bottom-Up Economic Agenda, which connects medium, small, and micro enterprises (MSMEs) with foreign policy and regional integration as crucial enablers in addressing the economic challenges facing the country.

"It therefore calls for the implementation of existing policies and pro-



CS Beatrice Moe hands over modern Nairobi offices to EALA MPs

grams with the support of the EALA (Kenya Chapter) members, safeguarding Kenya's national interests in the region," she said.

The CS congratulated

the EALA (Kenya) Chapter members for their tremendous contributions towards the development and finalization of various bills that have been

brought to the floor of the Assembly for the benefit of Kenya and the entire EAC.


She cited other important areas as overseeing the performance and functioning of the regional police centres of excellence and security agencies' cooperation in tackling cross-border crime within the EAC region.

Other ongoing activities include the oversight to assess the progress made by partner states in the elimination of non-tariff barriers in the EAC and

the management of wild-life by the EAC partner states.

The Chairman of the Kenya Chapter of EALA Mr. Hassan Omar noted that despite their varied political alignments, EALA MPs had melted down into one team to champion for the EAC integration process and to represent the best interests of Kenya in the regional assembly.


He said Kenya is providing significant leadership to EALA through prompt and full remission of its financial obligations



MINISTRY OF EDUCATION

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR TECHNICAL, VOCATIONAL EDUCATION AND TRAINING

EAST AFRICA SKILLS FOR TRANSFORMATION AND REGIONAL INTEGRATION PROJECT (EASTRIP)



REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRM SELECTION)

CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO CONDUCT SKILLS MAPPING FOR EASTRIP SKILL AREAS

Financing Agreement reference:	63340-KE
Project ID No.:	P-163399
REFERENCE NO.:	KE-MOE-K-403047-CS-QCBS

The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank towards meeting the cost of implementing the East Africa Skills for Transformation and Regional Integration Project (EASTRIP) in Kenya through the Ministry of Education (MoE). The project, whose project development objectives (PDO) are to increase access, improve the quality of TVET programs in selected Regional Flagship TVET Institutes and to support Regional Integration in EAST Africa is being implemented at Kenya Coast National Polytechnic, Meru National Polytechnic, Kisumu National Polytechnic, KenGen GTC and Kenya Institute for Highway & Building Technology. The Ministry intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services for Technical Assistance to conduct skills mapping for East Africa Skills for Transformation and Regional Integration Project Skill areas.

The primary task of this assignment will be to carry out skills mapping to understand the skills available, skills gaps and mismatches of TVET graduates from Regional Flagship TVET Institutions in Kenya in order to determine future skills demand.

The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following website: www.education.go.ke.

The Ministry of Education - State Department for Technical, Vocational Education and Training 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. To be shortlisted, The Consultants must meet the following requirements:

- a) Eligibility and legal documents (Certificate of Incorporation/Registration, valid business permit, Tax Compliance certificate and power of Attorney for the firm; in case of joint venture, the power of Attorney must be authorized by the parties to the JV. For foreign firms they should provide the mentioned documents from their country's that are equivalent.
- b) Minimum 8 years' of working experience in conducting skills mapping (documentary evidence eg contract award or reference letter from the clients, stating scope of services and deliverables).
- c) Demonstrate knowledge of the Kenya TVET and skills context.
- d) The firm shall Prove technical expertise and experience in TVET education research in Kenya.
- e) Evidence of availability of Technical capacity including equipment and personnel to undertake this assignment should be demonstrated in the company profiles (mention areas of expertise). Do not provide CVs of staff.

The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs 3.14, 3.16 and 3.17 of the of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" Fifth edition (Revised September 2023) ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

Eligibility criteria, establishment of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the World Bank's "Procurement regulations for IPF borrowers, Procurement in Investment project financing for Goods, Works, Non-Consulting and Consulting Services" Fifth edition (Revised September 2023), which is available on the Bank's website at <http://www.worldbank.org/procurement>.

Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications, but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.


A consulting firm will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

Interested consulting firms may obtain further information at the address below during office hours 08.00-17.00 Hours or via email address eastrip@education.go.ke.


Expressions of interest must be delivered to the address below by **22nd October, 2024 at 10.30 Hours local time** and clearly marked with the **Reference No. KE-MOE-K-403047-CS-QCBS - "CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE TO CONDUCT SKILLS MAPPING FOR EASTRIP SKILL AREAS."**

Note: **Electronic Bidding will not be permitted.**

ATTN:
THE PRINCIPAL SECRETARY
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ETHICS AND ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION



INTEGRITY CENTRE
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1st October, 2024

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Email: supply-chain@integrity.go.ke

TENDER INVITATION

The Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC) invites sealed tenders from eligible bidders for the listed tenders.

No.	TENDER	IFMIS NO	CLOSING DATE	ELIGIBILITY
1.	TENDER NO. EACC/T/02/2024-2025 Supply and delivery of Zimbra email and Redhat Server Annual Subscription	1660516	15 th October, 2024 10.00 am	OPEN
2.	TENDER NO. EACC/T/03/2024-2025 Supply and Delivery of various printer tonners on a Framework Agreement	1655894	7 th October, 2024 10.00 am	AGPO
3.	TENDER NO. EACC/T/04/2024-2025 Supply and Delivery of various Office Stationery on a Framework Agreement.	1655899	7 th October, 2024 10.00 am	AGPO
4.	TENDER NO. EACC/T/06/2024-2025 Supply and Delivery of Various Office Beverages on a Framework Agreement.	1655906	7 th October, 2024 10.00 am	AGPO
5.	TENDER NO. EACC/T/11/2024-2025 Supply, Delivery and Installation of Software Licenses (Microsoft, Adobe, Linux etc) on a Framework Contract.	1660293	16 th October, 2024 10.00 am	OPEN
6.	TENDER NO. EACC/T/12/2024-2025 Supply and Delivery of Backup and replication system Licensing and Support.	1660288	16 th October, 2024 10.00 am	OPEN
7.	TENDER NO. EACC/T/15/2024-2025 Supply, Installation, Testing, Commissioning and Maintenance of a Human Resource Information Management System.	1660806	23 rd October, 2024 10.00 am	OPEN
8.	TENDER NO. EACC/T/16/2024-2025 Supply, Delivery and Installation of ICT Unified Security (Mail, Gateway Protection and Web application Security)	1660629	15 th October, 2024 10.00 am	OPEN


Interested eligible candidates may download a complete set of tender documents at the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission website www.eacc.go.ke, Public Procurement Information Portal www.tenders.go.ke or the IFMIS tender portal: <https://supplier.treasury.go.ke:8060> using the unique IFMIS Negotiation Numbers indicated.

Completed tenders must be submitted through the **IFMIS SUPPLIER PORTAL: <https://supplier.treasury.go.ke:8060>** as per the requirements contained in the tender documents so as to be received on or before the date and time indicated on IFMIS.

NOTE: Bidders who may experience challenges in accessing and uploading their tenders on the **IFMIS Tender Portal** should contact the IFMIS helpdesk (Tel 0800 221 416) at the Treasury or contact Supply Chain Management Office on the Ground Floor of Integrity Centre for assistance.

All tenders must be submitted through the **IFMIS platform.**

THE SECRETARY/CEO,
ETHICS AND ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION.



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What is the difference between SHA and NHIF?
The Social Health Authority (SHA) is an improvement of NHIF and will manage three different funds instead of one.

Primary Health Care Fund -basic health services.
Social Health Insurance Fund -broader health insurance coverage.
Emergency, Chronic, and Critical Illness Fund - serious and urgent health conditions.



MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE & LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT
State Department for Agriculture ENABLE Youth Kenya Program



CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

Background:

The Empowering Novel Agribusiness-Led Employment (ENABLE) Youth Kenya Program aims at contributing to job creation, food security and nutrition, income generation and improved livelihoods for youths in both urban and rural areas. ENABLE Youth Kenya Program is currently seeking suitable Agripreneurs as incubatees to be trained and empowered within the supported value chains via a countrywide recruitment exercise. The agribusiness ideas have to be innovative and novel.

The Program focuses on the entire Agriculture Value Chain from production, processing, value addition: input supplies and marketing in the following specific values chains targeted; Poultry, Vegetables, Dairy, Beef, Pasture, Mushroom, Pig, and Fish.

This recruitment will target the following two categories: Standards & Accelerators.

Standard Incubatee	Accelerated Incubatee
<p>A youth Agripreneurs to be recruited as an incubatee into the ENABLE Youth Kenya Program should be one whose business has an annual turn over of less than Kes 500,000</p> <p>The incubatee must be willing and available to be capacity built and/or funded to attain economic viability.</p> <p>The standard Incubatees should be having a running Agribusiness.</p> <p>This category will undergo incubation and training for a period not exceeding 3 months.</p> <p>Must be a holder of a certificate/Diploma/Degree from a Recognized Institution.</p>	<p>A youth Agripreneurs who has been actively running an agribusiness venture with an Annual Turn Over of above Kes. 500,000.</p> <p>The incubatee must be willing and available to be capacity built and/or funded to upscale their business.</p> <p>The Accelerator Incubatees business should have been in operation for a period exceeding twelve months</p> <p>This category will undergo incubation and training for a period not exceeding 3 months.</p> <p>Must be a holder of a Certificate/Diploma/Degree from a Recognized Institution.</p>

Eligibility Criteria

- They must be Kenyan Citizen with a National ID, Aged between 18-35 Years
- ALL candidates shall be required to meet all integrity requirements.
- The Program is committed to implementing Affirmative Action. In this regard, Persons Living with Disabilities (PLWDs) and those from marginalized groups with requisite qualification are encouraged to apply.
- Projects in Value Addition, Aggregation, Marketing, Agricultural Services and Distribution will be highly considered.

Application Process:


The interested candidates shall be required to submit their application by filling the online provided form and submitting it. The form is available through the link: <https://forms.gle/1S5dQUHeEAuoNLN58>

The details for application can be accessed through ENABLE youth website; <https://enableyouth.kilimo.go.ke> (PIU) and Ministry of Agriculture website <https://.kilimo.go.ke> **{VACANCIES OR MEDIA CENTRE – ADVERTISEMENTS}**

All Applications should be received not later than **31st October 2024**.

CANDIDATES ARE ENCOURAGES TO APPLY HIGHLIGHTING WHETHER THEY ARE STANDARDS OR ACCELERATORS BASED ON THE CRITERIA PROVIDED

Fill and submit an online application form at: <https://forms.gle/1S5dQUHeEAuoNLN58>





KENYA FORESTRY
RESEARCH INSTITUTE



EXCITING CAREER OPPORTUNITY

Our Client, Kenya Forestry Research Institute (KEFRI) is a state corporation established in 1986 under the Science, Technology and Innovation Act of 2013 to undertake research in forestry and allied natural resources, generate and promote improved technologies for sustainable development. The Institute is implementing its 7th Strategic plan that has been aligned to the Medium Term Plan (MTP) IV of Vision 2030 and the National Forest Programme (NFP).

The Board of Directors is seeking to recruit a highly qualified and strategically oriented individual with high degree of professionalism to fill the position of **Director/Chief Executive Officer- KEFRI Grade 1**.

DIRECTOR/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

JOB PURPOSE

The Director/Chief Executive Officer (CEO) is responsible to the Board of Directors for the implementation of the Kenya Forestry Research Institute (KEFRI) strategic goals and the management of its resources including giving direction and leadership for the achievement of its mandate. In addition, the Director/CEO is responsible for the day-to-day operations and administration of the Institute.

KEY RESPONSIBILITIES

- Provide Research and Strategic leadership in accordance with the institution's mandate;
- Develop and recommend to the Board the Institute's strategies and business plans;
- Advise the Cabinet Secretary and/or Principal Secretary on matters of Forestry Research and Development;
- Direct and coordinate the Institute's operations and administration;
- Promote Innovation and best practices in idea generation, concept formation and research execution;
- Ensure development and monitoring of national forest standards;
- Propagate the development of new frontiers in research;
- Lead in change management;
- Guide and oversee the implementation of the Institute's Policies and Programs.

MINIMUM QUALIFICATIONS AND WORK EXPERIENCE

- A Doctorate degree in any of the following disciplines: Natural Resources Sciences or any other relevant discipline from a recognized Institution;
- A Masters degree in any of the following disciplines: Natural Resources Sciences or its equivalent from a recognized Institution;
- A Bachelors degree in any of the following disciplines: Natural Resources Sciences or its equivalent from a recognized Institution;
- At least fifteen (15) years' relevant work experience, eight (8) of which must have been in senior management in a comparable position in the public or private sector;
- Valid member of the Forest Society of Kenya or any other relevant professional body and be in good standing;
- Strategic leadership course lasting not less than four (4) weeks or equivalent;
- Must have the following achievements: at least first author of five (5) papers, five (5) papers as a second author, and five (5) papers as a co-author in indexed refereed journals or five (5) relevant book chapters of international standards. In addition, developed three (3) grant winning proposals, edited five (5) relevant technical reports/guidelines, authored five (5) technical notes/research notes/technical guidelines and at least two (2) policy briefs or two (2) innovations;
- Certificate in Computer applications.

Shortlisted candidates will be required to fulfill the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya

KEY COMPETENCIES AND SKILLS

- Strong communications skills;
- Strong analytical skills;
- Strategic and innovative thinking;
- Ability to mobilize resources;
- Strong interpersonal and negotiation skills;
- Strong leadership skills;
- Problem solving and conflict management skills; and
- Team building.

TERMS OF SERVICE

The Director/Chief Executive Officer will serve on a contract term of three (3) years renewable once subject to satisfactory performance.

HOW TO APPLY

Interested and eligible candidates may access the detailed job description, specifications and experience required for the position from the KEFRI's Website www.kefri.org or www.acalconsulting.co.ke/kefri.

Candidates should submit their applications including the cover letter, copy of National ID, copies of academic and professional certificates, testimonials and detailed CV, indicating current position, qualifications, working experience, names of three (3) professional referees, current remuneration and daytime telephone.

Candidates who had applied earlier need to re-apply.

Applicants **MUST** submit their completed application quoting the job reference number **"Director/Chief Executive Officer - KEFRI Grade 1"** and include the required attachments via **E-mail ONLY** to (vacancykefri@acal.co.ke) addressed to;

The KEFRI Board Chairman
Kenya Forestry Research Institute (KEFRI),
P.O. BOX 20412-00200, City Square,
NAIROBI.

The subject of the email shall read **"DIRECTOR/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER"** and all applications must be submitted to the above email address by **21st October 2024, 5p.m E.A.T**. No physical applications will be allowed. It is an offence to include incorrect or misleading information in the applications as per the provisions of the Public Officers Ethics Act, 2003.

KEFRI is an Equal Opportunity Employer committed to Diversity and Gender Equality. PLWD are encouraged to apply. Applications without the relevant qualifications and copies of required documents will not be considered. Any canvassing will lead to automatic disqualification.

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted

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Government's plan to create a pathway to employment for uncertified artisans

BY JOSEPH NG'ANG'A, KNA

The Government has developed a framework to assess artisans with uncertified skills and competencies at Affordable Housing Programme (AHP) construction sites and primary Juakali association work sites, certifying them through Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL).

Through a national framework of engagement involving various state departments and government agencies, this initiative will enable assessed and certified youths to take advantage of employment opportunities, such as those available through the Affordable Housing Programme.

The participants include the State Departments for TVET, Housing and Urban Development, Labour and Skills Development, the State Department for MSMEs, and the Kenya National Federation of Employers.

In this arrangement, the Kenya National Qualifications Authority (KNQA) will coordinate the implementation of the pol-

icy through awareness creation, sensitization, and organizing capacity-building forums.

According to KNQA Director General Dr. Alice Kande, the Kenya National Qualifications Framework (KNQF) articulates the various levels of qualifications and establishes clear progression pathways for different forms of certification, including recognition of prior learning.

The national rollout of RPL is a timely conduit for realizing the government's Affordable Housing Programme, aiming to increase the supply of housing units from the current two percent to 50 percent. This translates to 250,000 units over the next five years, up from the current 50,000 units per year.

The AHP is also expected to create over 500,000 new employment opportunities for young people graduating from the TVETs in the next five years, directly into the construction sector and indirectly through production of building products.

The initiative will further strengthen the Juakali industry's capacity to



KNQA Director General Dr. Alice Kande.

“KNQF is a comprehensive system that organizes all forms of learning – formal, non-formal, and informal – across educational and training sectors.”
– Dr Kande

produce high quality construction products.

“KNQF is a comprehensive system that organizes all forms of learning – formal, non-formal, and informal – across educational and training sectors. The distinct KNQF levels are defined by level descriptors covering knowledge, skills, and competencies,” Dr Kande said. The KNQF encompasses three sub-frameworks: Academic, TVET,

and Industry. Qualifications are placed within a level by mapping their learning outcomes against the level descriptors. The framework's primary aims are to enhance access, equity, quality, and relevance in education and training throughout Kenya.

Already Kenya is implementing the Recognition of Prior Learning Policy across various institutions following its launch in March this year.

Implementation of RPL in the country is being implemented through the 'Whole of Government Approach' where all relevant players are working collaboratively to enhance its effectiveness.

RPL Policy is a revolutionary approach aimed at dignifying the Jua Kali workforce.

This policy seeks to formalize informal skills, transforming them into recognized qualifications and opening both local and international employment opportunities for artisans.

This strategic focus will create pathways to employment, empowering

millions of Kenyans while enhancing economic development through skills recognition and opportunities. The RPL policy aims to ensure recognition of knowledge, skills, and competencies that have been acquired through practical work and the award of certificates.

The implementation of the policy is a bridge to facilitate transition from informality to formality as well as facilitate multi-entry or exit between the education system and the labour market.

Kenya's education and training sector is regarded as one of the best in Africa as it is evidenced by the fact that Kenya has led in developing and implementing policies, standards and procedures for the management of accreditation of institutions, qualifications and quality assurance on the continent.

This framework brings together Basic Education, Technical Vocational Education and Training, University Education, industrial training and lifelong learning to enable better coordination and harmonization of qualifications across the various sectors.

KNQA prides itself in creating an enabling environment for lifelong learning.

Kenya Airways unveils first-of-its-kind travel solutions for business executives

BY SHARON ATIENO, KNA

Kenya Airways (KQ) has launched a new Government Travel Management Centre at the Kenyatta International Convention Centre (KICC), aimed at streamlining government services and promoting Kenya as a global hub for meetings, incentives, conferences, and exhibitions.

The 'Asante Executive Hub,' a first-of-its-kind government travel center, is designed to offer one-stop travel solutions for government and private sector executive travelers. It provides a comprehensive range of travel options, including ticketing and customer care, while prioritizing convenience, safety, and efficiency to the highest standards.

State Department for Transport Principal Secretary (PS) Mohamed Daghar stated that the launch of the hub marks a significant step in enhancing the nation's stature in both the aviation industry and government service delivery.

"The Asante Executive Hub is not merely a facility; it is a symbol of strategic thinking and leadership in shaping the future of travel expansion," Daghar said, adding that this milestone also underscores KQ's role as a



PS, State Department of Transport Mr. Mohamed Daghar speaking during the Asante Executive Hub launch.

pioneering force in the global travel sector.

Speaking during the launch, the PS noted that KQ's innovative approach and dedication to enhancing the travel experience reflect a profound understanding of the global aviation industry and its continued drive for excellence.

He noted that KQ has long been a trusted partner in facilitating government travel and enables the offices to engage effectively in the world, adding

that the hub will improve the efficiency of government service delivery.

"This new travel management center strategically located at the heart of Nairobi will enhance government travel by streamlining services, reducing inefficiencies and offering personalized care that underscores KQ commitment to customer satisfaction," Daghar said.

The PS said the hub represents the good future of executive travel as it will create seamless experiences for national leaders, a testament of the ministry's goal to modernize and revolutionize Kenya's aviation sector.

"By enhancing government travel efficiency, we lay the groundwork for greater international collaboration and stronger partnership that will benefit the nation in a world where seamless travel is critical to international diplomacy and business. This hub places Kenya at the forefront of aviation innovation," he said.

Daghar noted that the integration of advanced technology and personalized services at the executive hub will set the new standards needed in the industry and ensure the country remains a key player in global travel and diplomatic relations.

Over 40,000 smallholder farmers to benefit from 'BOOST' programme

BY RONALD CHERUIYOT, KNA

Over 40,000 smallholder farmers in Kenya are benefiting from the Boosting Sustainable Food Production Action in Kenya ("BOOST") program, which aims to enhance food and nutrition security in the country through various agro-ecological practices.

Principal Secretary for Agriculture Dr. Kipronoh Ronoh stated that the project would promote sustainable and resilient food production by enhancing access to subsidized agricultural inputs, technologies, and services for the targeted smallholder farmers.

The ongoing project is jointly implemented by the State Department for Agriculture through the KCEP-CRAL Program and the FAO, with additional support from a European Union grant through IFAD in Bungoma, Nandi, Kakamega, Homa Bay, and Migori Counties.

The PS delivered a speech on his behalf by Agriculture Secretary Collins Marangu during the official launch of

the Additional European Union Grant to the KCEP-CRAL Program, titled "Boosting Sustainable Food Production Action in Kenya." "Over 40,000 targeted smallholder farmers including youth and women growing maize, sorghum, beans, Irish and sweet potatoes value chains will get support over the next three years," Dr. Ronoh said.

"Out of the 40,000 targeted farmers, 15,000 will be supported in accessing and acquisition of subsidized agro-ecological inputs that will include bio-fertilizers through the innovative mobile-telephone based "electronic-voucher" subsidy through the agro-dealers' outlets," he added.

He said the farmers, who would use simple handset, would access subsidized inputs through a 'sim-card based menu' and enable transfer of funds from their sim-card to the agro-dealer in real time, to pay for the subsidized inputs and ease the management of the transactions through agro-ecology "e-voucher" wallet.

Kenya advancing policies for optimal deployment of artificial intelligence

BY EVALYNE GITHINJI
PCO)

Kenya is advancing policies that focus on responsible artificial intelligence (AI) innovation to ensure AI development and deployment is safe and aligned with the country's societal values.

Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Information, Communications and the Digital Economy Dr. Margaret Ndung'u stated that the country has developed guidelines to systematically assess, understand, and mitigate the risks associated with AI systems, especially in critical areas such as cybersecurity and national infrastructure.

The CS, who was speaking during the Advancing Sustainable Development, Using Safe, Secure and Trustworthy Artificial In-



The Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Information, Communications and the Digital Economy Dr. Margaret Ndung'u speaking during a session at the sidelines of the 79th session of the UN General Assembly (UNGA 79)

telligence Session held at the sidelines of the 79th session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA 79), pointed out the importance of grounding the approach to AI governance on in-

clusivity and agility.

"Much of the global discourse is focused on cutting-edge technology and advanced use cases, often underlined by a risk-based approach. However, the reality for

many developing countries is starkly different: you cannot govern what you do not have, produce, or fully understand," she noted.

CS Ndung'u opined that efforts to derisk AI systems must go hand in hand with improving access to these technologies, not as a precondition but as part of a balanced approach.

Further pointing out the need to craft policies and frameworks that mitigate the risks of AI without imposing insurmountable obstacles and compliance costs on the private sector.

The CS observed that international collaboration is essential for capacity building, exchanging knowledge and information, enhancing technical expertise, addressing technology gaps

and co-creation.

She appreciated global efforts to advance the discourse on digital transformation through initiatives by Global Digital Compact, the Global Digital Dialogue and U.S.- led resolution on safe, secure and trustworthy artificial intelligence.

"These institutions lay out the foundation to address information asymmetries and inform decision making, exchange best practices and standards, and to enhance access to and use of these technologies," the CS said.

She reiterated that Kenya is looking forward to building on these tremendous steps that have built consensus, reduced fragmentation and aligned AI risks and opportunities towards humanity and closer to the realization of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).

Notably, Kenya is keen on development of digital infrastructure through

the Digital Superhighway Agenda, whereby the government is expanding fibre network coverage country-wide, which entails laying of 100,000 kilometres of fibre optic cable.

Other remarkable initiatives include setting up 25,000 public Wi-Fi hot-spots and 1,450 digital village smart hubs countrywide.

The creation of Jitume hubs in institutions of higher learning open diverse platforms for the youths to get digital literacy skills, create jobs in the digital space and get virtual employment opportunities.

The government has been actively automating its services resulting in an increase in e-government services development, she said.

Part of automation entails business processes, digitization of manual records, enhancing data sharing across agencies and use of a single unique identifier for access to digital services.

State renovates Sh 26 million Olopito dam to boost agriculture productivity in Narok



Cabinet Secretary for Water, Sanitation and Irrigation Eric Muriithi Mugaa addresses residents of Olopito when he toured the Olopito Irrigation Scheme.

BY ANN SALATON, KNA

The Government has commenced the renovation of Olopito dam irrigation project that is expected to benefit 200 farmers, Cabinet Secretary for Water, Sanitation and Irrigation Eric Muriithi Mugaa has said.

Mugaa, who spoke when he toured the 200 acres' project, confirmed that already the main piping of 5.6 kilometers had been completed, awaiting the individual piping in the farmers' gardens.

He wondered why the project that was financed by Japan International Corporation Authority (JICA) and the government of Kenya at a tune of Sh. 26 million in 2012 was stalled.

"I wonder why the project was not completed on time to benefit the farmers. I promise that the government will inject more funds in this project to help farmers in piping the water in their farms," he said.

He asked the residents to take advantage of the project to farm fast growing crops like cabbage, kale, carrots, potatoes and beans that do well in the area.

"Do not let the water be wasted by allowing it to flow without being used the right way. We want all the water to be used for irrigation so that we can improve food production in our country.

CS Mugaa reiterated that the project will have mul-

iple benefits to residents, observing that apart from fostering irrigation the dam is a mega project to control perennial floods in Narok town and boost water requirements.

"The water will be piped through gravity hence reducing operational costs," he said, adding that the project will greatly contribute to the food and nutrition security in the country.

The local people led by Simon Kuyioni appreciated the government for the initiative and urged for finalization of the project so that it would benefit them fully.

He also asked the government to construct the road leading to the project and install electricity so as to boost the livelihood of the people in the area.



STATE DEPARTMENT FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND CREATIVE ECONOMY

NATIONAL YOUTH OPPORTUNITIES TOWARDS ADVANCEMENT (NYOTA) PROJECT

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST (REOI) INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT SELECTION (ICS)

Country:	KENYA
Name of Project:	National Youth Opportunities Towards Advancement (NYOTA) Project
Credit No./ Grant No.: Credit:	Credit No. IDA-7355-KE/Grant No. E210-KE

The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the National Youth Opportunities Towards Advancement (NYOTA) Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds to procure Individual Consulting Services for the following Specialists: -

Reference No.	Description
KE-SDYA-429063-CS-INDV	Procurement Specialist
KE-SDYA-429073-CS-INDV	Gender-Based Violence Specialist
KE-SDYA-428926-CS-INDV	Monitoring and Evaluation Specialist
KE-SDYA-450465-CS-INDV	Management Information Systems Specialist

The attention of interested Individual Consultants is drawn to Paragraphs 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulation for IPF Borrowers" dated July 2016 and revised in September 2023 (5th Edition) setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

The Government of Kenya (GoK), through the Ministry of Youth Affairs, Creative Economy and Sports seeks the services of these Specialists to undertake the tasks listed in their respective terms of reference.

The consultants will be based in Nairobi, Kenya, but will be available to travel to other Counties. A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the **Individual Consultants Selection** method set out in the World Bank "Procurement Regulation". **Detailed Terms of Reference (ToRs) document for the specialist can be downloaded from <https://youth.go.ke/tenders-and-awards/> or the address given below.**

Interested eligible candidates may obtain further information from the Project Supply Chain Management Office at NYOTA offices, Bruce House, Standard Street, 3rd Floor Northern wing Room No. 321 during official working hours (8.00 a.m.-5.00 p.m.) and days. Complete REOI document (paginated and stamped/signed on each page) and enclose it in plain sealed envelope marked with the tender reference number and addressed to the Principal Secretary, State Department of Youth Affairs and Creative Economy, P. O. Box 34303 - 00100, Nairobi, Kenya and should be deposited in the Tender Box at Bruce House 3rd Floor to be received on or before **Wednesday 23rd October, 2024, at 10.00 hours.**

The REOIs will be closed/opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the candidates or their representatives at the NYOTA Boardroom, Bruce House, 3rd Floor Standard Street Nairobi.



Department to support producers to adopt new technologies to increase animal feed production

BY KENNEDY NYAMBANE (PCO)

The State Department for Livestock Development has put in place mechanisms to support producers to adopt suitable technologies to increase animal feed production and reduce national deficits from 60 per cent to 40 per cent by producing seeds, fertilizers, and agro chemicals.

The Department will also encourage irrigation technology to reduce rainfall dependency in animal feed production.

Speaking in Naivasha during a National Feeds Emergency Response Planning Workshop, the Principal Secretary Jonathan Mueke said to reduce feed imports, the government is finalizing plans to make public land available for commercial

fodder production under Public-Private Partnership (PPP) arrangements.

This, Mueke said, will help to reduce deficit gaps, save the country of foreign exchange and help create local jobs.

"About 75 per cent of livestock are found in the rangeland. There is huge degradation of this important resource through invasive species. These invasive species require management even as we support rehabilitation of rangeland through re-seeding to increase the biomass available for feeding livestock," the PS said.

In a speech read by the Director of Livestock Production Mr. Bashir Fille Elmi, Mueke said the government through the proposed livestock delivery model under the Bottom up Economic Transforma-

tion Agenda (BETA) will hire young entrepreneurs in selected wards to support the conservation and storage of forage and establish strategic feed storage facilities in every ward under the cooperative business model.

This, he said, will serve as feed aggregation and business centers, adding that the action is aimed at addressing capacity needs of the livestock keepers, ensure accessibility to animal feeds and improve livestock productivity.

The PS noted that the department is working with stakeholders in the public and private sector to promote alternative sources of animal protein such as black soldier flies.

This, he said, will reduce the competition for fish protein with humans and contribute to reduction of



The Director of Livestock Development Mr. Bashir Fille Elmi at the National Feeds Emergency Response workshop in Naivasha.

animal feed costs.

"I am glad to note that serious and especially young investors have come on board to invest in this area which promises a future for this enterprise," the PS noted.

He added that the gov-

ernment will be promoting animal feed production, conservation and manufacturing investment opportunities in the International Investment Forum in Rome later in the year.

"I am glad to note that our pitching last year at-

tracted some investments into the country, and it is my hope that this year's pitching will yield even greater results for the good of the country," he said.

Following warnings from the weatherman, he said, "It is our duty to prepare for the drought early enough and forestall the possible loss of animals and livelihood as happened previously. This is the first time that the country is sitting early to prepare for livestock drought emergencies".

The PS added that the State Department will provide every support to ensure that the initiative succeeds and called upon everyone to contribute positively to make the preparedness and response seamless for the benefit of the livestock keeping community.

Kenyan cadets to benefit from international sea-time training agreements

BY MUOKI CHARLES, KNA

The Government has strengthened partnerships with industry players and other major maritime nations to boost the sector and create opportunities for graduates. The Principal Secretary of the State Department for Shipping and Maritime Affairs, Ministry of Mining, Blue Economy, and Maritime Affairs, Geoffrey Kaituko, stated that securing sea time for maritime graduates— a prerequisite for professional qualification— poses a challenge for most graduates.

He mentioned that through collaborations with Germany, Japan, South Korea, China, and other major maritime nations, the government has secured agreements that will allow Kenyan cadets to undergo sea-time training on international vessels.

Speaking during the award of accreditation to Mount Kenya University (MKU)'s new Malindi Maritime Academy by the Kenya Maritime Authority in Malindi town, the PS noted that these opportunities will provide graduates with hands-on experience and expose them to international maritime standards and operations.

He added that the state



PS, State Department for Shipping and Maritime Affairs, Ministry of Mining, Blue economy and Maritime affairs, Geoffrey Kaituko (centre) being taken through aspects of maritime at the MKU Malindi Maritime Academy

has also strengthened relationships with leading shipping lines, such as Maersk, CMA CGM, and Mediterranean Shipping Company (MSC), to prioritize placement for Kenyan cadets and maritime professionals on their fleets.

"These partnerships help create sustainable career pathways for our maritime graduates, enabling them to gain not just sea time but also long-term employment in global maritime industries," he said.

He added that the government is in discussions to create bilateral agreements with more countries to recognize Kenya's maritime training certifi-

cations, specifically those issued by the Kenya Maritime Authority (KMA).

"These partnerships are designed to provide our maritime students with the critical sea time they need for their training and eventual certification," he said. He said the ministry has prioritized the development of the ports, particularly the Ports of Mombasa and Lamu to attract more international shipping lines. Dr. Vincent Gaitho, the Chair-

man, MKU University Council, said the move by the institution to establish the academy will help position the country as a global leader in maritime education and training.

Kenya Hosts 41st IASP World Conference as France Wins bid to Host Conference in 2026

BY RACHAEL KILONZO (PCO)

Nairobi played host to the 41st International Association of Science Parks (IASP) and Areas of Innovation World Conference.

The three-day conference themed "Demographics, Entrepreneurship and technology, defining the frontier of future economies" that was hosted by the Konza Technopolis Development Authority (KoTDA) was officially opened by Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua.

In his keynote address, DP Gachagua noted that digital technology and innovation form the basis of building prosperous and sustainable communities.

"Expanding and breaking barriers demands constant and consistent conversations on research and deliberate investments for knowledge-driven digital economies," Gachagua said.

Safaricom Chief Technology and Information Officer George Njuguna emphasized Africa's leadership in innovation, science and technology ecosystem.

Njuguna called for collaboration, innovation and the creation of a future where technology serves as a catalyst for inclusive growth and sustainable development.

"The best way to predict the future is to create it.

We have shown the world that we have equal space and a seat at the table that we have had and the great new innovations in science parks and the entire realm of technology are going to be coming from Africa, I look forward to seeing the remarkable innovations and achievements that will come out of this conference," Njuguna added.

In an exclusive presentation entitled 'Advancing sustainable and Inclusive Innovation for Economic Transformation in Africa, Case for Kenya', ICT and the Digital Economy Principal Secretary Eng John Tanui highlighted that governments should focus on enhancing infrastructure and connectivity to advance sustainable and inclusive innovation.

Eng. Tanui who also doubles as the IASP Africa Division President called for collaboration, promotion of digital skills development, integrating sustainable practices into innovations and deepening both global and continental collaborations.

"The African continent holds immense potential, and through strategic initiatives like Smart Africa and the African Union's Agenda 2063, we aim to unlock that potential and ensure no one

is left behind in this digital revolution.

"Africa's potential in the global innovation space is immense. By strengthening the Africa Division within IASP, we can foster deeper collaboration, increase our visibility and drive technological advancement across the continent," Eng. Tanui added.

During the IASP General Assembly, France, represented by Sophia Antipolis Science Park, won the bid to host the 2026 World Conference by a close margin against Saudi Arabia's Dhahran Techno Valley. Edmonton Park, Canada, came placed third.

This will follow the 2025 IASP Conference in Beijing, China, hosted by Zhongguancun Science Park which has a vibrant innovation ecosystem with 90 universities, 1,000 research institutes, and 115 unicorns.

During the IASP gala dinner, Konza Technopolis and Málaga TechPark signed a collaboration agreement to boost knowledge exchange. Málaga TechPark, home to over 700 companies and contributing 20 per cent to the city's Gross Domestic Product, will share its innovation expertise with Kenyan businesses and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) from next year. This will help strengthen Konza's mission to drive tech-led economic growth in Kenya.

PS- Recruitment for foreign jobs will be fair and ethical

BY JULIUS NDEGWA
(PCO)

Recruitment of prospective Kenyan job-seekers to Germany will be done only through registered private recruitment agencies authorised to operate in Kenya.

Labour and Skills Development Principal Secretary Shadrack Mwadime said the recently signed Labour Mobility Framework between Germany and Kenya is meant to promote legal and regular pathways of migration to the European nation.

“Recruitment and mobility of skilled Kenyan workers to Germany will be carried out in line with the general principles and operational guidelines for fair recruitment of the International Labour Organization (ILO) and ethical recruitment of the International Migration Organization (IMO),” Mwadime said during the German Labour Migration Conference and job fair exhibition at the Sarit Expo Centre.

Mr Mwadime said the Government has developed well-managed migration policies that will ensure access to decent jobs and promote safe and legal pathways of labour migration.



Labour and Social Protection CS Dr. Alfred Mutua accompanied by his Labour and Skills Development PS Shadrack Mwadime visiting one of the exhibition booths during the Germany job exhibition and conference at Sarit Center.

“It is the mandate of the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection to coordinate the whole cycle of labour migration from pre-departure, travel, arrival and stay in the country of destination,” he said.

Delivering a keynote address during the exhibition, the PS assured hundreds of jobseekers who thronged the event that the government will facilitate safe, regular, orderly and purposeful labour migration in its determined efforts to address increasing number of Kenyan jobseekers’ migration within the region and

internationally in search of employment opportunities.

He, however, cautioned jobseekers to be wary of rogue agencies that are allegedly swindling jobseekers with empty promises of securing jobs for them.

“Information on the list of registered agencies can be accessed by the public in the neaims.go.ke website, or the nearest National Employment Authority county offices,” he said, adding that migration from Kenya to Germany will be upon meeting the requirements of the applicable laws and regulations in both countries.

Horticultural export sector players adjust to stricter EU rules amid rising climate concerns



Farmers drawn from across the country tour a flower themed exhibition showcasing the latest innovations in the industry.

BY MABEL KEYA – SHIKUKU,
KNA

Stakeholders in the horticultural export sector have been advised to adhere to the new standards set for the European market in order to continue exporting their products. The Chairman of the Naivasha Horticultural Fair, Mr. Richard McGonnell, stated that these restricted standards were recently established by the European Union to ensure environmental safety amid the rising challenges of climate change.

McGonnell reiterated that local growers have begun to meet strict market demands, particularly regarding quality and chemical levels, especially for products destined for European markets. Speaking in Naivasha during this year’s edition of the Naivasha Horticulture Trade Fair, he mentioned that some shipments were recently intercepted and returned to their source countries due to the presence of False Codling Moth diseases in the products.

He revealed that ongoing global conflicts, including the Israel-Gaza war and the Russia-Ukraine conflict, have significantly impacted the local horticultural sector, leading to increased production costs and higher prices for products destined for European markets.

“The ongoing global conflicts have hit the

transport of horticultural produce by sea due to attacks along key routes especially along the Red Sea as rebel groups increase attacks, forcing exporters to use alternative routes, leading to high freight costs of products shipped abroad,” McGonnell said.

The chairman noted that earlier reports had indicated that freight charges have increased by more than 50 per cent since the start of the war, while the shipping time almost tripled.

He was emphatic that the horticultural sector was committed to double sea freight shipments to European Union markets despite the challenges and wondered why the national carrier-Kenya Airways (KQ) did not have cargo freights to the destination to provide alternative transport and reap from the ongoing crises.

The chairman at the same time lamented that despite the recent drop in oil prices in the global markets, the sector is yet to get the much-needed relief leading to high cost of production.

McGonnell said despite the cost of oil falling from \$98 per barrel to \$74 per barrel, the local horticultural growers are yet to feel the impact of the global changes which has seen the cost of production remain high.

He hailed the government for providing subsidized fertilizer to farmers which he said had seen

food production go up by about 40 per cent, and consumption also gone up, impacting on food security and nutrition.

He urged the government to set up soil testing centres in various parts of the country for small scale farmers to help the farmers determine the kind of fertilizers to use and which crop to grow for maximum yields.

He said the farmers have used Diammonium Phosphate (DAP) fertilizer for a long time which has in turn affected the soils.

The Government early this year announced that it would provide seven million bags of subsidized fertilizer to farmers, in all the 1,450 wards across the country, for the 2024 long and short rainy seasons.

The last two years have seen the government provide fertilizer subsidies to cushion farmers against the high cost of the commodity.

The subsidy programme was followed by a farmer registration exercise, and the deployment of an accurate and transparent e-voucher system, for managing distribution.

The Elgon Kenya Company director Dr. Vimal Kantaria on his part said his company will continue to provide certified seeds and eco-friendly farm inputs and chemicals to the horticulture sector in line with the changing needs in the market and emerging issues of climate change.



MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE AND FORESTRY
STATE DEPARTMENT FOR ENVIRONMENT & CLIMATE CHANGE

RECRUITMENT OF A PROJECT ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE EARLY ACTION SUPPORT PROJECT (EASP)

The **State Department for Environment & Climate Change** is in the process of recruiting the **Project Administrator** for The Early Action Support Project (EASP). The EAS aims to support Parties to update their National Biodiversity Strategic Action Plan under the Convention on Biodiversity to align with the Kunming - Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (GBF).

The Project Administrator will be engaged for on a one-year contract and will support the Project on administrative matters, communication management, document control, and ensuring adherence to project timelines and budgets. The ideal candidate will have excellent organizational skills, attention to detail, and the ability to work collaboratively in a fast-paced environment.

Applicants are required to fill in the Bio-Data form to be accompanied with an application letter, detailed Curriculum Vitae, Certified Copies of Academic certificates, a copy of National Identity Card/Passport, and Testimonials in a sealed envelope and clearly marked: **“Application for a Project Administrator for the Early Action Support Project”** and addressed to:

Principal Secretary,
State Department for Environment and Climate Change,
Ragati Rd, NHIF BUILDING
P.O BOX 30126-00100
NAIROBI.

How to Apply:

Interested and eligible applicants are advised to visit the Ministry’s website www.environment.go.ke for specific job requirements and guidelines for application. The closing date for applications is at the close of business on the **15th October, 2024**.

Kisumu hosts this year's World Habitat Day celebrations

BY MYGOV REPORTER

Kisumu City will host the national celebrations to mark this year's World Habitat Day.

Ahead of the celebrations, Lands Cabinet Secretary Ms Alice Wahome said that the Government had made some milestones with regards to the Habitat Agenda.

World Habitat Day is an international day observed on the first Monday of October every year.

"The Kenya Government has made some milestones with regards to the Habitat Agenda. Our Affordable Housing Program aimed at delivering 200,000 housing units annually, is at the core of our urban development strategy, it goes beyond just building", the CS noted.

"This decentralized approach to affordable housing

throughout the country has spurred growth within our Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises, jump-starting the sector.

"The positive externalities on labour creation, skills acquisition and economic empowerment are immense especially with regards to our young people. As of today, we have reached 130,000 housing units that are at various stages of development," she said.

The Cabinet Secretary noted that Kenyan towns and cities are no different from many urban areas across the world, with their own specific set of urban challenges that demand creative solutions led by young people.

The challenges of informal settlements not in a position to offer proper shelter and little ubiquitous facilities, highlighted

why youth needed to take part actively in Urban Planning and Development, Ms Wahome said, adding that that participation along with rural-urban migration of high-potential youth striving towards a brighter future, should prompt innovative strategies to create jobs and invest in infrastructure.

Welcoming the participants to Kisumu, Governor Peter Anyang' Nyong'o disclosed that the Jaramogi Oginga Odinga Sports Complex will be the venue for the celebrations which will be heralded by tree planting and a clean-up exercise ahead of the fete.

The Governor said it was worth noting that World Habitat Day was first celebrated in 1986 in Nairobi, Kenya, with the theme 'Shelter is my right'.

"Today, 38 years later, we

are celebrating this event here in Kisumu-Kenya's third-largest city whose urbanization challenges sync with the theme "Engaging youth to create a better urban future."

"In Kisumu, we are cognizant of the fact that the future belongs to the youth, and it will be disastrous if we don't help them plan for this future.

"Cities across the world are sagging under the weight of a high population of young people fleeing to urban centers in search of non-existent jobs and other opportunities. It is gratifying that one of the objectives of 'Urban October' is to engage our youth in honest conversations in planning for the future," the Governor noted.

This year's UN Habitat Day comes amid the stark reality of an urban

explosion already being witnessed in many cities, including Kisumu, he said.

In her speech, the UN-Habitat Executive Director Ms. Anacláudia Rossbach said the global housing crisis was a significant issue affecting millions of people worldwide with key challenges being affordability, shortage of affordable housing, urbanisation, economic factors and socio-health impacts.

"Efforts are being made globally to address these challenges including building more affordable homes and improving urban planning and policies. However, the scale of the problem requires sustained and coordinated efforts from governments, private sectors and communities at large," she said.

Ms. Rossbach said that by engaging in youth,

UN-Habitat is helping to create a more inclusive and equitable urban future.

"Young people bring fresh perspectives, energy, and creativity to the table, and their involvement is essential for addressing the complex challenges of urbanization. As the world continues to urbanize, UN-Habitat will remain at the forefront of efforts to build better cities for all," she said.

The Executive Director noted the long-standing partnership between her organisation and Kisumu, pinpointing the recently initiated Partnership for the Implementation of the New Urban Agenda (PINUA) which is a joint program with the Government of Kenya to develop models and approaches for filling the gap in social housing in the context of Kenya.

Great Lakes region to adopt regional mineral certification system to fight cross-border mineral smuggling

BY WAGEMA MWANGI
(PCO)

The war against cross-border and transnational smuggling of minerals among countries in the Great Lakes Region is set to go a notch higher after the International Conference for Great Lakes Region (ICGLR) hinted at adopting a unified regional certification system by member states.

This will eradicate illicit and untracked movement of minerals from one country to another within the bloc, said ICGLR Executive Secretary Ambassador Joao Samuel Kaholo.

He said the inter-governmental organisation is advocating for approval and adoption of a regional mineral and natural resource certification system by the 12-member states as a critical part of a broader initiative to safeguard the integrity and sanctity of a mineral resource for each of the member states.

The system, the ambassador explained, would thwart the illegal trade and smuggling of minerals within the region by denying smugglers and illegal mineral traders a market or mineral processing services without validating the origin of the mineral resource.

"The regional certification for natural resources will be a critical move towards safeguarding minerals from member states. Once it comes into effect, we expect to halt the cross-border smuggling of minerals because each member state will not only be protecting her mineral resource but also that of her neighbors," Kaholo explained.

The ambassador was speaking in Nairobi during a consultative

engagement with the Principal Secretary (PS) for Mining Elijah Mwangi over the progress of ICGLR in promotion of the mining ecosystem within the Great Lakes Region in support of implementation of strategies that drive economic development and spur regional integration.

The ICGLR is a 12-member state inter-governmental organization that promotes security initiatives, peace, sustainable development and economic prosperity for the countries in the region. Amongst the members include Angola, Kenya, Burundi, Central African Republic (CAR), Republic of Congo, Democratic Republic of Congo, Uganda, Rwanda and South Sudan. Others are Tanzania, Sudan and Zambia.

PS Mining Elijah Mwangi noted that Kenya has made significant strides towards enhancing the country's mineral value chain and supporting the fight against the smuggling of minerals across the Kenyan boundaries.

He stated that one of the government's most potent weapons against this vice is the development of a mineral processing and value addition policy aimed at accelerating Kenya's progress towards achievement of mineral value-addition goals.

The PS further termed the policy as timely in bolstering the country's determination to domesticate and localise the processing of all locally produced minerals to create a sustainable mineral-specific ecosystem that protects the miner's welfare starting from the mine to the market.

This, he added, would also enhance the mineral beneficiation value chain for players in the sector.

"Embracing this progressive policy translates to processing of our minerals locally. This will both halt the sneaking of minerals away to other countries and safeguarding the country's resources as we work towards shielding our miners from wanton exploitation," Mwangi explained.

Already, Kenya is eyeing multiple value-addition centers for processing local minerals.

In Elgeyo Marakwet County at Kerio Valley, a Sh4.8 billion investment will see the revival of this plant while a Sh2.5 billion granite-processing plant is coming up in Vihiga County.

Noting the commendable progress in fighting trans-border smuggling of minerals, the PS hailed the move by ICGLR to elevate the mineral-smuggling discourse into a regional agenda. He said tacking such vices collectively would significantly weaken the networks used to steal the minerals.

The meeting also touted Kenya as the first nation to host the inaugural Great Lakes Mining and Investment Conference. The Conference is aimed at providing a global platform for the member-states to showcase their mining and mineral potential while advocating for strengthened measures in safeguarding the natural resources.

Kaholo said Kenya has adequate capacity to host this prestigious event and offered the ICGLR's support towards making it a world-class event.

"We look forward to supporting Kenya to become the host of the first Mining and Investment Conference by the International Conference for the Great Lake Region," he said.

NOCK to distribute 8.5 million cylinders to low-income households



The National Oil Corporation of Kenya (NOCK) Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Gideon Leparan Ole Morintat.

BY ZIPPORAH MUTHEU
(PCO)

The National Oil Corporation of Kenya (NOCK) will distribute 8.5 million cylinders to low-income households in the country, the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Gideon Leparan Ole Morintat has said.

Morintat said they were working with Kenya Pipeline Company (KPC), Department of Petroleum and Saudi Arabia Oil Company to put up an import infrastructure under the Oil Sustainability Programme.

"We will ensure 8.5 million cylinders are distributed to low-income households in the country. We are running a programme of extending subsidized LPG cylinders to Kenyans and make it available at Sh 2000," said Morintat during the launch of Makueni Energy

Plan 2023-2032 at the Makueni Integrated Vocational Empowerment Centre in Wote Town.

"So I will work with officers in the Energy Department to the ward level and also the energy champions to identify beneficiaries in the county," added the CEO who is also the Managing Director.

During the event, he revealed that they were working with the Construction Authority (CA) to ensure that LPG reticulation is sorted to facilitate safe, efficient and faster installation of LPG appliances in homes.

"The new code of conduct of construction was launched last month. This will help municipalities and counties as they approve building plans to ensure LPG reticulation is safe efficient and faster installation of LPG appliances in homes," he said.

KFCB steps up campaign of cleaning content production

BY CHRIS MAHANDARA
(KNA)

The Kenya Film Classification Board (KFCB) has rolled out a literacy program targeting creatives in arts and film to promote production of clean content.

Through the initiative, the state agency seeks to empower creatives to generate content that upholds Kenya's cultural and moral values while safeguarding children from exposure to inappropriate media content.

This comes amidst a rise in production of local content across all digital platforms with various stakeholders raising concerns about the quality and content of the productions.

KFCB Acting Manager in charge of Licensing Marcus Alexander said the initiative targets to create awareness of the legal framework and licensing procedures to ensure production of clean content and ensure sustain-

able growth of the sector.

Lack of knowledge amongst creatives, he said, was the biggest challenge adding that through the stakeholder engagement, KFCB aims to create awareness on the licensing regime and other factors to consider before venturing out to film to ensure that creatives take advantage of the digital space to empower themselves economically.

Besides the film license issued by KFCB, he said creatives must be aware of other factors, among them seeking consent where necessary and securing the relevant permits from other government agencies.

The local film industry, he said, has registered tremendous growth, with the number of local productions licensed outnumbering foreign productions.

"In 2018 the number of foreign productions was higher than local productions. However, in 2024,



Ms Nelly Muluka, KFCB's Chief Manager for Corporate Services and Administration flanked by Mr. Marcos Masiga, the Acting Manager for Licensing and Ms Josephine Gitiri, KFCB's Western Regional Head in a press briefing in Kisumu.

three quarters of the productions licensed by KFCB in the country are local," he said.

Speaking during a stakeholder engagement forum in Kisumu, Alexander disclosed that KFCB was developing a number of policies to create a friendly regulatory environment for film makers and

creatives.

These, he said, include user generated content policy and self-classification policy which once passed will make the licensing and regulation processes faster and friendlier.

KFCB Acting Chief Manager in Charge of Commu-

nications Nelly Muluka said the forums target creatives in all genres in the audio visual space to build their capacity and understanding of the regulatory environment.

This, he said, was in line with the government's agenda to exploit the digital economy with the creatives and film makers expected to play a big role.

The sector, she added, has a lot of potential in addressing unemployment among the youth, calling on all creatives to take advantage of the high internet connectivity and mobile phone technology penetration in the country to generate content.

"For us to regulate, we need people to create content. If they don't, then we shall not have anything to regulate," she said.

KFCB, she added, has organised similar engagements in Nakuru, Embu and Mombasa to reach out to more creatives and content creators.

Kisumu County Executive Committee Member (CECM) in charge of Sports, Youth, Culture and Heritage Beatrice Adongo said the forums were critical to support upcoming content creators to operate within the confines of the law while exploiting their talents.

"We appreciate the efforts KFCB is making to build capacity for our artistes. This will go a long way in ensuring they monetise their content and earn a living from it," she said.

The County Government, he said will continue to partner with KFCB and other organisations to ensure that creative maximise on the existing opportunities within the digital space.

She added that the devolved unit has developed a culture policy and was working with partners to develop a culture bill which once passed will open up opportunities for artists and creatives in the area.

Tea Board of Kenya Directed to Audit KTDA Farmers Call for Separation of Factories

BY DOMINIC CHERES
AND KIBE MBURU (KNA)

The Principal Secretary, State Department of Agriculture Dr Paul Rono has directed the Tea Board of Kenya (TBK) to carry out auditing of all Kenya Tea Development Agency (KTDA) financial commitments, operations and all its assets.

Dr Rono, who was speaking at Toror Factory in Kericho, said auditing of the KTDA factories is necessary following calls by tea farmers for separation and independence in the running of tea factories.

The irate tea farmers at the meeting with the PS carried twigs of tea plantation as they pleaded for the separation of satellite tea factories from their parent factories arguing that the satellite factories had grown sufficiently, and it was time to be allowed to operate independently for increased efficiency.

Bernard Kemboi, a tea farmer affiliated to Toror Tea Factory who spoke to KNA, said separation is crucial to allow autonomy in decision-making, financial management, bonuses, and use of new technology in tea processing.

"As farmers, we have resolved that the annual tea bonus payments for both Toror and Tegat factories be suspended until the separation is completed, it is



Agriculture Principal Secretary Dr. Paul Rono addressing tea farmers at Toror Tea Factory.

inevitable, no separation no plucking," Kemboi stressed.

Meanwhile, operations at Toror Tea Factory were grounded as farmers boycotted plucking and transportation of tea, until the separation from Tegat Tea Factory was done.

The situation was the same at Chelal Factory where farmers were agitating for separation from Litein Tea Factory.

The PS assured tea farmers that the government will address their grievances.

Dr Rono, who was accompanied by the Tea Board of Kenya Managing Director Willy Mutai and Ainamoi Legislator Amb. Benjamin Langat, Tegat and Toror factories Directors said the national government had injected Sh1.4 billion towards the provision of fertilizer subsidy for tea and maize farmers in the coun-

try.

He said to cushion farmers, the subsidized fertilizer was being sold at Sh2500.

The PS said to improve tea processing and make it competitive in quality, the national government will help by introducing new digital processing machinery in older factories like Tegat, Kapkoros, Litein, Mogogosiek and Kapkatet factories.

The PS added that to improve farmers' earnings in tea bonuses, KTDA factory management and directors should reduce operational costs and other entities that eat into farmers' earnings.

"Some factory unit management and directors had their operational costs beyond the ceilings which negatively affected the second tea payment. These operational costs should be minimal," the PS said.

Loxea Company Launches Electric Vehicles

BY PATIENCE MABONGA
AND MOSES MWAURA
(KNA)

Loxea, a leading player in Kenya's vehicle leasing and fleet management industry, has launched the Build Your Dream (BYD) range of electric vehicles (EVs).

The company's strategy of launching electric vehicles is aimed at driving sustainable growth while transforming the country's transportation landscape and to diversify from its core leasing and fleet management business into the rapidly growing electric mobility sector.

During the launch held at Loxea Showroom in Nairobi, the company announced that it will offer 100 per cent electric vehicles for leasing.

Speaking at the event, the Cabinet Secretary for Investments, Trade and Industry Salim Mvurya, hailed Loxea's for introducing the vehicles, terming the move as a timely contribution to Kenya's sustainable development goals.

"The government has prioritized the adoption of e-mobility to achieve a number of targets, not only to comply with the existent carbon emission reduction commitments of 32 per cent reduction by 2030, but also to lower Kenya's reliance on oil imports," Mvurya said.

He said in the 2023 Budget Policy Statement, the government committed to provide financial and tax incentives for public service vehicles and commercial transporters to convert to electric vehicles of which there has been a notable response by the sector.

The CS further noted the three government policies which include incentives for green energy adaptation, development of supportive infrastructure (charging points for the cars) and a regulatory framework, will be beneficial following the launch of the vehicles, besides easing the ways of doing business.

Loxea Kenya Managing Director, Jennifer Kinyoe said the electric vehicles are the new mobility solution for Kenya as it aims at reducing Kenya's carbon footprint since the vehicles are convenient and good for the environment.

"The transport sector is a significant contributor to greenhouse gas emissions, and transitioning to electric vehicles is a critical step towards achieving climate goals," she said.

Kinyoe revealed that the introduction of EVs offer both environmental and economic benefits because they produce zero tail-pipe emissions, contribute to reduced air pollution, lower fuel costs, and reduce vehicle maintenance expenses.

"With Kenya increas-

ingly focusing on renewable energy production, EVs are positioned to leverage the country's green energy transition," she added.

Kinyoe mentioned that electric vehicles offer significant environmental benefits by reducing carbon emissions and air pollutants, contributing to a cleaner and healthier environment.

"Kenya is currently pursuing investments in renewable energy sources such as geothermal, hydro, and solar, witnessing an increase in the adoption of EVs," she stated.

In his remarks, CFAO Mobility Group Chief Executive Officer, Arvinder Reel said EVs have the potential to lower transportation costs for businesses thus reducing the country's reliance on fossil fuel, as well as address the fight against climate change.

"We recognize the critical role that EVs will play in addressing some of the most pressing environmental challenges. EVs are not only environmentally friendly but also cost-effective in the long term," he added.

Arvinder noted that with the rising fuel costs, electric vehicles will offer lower operational expenses due to reduced fuel consumption and maintenance, thereby lowering the cost of transportation, and decreasing reliance on fossil fuels.

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DIGITAL ECONOMY

Rooting for tech-driven economies

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Kenya joins other countries at IASP Conference in pushing for innovation to drive economic growth

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IASP CONFERENCE

Kenya was selected to host the IASP World Conference 2024 due to its position as one of Africa's fastest-growing and market-based economies, recognised as the economic, commercial, financial and logistics hub of East Africa. This status has helped transform Kenya into a lower-middle-income country. The country's economic development is guided by its long-term development blueprint, Vision 2030, which aims to transform Kenya into an industrialised middle-income nation by 2030. Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) sector has been pivotal in positioning Kenya as a knowledge-based economy. Kenya is also committed to key international development agendas, including the EAC Industrial Strategy 2012-2032, the African Union Agenda 2063 and the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

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Deputy President Rigathi Gachagua asked African countries to readily adopt the technology since it is a critical catalyst for faster economic.

Gachagua said Kenya is infusing AI in various sectors of the economy as one of the surest ways to ensure the nation advances.

He observed that Africa couldn't afford to lag behind as other nations enjoy the huge share of AI benefits.

"Tech-leading countries globally are reaping from infusing Artificial Intelligence into agriculture, health, trade, manufacturing, tourism and education, among other critical sectors of the economy," Gachagua, who opened the event on behalf of President William Ruto, said.

He urged Kenya and Africa to innovate since they cannot prosper by consuming imported technology and innovation.

"We have unique resources and challenges,

ABOVE: Konza Technopolis CEO John Okwiri (centre) when he signed a collaboration agreement to boost knowledge exchange with Malaga TechPark during the conference. PS ICT, Eng. John Tanui, (back row second left) looks on.

INSET: The IASP 2024 Conference attracted visitors from across the globe into Kenya.



which must inform our deliberate and strategic investment in research and development as a precursor to customised solutions," he said, adding that AI is forecasted to contribute close to \$16 trillion dollars to the global economy by 2030.

During the conference, Kenya was lauded for being ready to maximise on opportunities provided by technological advancements, including in the provision of key services.

These include essential public service through the E-Citizen platform as well as digital health services.

DP Gachagua said the Government targets to install 100,000km fibre optic cables across Kenya and the establishment of digital hubs in each of the 1,400 wards.

"These hubs are providing vital access to digital platforms and job opportunities for our young people. The hubs are not only fertile innovation incubation centres, but also spring-boards to a knowledge-based and tech-driven sustainable economy," he said.

Eng. John Tanui, the ICT and Digital Economy Principal Secretary, called for inclusive innovation to bring on board un-

derserved populations.

Eng. Tanui said to advance sustainable and inclusive innovation, countries must focus on enhancing infrastructure and connectivity, promoting digital skills development, integrating sustainable practices in innovations and deepening both global and continental collaborations.

"The African continent holds immense potential, and through strategic initiatives like Smart Africa and the African Union's Agenda 2063, we aim to unlock that potential and ensure no one is left behind in this digital revolution," he said.

IASP chief executive Ebba Lund appreciated Kenya for hosting the conference, as he noted that innovation hubs provide infrastructure, nurture talent, networking opportunities and a supportive ecosystem for tech-driven solutions to thrive.

The spaces, which in Kenya include the Konza Technopolis, bring together start-ups, researchers, entrepreneurs, businesses and academia to work on developing innovative solutions.

"Organised innovation spaces will involve developing a broader ecosystem that will not allow one model to replace the other," said Lund. Steve Kamuya, the Executive Director at Huawei Kenya, highlighted the transformative potential of data-driven solutions in urban development.

"By leveraging data, we can better understand the needs of diverse populations and address challenges such as traffic congestion, pollution and resource management," he observed. He said technologies such as 5G, AI, Cloud Computing and the Internet of Things (IoT) were being incorporated in the development of smarter cities like Konza Technopolis.

Mr John Paul Okwiri, Konza Technopolis Development Authority CEO, said Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) sector has been pivotal in positioning Kenya as a knowledge-based economy.

"Kenya has established the first semiconductor chip manufacturing facility in Africa, which strengthens its strategic position in the global manufacturing industry. Konza Technopolis, as a key player, has previously hosted significant IASP events, including the 2021 IASP African Conference and the 2022 IASP Division Conference, both of which were highly successful. This combination of economic strength, innovation leadership and proven event-hosting capabilities made Kenya the ideal choice for the 2024 IASP World Conference," he said.

The conference brought together global leaders, innovators and stakeholders in the Science Park and Innovation District to explore how demographics, entrepreneurship and technology are shaping future global economies.

During the IASP network General Assembly, France, represented by Sophia Antipolis Science Park, won the bid to host the 2026 World Conference, beating Saudi Arabia's Dhaharan Techno Valley. Zhongguancun Science Park in Beijing, China will host the 2025 conference. ■

TELLING THE STORY

KYEB takes part in G7 Activation Strategy in Kirinyaga County

The Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board (KYEB), led by the Board Chairperson Wambui B. Ng'ang'a, joined The Council of Governors Women Caucus for the G7 Strategy Kirinyaga County Chapter Activation.

The event, which attracted over 5,000 people, was hosted by Kirinyaga Governor Anne Waiguru and presided over by Dr Ida Odinga, who is the G7 patron. In her remarks, Dr Odinga lauded Governor Waiguru's development achievements emphasising that her leadership makes her well-suited for

the next level. Her remarks are in line with G7's mission to amplify women's voices and support their political aspirations. The G7 Strategy was launched in March 2024 by President William Ruto. This was the second activation after the one in Machakos County.

The G7 Strategy aims to have a transformed society, embracing women leadership in delivering the devolution promise.

It is translated into county specific, 10-year blueprints, whose aim is to incubate future leaders using the bottom-up approach by demonstrating women's ability to deliver in leadership

positions.

It is anchored on four pillars, socio-economic development, good governance, accountability and access to justice, and political strategy and institutional strengthening.

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KYEB Chairperson Wambui Ng'ang'a (middle) with Dr Ida Odinga (left) who was the Chief Guest at the G7 Activation event held in Kirinyaga County. On the right is Machakos Governor Wavinya Ndeti.

Huduma Kenya updates Senate on equitable access to Public Services

Public Service and Human Capital Development Cabinet Secretary, Mr Justin Muturi, recently apprised the Senate on the significant steps that Huduma Kenya is taking to ensure equitable access to essential services across the nation.

One such measure is the signing of Service Level Agreements (SLAs) with various Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) to ensure adequate staffing at all Huduma Centres, thereby improving service delivery. A major highlight of CS Muturi's address was the eCitizen platform that provides over 20,000 Government services

online. Huduma Kenya plays a crucial role in enhancing access by offering in-person assistance to those who need help navigating the eCitizen platform, with cyber cafes in all 57 Huduma Centres across the country. The CS also noted that as per the MTP IV Plan, there is provision for establishment of Huduma Digital Centres in all 290 constituencies through a co-funding model with Members of the National Assembly, where the National Government Constituencies Development Fund (NG-CDF) finances the construction of these centres, and Huduma Kenya takes charge of their operation. ■



HUDUMA CORNER

CS Public Service and Human Capital Development, Mr Justin Muturi, during his address to the Senate on the measures that Huduma Kenya has taken to enhance ease of access of service delivery.

GLOBAL REFORMS

Why Kenya is pushing for global cooperation reforms

President Ruto's key address at the 79th UNGA signals the country's proactive stance on critical global issues



President William Ruto addresses the UN General Assembly in New York.

Kenya emerged as a vocal advocate for global reforms as President William Ruto championed for changes in international cooperation at the recent 79th United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) in New York, US.

The President called for reforms to enhance cooperation between countries to tackle challenges such as climate change and promote equity and Africa's role in global governance.

President Ruto, in his keynote address, urged the international community to abandon the "outdated power structure" that stifles meaningful progress and hinders effective action.

"The current global cooperation framework needs a complete overhaul," he said, adding, "We need a system that genuinely reflects the aspirations of all nations, particularly those from the developing world."

The President made these remarks at a time when the world is facing escalating conflicts, widening economic disparities, and a worsening climate crisis.

In Europe, the Russia-Ukraine conflict continues to worsen, leading to rising global tensions and economic instability, resulting

in inflation increases due to disrupted supply chains. In the Middle East, tensions between Israel and Palestine, as well as Israel and Lebanon, and Israel and Iran remain high, with clashes and violence escalating.

"Since the last General Assembly, the global situation has deteriorated across multiple fronts," President Ruto said, further calling for reforms in international financial architecture and climate financing.

He emphasized the need for an expanded United Nations Security Council that includes African representation to enhance inclusivity and reflect the continent's aspirations and potential.

The current United Nations Security Council structure excludes 54 African nations and allows for unilateral vetoes by Permanent

Members. "This system is dysfunctional, undemocratic, non-inclusive, unaccountable, autocratic, and opaque," said President Ruto. His sentiments align with broader calls for better representation of developing countries in global decision-making bodies and processes that directly affect their futures.

Kenya is pushing for the reforms because the current systems of global governance and cooperation do not adequately address the needs and challenges of African countries and other developing nations.

According to President Ruto, many African nations feel underrepresented in institutions such as the United Nations Security Council, International Monetary Fund (IMF) and the World Bank.

Kenya is also pushing for reforms that

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Kenya, as one of the countries that is highly affected by climate change, is pushing for global reforms to ensure there are more equitable solutions in the global fight against climate change. President William Ruto is advocating for more climate financing for developing countries to ensure that the effects of global warming do not disproportionately burden the nations. Kenya is pushing for more inclusive decision-making processes in global peacekeeping missions and conflict resolution.

Kenya supports stronger cooperation among developing countries (South-South cooperation), aiming to shift the focus from reliance on traditional Western powers.

promote fairer trade practices and financial systems. President Ruto is calling for global economic systems that offer equal opportunities for countries in the Global South, allowing them to benefit from international trade, investment, and economic aid without the heavy conditions that often come with loans from institutions like the IMF.

President Ruto further challenged developed nations to take greater responsibility for climate change and mitigation. He described the situation as critical, with rising ocean levels and widespread displacement resulting from environmental degradation.

The President advanced Kenya's agenda through strategic meetings on the sidelines of the UNGA, highlighting the nation's strategic positioning within global dialogues. ■

Kenya Yearbook chairperson, CEO attend governance training

Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board (KYEB) Chairperson Wangui Ng'ang'a and Chief Executive Officer Lilian Kimeto last week took part in a capacity-building training aimed at equipping leaders of State Agencies and Corporations with the necessary skills to navigate the evolving governance landscape.

The training conducted by the Kenya School of Government focused on several areas, including; alignment of State Agencies functions to the Government's Bottom-up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA), resource mobilisation to fill in the financing gaps and the role and Mandate of the Office of the Inspector General - State Corporations.

Other topics were using data for decision-making, whole of Government approach, zero-fault audit system, corporate branding and developing effective monitoring and evaluation systems to ensure long-term sustainability of organisations.

The KYEB leadership, in participating in the training, demonstrated commitment to professional development and strengthening of governance of the institution.

The Chief of Staff and Head of the Public Service Felix Koskei launched the training initiative on September 12, 2024, with the capacity building sessions targeting Board Chairpersons, Board Directors, CEOs and Corporation Secretaries. ■



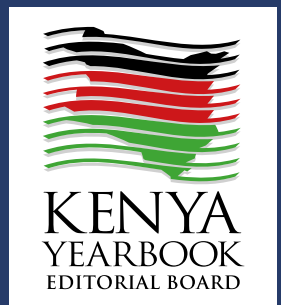
KYEB exhibits its publications at the Nairobi International Book Fair 2024

The Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board engaged with book enthusiasts and key stakeholders in the publishing industry during the 25th Nairobi International Book Fair (NIBF) 2024, held at the Sarit Centre in Nairobi.

Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board (KYEB) CEO Lilian Kimeto and Kenya Publishers Association CEO James Odhiambo at KYEB stand during Nairobi Book Fair.

The event brought together book lovers to celebrate and promote the culture of reading and storytelling.

As an institution dedicated to documenting and detailing the work of the Government of Kenya, KYEB displayed a number of its publications, including the flagship "The Kenya Yearbook", the Cabinet Series and the Toto Tales series. The institution's presence at the book fair aligns with its Mandate to both document Government agenda and engage directly with the Public. ■

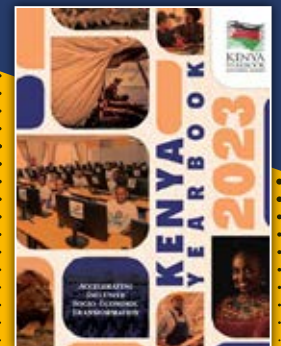


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Interior Cabinet Secretary Kithure Kindiki (sixth left) and his Health counterpart Deborah Barasa (sixth right) with officials from National Economic and Social Council (NESC), NGAO and other institutions during a meeting where the Government sought collaboration in efforts to register 12 million households under the new Social Health Authority.



Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board staff during the G7 Activation Summit in Kirinyaga County.



Cabinet Secretary for Tourism Rebecca Miano (fourth left) during the launch of Kenya's nine tourism circuits in celebration of Kenya's Tourism Week.



Kenyans mark World Environmental Health Day with a series of Epuka Uchafu events held across the country.

State calls on employers to remit sacco deductions amid inefficiency concerns

BY JOSEPH NG'ANG'A (KNA)

Savings and Credit Co-operative societies that falsify their books of accounts to attract new membership have been put on notice.

Co-operatives, Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) Development Cabinet Secretary (CS) Wycliffe Oparanya also called on employers to remit Sacco deductions for their employees. The CS observed that several Sacco leaders have been borrowing heavily to pay large dividends to their members, contrary to the annual profits earned due to competition for new members.

He warned that this practice is not sustainable and could lead to the collapse of Saccos. "As a Fellow Certified Practising Accountant (FCPA), I will be reviewing the books of account of Saccos to ascertain which ones have been falsifying their records and declaring non-existent profits to provide large dividends," he said.

Oparanya noted that he is aware of a coffee co-operative whose records indicate that it sold its coffee at the auction for Sh80 per kilo-



Co-operatives, Micro Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) Development Cabinet Secretary (CS) Wycliffe Oparanya speaking during the award ceremony for Ushirika Day Celebrations.

gram while paying its members Sh120 per kilogram. The directors have been borrowing to pay farmers the extra Sh40, leaving the co-operative with a debt of Sh225 million from commercial banks. Now, the same farmers are left to pay the loan, he pointed out.

He made these remarks during an award ceremony for Ushirika Day Celebrations at a Nairobi hotel, where he stated that his ministry, along with other relevant government agencies, will ensure accountability for those who mismanage and misuse

members' funds.

He reiterated the government commitment to protecting Sacco member's deposits, saying currently his ministry is reviewing the existing co-operatives laws and regulations as it moves to seal existing loopholes and enhance the growth of the critical sector, currently the biggest in Africa and seventh in the world.

In recognition of the vibrant Kenyan co-operatives movement, he said the government has prioritized co-operatives through the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda

(BETA) due the sector's ability to pull resources together for the purpose of nation building.

"Kenya is currently reviewing its legislative and regulatory framework within the co-operative sector vide the Co-operative Bill 2024 and the Sacco Society's Amendment Bill, 2024 currently in parliament," Oparanya said.

The CS said these reviews shall enable the creation of a legal and regulatory framework that protects the most critical part of co-operatives, that is, member's deposits.

"Moving forward, we will intensify our efforts to ensure that such misconduct is not only called out but met with decisive legal action," the CS said.

To enable this, Oparanya said the Sacco Societies Regulatory Authority (SASRA) has issued a 'Whistleblowing Policy' to promote institutional integrity and transparency by encouraging whistleblowing on misconduct, fraud, and unethical behavior and emphasizes that every board member and employee is responsible for knowing and adhering to the policy, including reporting breaches.

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NACADA raises alarm over influencers fostering drug use

The National Authority for the Campaign Against Alcohol and Drug Abuse (NACADA) is concerned about the increasing trend of social and digital media influencers and content creators posting content that promotes drug use and substance abuse.

NACADA states that such content is often directed at young audiences and poses a significant threat to the fight against alcohol and drug abuse in the country, undermining efforts to protect vulnerable groups, especially children, from these harmful influences.

Consequently, NACADA Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Dr. Antony Omerikwa has urged influencers and content creators to refrain from using their platforms to normalize or glorify drug use.

The Authority, Omerikwa emphasized, reminds the public that promoting drug and substance use through social media is not only irresponsible but also a violation of the law.

"Under the Alcoholic

Drinks Control Act, 2010 (ADCA) and the Narcotic Drugs and Psychotropic Substances Control Act, 1994, promoting, advertising, or encouraging drug use is illegal and punishable by law," the CEO added. He further stated that NACADA encourages parents to closely monitor the content to which their children are exposed online, particularly on social media platforms, which often lack adequate safeguards. "Parents should exercise control by enabling parental control settings, educating children about the dangers of drug use, and reporting any harmful content to relevant authorities," Omerikwa said.

He said social media platforms and digital content creators have a responsibility to uphold ethical standards.

"For any inquiries or to report content promoting substance abuse, please contact NACADA through our free helpline at 1192," the CEO said.

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Migori County stadium to host Olympic Africa youth centre

Olympia Africa, in partnership with Migori County, is set to establish an Olympic Africa Youth Centre to develop and nurture talent in preparation for the 2028 and 2032 Olympics in the USA and Australia.

The National Olympic Committee's General Secretary, Francis Mutuku, stated that the country aims to identify, tap into, and nurture grassroots talent to ensure readiness for future Olympic events.

Olympia Africa has identified Migori County Stadium as the ideal venue for the development of the youth centre, which will provide international-standard training facilities for youth in the Nyanza region.

The facility will also offer sporting programs to coaches and technical personnel, equipping them with the requisite skills and knowledge in the sporting arena.

The National Olympic Committee has been training sports administrators in the latest global trends to enhance skills, knowledge, and experience at the county level.

According to Mutuku, decentralizing sports admin-

istration is a key strategy for improving sports governance. He emphasized that the decentralization of sports will empower personnel training at the grassroots level, helping to tap into talent from the sub-county upwards.

Mutuku noted that the development of the youth centres will enable the country to continuously feed the athletics and other Olympic sports to make Kenya a competitive country in terms of sports globally.

The youth centre training facility aims at identifying sprinters to give the country a competitive edge in the world's biggest sporting event.

"We are known for our long distance running but as the world evolves, so do sports and that is why it is important to identify and tap on youth talents," noted Mutuku.

Migori County Secretary Oscar Olima disclosed that the county has already signed a Memorandum of Understanding with the National Olympic Committee of Kenya (NOCK) about the construction.

By Geoffrey Makokha KNA

KENAS designs new accreditation schemes to improve service quality across all sectors

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The Kenya Accreditation Service (KENAS) is currently designing new accreditation schemes to meet emerging needs, enhance standards, and improve the quality of services provided across various sectors, according to KENAS CEO Dr. Walter Ongeti.

Ongeti pointed out that KENAS will promote and facilitate the use of accreditation as a tool for removing technical barriers to trade and for protecting health, safety, and the environment.

The CEO stated that the new accreditation schemes will ensure the provision of services that are independent, impartial, transparent, non-discriminatory, and

that achieve and maintain a high level of integrity and confidentiality while ensuring ethical operations.

Speaking during the 15th African Accreditation Co-operation (AFRAC) General Assembly and meetings held in Johannesburg, South Africa, Dr. Ongeti mentioned that the new schemes include good clinical practice, diagnostic imaging, biobanking, and anti-doping laboratories.

"These new schemes are poised to further enhance the standards and quality of services provided across the continent, contributing to public health, research, and sports integrity, ensuring that Africa's trade and quality infrastructure remains robust and resilient," he said.

"With 265 accredited clients to date, including over



KENAS CEO Dr. Walter Ongeti.

100 medical laboratories, KENAS now provides accreditation services in over 12 African countries, playing a key role in strengthening the continent's quality infrastructure," Dr. Ongeti said.

Among the notable highlights from his presentation

was the accreditation of the Kenya Medical Practitioners and Dentists Council (KMPDC), the first healthcare regulatory body in Africa to be accredited as a persons' certification body.

"This landmark achievement underscores KENAS's commitment to advancing the quality of healthcare services in Kenya and across the continent," he said.

Dr. Ongeti added, "Another breakthrough for KENAS is the accreditation of Soleil Solutions Africa, the first validation and verification body in Africa under the Carbon Offsetting and Reduction Scheme for International Aviation (CORSIA) sub-scope. This accreditation supports Africa's efforts to address environmental concerns, ensuring compliance with global aviation sustainability standards."