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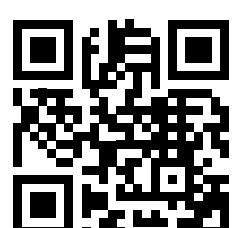


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# State on track with 200,000 annual housing units target - CS

BY WANGARI MWANGI AND DIANA ODIPO (KNA)

The State Department for Housing and Urban Development is nearing its target of delivering 200,000 housing units per year, Cabinet Secretary for Lands, Housing and Urban Development Alice Wahome has confirmed.

Ms. Wahome noted that approximately 200,000 houses are currently under construction across the country, adding that the government remains on track to provide affordable housing to Kenyans. She further reported that all 47 counties now have an Affordable Housing Programme either underway or close to completion.

"On this programme, the country is on track. The President is on the right track, the State Department for Housing and Urban Development is on course, and we assure Kenyans that every shilling of the levy we collect is being properly utilized. By next year, the doubting Thomases will

have their answers — the affordable housing units will speak for themselves," she said.

The CS emphasized that the programme forms part of the government's broader strategy to address the housing deficit while stimulating economic growth and creating employment opportunities.

She revealed that the initiative has already created more than 320,000 direct jobs for young people working in various roles, and the ministry plans to engage even more youth, including fresh graduates, in housing construction. Additional opportunities will also arise from the construction of Economic Stimulus Project markets in every constituency.

"We are mobilizing all graduates in technical fields to involve them in these projects. We are engaging architects, engineers, landscapers, and artisans and will provide 12 months of training. We have a budget ready, so all graduates will definitely be taken in," she said.

Ms. Wahome added, "These



Lands, Housing and Urban Development Cabinet Secretary Alice Wahome (centre) being taken through architectural plans for the construction of 680 hostels at Kagumo Teachers Training College in Nyeri. The hostels will be constructed under the Affordable Housing Programme. PHOTO: WANGARI MWANGI

markets are designed to open up more job opportunities by creating a different economic ecosystem that supports small-scale traders and youth. All this will have a significant impact on our economy."

The CS spoke at Kagumo Teachers Training College, where she attended the institution's 41st graduation ceremony. She also presided over the groundbreaking ceremony for 680 hostels to be constructed under the Affordable

Housing Programme. The project, expected to take 12 months, will address the student accommoda-

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tion shortage for the TTC's 1,211 students.

"This is one of the colleges facing strain, with students living outside. We are building hostels through our program, which we will call the Kagumo Students Village, accommodating 680 students," she said.

Ms Wahome also announced a partnership with the 100-year-old institution to revive a stalled tuition block, inactive for 15 years due to funding shortages.



## REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS NOTICE

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NACOSTI BUILDING 4TH FLOOR  
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# 19 investors start operations at Naivasha Special Economic Zone as Government eases regulations

BY ERASTUS GICHOHI (KNA)

The Government's move to ease regulations and lower taxes and power tariffs at the expansive Naivasha Special Economic Zone has attracted 19 investors who have already begun operations. The zone, located in Mai Mahiu near the Inland Container Depot, has been allocated over 6,000 acres to accommodate the growing number of investors eyeing a piece of its land.

The special zone is one of 38 across the country where the government aims to boost local investment, lower import bills, and create job opportunities for Kenyans.

According to Cabinet Secretary for Investment, Trade and Industry, Lee Kinyanjui, the government plans to ensure that the zone is 40 percent operational by the end of next year.

Kinyanjui said the zone, which is set to be transformed into a major industrial and business hub supported by affordable housing and social amenities, will create more than 50,000 jobs over the next 10 years.

The CS added that the government aims to support both heavy and light industries in the zone to spur local manufacturing

and reduce the country's huge import bill.

"The government is spending billions of shillings to import products into the country, and we aim to support local investments to lower this bill and save our forex," said Kinyanjui.

In addition, the CS welcomed investments in data centres, electric vehicles, used-car auctions, and the pharmaceutical industry, noting that the government is aligning its policies to ease their operations.

He termed the zone proximity to the reliable and cost friendly geothermal energy in Olkaria as well as the railway linkage noting that it will ease the investors cost of production and transport to its customers.

Kinyanjui added that the government seeks to support local TVETs institutions to build their capacity and align their training and skilling for the job market.

He however decried tedious bureaucratic processes that have in the past slowed operations from investors noting that government is keen to address it.

"We are supporting the completion of connecting infrastructure such as link roads, water, power and other amenities that will ease operations at this zone",



**Cabinet Secretary for Investment, Trade and Industry Lee Kinyanjui (Right) joined by Nakuru County Chief Executive Member for Lands John Kihagi (centre) engages an investor during his official tour of the facility to assess progress.** PHOTO: ERASTUS GICHOHI

said Kinyanjui.

On his part, the CEO of Special Economic Zones Authority Dr.

crucial infrastructure at the zone.

He said increased demand by investors to set their industries at the zone forced government to increase land allocations from the initial 1,000 acres to the current 6,000.

He said that part of the investors will be Kenya Bureau of Standard who are set to build a regional testing centre for imported used cars both for local users and neighbouring countries.

In addition, Chelule said one investors has taken up over 2,000 acres to establish a integrated industrial park at the zone to drive established businesses.

He said once fully operational, thousands of youths will benefit from job opportunities and attract billion of dollar inflows into the country adding that 40 percent of the investors are Kenyans.

According to Nakuru County Chief Executive Member for Lands, John Kihagi, the county has eased its business permit processes for investors to hasten their operations.

He said the county has earmarked Mai Mahiu as a major industrial with necessary amenities which will spur investments and create thousands of job opportunities to deserving youths and local communities.



**THE JUDICIARY**

**DISPOSAL TENDER NOTICE**

**TENDER NO. JUD/OT/007/2025-2026: DISPOSAL OF UNSERVICEABLE ASSETS**

The Judiciary invites sealed bids from interested candidates for the Disposal of parcels of Land, Motor Vehicles and Motorcycles. Items are to be sold "As-is -where-is - basis" and the sale is subject to meeting the reserve price.

All interested bidders are encouraged to visit the physical locations of the assets and carry out their own assessment before submitting bids.

Interested candidates may view and obtain the tender documents by downloading from the Judiciary's website: [www.judiciary.go.ke](http://www.judiciary.go.ke) or from the Public Procurement Information Portal (PPIP) website: [www.tenders.go.ke](http://www.tenders.go.ke). Any request for clarifications must be made in writing at least **five (5) days** before the tender closing date.

All clarifications and addenda will be posted on the Judiciary and on the Public Procurement Information Portal websites.

All successful bidders will be required to pay for and collect their items within **14 days** from the date of notification; failure to which the bidder forfeits the deposit paid.

Tenders shall be quoted in Kenya Shillings and shall include all relevant taxes shall remain valid for One Hundred and **Twenty (120) days** from the tender closing date. Tenders must be accompanied with a deposit of at least 20% of the reserve value in Kenya Shillings.

Tenderers **MUST** ensure that **ALL** pages of the tender documents are duly paginated sequentially.

Completed tender documents are to be enclosed in a plain and sealed envelope, clearly marked with the tender number, name and to be deposited in the Tender Box provided at the Main gate, Supreme Court Entrance, City Hall Way, Nairobi and addressed to:

**THE CHIEF REGISTRAR OF THE JUDICIARY**  
**ATT: DIRECTORATE OF SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT SERVICES**  
**P.O. BOX 30041-00100, NAIROBI, KENYA**

To be received on or before **3<sup>rd</sup> December 2025 at 10.00 a.m.** Late tenders shall be rejected. Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the tenderers' representatives who choose to attend at **Supreme Court Building, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Room No.74 or as advised.**

**Hon. Winfridah B. Mokaya**  
**CHIEF REGISTRAR OF THE JUDICIARY**



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The Tender documents can be viewed and downloaded from the website <a href="http://www.kpc.co.ke">www.kpc.co.ke</a> at no cost. Bidders will be required to register their companies on KPC SRM portal and send ONLY queries to <a href="mailto:opentender@kpc.co.ke">opentender@kpc.co.ke</a> . In addition, all addenda will be posted to those bidders who indicate their intention to participate through the SRM portal and KPC Website. <b>No other email addresses shall be used and KPC shall not be liable if bidders choose to send their queries to other email addresses.</b>					
<b>NOTE:</b> Bidders who are not registered in KPC SRM System should first register using this link <a href="https://e-procurement.kpc.co.ke/irj/portal">https://e-procurement.kpc.co.ke/irj/portal</a>					

Pre-bid conference will be held online as per the specified dates via the link provided in the tender document.

All bidders will be required to submit the tenders online via SRM Portal <https://e-procurement.kpc.co.ke/irj/portal> and all documents **MUST** be uploaded to the **COLLABORATION FOLDER**. Bidders shall not attach their documents at any other tab of the portal. To be received on or the indicated closing date at **10.00 a.m.**

**(NO BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED IN THE TENDER BOX EXCEPT FOR THE ORIGINAL TENDER SECURITY)** Opening of the tenders will take place at **10.30 a.m.**

**GENERAL MANAGER (SUPPLY CHAIN)**  
**FOR: MANAGING DIRECTOR**

# Why strengthening research institutions is key to Kenya's socio-economic growth



BY PROF. SHAUKAT ABDULRAZAK

Research institutions play a vital role in shaping Kenya's future. An inaugural meeting in Nairobi, representing the diverse and dynamic landscape of the scientific community, underscored the importance of collaboration in contributing to the national development agenda.

Cognizant of this critical role, the State Department for Science, Research, and Innovation recognizes registered research institutions as key players in realizing socio-economic development. They provide data-driven insights for evidence-based policymaking, drive innovation and economic growth, and help evaluate and improve social programs.

The need for collective efforts in strengthening research systems cannot be overemphasized. Moving

forward, it is essential to ensure excellence in research by upholding the highest standards of scientific rigor and ethics. Research must be relevant, responsive, and responsible in addressing Kenya's challenges across sectors, as articulated in the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).

Through collaboration and knowledge sharing, the future of research lies in partnerships across institutions, disciplines, and borders. Fostering networks that promote open science, data sharing, and joint innovation is encouraging, as it breaks silos and builds synergies.

Research must not remain confined to academic journals. It must inform policy, shape public discourse, and translate into tangible benefits for Kenyans through impact and policy integration.

Section 23(1) of the STI Act mandates that NACOSTI monitor and evaluate registered institutions at least once every three years.

In compliance with the Science, Technology and Innovation Act of 2013 (STI Act), there are forty-six (46) registered research institutions in Kenya, which include public, private, and international organizations. Registered institutions are expected to be the architects of transformation. The govern-

ment recognizes the commitment to advance science, technology, and innovation (STI) in alignment with Vision 2030 and the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda.

## Research for social impact

Collaboration/partnership is key to impactful research. The State Department advocates for research institutions to undertake cutting-edge and impactful research collaboratively to address societal issues and generate innovations to drive the economy.

During my address at the meeting with registered research institutions in Nairobi - Kenya that was attended by State Department for Science, Research and Innovation officials, CEOs and staff of NACOSTI, NRF, KENIA among others including Directors of Registered Research Institutions and other invited Guests, the message was clear that Research institutions must contribute to creating new solutions that lead to innovations for industries/employment creation, Addresses social challenges by providing a fundamental understanding of social problems like food insecurity, health issues, inequality, unemployment, and poverty.

The discussions centred on economic growth by fostering innovations and adding value as key drivers for long-term

sustainable economic growth. There is need to improve productivity leading to more efficient production methods and the creation of new, more efficient intermediate products that boosts overall economic output.

## Research funding

Adequate research funding is a key factor for our research systems. The STI Act, 2013 provides for an allocation of 2% of GDP for Research and Development (R&D) sourced from GoK, Development Partners, and Philanthropists. Recent surveys indicate that the Kenyan Government is spending about 0.8% of GDP on R&D across all sectors per year.

More funding for R&D is needed to accelerate the desired growth. Voices and advocacy are needed among many competing demands for resources that research institutions should lead. One of the strategies is to demonstrate the impact on the society of the allocated resources. Based on the different clusters that institutions fall under, think tanks can lead in preparing bankable proposals that the State Department can use to mobilize resources.

## Why the registration of research institutions matters

Registered institutions took the important steps to conform to the legal provisions as provided in the

Act. It is illegal to operate as a research institution in Kenya without registration under STI Act of 2013.

Section 21 of the STI Act 2013 states "Any person who establishes or operates a research institute without obtaining a Certificate of Registration commits an offence under this Act and shall be liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding one million shillings or to imprisonment for a term of not exceeding than two years or to both."

The requirement for mandatory registration is to provide a national mechanism to ensure that research programmes being conducted in the country are quality and relevant to national priorities and are ethical. Ensures that research institutions do not undertake programmes that may endanger national security, adversely affect the lives of Kenyans, adversely affect the culture of any community in Kenya, adversely affect the nature and environment, result in the exploitation of intellectual property rights of communities and their traditional knowledge. We congratulate the 12 additional research institutions that were issued with their registration certificates during the meeting.

*Prof. Abdulrazak is the Principal Secretary, State Department for Science, Research and Innovation.*

# New solar project set to reduce water pumping bills in Kilifi

BY EMMANUEL MASHA (KNA)

The Government is constructing a Sh600 million solar power plant at the Baricho Water Works in Kilifi County. The project aims to reduce the high cost of pumping water, currently ranging between Sh60 million and Sh70 million per month.

Water and Irrigation Cabinet Secretary Eng. Eric Mugaa said the contractor has commenced work at the site and, upon completion, the plant will help subsidize electricity costs. This will also end the frequent power cuts

from the Kenya Power and Lighting Company.

"We have a contract worth over Sh600 million, and the contractor is currently on site," he said. "Our goal is to complete the project as quickly as possible so that we can reduce the high electricity bills, which currently amount to between Sh60 million and Sh70 million monthly," he added.

He explained that the high electricity bills incurred by the Coast Water Works Development Agency have been borne by the Kilifi and Mombasa County Governments

through their respective water companies.

Eng. Mugaa toured the Baricho Water Works in Malindi Sub County following a severe water shortage that has affected Kilifi County over the past three weeks. He attributed the crisis to the breakdown of two of the ten wells at the Baricho wellfield.

"The wellfield has the capacity to produce 90 million litres of water daily, but it is currently producing only 80 million litres per day because one borehole and a standby well are out of commis-

sion," he said.

"The wells require cleaning, which is a normal part of maintenance and operations. Each borehole produces 10 million litres per day," he added.

He noted that when it rains in the area, the boreholes have to be raised, making it difficult for conventional equipment to clean them. The specialised cleaning equipment is being fabricated in Nairobi and is expected to be operational by the end of November.

"With a full capacity of 90 million litres per day,



Water, Sanitation and Irrigation Cabinet Secretary Eng. Eric Mugaa addresses journalists at the Baricho Water Works in Malindi Sub County, Kilifi County during a fact-finding tour of the facility.

PHOTO: EMMANUEL MASHA

the Baricho Water Supply cannot fully meet the demand for water in Kilifi County alone, which now stands at 110 million litres per day," he said.

The CS said the Coast Water Works Development Agency and the Kilifi and Mombasa County Governments had agreed to develop a proper and predictable water rationing schedule to manage the shortfall.

The schedule will be developed within the next one week and inform consumers of the same.

The proposed Mwache Dam project in Kwale County, currently 55 per cent complete, would solve the water problem in Kilifi, Kwale and Mombasa Counties.

"Once the Mwache Dam is complete, it will be able to supply water to Kwale and most of

Mombasa County and allow Baricho's water output to be dedicated solely to Kilifi County," he said.

He urged water consumers to pay for the commodity to allow water companies to meet

their financial obligations.

The CS said the government, through the County Government of Kilifi, had received a World Bank grant under the Water and Sanitation Services Improvement Project (WSTP) to undertake water reticulation projects as the county prepares for the anticipated increase of water supply.

Kilifi Governor Gideon Mung'aro hoped the Coast Water company would increase the number of boreholes to increase the amount of water produced to meet the county's demand for the commodity.

He said his administration was laying down the water reticulation infrastructure through the WSTP, which includes the construction of pipelines and water tanks in various parts of the county.

"My plea is that we should not politicise the water supply problem, because it has been there even before we came to power. I however assure the public that we are doing everything to ease the situation," he said.

# Cybersecurity reforms: digital safeguards and opportunities

**The Ministry of Information, Communications and the Digital Economy has unveiled key highlights of the amended Computer Misuse and Cybercrimes Act, offering clarity on Kenya's evolving cybersecurity framework. In an exclusive interview with MyGov, Cabinet Secretary William Kabogo (pictured) explains how the reforms are designed to strengthen digital safety, foster innovation, and unlock new opportunities across the country's fast-growing digital sector.**

**W**hy was it necessary to amend the Computer Misuse and Cybercrimes Act, seven years after its enactment in 2018?

Kenya's digital landscape has evolved significantly since 2018. We now have broader fibre coverage, expanded digital services, thriving fintech innovations, and millions more citizens online. While this growth is welcome, it has also introduced new threats—SIM-swap fraud, identity theft, deepfakes, crypto scams, cyberbullying, child exploitation, and extremist content.

The 2025 amendment modernises the law to address these emerging risks, safeguard citizens, and ensure Kenya's digital economy remains secure, innovative, and globally competitive.

**Some Kenyans worry the law could restrict freedom of speech or target critics.**

## What's your response?

Freedom of expression remains fully protected. The law does not criminalise criticism, satire, political commentary, or legitimate media work. It targets criminal misuse of technology—such as child exploitation, identity theft, online harassment, and the promotion of terrorism.

A government investing in 100,000 km of fibre, 1,450 digital hubs, and 25,000 public Wi-Fi hotspots is clearly expanding digital space—not shrinking it. Our goal is safety, not censorship.

## Can the government now shut down websites at will?

No. The law does not permit arbitrary shutdowns. Any removal of content or deactivation of websites must follow due process and, in most cases, requires a court order. The amendment introduces a legal mechanism to act against websites proven to promote child sexual abuse,



terrorism, cultism, or unlawful activities—always with evidence and judicial oversight.

## Does the law grant government officials new powers to spy on citizens or access personal data?

Absolutely not. The amendment does not introduce new surveillance powers. Any search, seizure, or access to personal data still requires a court order. In fact, the law enhances privacy protections by clarifying procedures and adding safeguards. Kenya is also progressing toward EU Data Adequacy and Observer status under Convention 108—both of which demand rigorous data protection standards.

## What new offences or protections are introduced in the amendment?

Key updates include:

- Cyber harassment now covers behaviour likely to cause self-harm or suicide.

- Phishing is expanded to include fraudulent emails and voice calls.
- Identity theft is clearly defined, including misuse of SIM cards, bank cards, and digital accounts.
- Virtual assets and digital accounts are recognised, enabling action against crypto-related fraud.
- Courts can order removal of harmful content or deactivation of criminal websites.

These provisions offer stronger protection against modern forms of online harm.

## With over 842 million cyber threat events recently detected, how prepared is Kenya to respond?

The scale of threats underscores the need for ro-

bust cybersecurity. Kenya's readiness has improved significantly, with:

- A strengthened CERT-Kenya for incident response.
- An active NC4 co-ordinating security agencies, regulators, and investigators.
- Sector-specific cyber units in finance, health, defence, energy, and telecoms.

The amendment reinforces this ecosystem with clearer mandates, tougher penalties, and faster response protocols.

- Identity theft and data breaches disproportionately affect small enterprises.
- Stronger laws make Kenya's cloud, fintech, and data environments more attractive to investors.
- Kenya's ambition to be Africa's secure digital hub depends on a safe, enabling environment for innovation.

## How does the law align with global standards like the Budapest Convention?

Kenya is aligning its cybersecurity and data governance frameworks with international best practices. Accession to the Budapest Convention enhances cross-border cooperation in investigating cybercrime. Joining Convention 108—the global benchmark for data protection—demonstrates Kenya's commitment to privacy, responsible data use, and global trust.

## What is your message to Kenyans who are unsure about the impact of these reforms?

This law is for your safety—not your silence. It protects you from fraud, extortion, identity theft, child exploitation, extremism, and digital abuse. It ensures your data is secure, your rights are respected, and your online environment is safer. We are building a trusted, inclusive, and globally competitive digital economy—one that empowers citizens, businesses, innovators, and youth.

## Will the amended law affect startups, innovators, or ethical hackers?

Not at all. Ethical hackers, researchers, and innovators are not the target. In fact, startups stand to benefit:



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**The Controller of Budget**  
**Bima House 12<sup>th</sup> Floor, Harambee Avenue.**  
**P.O. Box 35616-00100 Nairobi**

The job advertisement will close on by **2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2025 at 5:pm**.

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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.3/OT/13/25-26	Procurement of Personal Protective Equipment	Thursday 20.11.2025	Tuesday 16.12.2025 at 10.00 am
2.	KP1/9A.3/OT/12/25-26	Supply of Copper and Aluminium Winding Wire	Friday 21.11.2025	Tuesday 16.12.2025 at 10.00 a.m.

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

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## Migori receives 5,000 improved chicks from National Government

BY MAKOKHA KHAOYA  
(KNA)

Migori County has received chicks worth Sh500,000 from the national government. Josaphat Simolo from the State Department for Livestock Development, while handing over 5,000 improved chicks to 35 farmer groups spread across the county's 40

wards, said the project aims to improve the livelihoods of the beneficiaries. He added that the programme, under the Bottom-Up Economic Transformative Agenda (BETA), is intended to empower communities—especially vulnerable persons, women, and youth—to generate income.

He added that the pro-



Some of the chicks distributed to poultry farmer groups in Migori County. Migori County is one of the 13 counties that have received support of chicks' provision worth Sh 500,000 from the national government. PHOTO: AWUOR ANDY

ject seeks to bridge the gap in the poultry industry with the aim of reducing egg and meat importation. The official also explained that by supporting local farmers, the government hopes to promote agricultural enterprises and create employment opportunities for women and youth.

Migori County Executive Committee Member (CECM) for Agriculture Lucas Mosenda said that the initiative aligns with the county's agenda of boosting farmers' income. The chicks, known

as "Improved Kienyeji," mature quickly, laying eggs within four months and giving white meat in five months.

The county officials also disclosed that they will provide vaccines at affordable prices and promised to offer backup vaccines to the beneficiaries of the programme.

Mosenda emphasised the importance of monitoring and evaluation to ensure the project is sustained, urging beneficiaries to be the direct sources of information to track progress.



President William Ruto addressing wananchi in Makueni County during his inspection of development projects.

## Government to spend Sh3 billion on medical equipment in Makueni

BY PATRICK NYAKUNDI,  
KNA

President William Ruto has announced that the Government will spend Sh3 billion to purchase advanced medical equipment to boost health care in Makueni County.

He said the funds will be used to acquire equipment such as digital X-rays, ultrasound machines, MRI scanners, and laboratory facilities, aiming to strengthen the county's health system.

The President added that the equipment will be distributed to all health facilities, including dispensaries and health centres, to bring health services closer to the community.

"This investment is part of our agenda to give every Kenyan access to the highest level of treatment, right at the community level," President Ruto said dur-

ing his tour of Makueni County. He also clarified that the cost of the equipment will be covered by SHA, and the county government will not incur any expenses.

During the event, the Head of State further announced that medicines from the Kenya Medical Supplies Authority (KEMSA) will now be distributed directly to all health facilities across the country, unlike previously when they were first sent to county health facilities.

"Medicine from KEMSA will be delivered directly to the health facilities to ensure residents get good services," posed the President. President Ruto challenged the local residents to register with SHA in effort to enable them access health services without paying anything saying 27 Kenyans are registered under the programme.

"We need people to register so that we

have accurate data to enable us plan, know how many doctors we want, how much medicine to purchase and equipment. The government targets to increase the number of registered Kenyans on SHA to 30 million from 27 million in the next 3 to 4 months," said Ruto while addressing wananchi in Emali and Wote towns and Kasikeu market.

He reminded citizens that health is a constitutional right as provided for by Article 43 of the Constitution of Kenya.

"Health is a basic right for every citizen of the Republic of Kenya, and we are duty-bound to uphold that," he posed.

Speaking at the same event, Makueni County Governor Mutula Kilonzo Jr. asked the national government to help construct a national trauma centre at Makindu subcounty hospital.



REPUBLIC OF KENYA



National Environment Management Authority

### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### INVITATION TO PUBLIC AND STAKEHOLDERS WORKSHOP ON THE DRAFTS:- THE ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT AND COORDINATION ACT (EMCA) CAP 387, ELECTRICAL AND ELECTRONIC WASTE MANAGEMENT REGULATIONS, 2025 AND, ENVIRONMENTAL (STRATEGIC ASSESSMENT, INTEGRATED IMPACT ASSESSMENT AND AUDIT) REGULATIONS, 2025

This is to bring to the attention of all stakeholders and members of the general public that the National Environment Management Authority (NEMA), pursuant to the Environmental Management and Coordination Act (EMCA), CAP 387 has prepared the following Drafts Regulations

1. Electrical and Electronic Waste Management Regulations, 2025
2. Environmental (Strategic Assessment, Integrated Impact Assessment and Audit) Regulations, 2025

The Authority hereby invites comments, views, and submissions from stakeholders and the public on the proposed regulations, in accordance with the requirements for public participation under EMCA.

The Authority will undertake various workshops in select counties nationwide to enable members of the public to attend physically and give their views on the Draft Regulations.

Members of the public and all other stakeholders are also invited to send their written views to [emcareview@gmail.com](mailto:emcareview@gmail.com) and [legalnema@gmail.com](mailto:legalnema@gmail.com). The Draft Regulations can be accessed here: <https://nema.go.ke/ria-for-draft-e-waste-regulations-2025/>

Physical meetings will be held in the undermentioned counties on the dates indicated, starting from 09:00hrs

Area	Dates	Venue
Nairobi	11 <sup>th</sup> December, 2025	The Co-operative University of Kenya
Nyeri	21 <sup>st</sup> November, 2025	Dedan Kimathi University
Nakuru	24 <sup>th</sup> November, 2025	ARC Hotel- Egerton University
Meru	27 <sup>th</sup> November, 2025	To be communicated via NEMA website and official social media pages
Kisumu	2 <sup>nd</sup> December, 2025	Kenya Water Institute (KEWI)
Mombasa	2 <sup>nd</sup> December, 2025	Mombasa Beach Hotel
Kitale	5 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	To be communicated via NEMA website and official social media pages
Kitui	9 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	KEFRI Kitui
National Validation- E-Waste Regulations	17 <sup>th</sup> December 2025	The Co-operative University of Kenya

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## Lake basin farmers to benefit from bonus model, higher paddy pay

BY CHRIS MAHANDARA  
(KNA)

The Lake Basin Development Authority (LBDA) is banking on mechanisation, farmer training, and a new bonus model to boost local rice production and

shield farmers from middlemen who have long exploited growers across the Lake Region. Managing Director CPA Wycliffe Ochiaga said the Authority is paying between Sh55 and Sh65 per kilo of paddy, depending on quality, but acknowl-



LBDA Managing Director (MD) Wycliffe Ochiaga during the interview in Kisumu.

PHOTO BY CHRIS MAHANDARA

edged that farmers still bear high production costs.

The agency, he said, was now automating most stages of rice farming in the region to cut expenses and improve yields.

"Land preparation, spraying and bird scaring are still done manually. When you mechanise, the cost of production drops significantly. We estimate that the current cost of about Sh70,000 per acre

can be halved," he said.

Under the programme, LBDA, he said, was deploying drones, loaders and rotavators to replace costly manual labour.

It has also begun training farmers on climate-smart production and linking them with private financiers who provide inputs and recover costs after harvest.

"One only needs to provide land. Everything else is handled, and farmers

still earn. The financing rates are better than what farmers have been exposed to," Ochiaga said.

The Authority's Kibos Rice Mill, which has been in full operation for one year, he said, can mill between three and 4.5 tonnes of paddy per hour.

But to avoid stifling private businesses, LBDA, he said, has been passing excess paddy to local millers after taking them through KEBS quality standards.

## Hall of Fame set to showcase works of renowned authors

BY SAMUEL WAITITU  
(KNA)

The State Department for Culture and Heritage, in collaboration with the Kenya National Library Services (KNLS), has embarked on plans to establish a Hall of Fame to honor and celebrate Kenya's literary heroes.

The Hall of Fame, which will be located at the Sanaa Center Auditorium at KNLS Maktaba Kuu Headquarters in Upper Hill, Nairobi, will be dedicated to showcasing the literary works of renowned authors.

Principal Secretary (PS) Ummi Bashir said the establishment of the site, the first of its kind in the country, is a way of celebrating the many authors who have left a mark on Kenya.

She added that the Hall of Fame will help future generations remember the country's history by serving as a repository of cultural memory, shaping national identity, and providing a platform for reflection on past events.

PS Bashir noted that the site will preserve the memory of great literary scholars and authors such as Ngugi wa Thiong'o, Ali Mazrui, Mzee Jomo Kenyatta, Prof. Grace Ogot, and Joseph Muthee, the author of Mau Mau Detainee, among others.

Speaking at the University of Embu during a History Conference organized to celebrate the scholarly legacy of Prof. Stanley Mwaniki, a native of Embu, PS Bashir said that without such a site, the names and valuable contributions of these authors risk being forgotten over time.



State Department for Culture and Heritage Principal Secretary (PS), Ummi Bashir, making a keynote speech during a History Conference at the University of Embu.

"The site will provide a permanent and centralized place, where visitors can connect with works and legacies of these great scholars and also help current and future generations, pursue excellence and make their contribution as well," she noted.

She said another reason for the initiative, was to help inspire new generations of content

creators, authors and writers, to carry forth the torch of telling our stories. PS said the initiative seeks to recognize and also induct Kenya's literary icons into the Hall of Fame, by systematically documenting their biography and work in a digitized form. Ummir

said the Auditorium will also help preserve all the artefacts, many of which are in risk of being lost, where others have been stolen. "As you are aware, some of our artifacts were stolen and taken out of the country during the precolonial era and as a nation, we are trying to get them back home in our museums and archives," she noted.

The PS at the same time commended the University of Embu, for recognizing the contribution of Prof. Mwaniki, in emphasizing the importance of oral tradition, as a source of historical knowledge.

Through various books such as Embu Traditional Songs and Dances, Embu Historical Texts, Mbeere Historical Texts and Roots, Migrations and Settlement of Mount Kenya Peoples: Focus on The Embu, Prof. Mwaniki has documented and interpreted oral traditions of the Embu community.

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### SUBMISSION OF 2023/2025 EVERY-TWO YEAR DECLARATION OF INCOME, ASSETS AND LIABILITIES, 2025

*(Conflict of Interest Act, 2025 and Administrative Procedures for the Declaration of Income, Assets and Liabilities, 2016- Legal Notice No.53)*

It is hereby notified for general information to the public officers that, pursuant to the Conflict of Interest Act, 2025 which came into operation on 19th August 2025 and the advisory issued by Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission on the same (Daily Nation Wednesday 12th November, 2025), the two-year declaration of income, assets and liabilities for the year 2025 will be filed between 1st November, 2025 and 31st December, 2025. The Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission ('EACC') which is mandated to administer and oversight implementation of requirements under the Conflict of Interest Act, 2025 (including development of regulations and procedures on the implementation process) as guided that responsible Commissions administer the process as provided under section 52(1) of the Conflict of Interest Act, 2025.

#### Contents and Scope of a Declaration

The Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission as further guided that other than the requirement for State and public officers to fill and submit a declaration of income, assets and liabilities of themselves, their spouse/s and dependent children below the age of 18 years, the Act also requires declaration of information on any material change in, or changes affecting any of the categories of income, assets and liabilities. For clarity, "material change" is defined in section 31(4) of the Act, which declarants must familiarize themselves with prior to filling and submitting their declarations.

The Commission is responsible for:

- a) Principal Secretaries;
- b) Ambassadors, High Commissioners, diplomatic and Consular representatives;
- c) Public officers who are officers, employees or members of state corporations that are public bodies; and
- d) Public officers in respect of which the Commission exercises appointive and disciplinary control, including advisors and personal staff.

All the specified state and public officers in Ministries, State Departments and State Corporations for which Public Service Commission is the Responsible Commission are required to fill and submit declaration of income, assets and liabilities of themselves, their spouse/s and dependent children below the age of 18 years on or before the 31st December, 2025.

The prescribed declaration form will be availed by the respective authorized officers to individual public officers and

The Authorized Officer will submit the declaration returns to the Public Service Commission in the format prescribed under the Administrative Procedures for the Declaration of Income, Assets and Liabilities (legal notice no. 53 of 2016 and Guidelines on the declaration of income assets and liabilities, 2009. The returns to the Commission will be submitted as per the schedule that will be issued to the authorized officer by the Commission through a circular letter by 1st December 2025 and which will also be available in the Commission's website.

Each state and public officer takes personal responsibility for the completeness and accuracy of the information submitted to the Commission.

Public institutions are advised to commence and conclude disciplinary action against public officers who would have failed to comply from **2nd January, 2026** in accordance with applicable human resource policies and procedures manual and inform the Commission on sanctions taken by **31st March, 2026**. For any clarifications on the administrative processes the affected state and public officer may write to the Commission via email [valuesandethics@publicservice.go.ke](mailto:valuesandethics@publicservice.go.ke)

*For any further information or advice that state officers, public officers or any other person may require concerning the provisions and implementation of Conflict of Interest Act, 2025 or the declaration of income, assets and liabilities, written requests may be directed to the Secretary/Chief Executive Officer, Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission, P.O. Box 61330-00200, Nairobi; or via email [dials@integrity.go.ke](mailto:dials@integrity.go.ke).*

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## FEATURE STORY: GLOBAL TIES

# Mudavadi highlights Kenya's gains in foreign policy and diaspora diplomacy

BY DARLENE KURIA AND NAIF RASHID (KNA)

Kenya has reaffirmed its position as a key diplomatic and economic player on the global stage, with new missions, expanded trade links, and a stronger focus on protecting citizens abroad.

Prime Cabinet Secretary and Cabinet Secretary for Foreign and Diaspora Affairs, Dr. Musalia Mudavadi, said that in recent years, Kenya has achieved significant milestones in foreign relations, diaspora diplomacy, and regional peace initiatives.

Speaking during the ministry's third quarterly media engagement in Nairobi, Mudavadi said: "Our aim, through the new Foreign Policy and the Foreign Policy Mashinani initiative, is to foster open engagement with citizens and the media so that we can share information as often as possible."

He emphasized the government's commitment to transparency in diplomatic communication.

Mudavadi disclosed that Kenya continues to expand its diplomatic footprint, with new consulates opened in Guangzhou, China, and Jeddah, Saudi Arabia, adding that the government has also approved the establishment of new embassies in Copenhagen, Denmark; Hanoi, Vietnam; and the Vatican City.

"The move strengthens Kenya's moral and development diplomacy and enhances cooperation with Catholic development agencies that manage over 7,700 schools and 500 health facilities in the country," Mudavadi said.



**Prime Cabinet Secretary and Cabinet Secretary for Foreign and Diaspora Affairs Musalia Mudavadi speaking during a press briefing at the Ministry of Foreign and Diaspora Affairs, Harambe Avenue, Nairobi.** PHOTO BY DARLENE KURIA

He added that Kenya's active participation in major international meetings—including the Tokyo International Conference on African Development (TICAD 9), the Forum on China-Africa Cooperation (FOCAC), and the United Nations General Assembly—has yielded significant benefits.

Kenya secured a Sh22 billion Samurai financing facility to support green industrialization and, through FOCAC, will now enjoy 100 percent duty-free access to China for exports such as coffee, tea, and avocados.

Mudavadi said the Ministry's Foreign Policy Mashinani initiative, launched in Kisumu in October, aims to bridge the gap between national policy and local awareness. The forum brought together leaders from all six Nyanza counties to dis-

cuss how foreign policy aligns with grassroots development.

"We have had situations where policies at the county level caused distress and affected our international obligations," he noted. "This initiative ensures that we are all on the same page."

Similar engagements are planned for coastal counties before the end of the year.

Kenya's diaspora continues to play a vital role in national development with Mudavadi saying that more than 430 Kenyans have secured jobs abroad through bilateral labour agreements since 2023, while thousands access digital work through the Ajira program.

According to the Central Bank of Kenya, remittances rose by 18 percent to Sh651.7 billion in 2024, and as of November 2025, they had surpassed the one trillion shilling mark.

"This is a very significant contribution to our economy and to keeping our currency strong," the Prime Cabinet Secretary stated.

He said the ministry is ne-

gotiating new bilateral labour agreements with Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates, Qatar, and Jordan to secure more skilled employment opportunities.

Mudavadi cautioned that while diaspora employment brings many opportunities, it also presents risks from rogue agents who exploit desperate job seekers.

He revealed that the government has rescued over 500 Kenyans trafficked to foreign countries since 2022 and delisted 600 rogue recruitment agencies.

"Our missions have rescued hundreds of Kenyans lured to the Far East by false promises of lucrative jobs, only to end up in forced labour, cybercrime, and even organ trafficking," he said.

He noted that the government continues to collaborate with the National Employment Authority to ensure only vetted agencies handle foreign job placements. Awareness campaigns are also being intensified to prevent trafficking, while victims receive consular sup-

port and safe repatriation.

Mudavadi said Kenya's relations with its East African neighbours remain strong, with Uganda, Tanzania, and South Sudan being key economic and strategic partners.

Trade within the East African Community (EAC) grew to Sh321 billion in 2024, more than double the 2020 value.

Uganda remains Kenya's largest export market, accounting for 11 percent of total exports.

He confirmed that two Kenyan activists, Nicholas Oyo and Bob Njagi, who had gone missing in Uganda in October, were released following high level diplomatic talks between President William Ruto and President Yoweri Museveni.

Mudavadi also said Kenya continues to advocate for peace in the Democratic Republic of Congo, Sudan, and South Sudan, where political instability persists.

"Kenya stands for one Sudan and a peaceful Sudan," he emphasized, noting that President Ruto, in his capacity as EAC Chair, has been actively involved in the regional peace process.

He said Kenya will continue to support mediation through the African Union, IGAD, and other international mechanisms to restore stability in the Horn of Africa.

Mudavadi acknowledged rising reports of Kenyans being lured to join foreign conflicts, particularly in Russia and Ukraine.

State Department for Diaspora Affairs Principal Secretary Roseline Njogu said that her department remains committed to serving Kenyans wherever they are and ensuring that no one is left behind.

Njogu said efforts to repatriate mothers and undocumented children from Saudi Arabia are ongoing.

She explained that through joint efforts between Kenyan and Saudi authorities, 59 mothers and 73 children have been safely returned home.

## FEATURE STORY: AGRICULTURAL HUB

## Youth and women benefit as Vihiga introduces modern farming practices

BY ROSE WASIKE (KNA)

What began as a simple idea has blossomed into a transformative journey, boosting food security and empowering local farmers in Mungoma Ward, Vihiga County.

Under the leadership of Governor Wilber Ottichillo, the county government launched a greenhouse

farming initiative aimed at enhancing agricultural productivity, promoting sustainable farming practices, and creating opportunities for youth and women in agribusiness.

The project began with the transformation of a once-barren piece of land into a thriving agricultural hub. Modern greenhouses were installed, equipped with climate control and efficient drip irrigation systems to ensure optimal



**A farmer, one of the beneficiaries who has harvested from the greenhouse farming initiative in Mungoma Ward.**

water use and consistent crop production. Governor Ottichillo also distributed indigenous vegetable seedlings to participating farmers. A total of 100 farmers are now benefiting from the initiative, which

includes the construction of greenhouses, distribution of farm inputs, and access to continuous training and extension services.

The training, conducted through the Directorate of Climate Change, provided farmers with hands-on experience in soil and water management, as well as installation and maintenance of small-scale irrigation systems such as drip and sprinkler technologies.

The initiative aligns with the recently launched Agroecology Policy, which advocates for sustainable, eco-friendly farming practices that build resilience against climate change.



## NEW KENYA PLANTERS COOPERATIVE UNION PLC

### NATIONAL COFFEE REVIVAL PROGRAMME

#### TRAINING OPPORTUNITY ANNOUNCEMENT

New Kenya Planters Cooperative Union (New KPCU PLC) in collaboration with the Ministry of Cooperatives and MSMEs Development, invites passionate community rooted individuals to join an intensive Coffee Extension Champions Training Program under the revival of coffee through cooperative societies Campaign. This initiative aims to expand coffee production within the Cooperative Movement from 51,852 MT to 151,000 MT.

**Program:** Coffee Extension Training Program (Ward level Extension Champions)

**Number Required:** 1,600 Champions

**Location:** Listed Wards within the following Coffee-growing Counties (Two positions available per ward: one for male and one for female applicants)

COUNTY	WARD
Baringo	Bartabwa, Ewalel, Chapchap, Kabarnet, kabartonjo, kapropita, Lembus, Lembus Perkerra, Maji Mazuri, Machongoi, Ravine, Saimo Kipsaraman and Tenges.
Bomet	Boito, Cheboin, Chepchabas, Chesoen, Kembu, Kipreres, Kong'asis, Ndawata, Ndanai/Abosi, Nyangores, Rongena/Manaret and Siongroi.
Bungoma	Bukembe West, Bumula, Cheptais, Chesikaki, Chepyuk, Elgon, Kabula, Kamukuya, Kaplateny, Khalaba, Khasoko, Kimaeti, Kwake/Luuya, Lwandanyi, Maeni, Malakisi/South Kulisiru, Maradka, Marakatu, Mbakalo,, Mihuu, Milima, Mukuyuni, Musikoma, Namwela, Ndalu/Tabani, Siboti, Sitikho, Soysambu/Mitua, Tongaren, Township, Tuuti, West Nalondo and West Sang'alo.
Busia	Ageng'a Namguba, Amukura Central, Amukura West, Ang'urai East, Ang'urai North, Ang'urai South, Bunyala South, Bunyala West, Busibwabo, Bwiri, Chakol North, Chakol South, Elugulu, Kingandole, Malaba Central, Malaba North, Malaba South, Marachi Central, Marachi North, Namboboto, Nangina and Namboboto/Nambuku.
E l g e y o Marakwet	Arro, Cherang'any, Chepkorio, Embobut, Endo, Kapsowar, Kaptarakwa, Lelan, Metkei, Moiben Kuserwo and Sengwer.
Embu	Central Gatondo, Gaturi North, Gaturi South, Kagaari North, Kagaari South, Kithima, Kirimari and Kyeni North.
Homa Bay	Central Kasipul, East Kamagak, Kabondo West, Kanyadoto, Kanyamwa Kalogi, Kanyamwa Kosewe, Kanyikela, Kegan, Kojwach, Kokwany/Kakel, South Kasipul, West Gem, West Kamagak and West Kasipul.
Kakamega	Bunyala Central, Bunyala East, Bunyala West, Butsoto East, Butsoto South, Chekalini, Chevawa, East Kabaras, East Wang'a, Etenje, Idakho East, Idakho North, Idakho South, Ingotse Matiha, Isukha Central, Isukha East, Isukha West, Khalaba, Kholera, Kisa Central, Kisa North, Kisa West, Lugari, Lumakanda, Lusheya/Lubinu, Lwandeti, Mahalakalo, Manda-Shivanga, Marama Central, Mautuma, Mayoni, Musanda, Namamali, Shieywe, Shianda/Marengo and Sinoko.
Kajiado	Entonet/Lenkisi, Ewuaso Ooidong'i, Imaroro, Imbirikani/Eselekei, Illoodokilani, Kaputei North, Keekonyokie, Keikuku, Kenyawa-Poka, Kimana, Kitengela, Kuku, Magadi, Mbirikan/Eselen, Moriso, Nkaimurunya, Olkeri, Oloosirkon Sholinkie, Ongata Rongai and Rombo.
Kericho	Kapkukerwet, Kimugul, Soin and Soliat.
Kiambu	Kamwangi, Ngenda North, Ngenda South, Kimende, Kiamu, Kanunga, Kiamabara, Kahugu/Mitubiri, Githunguri, Ikinu, Komothai, Ngewa, Githiga, Juja, Kalimoni, Witeithie, Murera, Theta, Kabete, Uthiru, Gitaru, Nyathuna, Muguga, Cianda, Karuri, Ndenderu, Muchatha, Kihara, Ting'ang'a, Ndumberi, Riabai, Kiambu Township, Kinoo, Kikuyu, Karai, Nachu, Kinale, Kijabe, Kamuru, Ngecha-Tigoni, Ndeiya, Bibirioni, Gitothua, Gatongora, Kiuu, Township, Kameni, Ngoliba and Gatunyaga.
Kirinyaga	Kerugoya, Mutira, Inoi, Kiini, Mukire, Kabare and Murinduko
Kisii	Babasi/Boitang'are, Bobasi, Bogeja, Bogetenga, Bogiakumu, Bogusero, Boikanga, Bokimonge, Bokeira, Bomoriba, Boochi Borabu, Boochi/Tendere, Borabu Chitago, Borabu Masaba, Bosoti/Sengera, Getenga, Ibeno, Ichuni, Keumbu, Kegogi, Kiamokoma, Kiogoro, Kisii Central, Kititu Central, Magenche, Majoge Basi, Marani, Masige East, Masige West, Masimba, Moticho, Nyacheki Basi, Nyakoe, Nyatiako, Riana, Sameta/Mokwerero and Sensi.
Kisumu	Chemelil TAMU and Muhoroni Koru.
Laikipia	Marmanet, Mukogodo East, Mukogodo West, Nanyuki, Ngobit, Olmoran, Rumuruti Township, Salama, Thingithu, Tigithi and Umande.
Machakos	Kangundo East, Kangundo North, Kangundo West, Kathiani Central, Kyeleni, Machakos Central, Matungulu North, Mitaboni Mua, Mumbuni, Mutituni, Tala and Upper Kaewa/Iveti.
Makueni	Kilungu.
Meru	Abogeta East, Abogeta West, Igoji West, Kianjai, Mitunguu, Nkomo, Nyaki East and Nyaki West.
Migori	Bukira East, Bukira Central/Ikerege, East Kamagambo, Ikerege/Bukira Central, Isibania, Makerero, Masaba, North Kamagambo, Nyabasi North and Nyabasi West.
Muranga	Gaichanjiru, Gaturi, Gitugi, Ichagaki, Ithanga, Kahumbu, Kakuzi/Mitubiri, Kamacharia, Kamahuwa, Kambiti, Kangari, Kanyenyaini, Kariara, Kigumo, Kihumbu-ini, Kimorori/Wempa, Kinyona, Kiru, Makuyu, Mugoiri, Mugumo-ini, Muguru, Muruka, Muthithi, Ng'araria, Nginda, Ruchu, Rwathia and Township.
Nakuru	Bahati, Dundori, Kabatini, Kabazi, Keringet, Mosop, Solai and Visoi.
Nandi	Cabiyet, Chepterwai, Kabiyet, Kabwareng, Kabisaga, Kipkaren, Kosirai, Ngechek and Sang'alo/Kebulonik.
Narok	Enosoen, Ololmasani, Olmekenyu and Sonoo.
Nyamira	Bogichora, Bonyamatutu, Bosamaro, Esise, Gachuba, Gesima, Itibo, Kemera, Kiabonyoru, Magombo, Manga, Mekenene, Nyansiongo, Rigoma and Township.

COUNTY	WARD
Nyeri	Gikondi, Kamakwa, Karima, Karimukuyu, Kiganjo, Mukurweini East, Rugi and Ruringu.
Siaya	Central Alego, Central Gem, Central Sakwa, Central Ugunja, East Alego, East Gem, East Ugenya, East Ugunja, East Asembo, North Alego, North Ugunja, North Uyoma, Siani, South Alego, South Central Alego, South East Alego, South Gem, South Sakwa, South Uyoma, South West Alego, Tala Township, Township, Ukwala, Ukuja, Usonga, West Alego, West Asembo, West Gem, West Sakwa, West Ugenya, West Uyoma, West Yimbo and Yimbo East.
Taita Taveta	Borneni and Marungu.
T h a r a k a Nithi	Chogoria, Ganga, Igambang'ombe, Mariani and Mwimbi.
Trans Nzoia	Bidii, Chepchoina, Hospital, Kaplamai, Keiyo, Kiptoror, Kwanza, Machewa, Matumbe, Motosiet, Sitatunga and Tuwan.
Uasin Gishu	Kapserset, Kapsoya, Kaptagat, Kipkenyo, Kiplombe, Megun, Moi's Bridge, Ngenyilel, Racecourse, Tarakwa and Tembelio.
Vihiga	Central Bunyore, Central Maragoli, Chavakali, Embabungo, Gisambai, Jepkoyai, Luanda South, Lugaga-Wamuluma, Muhudi, Mungoma, Mwibona, North Maragoli,, shamakhokho, Shiru, South Maragoli, Tambaa, Wemilabi, West Bunyore and West Sabatia.
West Pokot	Batei, Chepareria, Kapchok, Kiwawa, Kodich, Lomut, Masool, Riwo, Sekerr, Siyo Sook, Suam and Weiwei.

**Terms:** Sponsored Training with Self-Employment Opportunity Post-Training

#### Training Details:

- Venue:** Coffee Research Institute and designated County Training Centers.
- Duration:** One week of intensive theory and practical training.
- Certification:** Certificate of Completion issued jointly by New KPCU and the Coffee Research Institute.
- Cost:** Training is fully sponsored. Trainees will cater for their own transport.

#### Roles After Training:

Upon successful completion, trained Extension Champions will:

- Provide private extension services to farmers in their wards.
- Train farmers on Good Agricultural Practices (GAPs) to boost yields.
- Support rehabilitation of abandoned or underperforming coffee farms.
- Promote adoption of quality planting materials supplied through the program.
- Mobilize and organize farmers into cooperatives or farmer groups.
- Assist farmers with record-keeping crop monitoring and basic farm management.

#### How Trainees will Earn from Services

Extension Champions will levy farmers a reasonable service fee agreed upon at the ward level through cooperatives or farmer groups and approved by the Standing County Technical Committee. Champions will work with cooperatives to streamline collection of service fees through cooperative deductions or mobile money payments, ensuring transparency and accountability. Champions are encouraged to enter into formal service agreements with cooperatives or farmer groups.

#### Eligibility: Applications Must:

- Hold a certificate, Diploma or Degree in Agriculture, Agribusiness, Horticulture, Agriculture Economics, or related fields.
- Be residents of the ward they wish to serve (proof required).
- Demonstrate passion for transforming rural livelihoods through sustainable coffee farming.
- Have effective communication and teamwork skills.
- Not have been previously trained under this program

#### Added Advantage

Previous experience in coffee farming, cooperatives, or agricultural extension

Familiarity with digital tools for data collection

Knowledge of coffee agronomy and post-harvest techniques

#### Application Requirements: Submit:

- Detailed CV
- Copies of academic and professional certificates
- Copy of National ID and Proof of ward residency
- Brief cover letter indicating the ward you wish to serve.

**How to apply:** Interested persons who meet the requirements should submit their application in a sealed envelope, through the post office, email to [recruitment@newkpcuplc.go.ke](mailto:recruitment@newkpcuplc.go.ke), or hand delivery, together with a copy of a detailed CV, copies of academic certificates, national identity card and telephone contacts of three referees, to reach the Company by **1700hrs on Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> December 2025. (East African Time)**

The application should be addressed to:

**THE MANAGING DIRECTOR  
NEW KENYA PLANTERS CO-OPERATIVE UNION  
P O BOX 59638 – 00200, WAKULIMA HOUSE, HAILE SELASSIE AVENUE,  
NAIROBI**

Further enquiries can be sought by emailing: [enquiries@newkpcuplc.go.ke/careers](mailto:enquiries@newkpcuplc.go.ke/careers). Details of the post can also be accessed on our official website [www.newkpcuplc.go.ke/careers](http://www.newkpcuplc.go.ke/careers).

**Note: Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.**

**Youth (18 -35 years) and people with disabilities are strongly encouraged to apply.**

# Ruto launches flagship youth empowerment programme, boosts start-up opportunities



President William Ruto is welcomed with a dance as he arrives at Mumias Sports Complex, Kakamega, the venue of NYOTA project launch.

BY RACHEL NYABONYI  
(MYGOV)

The Government has anchored the NYOTA Project, its flagship youth empowerment programme, on a foundation of digital innovation and transparency, ensuring that every stage of implementation is efficient, accountable, and inclusive.

President William Ruto, who presided over the launch at Mumias Sports Complex, highlighted the benefits of technology and digitalization in streamlining the implementation process, raising hope and expectations among Kenyan youth.

During the launch, the President announced the release of funds, creating a buzz during the meet. Each youth received a confirmation on their mobile phones:

"Dear beneficiary, you have successfully unlocked your start-up capital. Ksh 22,000 has been sent to your Pochila Biashara wallet. Ksh 3,000 will be sent to your Ziidi (savings) account."

The buzzer, sounded at around 12:30 pm, marked a defining moment in the implementation phase of the NYOTA Project for the 12,155 youth in the Western cluster (Cluster 1), comprising Kakamega, Bungoma, Busia, and Vihiga counties, who had been anxiously waiting for months to receive their start-up capital.

and begin their entrepreneurial journey.

"I have been rearing pigs and selling them after I received financial support from KYEOP (NYOTA's predecessor)," said Isaac Busolo from Bungoma County, whose business has steadily grown since receiving the KYEOP grant in 2021. "I now intend to open a hotel and sell pork to the locals with this NYOTA grant."

Joseph Moshira who sells second-hand clothes in the streets of Busia town said he heard about NYOTA project in March this year and did not waste time enlisting for it.

"I started selling second-hand clothes last December and when I heard about NYOTA in March this year, I promptly applied. Later in September, I was contacted and invited for training. With this capital I intend to buy bales of second-hand clothes and create employment for other young people who would wish to try their hand in second hand clothe business."

"NYOTA project is entirely built on technol-

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ogy and digital platform, from the identification of target beneficiary youth to capital disbursement," said the President as he set the tone for celebration among the enthusiastic beneficiaries.

The government, he reminded the gathering that digitalization was a key plank of his manifesto, Bottom-up Economic Transformation Agenda. "We started the government on digitalization agenda," he said.

"We had only 370 government services digitalized in August 2022, but right now we have over 23,000 services digitalized. We have become a cashless government with enhanced efficiency and transparency. This is the only way we are going to weed out corruption and brokers in our society."

Among the services that the government has digitalized to enhanced public service delivery are; e-Citizen platform for several services including business, marriages, driving, land registries, immigration, and civil registration services together with e-Citizen payment gateway. Others are digitization of over 100 Civil Registration Centres, the High Court Registry, Transport Information Management System (TIMS)-NTSA and development of the National Spatial Data Infrastructure (NSDI), that have spawned public-private partnerships (PPPs) and created jobs.



## REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

### (CONSULTING SERVICES – FIRMS SELECTION)

COUNTRY:	The Republic of Kenya
NAME OF PROJECT:	Kenya Off-grid Solar Access Project (KOSAP)
Credit No: 6135	Project ID No P160009
ASSIGNMENT TITLE:	CONSULTANCY SERVICES – SUPERVISION AND MANAGEMENT OF DESIGN, SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, TESTING & COMMISSIONING OF SOLAR PV PUMPING SYSTEM FOR COMMUNITY FACILITIES IN GARISSA, MANDERA, WAJIR, KILIFI, KWALE, ISIOLO, SAMBURU, WEST POKOT, TURKANA, TANA RIVER, MARSABIT, TAITA TAVETA, NAROK & LAMU COUNTIES IN KENYA
Reference No.	KE-REA-464945-CS-QCBS

The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Kenya Off-grid Solar Access Project for Underserved Counties (KOSAP), and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

The consulting services ("the Services") include Supervision and Management of Design, Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of Solar PV Pumping System for Community Facilities in different counties. The assignment may require 64 Professional Person-months and will be implemented between the period from TBD ensuring full consistency with the Terms of Reference (ToR) referred to in this Request for Expressions of Interest (REOI).

The detailed scope of service shall be as per the ToR which can be accessed on Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation (RERE) website ([www.rerec.co.ke](http://www.rerec.co.ke)).

Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation (RERE), now invites eligible Consulting Firms (Consultants) to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants shall provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:

1. Relevance and suitability of the applicant firm's core business to this assignment.
2. Interested consultancy firms must have at least ten (10) years of experience since registration.
3. The firms must have undertaken similar assignments in a developing country within the last five (5) years.
4. Successful delivery of minimum of two (2) similar assignments in nature, complexity and size assignments; One (1) of the two projects must be in Solar PV water pumping systems.
5. Experience in Consultancy (Supervision and Management of Works) contracts in the Renewable Energy sector, in at least Two (2) contracts, each with a minimum value of USD One million, five hundred thousand (1.5 Million USD).
6. The firm's overall organizational competence, capability and qualifications as demonstrated through its overall technical experts' size and mix, financial, technical and managerial strengths in the industry.

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" dated July 2016 and revised in September 2023 (5th Edition) . ("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.

If the consultant is a Joint Venture (JV), the Expression of Interest shall include a copy of the JV Agreement entered into by all members (Maximum two (2) members only). Alternatively, a letter of intent to execute a JV Agreement in the event of a successful proposal shall be signed by all members and submitted with the Expression of Interest, together with a copy of the proposed Agreement.

A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Quality-Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations. Among the submitted applications, RERE will shortlist on the basis of the above listed criteria a maximum of Eight (8) consultants to whom the Request for Proposals (RFP) to carry out the Services shall be sent.

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours between 0830 to 1200 and 1400 to 1600 hours (East Africa time).

**The Manager, Supply Chain Management**  
**Rural Electrification & Renewable Energy Corporation**  
**Street Address: Kawi House, South C, Bellevue**  
**Floor/ Room number: Ground Floor**  
**P O Box 34585 - 00100**  
**Nairobi, Kenya**  
**Tel. (+254) 709 193 000 / 3600**  
**Email: [info@rerec.co.ke](mailto:info@rerec.co.ke)**

Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below in person, or by email by 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2025 at 10:00 am East African Time.

**Attention:**  
**Chief Executive Officer**  
**Rural Electrification & Renewable Energy Corporation**  
**Street Address: Kawi House, South C, Bellevue**  
**Floor/ Room number: 4th Floor**  
**City: Nairobi**  
**ZIP/Postal Code: 00100**  
**Country: Kenya**

# Kisumu County poised to become East Africa's medicine production center

BY CHRIS MAHANDARA (KNA)

Kisumu is set to become a major pharmaceutical production hub in East Africa after global firm Med Aditus confirmed that plans to build a Sh6.3 billion drug manufacturing plant in the city have reached an advanced stage, paving the way for construction to begin in early 2026. The facility will be located on land adjacent to the Great Lakes University of Kisumu (GLUK) and is being developed in partnership with the Kisumu County Government and the university.

The project is viewed as one of the largest private health sector investments ever undertaken in the western region, where



Kisumu Governor Prof Anyang Nyong'o (right) when he hosted Med Aditus CEO Dr Dhiren Thakker (center) and Med Aditus Foundation CEO Prof Bob Blouin in his office. PHOTO BY CHRIS MAHANDARA

access to affordable medicines remains a persistent challenge for both public and private hospitals.

Governor Prof Anyang' Nyong'o, who held a meeting with Med Aditus CEO Dr Dhiren Thakker, Med Aditus Foundation CEO Prof Bob Blouin, head of the World Bank Group's Health Africa Initiative Prof Khama Rogo and senior county officials over the project on Monday said the plant will play a significant role in reducing the cost of essential drugs and strengthening healthcare systems across the Great Lakes Region.

He said the county's planning, environmental and technical approvals were already in place, and the remaining processes were being finalised before construction equipment moves to the ground.

The factory, he said was expected to manufacture up to two billion tablets and capsules every year.

The product line, he added, will include treatment for hypertension, diabetes and cancer—conditions whose burden

continues to rise across Kenya—as well as essential drugs for HIV, malaria and tuberculosis.

It will also produce medication for neglected tropical diseases, which remain common in rural and low-income populations in the region.

Currently, Kenya imports more than 70 per cent of its essential medicines, a factor that often makes drugs expensive, vulnerable to stock-outs and exposed to global supply chain disruptions.

Med Aditus and the county government are banking on the Kisumu plant to help close the gap by supplying high-quality pharmaceuticals at subsidised prices, reducing pressure on hospitals and enabling governments to procure drugs locally rather than from overseas suppliers.

Nyong'o said the project was being financed primarily through Afreximbank under the Africa Health Security Investment Plan, a continental programme aimed at building Africa's capacity to manufacture its own health products.



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REPUBLIC OF KENYA

## GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

COUNTRY:	KENYA
NAME OF PROJECT:	LAKE VICTORIA BASIN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (LVBDP)
SECTOR:	TRANSPORT
Grant No.:	E5920



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## GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

COUNTRY:	KENYA
NAME OF PROJECT:	ROADS FOR RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROJECT (RREDP)
SECTOR:	TRANSPORT
Grant No.:	E5930

1. The Government of Kenya (GoK) has received a grant in the amount of US\$3 million equivalent from the World Bank toward the cost of the proposed Lake Victoria Basin Development Project (LVBDP), and it intends to apply part of the proceeds to payments for preparatory activities including the procurement of goods, non-consulting services and consulting services under the proposed project.
2. The proposed project will include the following components:
  - (i) Component A: Improving the movement of people and goods, and digital services on and around the Lake Victoria Basin region
  - (ii) Component B: Facilitation of Regional Trade and Transport
  - (iii) Component C: Improvement of Access to Basic Socioeconomic Services in the project area
  - (iv) Component D: Institutional Strengthening of Transport and Related Institutions
3. The consulting services that will be procured through Open International Competitive Procurement include:
  - (a) Carrying out feasibility and engineering design studies for: (i) selected roads, (ii) bridges, (iii) fiber optic cable installations, and (iv) inland water transport, on and around Lake Victoria Basin region, as well as preparing the associated safeguards instruments.
  - (b) Carrying out needs assessment to identify and prioritize community socio-economic infrastructure aimed at improving access to basic services within the project area.
4. Procurement of contracts financed by the World Bank will be conducted through the procedures as specified in the World Bank's **Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers First Published July 2016 and Revised Sixth Edition February 2025** and is open to all eligible firms and individuals as defined in the Procurement Regulations. After project negotiations, the World Bank shall arrange the publication on its external website of the agreed initial procurement plan and all subsequent updates once it has provided a no objection.
5. Specific procurement notices for contracts subject to open international competitive procurement will be announced, as they become available, on the World Bank's external website and Kenya National Highways Authority's (KeNHA's) free access website: [www.kenha.co.ke](http://www.kenha.co.ke) and newspapers of national circulation in Kenya.
6. Interested eligible firms and individuals who would wish to be considered for the provision of goods, non-consulting services and consulting services for the above-mentioned proposed project, or those requiring additional information, should contact the Borrower at the address below:

Address:

**Supply Chain Management**  
**Attn: Deputy Director, Supply Chain Management**  
**Kenya National Highways Authority,**  
**Barabara Plaza, Block C, 2nd Floor, North Wing, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA) off Airport South Road, along Mazao Road, Nairobi, Kenya**  
**Phone: +254 204954000/ +254 700423606**  
**E-mail: procurement@kenha.co.ke , Website: [www.kenha.co.ke](http://www.kenha.co.ke)**

**Deputy Director, (Supply Chain Management)**  
**For: Director General**

1. The Government of Kenya (GoK) has received a grant in the amount of US\$3 million equivalent from the World Bank toward the cost of the proposed Roads for Rural Economic Development Project (RREDP), and it intends to apply part of the proceeds to payments for preparatory activities including the procurement of goods, non-consulting services and consulting services under the proposed project.
2. The proposed project will include the following components:
  - (i) Component A: Improvement of Road Network and Bridges in Selected Rural Areas
  - (ii) Component B: Improvement of Access to Basic Socioeconomic Services in the project area
  - (iii) Component C: Enhancement of Digital Connectivity in selected Rural Areas
  - (iv) Component D: Institutional Strengthening of Transport and Related Institutions
3. The consulting services that will be procured through Open International Competitive Procurement include:
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**Deputy Director, (Supply Chain Management)**  
**For: Director General**


**MINISTRY OF INFORMATION, COMMUNICATIONS  
AND THE DIGITAL ECONOMY (MICDE)**
**MEDIA COUNCIL ACT  
(CAP 411B)**
**APPLICANTS FOR THE POSITION OF MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA COUNCIL OF KENYA**

**IN EXERCISE** of the powers conferred by section 7(7) of the Media Council Act [CAP 411B] the Selection Panel, considering the applications submitted vide Gazette Notice No. 10092 of 2025 publishes the names of all the applicants, and shortlisted candidates for the positions of members of the Media Council of Kenya.

APPLICANTS AND THEIR QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE POSITIONS OF MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA COUNCIL OF KENYA			
No	Name	Gender	Qualification
1	Mbugua Lucy Waringa	Female	BA in Education (Arts)
2	Elkana Nyagah	Male	PhD in Leadership, Management and Administration
3	Virginia Wangari Ndungu	Female	PhD in Mass Communication
4	Walter Ooko Menya	Male	MA in International Relations
5	Ibrahim Mutwiri Kirimi	Male	PhD in Finance
6	Vumi Ngaleri Ringo	Female	Bachelors in Education (Early childhood education Option)
7	Emmanuel Korir	Male	Master of Business Administration
8	Rose Akiinyi Opondo		PhD in Literature
9	Robert K. Chelegat	Male	MSC – Procurement and Logistic MBA – Strategic Management
10	Osii A. Caroline	Female	Bachelors in Clinical Psychology
11	Mohamed Bonaya Adi	Male	Master of Science in Human Resource Management
12	David Kiplagat Kimeli	Male	Masters of Business Administration
13	Paul Munyalu Inuvu	Male	MA Project Planning & management
14	Bernard Okebe, HSC	Male	BSc in Communication and PR
15	Paul Ondoo	Male	Bachelors Degree in Business Management
16	Pamela Nyakio Kivuti	Female	Bachelor of Arts Criminology and Security Studies
17	Murithi Mercy Wairimu	Female	Bachelor of Arts (English, Literature with Sociology)
18	Yuri Waihenya	Male	Master of Business Administration
19	Andrew Nderitu	Male	MBA
20	Lydia Nyawira Mburua	Female	BA degree in Community Development
21	Anuary Mulombi	Male	Master of Science in Data Science
22	Kipyegon Gedion	Male	Bachelor of Arts, Mass Media and Communication
23	Brian Njuguna Kamau	Male	Diploma in Public Relations
24	Mathew Kiplimo Kangogo	Male	Master of Business Administration
25	Antony Mwachofu Mwanyuma	Male	Bachelor of Commerce – Finance
26	Isack Mutia Kololo	Male	Diploma in Journalism and Media Studies
27	Brian Wekesa	Male	Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
28	Francis Mutuma Mutegi	Male	Degree in Project Planning and Management
29	Boniface Wafula Wanjala	Male	Bachelor of Commerce (Finance Option.)
30	Teddy Nyae Tinga	Male	Bachelor of Science in Communication & Public Relations
31	CPA Felix Nthenge Kilonzi	Male	MSc Tax and Customs Administration MBA (Corporate Management)
32	Munyi Jesse Mutugi	Male	Master of Arts (M.A) in Communication and Media Studies
33	Julias Cheche Kihara	Male	MBA (Strategic Management)
34	Okeyo Timon	Male	Master of Science in Commerce (Finance and Economics)
35	Stephen Omondi Ochieng	Male	Master of Science in Pure Mathematics
36	Chebet Agneta	Female	BA, Kiswahili & Communication
37	Beneti Kennedy Ng'ariba	Male	Bachelors Degree in Business Information Technology
38	Alex Nguta Kamanza	Male	Masters of Business Administration Finance
39	Tom Musau	Male	Bachelor of Business Information Technology
40	Deborah Mburu	Female	Bachelor of Science in Information Science
41	Suleiman Odhiambo Genga	Male	Bsc. Communications and Public Relations
42	David Mwangi	Male	Master of Science in Human Resource Development

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No	Name	Gender	Qualification
43	Steve Were	Male	Bachelor of Arts in Mass Media & Communications
44	Felix Wabwile Musasula	Male	Trade Test III in Light Vehicle Mechanics-National Industrial Training Authority (NITA)
45	Peter Muturi Mwangi	Male	Bachelor Degree in Communication, option Public Relations with Information Technology
46	Sharleen Wema	Female	Bachelors Degree in Mass Communication (Public Relations & Diplomacy)
47	Daniel Oloo Ong'ong'a	Male	PhD Communication
48	Mark Amiyo Ayanae	Male	Master of Public Administration and Management
49	Joan Kwamboka Ndemo	Female	Bachelor of Laws LLB
50	Frankline Kiogora Gitonga	Male	Master of Arts in Public Policy & Administration
51	Moses Kipkemoi Kiyeng	Male	Master of Science in Finance (MSC Finance) –Finance & Investment
52	Oduor Billiance	Male	Diploma in Mass Communication
53	Douglas Ouso Nyokwoyo	Male	Masters of Science, Finance
54	Joseph Wakhungu Litoroh	Male	Bachelors in Social Work and Community Development
55	Maxmillian Ochango Ambeba	Male	Bachelor of Arts in International Studies
56	Bob-Maurice Oduor Odhiambo	Male	B.A in Philosophy
57	Cherotwei Geoffrey Simotwo	Male	Master of Science (Security Strategic Studies) Master of Arts (International Studies)
58	Wilson Mutai	Male	Bachelor of Science in Information Technology
59	Dennis Kinyua Wanjiku	Male	Bachelors of Arts in Mass Media
60	Risper Awuor Olick	Female	Master of Business Administration, Finance
61	Danstan Osiemo Nyangaresi	Male	Bachelors Degree in Arts and Social Sciences (Sociology)
62	Kinoti Gituma	Male	Master of Business Administration
63	Lynnet Munyiva Kaku	Female	Bachelor of Arts in International Relations and Security Studies)
64	Hon. Dr. Kemunto Nyabuti Damaris	Female	MSC Business Psychology MBA Global Business and Sustainability-Social Entrepreneurship
65	Kevin Oduor	Male	Bachelor of Arts in Diplomacy and International Studies
66	Otieno Elphaus Otieno	Male	Bachelor's degree in Procurement and Contract Management.
67	Christine Karimi Muriungi	Female	Bachelor of Laws
68	George Chege Wambugu	Male	BSc (Mechanical Engineering)
69	Linda Wairuri Gichohi	Female	Masters of International Relations and Diplomacy.
70	Silas Okoth Magawi	Male	MSc. Information & Knowledge Management
71	Joyce Kasiva Makau	Female	Diploma in Hospitality Management
72	Josephat Nyongesa Palang'a	Male	Masters in Computer Information Systems
73	Daniel Karuna Gitau	Male	Bachelor's degree in Tourism Management
74	CPA. Benedict A. Omollo	Male	Master of Philosophy in Development Finance
75	Chemutai Koech	Female	Diploma Journalism and Mass Communication
76	Lennha Musinya.	Female	Bachelor of Arts Integrated Community Development.
77	Kiterme Joshua Mbiti	Male	Degree in Mass Communication (Broadcast Option)
78	Washington Opiyo Sati, MBS	Male	Doctor of Philosophy
79	Vitalis Omondi Ragul	Male	PhD (Business Administration
80	CPA Michael Munga Mugwe	Male	MBA (Finance).

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No	Name	Gender	Qualification
81	Winfred Mwende Jacob	Female	Master of Arts, Public Policy and Administration
82	Leah Munjiru Ngamate	Female	Bachelor of Arts degree (Economics and Communication)
83	Austine Tunoi Kimutai	Male	Bachelor of Science in Computer Science.
84	George Ouma Ogada	Male	Masters of Business Administration (operations mgt.)
85	Ivy Elsie Njeri Wanyoike	Female	Bachelors in Communication and Media Studies
86	Dr. Kaliakamur L. Emmanuel (PhD)	Male	Doctor of Philosophy in Educational Management, Administration and Leadership
87	Elkana Mageto Nyakundi	Male	Bachelor of Science – Computer Science
88	Isaiah Nyambariga Ndege	Male	Doctor of Philosophy in Political Science.
89	Barbara M'mbaka Imbahala	Female	Master of Business Administration
90	Dalmas Kipkosgei Maiyo	Male	Bachelor of Business Information Technology
91	Felix Onyango Abok	Male	Bachelor of Business Information Technology (BBIT)
92	Mwanapili Adilie Machafu		Bachelor of Journalism
93	Lillian Kagema	Female	MBA (Aviation Management)
94	Sheila Toroitich	Female	Diploma in Information, Communication and Technology
95	Kithinji Elikanah Bundi	Male	Diploma in Information Technology
96	Paul Onyango Wango	Male	Masters of Business Administration in Procurement and Supply Chain management
97	Brenda Nekesa Nyongesa	Female	Bachelor in Linguistic, Media and Communications
98	Martin Hawkins	Male	Bachelor of Education
99	Justine Mugai	Male	Bachelor of Arts in Sociology.
100	Charles Kyale	Male	Ph. D in Strategic Management
101	CPA Enock Nyanchoga Monari	Male	Master of Science in Finance & Economic
102	Vincent Kipkoech	Male	Bachelor of Science in Computer Science
103	Joan Wetumi Njaro	Female	MA Digital Journalism MA International Studies
104	Brian Oyollo	Male	Master of Business
105	Bekidusa Asha Dzame	Female	Master of Arts in Digital Journalism. Master of Arts in Project Planning and Management.
106	James Wairegi Wambugu	Male	Master of Business Administration (Finance Option)
107	Felix M. Ndung'u	Male	Bachelor of Arts, Communications Major (Print Media)
108	Njeri Vivian Wambui	Female	Bachelor of Science in Finance
109	Dr. Edward Boor	Male	PhD Leadership and Governance
110	Sammy Macharia Gathesha	Male	Bachelor of Journalism
111	Kevin Ngosia Khasabuli	Male	Bachelor of Business Management (Accounting option)
112	Joshua Mueke Mwema	Male	Master of Science in Computer Science
113	Delilah Kadzo Ngala	Female	Masters of Business Administration (MBA) Strategic Management Option
114	Judith Wambura	Female	Master of Arts, International Studies
115	Mbatiany Ruth Cherop	Female	Post Graduate Diploma
116	Joyce Muthoni Njuguna	Female	Master of Arts, Business Administration
117	Elizabeth Atieno Ayoo	Female	Master of Law, Intellectual Property Law
118	Martin Mutua	Male	M.A. International Studies
119	Fatuma Sanbur	Female	Bachelor of Arts in Communication, Development Communication
120	Peter Adika Okeyo	Male	Bachelor of Science in Mass Communication (Broadcast option) –
121	Jacquiline Kerubo Ondimu	Female	Doctor of Philosophy in Applied Linguistics.

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122	Irene Njoki Njoroge	Female	Bachelor of Laws
123	Immaculate Wanjiru Mwangi	Female	Diploma in Information Technology
124	Abdikadir Waqo Liban	Male	Masters in Religious Studies
125	FCPA Edwin Makori	Male	Master of Business Administration-MBA-Finance
126	Sylvia Ndanu Mutua, Ph.D	Female	PhD in Communication Studies
127	Stephen Ndegwa	Male	MA in Communication Studies
128	Caren Awuor Oduor	Female	Master of Business Administration
129	Kipkuri Koech Dennis	Male	Master of Science in Energy Technology
130	Duncan Odiwuor Onyango	Male	Bachelor of Arts in Drama and Theater Studies with Information Technology
131	Michael Mule Ndonye	Male	PhD in Communication and Media.
132	Gilbert Kipkorir Biwott	Male	Master of Business Administration (Strategic Management Option)
133	Mercy C. Korir	Female	MBA in Finance & Marketing MA in Communication Studies (Development Communication)
134	Charles .K. Olwalo	Male	Bachelor of Hotel and Hospitality Management
135	Peter Mwaura Kimani	Male	Master of Business Administration
136	Dr. Abduba Mollu Ido, PhD	Male	PhD Governance and Leadership
137	Timothy Wanjala Wanyama	Male	Masters in Business Administration (Finance Option)
138	Juliet Naisola Karori, CPA	Female	Master of Science, Oil and Gas Accounting
139	Mugambi Joyce Wanjiru	Female	Bachelor of Commerce (Finance option)
140	Catherine Wangechi Maina	Female	Certificate of Computer Systems and Applications
141	Dr. George Ouma Ogal	Male	PhD (Applied Linguistics)
142	John Irungu Nyambura	Male	Bachelor of Commerce (Finance)
143	Francis Mwaura	Male	Masters of Business Administration
144	Teresia Wangui	Female	Digital Marketing & Online Marketing
145	Samuel Wambua Ndeleva	Male	Bachelor of Business and Economics
146	Victoria Kutto	Female	PhD in Communication Studies
147	Felix Mushukhani Khagali	Male	B.A. Journalism & Media Studies (Development Communication) B.Sc. Business Administration
148	Omar Ahmed M. Ali	Male	Master of Laws - LL.M (International Maritime Law)
149	John Mogwambo Ngoko, CPA	Male	MBA – Finance
150	Morris Muturi Simba	Male	BSc Information System Technology
151	Nicoedemus Kioko Kivandi	Male	Master of Arts (Public Policy & Administration)
152	Maxwel Odiga	Male	Bachelor of Science in IT
153	Mercy Murengu, AMPRSK	Female	Post Graduate Degree in Media Management
154	Victor Mukundi Njagi	Male	Bachelor of Science Mathematics and Computer Science
155	Mowlid Mohammed Shuriye	Male	Bachelor of Arts in Mass Media and Communication
156	Abdullahi Hassan Maalim	Male	Master of Education in Leadership and Policy Studies
157	Dr. Lucas M. Kilemba	Male	PhD Information Studies
158	James Anyona Asanda	Male	MA Communications (Media Studies and Corporate Communications)
159	Wilfred Ndungu Wainaina, PhD, MSc	Male	Master of Science in Toxicology
160	Dr. Janerose Kaithi Kibaara	Female	PhD in Education Management & Policy
161	Dominic Obwogi Makumba	Male	Bachelor of Science in Information Technology
162	Blair Mue Makau	Male	Bachelor of Arts in English Linguistics, Literature and Sociology
163	Eskut Valerie Hellen	Female	Bachelor of Arts in Communication and Media Technology
164	James Ngunjiri Mwangi	Male	Master of Arts in Communication Studies
165	Nandi Cruz	Male	Masters Degree in International Studies
166	Kennedy Moita Miriti	Male	Bachelor of Science in Information Technology
167	Charles Kibe Gachiki	Male	Bachelor of Arts in Political Science, Sociology, and Economics
168	Ndiba Lawrence Kamuyu	Male	Bachelor Degree of Mass Communication, Major: Broadcasting Journalism
169	Dr. Peter Kamau Ndichu, Ph.D.	Male	Doctor of Philosophy in Business Administration (Finance)
170	Austine Davis Ojiambo	Male	Bachelor of Arts in Mass Media and Communication
171	Nyamvula Mdoe Ngonyo	Male	Bachelor of science in Communication and Journalism

APPLICANTS AND THEIR QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE POSITIONS OF MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA COUNCIL OF KENYA			
No	Name	Gender	Qualification
172	Rosslyn Wanjiru Kibaki	Female	Master of Business Administration (MBA)
173	Dennis Mbau Mbogo	Male	Master of Arts, Communication Studies (Development Communication Major)
174	Sarah Shitandi Bakhoya	Female	Master of Arts
175	Simmy M. Marwa,	Male	Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) – Management Science
176	Onditi Geoffrey Ondong'a	Male	B.A. International Studies-University of Nairobi
177	Jason Kerandi Nyantino	Male	MA in Public Policy and Administration
178	William Ntoina Erimoi	Male	Master of Business Administration (MBA Food Security option)
179	Jane Caroline M. Ndiritu	Female	Diploma in Broadcast Journalism
180	Faith Jepgtoor kermei	Female	Degree in Literature, Communication and Sociology
181	Abdirizak Mohamed Burale	Male	Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and Psychology
182	Mary Nasieku Yiapan	Female	Bachelors in Education (Arts)
183	Prof. George Morara Nyabuga	Male	Post Graduate Certificate in Teaching in Higher Education
184	Violet Otindo	Female	Masters in Media Leadership and Innovation
185	Samson Owino	Male	Bachelor of Business Information Technology (BBIT)
186	Kosgei Kemboi Alvin	Male	Bachelor of Laws (LLB)
187	Karumba Kinyua	Male	MSc Finance & Strategy
188	Benjamin Isaya Agina	Male	Master of Arts International Journalism
189	Jemima Kodero	Female	Bachelor of Communication & Public Relations
190	Vera Evelyn Akinyi Ogundo	Female	BA in Communication
191	Stephen Otieno Wangaji, OGW	Male	MBA (Marketing)
192	Lesley Jeruto Choge	Female	Master of Management and Leadership
193	Philip Owade Odhiambo	Male	Bachelor of Arts (Communication and Media Technology with IT)
194	Steve Bakari Apot	Male	Bachelor of Laws (LLB, Hons)
195	Amory Mwathe Kiruri	Male	Bachelor in Mass Communication
196	Anne Wanjiku Karia	Female	Bachelor of Business Management (Banking and Finance Option)
197	Stephen Mburu	Male	Master of Arts in Communication Studies
198	Abdirashi Yussuf	Male	Master of Arts in Public Administration & Management (Public Policy & Administration)
199	Newton Ndebu	Male	M.A Political Communications
200	Dr. Malanga Ndenga	Male	PhD (Computer Science)
201	Ezekiel O. Olande	Male	Bachelor of Science – Information Systems & Technology
202	Chepkirui Nelly	Female	Bachelors degree in Social work & Sociology
203	Raynor Polo	Female	Bachelor of Arts in Literature and Media Studies
204	Karuga Eliud Waweru	Male	Bachelor of Science in Agricultural Economics and Resource Management
205	Rose Wanjiru	Female	Bachelor of Laws (LLB)
206	Chetambe Bernard	Male	Bachelor of Commerce
207	Everlyn Situma	Female	Doctor of Philosophy   Communication and Information Studies
208	Eric Kasina	Male	Bachelor of Arts in Communication
209	Dickens Ooko	Male	Degree in Communication and Media Studies
210	Ephraim Percy Kenyanito	Male	(MBA, General Business Administration and Management) Master of Laws (LL.M.) (LL.M in International Trade Law)
211	Eugene Ahoya Lihasi	Male	Bachelor of Science Food Security

The Selection Panel after considering all the applications has shortlisted the following candidates to be interviewed for the positions of members of the Media Council of Kenya.

SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES AND THEIR QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE POSITIONS OF MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA COUNCIL OF KENYA			
S/No	Name	Gender	Qualification
1	Virginia Wangari Ndungu	Female	PhD in Mass Communication
2	Ibrahim Mutwiri Kirimi	Male	PhD in Finance
3	Osii A. Caroline	Female	Bachelors in Clinical Psychology
4	David Kiplagat Kimeli	Male	Master of Business Administration
5	Moses Kipkemoi Kiyeng	Male	Master of Science in Finance (MSC Finance) – Finance & Investment
6	Risper Awuor Olick	Female	Master of Business Administration, Finance

SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES AND THEIR QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE POSITIONS OF MEMBERS OF THE MEDIA COUNCIL OF KENYA			
S/No	Name	Gender	Qualification
7	Kinoti Gituma	Male	Master of Business Administration
8	Hon. Dr. Kemunto Nyabuti Damaris	Female	MSC Business Psychology MBA Global Business and Sustainability- Social Entrepreneurship
9	Washington Opiyo Sati	Male	Doctor of philosophy
10	Barbara M'mbaka Imbahala	Female	Master of Business Administration
11	CPA Enock Nyanchoga Monari	Male	Master of Science in Finance & Economics
12	Delilah Kadzo Ngala	Female	Master of Business Administration (MBA) Strategic Management Option
13	Judith Wambura	Female	Master of Arts, International Studies
14	Martin Mutua	Male	M.A. International Studies
15	Fatuma Sanbur	Female	Bachelor of Arts in Communication, Development Communication
16	FCPA Edwin Makori	Male	Master of Business Administration-MBA-Finance
17	Dr. Abduba Mollu Ido, PhD	Male	PhD Governance and Leadership
18	Abdullahi Hassan Maalim	Male	Master of Education in Leadership and Policy Studies
19	Dr. Janerose Kaithi Kibaara	Female	PhD in Education Management & Policy
20	Simmy M. Marwa,	Male	Doctor of Philosophy (PhD) – Management Science
21	Mary Nasieku Yiapan	Female	Bachelors in Education (Arts)
22	Samson Owino	Male	Bachelor of Business Information Technology (BBIT)
23	Kosgei Kemboi Alvin	Male	Bachelor of Laws (LLB)
24	Jemima Kodero	Female	Bachelor of Communication & Public Relations
25	Steve Bakari Apot	Male	Bachelor of Laws (LL.B, Hons)
26	Ephraim Percy Kenyanito	Male	(MBA, General Business Administration and Management) Master of Laws (LL.M.) (LL.M in International Trade Law)

INTERVIEW SCHEDULE			
S/No	Name	Interview Date	Time
1	Virginia Wangari Ndungu	19/11/2025	8.30 AM
2	Ibrahim Mutwiri Kirimi	19/11/2025	9.15 AM
3	Osii A. Caroline	19/11/2025	10.00 AM
4	David Kiplagat Kimeli	19/11/2025	10.45 AM
5	Moses Kipkemoi Kiyeng	19/11/2025	11.30 AM
6	Risper Awuor Olick	19/11/2025	12.15 PM
7	Kinoti Gituma	19/11/2025	2.00 PM
8	Dr. Kemunto Nyabuti Damaris	19/11/2025	2.45 PM
9	Washington Opiyo Sati, MBS	19/11/2025	3.30 PM
10	Barbara M'mbaka Imbahala	20/11/2025	8.30 AM
11	CPA Enock Nyanchoga Monari	20/11/2025	9.15 AM
12	Delilah Kadzo Ngala	20/11/2025	10.00 AM
13	Judith Wambura	20/11/2025	10.45 AM
14	Martin Mutua	20/11/2025	11.30 AM
15	Fatuma Sanbur	20/11/2025	12.15 PM
16	FCPA Edwin Makori	20/11/2025	2.00 PM
17	Dr. Abduba Mollu Ido, PhD	20/11/2025	2.45 PM
18	Abdullahi Hassan Maalim	20/11/2025	3.30 PM
19	Dr. Janerose Kaithi Kibaara	21/11/2025	8.30 AM
20	Simmy M. Marwa	21/11/2025	9.15 AM
21	Mary Nasieku Yiapan	21/11/2025	10.00 AM
22	Samson Owino	21/11/2025	10.45 AM
23	Kosgei Kemboi Alvin	21/11/2025	11.30 AM
24	Jemima Kodero	21/11/2025	12.15 PM
25	Steve Bakari Apot	21/11/2025	2.00 PM
26	Ephraim Percy Kenyanito	21/11/2025	2.45 PM

The shortlisted candidates are expected to appear before the Selection Panel on the dates and times indicated above. The interviews shall be conducted at the Kenya Institute of Curriculum Development (KICD), Muranga Road – Ngara at Nairobi. The shortlisted candidates are required to bring **ALL** of the following documents:

- (a) Original Identity Card/ Passport.
- (b) Original academic and professional certificates.
- (c) Testimonials.
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# State expands the rollout of NYOTA programme to 25 more counties



Principal secretary state department for Micro Small and Medium Enterprises Susan Mang'eni speaking during a press briefing at her office in Nairobi. PHOTO BY DARLENE KURIA

BY DARLENE KURIA AND NAIF RASHID (KNA)

The Government has announced the expansion of the National Youth Opportunities Towards Advancement (NYOTA) programme to 25 additional counties, marking a major step in empowering thousands

of young entrepreneurs across the country.

State Department for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) Development Principal Secretary (PS) Susan Mang'eni said the move follows the successful rollout of the project's first phase in the Western cluster, covering Kakamega, Vihiga, Bun-

goma, and Busia counties.

"We officially launched NYOTA and began the disbursement of business start-up capital to beneficiaries at Mumias Sports Complex in Kakamega, a total of 12,155 beneficiaries received over Sh303.8 million, each accessing Sh22,000 through Pochi La Biashara, with Sh3,000 set aside

as mandatory savings," she said.

The savings, she explained, are intended to build a culture of financial discipline among beneficiaries while serving as a buffer against economic shocks.

"It is a risk management and business securitization mechanism that allows beneficiaries to use their savings as collateral when seeking further financing from mainstream institutions," she said.

Speaking in Nairobi, the PS noted that the five-year project aims to empower over 100,000 vulnerable youth in all 1,450 wards across the country, with each ward expected to have at least 70 beneficiaries.

Additionally, 5,000 refugees in Kakuma and Dadaab camps and another 5,000 host community members are set to benefit.

Mang'eni said preparations for refugee participation are ongoing, with validation and documentation being handled in coordination with relevant government agencies.

"The process is more protracted because we must work closely with departments dealing with refugee affairs to ensure proper accreditation," she explained.

The PS announced the second phase of training will kick off simultaneously in 25 counties, including Kitui, Machakos, Makueni, Uasin Gishu, Trans Nzoia, West Pokot, Turkana, Baringo, Laikipia, Meru, Tharaka Nithi, Embu, Isiolo, Nakuru, Narok, Kajiado, Nandi, Siaya, Kisumu, Homa Bay, Migori, Kisii, Nyamira, Kericho, and Bomet.

"This phase will involve 63,231 beneficiaries trained in 222 centres across 151 constituencies for four days, each participant must attend at least three days to qualify for start-up capital. The training will take place in their respective constituencies, and those away from their mapped locations should make arrangements to attend," she said.

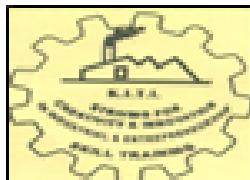
The remaining 18 counties among them Nairobi, Kiambu, and Elgeyo Marakwet will be covered in the next rollout once logistical and safety concerns are resolved. "We had to delay the Elgeyo Marakwet rollout due to the recent landslide tragedy. We will return there once the situation stabilizes," said the PS.

Mang'eni said that after classroom sessions, beneficiaries will enter a two-month mentorship programme, followed by a three-day business linkage training and an additional two-month mentorship before receiving the second half of their funding.

The mentorship, she said, is designed to provide practical guidance during the most vulnerable stage of business development.

"We are seriously hand-holding these young entrepreneurs because we know the first year of business is the most challenging, through counselling, mentorship and market linkage support, we want to give them the best possible start," she remarked.

The PS underscored the government's commitment to creating a supportive business ecosystem through collaboration with business development experts.



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The deadline for registration is on or before **21st November 2025**.

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Graduants will be required to attend a rehearsal at the Institute grounds on **Thursday, 4th December 2025 at 9.00 a.m.**

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No.	Ref. No.	Position	Open Positions	Grade
1.	BMA/25/CEO/DDAP/02	Deputy Director, Advancement & placement	1	BMA 2
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3.	BMA/25/MET/Trainer/04	Trainer, Nautical science	1	BMA 6

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The application should be filled and sent not later than **5.00 P.M. on Tuesday, 10th June, 2025**. Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

Bandari Maritime Academy is an equal opportunity Employer promoting gender, equity and diversity. Qualified persons with Disabilities are encouraged to apply. Canvassing will lead to automatic disqualification.

Successful candidates will be required to submit valid compliance certificates from Kenya Revenue Authority, Ethics and Anti-Corruption, a registered Credit Reference Bureau, Higher Education Loans Board and a certificate of Good Conduct from the Directorate of Criminal Investigations before commencement of the employment contract.

**Applications received after the specified time will not be considered**

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# President Ruto celebrates MSMEs as catalysts of East African prosperity

BY NAIF RASHID AND DARLENE KURIA (KNA)

President William Ruto has reaffirmed Kenya's commitment to strengthening micro, small, and medium enterprises (MSMEs) as key drivers of economic transformation and regional integration.

The regional event, marking 25 years since the signing of the EAC Treaty, brought together leaders, entrepreneurs, and development partners from across East Africa under the theme of promoting innovation, trade, and inclusive growth for MSMEs.

President Ruto said the MSME sector remains the "engine of job creation, innovation, and industrial growth," driving shared prosperity across the continent.

He praised the visionary leadership of EAC leaders—Presidents Yoweri Museveni, the late Daniel arap Moi, and the late Benjamin Mkapa—whose efforts revived the regional bloc in 1999.

"This gathering validates the central role of MSMEs as pillars of our



President William Ruto tours trade exhibition booths showcasing innovations by regional Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) during the East African Community 25th Anniversary celebrations at Uhuru Gardens, Nairobi. PHOTO BY NAIF RASHID

economies. Their resilience, creativity, and innovation continue to power industrial growth and employment across East Africa," the President said.

Speaking during the official opening of the 25th East African Community (EAC) MSME Trade Fair at Uhuru Gardens, Nairobi,

President Ruto noted that the EAC has grown into a dynamic bloc of eight partner states representing more than 300 million citizens, making it one of the fastest emerging markets globally.

Highlighting Kenya's reforms under the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA),

saying that MSMEs sit at the core of national priorities alongside agriculture, affordable housing, healthcare and the digital economy.

"We chose to subsidize production instead of consumption, and the results speak for themselves. Our national yields in key crops have increased sig-

nificantly," he said.

Ruto cited the Hustler Fund as a flagship initiative enhancing financial inclusion, revealing that over Sh80 billion has been disbursed since 2022 to millions of Kenyans previously excluded from formal credit systems.

"Today, more than two million Kenyans borrow regularly from the Hustler Fund, some accessing up to Sh150,000 without collateral only their creditworthiness," he said, adding that the government was working to securitize credit scores as new collateral for youth and women entrepreneurs.

He announced plans to establish County Aggregation and Industrial Parks (CAIPs) in all 47 counties to promote value addition and industrial linkages for small businesses, alongside the Nyota Programme, which will issue grants of Sh50,000 to over 110,000 youth and disability-led enterprises and provide business training to more than 600,000 entrepreneurs.

"Women are outstanding businesspeople, and this programme will ensure that not less than 50 percent of the beneficiaries are women," he emphasized.

Ruto lauded the Jua

Kali sector for its growing role in the affordable housing programme, noting that artisans have secured contracts worth more than Sh15 billion for supplying doors, windows and fittings.

"The Jua Kali sector has proven that small enterprises can deliver on big projects, sometimes even better than large companies," he said.

President Ruto reaffirmed Kenya's commitment to digital transformation, citing progress on the Digital Superhighway, which has already covered 30,000 kilometres of fibre out of the planned 100,000, and digitization of over 23,000 government services on the eCitizen platform.

Cabinet Secretary in charge of MSME Development, Wycliffe Oparanya, presented the Nairobi Declaration, a communiqué from the EAC MSME Ministerial Roundtable outlining regional priorities such as access to finance, digital transformation, green technologies and market access.

"We are committed to translating these resolutions into concrete actions that strengthen competitiveness, sustainability and inclusivity of MSMEs across East Africa," Oparanya said.




**PUBLIC NOTICE**

**COMMENCEMENT OF THE VIRTUAL ASSETS SERVICE PROVIDERS ACT, 2025**

The Virtual Assets Service Providers Act, 2025 (Act. No. 20 of 2025), which was gazetted on October 21, 2025, became effective on November 4, 2025. The Act provides the legislative framework for regulating and supervising Virtual Asset Service Providers (VASPs). The Act further outlines obligations of VASPs in the prevention of Money Laundering, Terrorism Financing, and Proliferation Financing.

The Act designates the Central Bank of Kenya (CBK) and the Capital Markets Authority (CMA) as the regulators responsible for licensing, supervising, and regulating VASPs in Kenya. The Act provides for CBK and CMA to license VASPs in accordance with the services listed in the First Schedule to the Act.

Accordingly, the Cabinet Secretary, National Treasury, pursuant to the Act and upon the advice of CBK and CMA is developing and shall issue Regulations for further guidance on implementation of the Act. Consequently, the licensing of VASPs will commence upon issuance of these Regulations. Currently CBK and CMA have not licensed any VASPs under the Act to operate in or from Kenya.

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S/ No.	Tender No.	Tender Name	Tender Submission Deadline	Target Group
1.	NIA/T/183/2024-2025	Construction of Suba Clusters - Sindo Irrigation Development Project, Lot 1, Homa Bay County	3 <sup>rd</sup> December 2025 at 12.00 noon local time	GENERAL

Detailed tender document that include mandatory preliminary requirements, technical and financial evaluation criteria may be viewed and obtained by interested and eligible tenderers free of charge from the Authority's website: <http://www.irrigationauthority.go.ke/tenders> or Public Procurement Information Portal: <https://tenders.go.ke/> as from 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2025. Tenderers who intend to submit their tenders **MUST** promptly submit their names and contact details to [purchasing@irrigationauthority.go.ke](mailto:purchasing@irrigationauthority.go.ke) or [ceo@irrigationauthority.go.ke](mailto:ceo@irrigationauthority.go.ke) for communication on any clarification(s) and addendum arising during the tendering process.

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# Kisumu Prison goes green with Sh5.9 million solar power system

BY NICHOLAS KIGONDU (PCO)

Efforts to reduce operational costs across the country's correctional facilities received a boost with the inauguration of a Sh5.9-million solar system at Kisumu Maximum Security Prison. The solar system, funded by the European Union through the United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime, will meet 70 percent of the institution's daily energy needs, representing significant cost savings and ensuring an uninterrupted electricity supply for the prison's core services. Speaking during the official commissioning of the solarization project, Correctional Services Principal Secretary Dr. Salome Beacco said the initiative represents a transformative step toward a greener, smarter, and more efficient correctional system.

"Through solar energy, this institution will drastically reduce its reliance on the national grid, thereby lowering electricity bills and ensuring uninterrupted energy supply.

These savings will enable the prudent reallocation of resources towards priority areas such as offender rehabilitation, vocational training, and psychosocial support which are critical pillars of our reformation mandate," she said.

She said related installations are being rolled out at Shikusa Prison and Borstal Institution in Kakamega County, as well as Moyale Prison in Marsabit County.

European Union Ambassador to Kenya Henriette Geiger said the project is part of a digitiza-



The government on Tuesday, October 11, inaugurated a solar system at the Kisumu Maximum Prison as part of ongoing efforts to enhance power sustainability and efficiency within Kenya's correctional facilities. PHOTO: PATRICK AMBANI

tion and greening programme targeting Kenya's justice sector.

She said the successful installation and use of solar energy at the facility was a demonstration of how sustainable solutions can improve prisoners' welfare, reduce operational costs, enhance working conditions, and contribute to environmental conservation.

"For us, greening of institutions and communities is not just policy, it demonstrates our commitment to modernise, increase effectiveness and deliver better services to all persons in this country," she said.

According to Commissioner General of Prisons Patrick Aranduh, the project is part of ongoing efforts to enhance justice and represents a significant step towards transitioning in-

stitutions to renewable energy sources.

"The project aligns with the commitment for sustainability and national development. Funds saved through the project will be channeled towards improving facilities within prisons," he said.

While lauding the State Department for Correctional Services for embracing innovative approaches, UNODC Deputy Representative Koen Marquerding said the project is a game changer whose effects will lead to reduced operational costs and enhance delivery of justice through the adoption of virtual courts.

According to Justice Alfred Mabeya, the project will support virtual court hearings and other digital justice processes.

# Turkana County, WFP plan 50,000-hectare fodder

BY PETER GITONGA (KNA)

The County Government of Turkana has expressed interest in a proposed partnership with the World Food Programme (WFP) to put 50,000 hectares of land under fodder production. The initiative aims for an annual output of 300,000 metric tonnes for both local use and export.

The proposal was discussed during a meeting where Deputy Governor Dr. John Erus hosted a WFP delegation led by Deputy Country Director Bai Mankay Sankoh.

During the meeting, it was revealed that an investor is ready to commit up to USD 100 million to the project through a Public-Private Partnership model.

The project is designed to enhance the resilience of pastoral communities by leveraging Turkana's livestock and rangeland resources.

"Food security remains a priority for the county. Through

fodder production of such magnitude, Turkana can tap into the livestock and pasture value chain to achieve this goal," said Dr. Erus.

The Deputy Governor lauded the proposal's inclusion of a knowledge transfer component to strengthen local universities and urged that vocational training centres should also be integrated into the proposed capacity-building framework.

"The Governor has consistently encouraged partners to invest in the livestock sector and pastoral economy, given the county's huge livestock population. This initiative aligns with that vision. It seeks not to replace pastoralists, but to strengthen and include them in the resulting economic opportunities," he added.

On his part, Sankoh noted that the proposal complements WFP's ongoing efforts in ecosystem restoration and food systems resilience, particularly amid the growing challenges posed by climate change.



World food programme delegation led by Deputy Country Director Bai Mankay Sankoh (fourth left) in a meeting with deputy governor Dr John Erus where a proposal to put 50,000 hectares of land under fodder production was discussed. PHOTO: PETER GITONGA




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The following advertised posts are hereby cancelled.

V/NO.	POST	MINISTRY/STATE DEPARTMENT	GRADE	NO. OF VACANCIES
153/2025	Director Foreign Service/Minister II	Foreign Affairs	CSG 5	37
154/2025	Deputy Director Foreign Service/Minister Counsellor		CSG 6	26
155/2025	Assistant Director Foreign Service/Counsellor		CSG 7	23

The details of the posts and mode of application can be accessed on the Commission's website. Interested and qualified persons are required to make their applications **ONLINE** through the Commission website: [www.publicservice.go.ke](http://www.publicservice.go.ke) or jobs portal: [www.psckjobs.go.ke](http://www.psckjobs.go.ke) so as to reach the Commission on or before 18th November, 2025 (Latest 5 pm East African Time).

**Caution:** Beware of fraudsters soliciting for bribes from the public while masquerading as Commission staff. Public Service Commission does not charge any fee for job applications, shortlisting, interviews or appointments.

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**ADDENDUM:**  
**EXTENSION OF THE DEADLINE OF APPLICATION FOR THE RE-ADVERTISED POSITION OF INTERNAL AUDITOR**

Nyandarua National Polytechnic wishes to notify the public that the deadline for submission of applications for the following position, previously re-advertised on 5th November 2025, has been extended to **Monday, 8th December 2025**.

S/No	Vacancy	Job Grade	Job Group	No. of Posts
1	Internal Auditor	NyNP 10	N	1

Detailed job descriptions and additional information can be accessed in our website, [https://nyp.ac.ke/vacancies/](http://www.nyp.ac.ke/vacancies/)

**Application requirements:**  
Interested persons who meet the above qualifications should submit hard copy applications accompanied by: a copy of National Identification card, detailed CV, certified copies of academic and professional certificates and other testimonials to the undersigned on or before **Monday 8th December 2025** or deliver in person to the polytechnic during working hours.

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  - iii. HELB clearance
  - iv. Clearance from EACC
  - v. Clearance from a recognized Credit Reference Bureau (CRB)
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# Kenya eyes 80 million tonnes of Livestock feed with 40 million hectares investment

BY ERASTUS GICHOHI (KNA)

The country needs to invest in and commercialize over 40 million hectares of land capable of producing up to 80 million metric tonnes of livestock feed annually to address the persistent deficit. Currently, Kenya produces only 15 million metric tonnes of feed each year, while the livestock population continues to rise, with over 22 million cattle and more than 58 million sheep and goats.

To address this shortage, the country has long relied on importing crucial feed supplements, which has increased production costs for local farmers. Pastoralist communities, which account for over 70 percent of the livestock population, have suffered significant losses during extreme droughts and floods due to feed shortages.

According to John Maina, Head of Rangeland Resources Management at the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock, the government is adopting modern technologies to scale up feed production and meet the growing demand.

Maina said the government is implementing key interventions to address increased degradation of rangelands across the country, which currently stands at 40 per cent, affecting adequate fodder production.

"By addressing the health of rangelands, planting the right feed materials will ensure the production of up to 80M metric tonnes of feeds annually and meet our current deficit", said Maina.

In addition, he said the gov-



**Livestock breeds at the Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organization Naivasha Centre.** PHOTO BY ERASTUS GICHOHI

ernment is upgrading necessary infrastructure for feed storage, which will cushion farmers from unprecedented weather patterns such as drought and floods that have left communities counting losses.

"Kenya loses eight per cent of its Gross Domestic Product [GDP] during extreme drought and flood seasons, and the commercialisation of feeds and better storage will help address this", said Maina.

Speaking to the press on the sidelines of stakeholders from Kenya, Somalia, and Ethiopia,

Prof. Ahmed Elbeltagy, the Policy pillar lead of the Africa Pastoral Markets Development [APMD], called for strengthening of rangelands to better feed security in the region.

Speaking on behalf of AUBAR Director Huyam Salih, He said, IGAD member states will activate a task force to oversee implementation of policy frameworks that will promote livestock feed security and rangelands management in partnership with the private sector.

Prof. Elbeltagy said the feed

sector in the Horn of Africa has faced numerous challenges, including droughts, insecurity and conflicts, adding that necessary investments aim to better farmers' livelihoods.

On his part, Guyo Roba, the

**Kenya loses eight per cent of its Gross Domestic Product [GDP] during extreme drought and flood seasons**

Head of Dryland Development Unit at IGAD, Horn of Africa, has a 40 per cent feed deficit, with climate change further affecting adequate feed production for the region's livestock population.

He decried the lack of a harmonious and strong seed certification system in the region that has affected cross-border feed trade, especially during high-demand season, noting that the region has a current seed deficit of 50 per cent.

Roba called for multi-faced approaches involving investing in rangelands governance, localised reseeding for degraded lands and better early warning systems and an effective strategic feed reserve for the unforeseeable future.

According to Dr. Ameha Sebsibe, a consultant on Livestock Trade and Feeds at IGAD, Kenya's pastoral regions face a 64 per cent feed shortage, while Ethiopia faces 10 per cent and Somalia at 50 percent.

He decried that during the 2020 - 2023 drought season, Kenya, Ethiopia and Somalia lost 13 million animals worth 1.2 billion USD, leaving over five million children malnourished.

He said the three countries account for 55 per cent of the over 300 million livestock resources in the IGAD region, with a lack of adequate quality feed affecting livestock yields.

Dr Sebsibe urged member states to scale up funding in feed production, storage and distribution to address deficiencies and invest in drought-tolerant grass species such as Juncao, Rhodes, Brancharia and Sudan grass, among other varieties.

## PS highlights role of youth in Kenya's digital and industrial growth

BY FREDRICK MARITIM (KNA)

The Principal Secretary for the State Department of Trade, Regina Ombam, has called for stronger collaboration between academia and industry to unlock the potential of Kenya's growing youth population and accelerate the country's journey toward industrialization.

Speaking at the ongoing Kenya Software and AI Summit 2025 at Moi University Annex Campus in Eldoret, Uasin Gishu County, Ombam emphasized that empowering young people with the right skills and innovation opportunities is key to building a resilient digital economy.

"Bringing our young people into spaces where they can perform at their best is crucial in transforming Kenya into the industrialized economy we aspire to be," she said.

The PS noted that Kenya's fast-growing youth population, coupled with the expanding digital ecosystem, positions the country strategically to compete globally, provided the next generation of developers and startups are properly equipped.

"Our task is not just to train developers, but to nurture innovators who can build the future," Ombam emphasized. "Today's developer must understand real human problems, appreciate the value chain, and confidently leverage emerging technologies," she explained.

She underscored the need for curriculum reforms, industry mentorship and competency-based training that focus on building, testing, and deploying solutions rather than passing exams.

According to Ombam, formal education has not kept pace with market and industry



**Principal Secretary for Trade, Regina Ombam, delivers her remarks during the Kenya Software and AI Summit 2025 at Moi University Annex Campus in Eldoret, Uasin Gishu County.** PHOTO: FREDRICK MARITIM

needs, making collaboration with the private sector vital.

"We must encourage our youth to focus on solving Kenya's problems first, and then scale those solutions across Africa," she said.

The PS also called for a supportive innovation ecosystem that promotes ease of doing business for startups, enables public procurement from local innovators, and ensures affordable access to the internet, cloud credits, and developer tools to lower the cost of innovation.

Ombam also emphasized the importance of bridging the gap between learning and practice by embedding internships, hackathons and mentorship programs into education from the first year of study.

"We need to expand participation of students, girls, rural youth and innovators from the informal sector. When talent is equally distributed and more voices are represented, innovation grows exponentially," she noted. The Kenya Software and AI Summit 2025 convened stakeholders from academia, government and the tech sector to explore development

# Maasai Cultural Festival to become international tourism event, says CS

BY DIANA MENETO (KNA)

The Maasai Cultural Festival is set to be elevated to an international tourism event, Cabinet Secretary (CS) for Tourism and Wildlife, Rebecca Miano, has announced.

Speaking on the final day of the festival in Amboseli, Kajiado County, Miano praised the Maasai community for their commitment to preserving their culture and noted that the event has grown into a major attraction within the tourism sector.

"Since we have observed that the ceremony has been successful for three consecutive years, we will register it as an international event," she said.

She urged the organizers to work closely with her ministry to open the festival to global audiences and showcase the richness of Maasai heritage and Kenyan culture.

Miano also revealed that she will attend the United Nations Tourism Executive Council and General Assembly in Riyadh next week, where she plans to lobby for the event to be recognized as a UN Tourism Cultural Event.

Defense Cabinet Secretary, Soipan Tuya, affirmed the government's support for Maasai culture but emphasized the need to eradicate harmful practices.

"We want to very strongly say that it is time to phase out all the negative aspects of our culture, among them female genital mutilation and early marriages, which have made the community lag behind in terms of development," she said.



1. **The Cabinet Secretary for Tourism and Wildlife, Rebecca Miano, her counterpart for Defense Soipan Tuya and Kajiado Governor, Joseph ole Lenku on the final day of the Maasai Cultural Festival in Amboseli, Kajiado County.**
2. **The Cabinet Secretary for Tourism and Wildlife, Rebecca Miano, on the final day of the Maasai Cultural Festival in Amboseli, Kajiado County.**
3. **Maasai Morans dancing on the Maasai Cultural Festival in Amboseli, Kajiado County.**

Kajiado County Governor Joseph Ole Lenku, noted that the festival provides a platform for the community to rewrite its narrative, counter stereotypes and instill cultural pride in younger generations.

"Our culture has become the



single most recognized African culture worldwide. We want our children to understand our values, to become true Africans who understand patriotism and conservation in an African way," he said.

He added that the festival

also highlights issues affecting the community, including land fragmentation.

Since its inauguration in August 2023 in Narok County, Maa-speaking communities have sustained the Annual Festival, now in its Third Edition.

## Kenyan tea set for global branding boost

BY WANGARI NDIRANGU (KNA)

Kenyan tea stakeholders are partnering with the French Development Agency (AFD), the French Embassy in Kenya, and Equity Group to support an ongoing feasibility study on Geographical Indications (GI), a tool designed to enhance the international branding and value of Kenyan tea. The study, conducted by the Centre for International Agricultural Research for Development (CIRAD), began in September and is expected to conclude in December 2025. It focuses on tea-growing areas in the Aberdare Ranges, the Mt. Kenya region, and the Kericho Highlands.

Findings will inform strategies for implementing GI across all tea-growing regions in Kenya. Willy Mutai, the CEO of the Tea Board of Kenya, said on Thursday (today) that the study seeks to document the unique qualities of Kenyan tea linked to their geographic origins and explore how branding them as origin-specific products can increase value and competitiveness in global markets.

"Geographical Indications can help position Kenyan tea as a world-class origin brand, protecting our farmers' heritage while improving their earnings," he added.



## KENYA BIOVAX INSTITUTE LIMITED

### NATIONAL TENDER

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The Institute invites eligible firms to provide services as follows:

TENDER NUMBER.	TENDER NAME	ELIGIBILITY	CLOSING/OPENING DATE
KBI/903/0005/2025-26	Provision of Proposed Office Partitions on 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> floor for Kenya Biovax at KWFT, Nairobi County. (procurement of building works and associated engineering works)	Open	2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2025 at 1000hrs
KBI/903/0006/2025-26	Provision of Consulting Services for Updating the Environmental and Social Impact Assessment (ESIA) and Environmental and Social Management Plan (ESMP)	Open	26 <sup>th</sup> November 2025 At 1000hrs

All Interested suppliers are required to register on the [Electronic Government Procurement System \(e-GPs\)](#) vide the portal [www.egpkenya.go.ke](http://www.egpkenya.go.ke) to access the tenders free of charge. Tender clarifications are to be channelled through the eGP system.

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## MINISTRY OF WATER AND SANITATION CENTRAL RIFT VALLEY WATER WORKS DEVELOPMENT AGENCY (on behalf of Lake Victoria South Water Works Development Agency)

### CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR SUPERVISION OF CONSTRUCTION OF INTAKE IMPROVEMENT WORKS FOR MIGORI & ISEBANIA TOWNS WATER SUPPLY SYSTEM AND UGUNJA LAST MILE CONNECTIVITY PROJECT

#### ADDENDUM NO. 1

Reference is made to the invitation for expression of interest for the above consultancy Services Published On my Gov on 11<sup>th</sup> November, 2025, the tender no. **CRVWWDA/LVS/AFDB/C/LMC/NANDIHILLS-KLGORIS/2025-2026 is hereby amended to CRVWWDA/LVS/AFDB/C/LMC/MIG-ISEB-UGUNJA/2025-2026.**

Interested consultants may obtain further information at the address below during office hours between **8.00 a.m to 5.00 p.m** local (Kenya) time, except on weekends and public holidays.

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# Kenya eyes new trade deal with U.S. after AGOA ends



Cabinet Secretary for Investments, Trade, and Industry, Lee Kinyanjui speaking during the State of Trade Kenya forum in Nairobi. PHOTO BY NAIF RASHID

BY NAIF RASHID (KNA)

Cabinet Secretary for Investments, Trade, and Industry, Lee Kinyanjui, has called for renewed dynamism in Kenya's trade strategy following the expiry of the African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA), emphasizing that the country must now

forge a modern, investment-led partnership with the United States and other global markets. Speaking on Thursday at the American Chamber of Commerce (AMCHAM) State of Trade in Kenya Forum in Nairobi, Kinyanjui said Kenya remains optimistic about a positive policy

announcement from Washington before the end of the year. He, however, noted that in the meantime, the country must continue positioning itself as a continental trade and industrial hub.

"Kenya remains the gateway to East Africa and the rest of the

continent," he said.

"We must seize the opportunity to build smarter, more resilient frameworks. This includes deepening Special Economic Zones, attracting investment in sectors like electric vehicles and pharmaceuticals, and using lessons from the pandemic to diversify supply chains," he added.

The CS said that the government's decision to lift the moratorium on power purchase agreements (PPAs) marks a significant step in addressing frequent power outages and high energy costs that have hindered manufacturing growth.

He said the policy shift will enhance industrial competitiveness, lower production costs, and attract investors into Kenya's energy and manufacturing ecosystems.

Kinyanjui emphasized that the post-AGOA era presents a chance to develop a balanced and sustainable trade regime that promotes value addition and regional integration in line with the objectives of the African Continental Free Trade Area (AfCFTA). "We are not waiting for opportunities; we are creating them, Kenya's next trade chapter must be defined by innovation, competitiveness, and partnerships that deliver prosperity for our people," Kinyanjui said. On her part, Ms. Angela Ng'ang'a, AMCHAM Kenya Board President, said the end of AGOA should not be seen as a setback but as an opportunity

for Kenya and the United States to redefine their partnership on more reciprocal and forward-looking terms.

"Global trade is evolving, and so must we. Kenya and the U.S. now have a chance to shape a reciprocal, investment-driven platform that reflects the realities of a digital and diversified global economy," she stated.

Ms. Ng'ang'a encouraged increased U.S. investment in Kenya's textile and agricultural value chains and reaffirmed the private sector's commitment to sustained policy dialogue and regional trade development.

She added that American investors continue to view Kenya as a stable and strategic entry point into the East African market.

U.S.-Africa trade expert Gavin van der Burg described the AGOA expiry as a catalyst for innovation rather than retreat, urging both nations to use the moment to design a more inclusive and sustainable model for the future.

"AGOA was never meant to be permanent. Now is the time to build a model for the future shaped in Nairobi by African talent and American partnership," he said.

Van der Burg highlighted Kenya's integrated cotton and apparel value chain as a practical example of the partnership's potential, where U.S. cotton is imported, processed locally into garments, and exported back to the U.S.



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## Public Notice

### Automation of Bank Guarantees in iCMS

Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) wishes to inform all stakeholders including importers, exporters, clearing agents, and other customs stakeholders that effective **1st December, 2025**, all Bank Guarantees shall be executed and managed exclusively through the Integrated Customs Management System (iCMS).

This transition is part of KRA's ongoing efforts to enhance efficiency, transparency, and automation in customs processes. Stakeholders are therefore advised to ensure that all future Bank Guarantees are processed within the iCMS platform in compliance with this directive.

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Kenya Bureau of Standards (KEBS) is a statutory body established under the Standards Act, Cap. 496, Laws of Kenya and it is mandated to offer among other services, quality inspection of imports based on Kenya Standards or approved specifications.

Pursuant to the provision of KS 1515:2000 - Kenya Standard Code of Practice for Inspection of Road Vehicles, and Legal Notice No.78 of 28th April 2020 - The Verification of Conformity to Kenya Standards of Imports Order, we wish to notify all importers of used / second-hand motor vehicles including returning residents, diplomatic staff and the general public that in observance of clause 2.5 of KS 1515:2000 on the eight (8) year age limit requirement, only Right Hand Drive (RHD) motor vehicles whose year of first registration is from 1st January 2019 and later shall be allowed into the country effective 1st January 2026.

Vehicles exported to Kenya shall be expected to comply with KS 1515:2000 — Kenya Code of Practice for Inspection of Road Vehicles while vehicles from countries where KEBS has an inspection agency (i.e. Japan, United Arab Emirates, United Kingdom, Thailand, Singapore, and South Africa) shall be accompanied with a Certificate of Roadworthiness (CoR) issued by Quality Inspection Services Inc. Japan (QISJ) which is an inspection company contracted by KEBS.

Further, the Certificates of Roadworthiness for vehicles whose year of first registration is 2018 will not be valid after 31st December 2025. All vehicles issued with such certificates must arrive at the Port of Destination / Entry by 31st December 2025. Any vehicle registered in 2018 or earlier, arriving after 31st December 2025 will be deemed not compliant with KS 1515:2000 and shall be rejected at the importer's expense.

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# The hidden health perks of youth home ownership

BY BERNARD WAKHUNGU  
(PCO)

When 29-year-old Brian Mwangi received yet another rent hike—an eye-watering Sh8,000 increase, his third in less than two years—he was stunned. But it was a friend's pointed question that truly struck a nerve: "How long will you keep paying off someone else's mortgage?" That question

changed everything for the young man.

Determined to break free from the cycle of ever-rising rent, Mwangi decided to pursue homeownership through the Boma Yangu Affordable Housing Programme. Today, instead of receiving rent payment reminders, Mwangi now gets construction updates for his very own studio unit in Kikuyu Town, courtesy of the Boma Yangu portal under the Affordable Housing

Programme.

For the first time, he feels a sense of control over his finances and future for he no longer pays rent to someone else, but he is investing directly in his own home. Mwangi's story is fast becoming a reality for many young Kenyans who are choosing to own houses rather than rent.

A growing body of international research shows that homeownership is not only a financial milestone

but also contributes to better health and longer life expectancy.

The Boma Yangu Affordable Housing Programme is helping Kenyans, especially the youth, access this life-changing opportunity. A 2024 study published in Demography found that owning a home offers a measurable longevity benefit.

In the United States for instance, young homeowners enjoy an average

4.1-year life expectancy advantage over renters. While in the United Kingdom, studies show that people report better physical and mental health once they transition from renting to ownership.

In Japan, a 2024 study revealed that older adults living in owner-occupied homes experience the lowest mortality risk, while in Australia, 38 percent of renters report mental health strain caused by

housing insecurity compared to just 23 percent of homeowners.

Buying a home early in life also makes practical financial sense. A mortgage taken between the ages of 25 and 35 can be spread over several decades, meaning that by the time one reaches retirement, the home is fully or nearly paid off. Renters, however, continue to pay indefinitely, often facing rising costs with age.



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WATER ACT 2016 Section 70,72,85, 87 & 139

## PUBLIC CONSULTATION MEETING ON TARIFF ADJUSTMENT AND LICENCING

The Water Services Regulatory Board (WASREB) has received applications from four (4) Water Service Providers (WSPs) for tariff reviews and licensing. These applications are submitted in line with Section 72(1)(b) of the Water Act 2016, aiming to enable full cost recovery to ensure sustainable service delivery and facilitate critical investments for improved water services. Additionally, licensing applications have been submitted under Section 85(1) of the Water Act 2016.

Therefore, in compliance to WASREB principal object under the Water Act 2016 Section 70(1) "protection of the interests and rights of consumers in the provision of water services", Section 87(1)- "An application for a licence and tariff shall be subject to public participation" read together with the provision of Section 139, we hereby notify the public of upcoming consultation meetings. These meetings will provide stakeholders an opportunity to express their views on current service delivery, proposed licensing conditions, tariff adjustments and potential service improvements.

Please note that the Water Service Provider shall hold hybrid public consultation meeting (physical and virtual) as outlined below.

Water Service Provider (WSP)	COUNTY	VENUE	DATE AND TIME	TYPE OF APPLICATION
Kirandich Water Company Limited (KIWACO)	Baringo	Kenya School of Government, Auditorium, Kabarnet Town	9 <sup>th</sup> December 2025 at 10.00 a.m	Tariff Adjustment
Nyeri Water & Sanitation Company Limited (NYEWASCO)	Nyeri	Wangari Mathai Cultural Centre, Nyeri, near department of public works	9 <sup>th</sup> December 2025 at 10.00 a.m	Tariff Adjustment
Limuru Water & Sewerage Company Limited (LIWASCO)	Kiambu	Jumuia Conference & Country Home next to St Paul's University.	11 <sup>th</sup> of December 2025 at 10.00 a.m	Tariff Adjustment
Garissa Water and Sewerage Company Limited (GAWASCO)	Garissa	Government Guest House in Garissa.	11 <sup>th</sup> of December 2025 at 10.00 a.m	Licence and Tariff Adjustment

### Important information:

- Each WSP is required to engage with stakeholders in different zones within its service area before the scheduled public consultation and submit a report to the Regulatory Board.
- Participants should be seated by 10.00am. Personal identification of participants will be required.
- Members of the public in respective areas are invited to make oral and written submissions and ask any questions that may relate to the provision of water services in their areas.
- Details regarding the proposed tariff adjustment, minor investments and performance targets can be accessed at [www.wasreb.go.ke](http://www.wasreb.go.ke).

Written comments on the application can be emailed to WASREB at [info@wasreb.go.ke](mailto:info@wasreb.go.ke). Hard copies can be submitted to:

The Chief Executive Officer,  
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The closing date for receipt of comments is 30 days after the publication of this notice.

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## 13<sup>TH</sup> GRADUATION CEREMONY FRIDAY, 19<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER, 2025

Maasai Mara University wishes to inform all prospective graduands for the 2024/2025 Academic year, parents/guardians, alumni and members of the public that the 13<sup>th</sup> Graduation Ceremony will be held on Friday, 19<sup>th</sup> December, 2025 at the Graduation Pavilion, commencing at 9.00am. The event will also be streamed live through the University website and Facebook page. The links will be made available on the University website; [www.mmarau.ac.ke](http://www.mmarau.ac.ke).

### LIST OF GRADUANDS

The graduation list will be posted on the University website. [www.mmarau.ac.ke](http://www.mmarau.ac.ke).

### CLEARANCE OF FEES

Graduands are expected to complete any outstanding fees latest Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2025. Those who will not have completed the fees by the given deadline will not be cleared for graduation.

### GRADUATION AND CONVOCATION FEES

Graduands are required to pay the following mandatory charges for the various categories:

S/No	PROGRAM	CHARGES ( KSHs)
1	Ph.D	7,500
2	Masters	6,500
3	Bachelors	5,500
4	Diploma	4,500
5	Certificate	4,500

### ALUMNI REGISTRATION FEES

Pursuant to Article 4, Section (c) of the Alumni constitution, all graduands are required to pay a subscription fee of KShs. 1,000/- (One Thousand Shillings) only before they graduate.

Payments should be made through the E-citizen platform via the Juunge Online Application - not later than Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> November, 2025.

### COLLECTION OF ACADEMIC GOWNS

Graduation gowns will be available for graduands at the Main campus. The collection schedule will be communicated through the website. Forms for hire of gowns can be downloaded from the University website [www.mmarau.ac.ke](http://www.mmarau.ac.ke). Graduation gowns should be returned latest by Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> January, 2026. Those who fail to observe the deadline will be required to pay a penalty at the rate of KShs. 1,000/- (One Thousand Shillings) per day, inclusive of weekends.

### INVITATION CARDS

During the hiring of the academic gown, each graduand will be given two (2) invitation cards for their guests. Any person without an invitation card will not be allowed to the Graduation Pavilion.

### REHEARSAL

The rehearsal is an integral part of the Graduation Ceremony. All graduands intending to participate in the ceremony must attend the rehearsal at the Graduation Pavilion in full academic attire on Thursday, 18<sup>th</sup> December, 2025 at 10.00 a.m.

### COLLECTION OF CERTIFICATES

Certificates will be ready for collection from the University Examinations Office at the start of February, 2026. The specific dates will be communicated through the University website in January, 2026. Certificates not collected beyond a period of One (1) year after graduation will attract a storage fee of KShs. 10,000/- (Ten Thousand Shillings) per year.

### PUNCTUALITY

All graduands and invited guests are advised to be seated by 8.00a.m.

### For more information, please contact:

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# Malindi hospital gets Sh50 million upgrade for lifesaving services

BY SADIK HASSAN (KNA)

The Coast Development Authority (CDA) has officially handed over a state-of-the-art Intensive Care Unit (ICU) and High Dependency Unit (HDU) block at Malindi Sub-County Referral Hospital, marking a major boost to emergency and critical care services in the lower Coast region.

The new facility is expected to significantly expand access to lifesaving care for residents of Kilifi County as well as neighbouring Lamu and Tana River counties, easing the pressure on long-distance referrals and strengthening the region's health system.

Constructed at a cost of Sh50 million, the project was delivered in two phases: the ground floor now hosts the ICU, while the first floor accommodates the HDU and a mini-theatre. The block has an eight-bed capacity, including an isolation room, and will be jointly equipped by the CDA and the Kilifi County Government.

Speaking during the handover ceremony, Cabinet Secretary for East African Community, ASALs and Regional Development, Hon. Beatrice Askul Moe, hailed the project as a model of

effective cooperation between the national and county governments.

"This project is a true reflection of collaboration, coordination, and consultation between the national and county governments. I commend the Kilifi County leadership for their commitment to improving healthcare delivery," said CS Moe. She reaffirmed the Ministry's support in ensuring the facility is fully equipped through a cost-sharing arrangement involving the CDA and the county government.

"The infrastructure is perfect, and we will immediately move to equip it. This project is a great gift to the people of Kilifi and neighbouring counties," she said. Dr Mwanasiti Bendera, the Acting Managing Director of CDA, expressed her satisfaction with the completion of the project under the Malindi Integrated Social Health Development Programme (MSHDIP) Phase 2.

"This programme has been implemented in close collaboration with the Kilifi County Government, particularly the Department of Health, to ensure citizens benefit from improved healthcare services."

Dr Bendera noted that the



Malindi Sub-County Referral Hospital serves a wide catchment area extending beyond Kilifi County to neighbouring Tana River, Lamu, and parts of Garissa, making the facility a vital regional health hub.

"This ICU is essential not only for Kilifi but for the entire Coast

region. It will reduce the burden of transferring critical patients to distant facilities like Kilifi or Coast General Teaching and Referral Hospital in Mombasa," she added.

On her part, Kilifi Deputy Governor Florence Mbetsa Chibule lauded the Coast CDA

1. The newly constructed ICU and HDU block at the Malindi Sub-County hospital, constructed by the Coast Development Authority.
2. The Cabinet Secretary for EAC, ASALs and Regional Development Beatrice Askul Moe (Centre) briefs the press after handing over a newly constructed ICU and HDU block at the Malindi Sub-County hospital. PHOTOS: HANIEL MENGISTU/KNA

for successfully implementing the ultra-modern ICU and HDU project at Malindi Sub-County Referral Hospital.

She noted that the completion of the facility marks a major milestone in improving healthcare delivery within Kilifi County and the wider Coastal region.

## State allocates funds to open roads in insecure Kerio Valley

BY RENNISH OKONG'O (KNA)

The Government has allocated resources to open up and expand roads in insecure areas within the Kerio Valley and parts of Northern and Upper Eastern Kenya to support ongoing security operations. Speaking in Chesongoch, Elgeyo Marakwet County, Interior Cabinet Secretary Kipchumba Murkomen said the move will enable security officers to access remote and rugged regions that have long served as hideouts for bandits and criminal groups. "We are going to set aside resources that will help us reach certain areas where we are conducting security operations," Murkomen stated, adding, "This will not only improve mobility for our security agencies but also open up these regions for development."

The Cabinet Secretary noted that the initiative aligns with President William Ruto's broader plan to transform marginalized regions.

"The President has a Marshall Plan to develop all the marginalized arid and semi-arid areas," he said. "We want to ensure that the communities in these regions are not left behind in terms of infrastructure, security



1. From right First Lady, Mama Rachel Ruto, Interior Cabinet Secretary Kipchumba Murkomen and Special Programmes Cabinet Secretary, Geoffrey Kiringa Ruku, during a visit to Chesongoch area of Kerio Valley.
2. Interior Cabinet Secretary Kipchumba Murkomen speaking at Chesongoch, Elgeyo Marakwet.



and other developments."

Murkomen reaffirmed the government's commitment to ending banditry in the Kerio Valley once and for all, praising residents for cooperating with authorities in surrendering firearms.

"We are serious, we will finish banditry in the Kerio Valley region," he declared. "I thank everyone who has surrendered guns. It is a good step forward, and the only remaining thing is to conduct empowerment programs that will support reformed bandits into engaging in gainful economic activities," CS observed. He revealed that 10 guns were recently surrendered in Tiaty, bringing the total number of recovered firearms to over 300 since the intensified disarmament campaign began.

Murkomen emphasized that the government's goal is to ensure that no illegal guns remain in civilian hands, saying, "We want to make sure that all the guns have left the possession of civilians."

The Interior CS underscored that peace and security in the Kerio Valley, would pave way for a lasting development and restore confidence among residents who have lived in fear for years.

# Kirinyaga sets aside Sh100 million to expand Mwea water supply

BY DAVID WANDETO (KNA)

The County Government of Kirinyaga has set aside Sh100 million for the expansion of the bulk water supply system, which will benefit more than 30,000 households in Mwea Sub-County.

The allocation will finance the first phase of the extension of the Katus-Kimbimbi bulk water main pipeline and its feeder lines, aimed at providing clean and safe domestic water to residents of Gathigiriri, Tebere, and Thiba wards.

Governor Anne Waiguru said the project marks a major milestone in her administration's efforts to ensure that every household in the county has access to reliable piped water. She noted that the expansion will significantly reduce reliance on unsafe water sources and ease the burden on women and children who travel long distances in search of water.

Speaking during the State of the County Address (SOCA) at the Kirinyaga County Assembly, Waiguru said the county has made great strides in water infrastructure development, with Mwea now receiving priority attention due to its lower coverage compared to other sub-counties.

"Compared to other sub-counties, Mwea was lagging behind in water coverage,

both for domestic and irrigation use. This is why we are investing significant resources to ensure piped water reaches all residents," said the Governor.

Waiguru explained that the ongoing expansion will be undertaken in phases. Mutithi and Wamumu wards will be supplied through the extension of the Kandongu-Mutithi bulk water pipeline. The rehabilitation of the Nyamindi intake will serve residents of Nyangati and parts of Gathigiriri and Tebere, while Kangai ward will benefit from the extension of existing lines to areas such as Kombuini, Kangai, and Karii.

She said that the residents of Murinduko ward are set to receive clean water upon the completion of the Mugaro Water Project, which is currently under construction.

Governor Waiguru further noted that the county has prioritized investment in smaller water projects across various wards to complement the larger bulk systems. She said a total of 33 projects involving the drilling of boreholes, construction of intakes, and installation of water fittings are ongoing at a cost of Sh44.8 million. The projects are expected to increase the number of residents with access to clean water to 78 percent across the county.

The Governor added that since 2017, her administration has



**Kirinyaga Governor Anne Waiguru (C) with Wamumu MCA, Peter Njiru during a development tour in Mwea, where she issued water pipes to help residents access clean water for farming and domestic use.**

undertaken over 200 new water projects through direct government funding and community partnerships, raising the total number of active projects from 170 to 370. These interventions have extended safe and reliable water to more than 100,000 households across the county.

"The above investment in water projects has collectively increased household connections from 67,790 in 2017 to the current 139,596. This has eased the burden of fetching water from distant or unsafe sources, improved hygiene, reduced water-borne diseases, and enhanced productivity," said Waiguru.

She explained that access to water has also boosted small-scale irrigation, livestock rearing, construction activities, and

the growth of cottage industries such as car wash stations and hospitality enterprises. Reliable water supply, she said, is also reducing conflicts over scarce water resources and promoting peaceful coexistence among communities. To ensure sustainability of the water systems, Waiguru said the county has embarked on reforms to curb water losses and enhance efficiency at the Kirinyaga County Water and Sanitation Company (KICOWASCO). Through these reforms, non-revenue water (NRW) has been reduced from 59 percent to 47 percent, and the county targets to bring this down to below 35 percent by next year. She attributed the progress to improved monitoring mechanisms, including the

installation of a master meter at the Muratiri Water Treatment Plant, which now allows for accurate tracking of water production against consumption.

Further, the county is installing 27 electro-magnetic zonal meters and District Metering Area (DMA) systems to strengthen flow management and billing accuracy across different service zones. These systems are designed to ensure that every drop of water is accounted for and that losses from leakages, bursts, and illegal connections are minimized.

"This reform has enhanced accountability, improved operational efficiency, and positioned the utility to serve our growing population better," Waiguru stated.

## Kisumu partners with Germany to upgrade firefighting services

BY CHRIS MAHANDARA (KNA)

Kisumu City is set for a major boost in emergency response after signing a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the German town of Gertshofen, paving the way for the acquisition of modern fire engines, protective gear, and specialized training for local fire personnel.

The agreement, signed by Gertshofen Mayor Michael Wörle, Kisumu City Manager Abala Wanga, and County Executive Committee Member for Environment Judy Oluoch, is expected to revitalize the city's fire response mechanisms.

Wanga said the partnership will enhance the city's disaster preparedness, which has long been hampered by outdated equipment, understaffing, and limited technical capacity.

"Our firefighters will now undergo advanced train-

ing both in Germany and locally. Kisumu will also receive high-quality personal protective equipment (PPE) and modern fire engines to improve safety and response efficiency," he said.

Although Kisumu serves a fast-growing urban population and hosts major installations including industries, malls, estates, fuel depots and the port, the city relies on aging fire trucks and limited manpower.

In several past incidences, including factory fires in Nyamasaria, market infernos and residential fires in Kondele, fire teams have struggled to access narrow roads, operate outdated machinery, or secure enough water.

Some firefighters still work with worn-out boots, gloves, and helmets, heightening their risks during emergencies.

"This initiative is more than equipment. We are importing



**Kisumu City Manager, Abala Wanga (Left) and Gertshofen Mayor Michael Wörle, during the signing of the MoU at his offices.**

PHOTOS BY CHRIS MAHANDARA

knowledge, technology and new operating standards. By the end of this year, Kisumu will be better prepared to protect lives, property and investments," Wanga said.

**Our firefighters will now undergo advanced training both in Germany and locally**

Under the agreement, experts from Gertshofen will train Kisumu fire officers in rapid response, fire engine operations, rescue techniques and disaster coordination.

The deal also opens doors for Kisumu personnel to train in Bavaria, gaining exposure to advanced systems used in European cities.

The cooperation is expected to boost disaster resilience along the Lakeside City's growing commercial and industrial corridor, particularly with the expansion of port operations, new investments in Real Estate, and increased traffic of fuel and cargo trucks.

Wanga said the first phase of implementation will begin later this year, with delivery of equipment and the start of training sessions.

"This is a step towards a safer and more resilient Kisumu," Wanga said.

The partnership adds to ongoing efforts by the County to improve emergency response, including plans to establish satellite fire stations and strengthen fire hydrant infrastructure across estates and the CBD.

# Ministry underlines its commitment to attaining WHO Maturity Level 3 for Health product regulation

BY JUDY SHERI  
(PCO)

Health Cabinet Secretary, Aden Duale has underlined the Government's commitment to achieving World Health Organization (WHO) Maturity Level 3 (ML3) status for health product regulation which is a major milestone aimed at strengthening Kenya's capacity to ensure the quality, safety, and efficacy of all medical products.

Speaking during a high-level strategic engagement with the National Quality Control Laboratory (NQCL) Board and senior management at the institution's headquarters in Nairobi, the CS said attaining WHO ML3 status will position Kenya among countries with stable, internationally recognised regulatory systems for medical products.

"This milestone is critical for enhancing access to quality-assured medicines, strengthening local pharmaceutical manufacturing, and re-inforcing pandemic preparedness," said

Duale.

This milestone, the CS added, will also build public confidence by guaranteeing that health products in Kenya are consistently safe, effective, and of the highest quality a key pillar in realising Universal Health Coverage (UHC)

The engagement followed an earlier meeting with the NQCL Board at the Ministry, where longstanding institutional challenges were reviewed and sustainable strategies developed to strengthen operational capacity and improve overall performance.

During an inspection of the facility, the CS highlighted the need to fast-track the calibration, repair, and maintenance of six stalled HPLC machines to accelerate the laboratory's full operationalisation, enhance efficiency, and boost revenue generation.

The CS was hosted by NQCL Board Chairperson Dr John Muturi and Chief Executive Officer Dr Sultani Matendechero, and was accompanied by the Principal Secretary for Public Health and Professional Standards Ms Mary Muthoni and the Director General for Health Dr Patrick Amoth.



## AGRICULTURE AND FOOD AUTHORITY

### NOTICE TO ALL JUTE PRODUCTS IMPORTERS

#### AUTOMATION OF JUTE PRODUCTS IMPORT LICENSE AND PERMIT APPLICATION PROCESS

The Cabinet Secretary, Agriculture and Livestock Development through a Gazette notice number 14820 of 15th November 2024 gazetted jute as a scheduled crop to be developed, regulated and promoted by Agriculture and Food Authority.

Pursuant to the above Gazette notice, the Authority has automated the jute products import license and permit application processes on Agriculture and Food Authority - Integrated Management Information System (AFA-IMIS) and KENTRADE Trade Facilitation Platform (TFP) respectively, to facilitate ease of doing business and enhance trade. The Authority therefore wishes to inform all stakeholders that the above applications will "go live" on both systems effective 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2026.

The portals for license and permit applications are accessible on AFA-IMIS portal at <https://imis.afa.go.ke/afa/> and KENTRADE TFP portal at <http://tfp.kenyatradenet.go.ke/> respectively.

For more information or clarification, send an email to: [info@afa.go.ke](mailto:info@afa.go.ke)

DR. BRUNO LINYIRU, OGW  
DIRECTOR GENERAL



## MICRO AND SMALL ENTERPRISES AUTHORITY

### NOTICE TO ALL INTERESTED BIDDERS

#### TENDER NO. MSEAA/REG/001/2025-2027. REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS FOR SUPPLY OF GOODS, WORKS AND SERVICES FOR A PERIOD OF TWO (2) YEARS (2025/2027)

##### ADDENDUM 1

Micro and Small Enterprises Authority advertised for registration of suppliers for supply of goods works and services on page 2 of MyGov newspaper dated 4th November 2025. The Authority wishes to extend the closing date as follows;

Reference no	Description	Eligibility	Earlier tender closing date	New tender closing date
MSEAA/REG/001/2025-2027	REGISTRATION OF SUPPLIERS FOR SUPPLY OF GOODS, WORKS AND SERVICES FOR A PERIOD OF TWO (2) YEARS (2025/2027)	Open National	18 <sup>th</sup> November 2025 at 1100hrs	2 <sup>nd</sup> December 2025 at 1100hrs

Eligible firms are encouraged to apply.

HENRY RITHAA  
DIRECTOR GENERAL/CEO



KENYA REVENUE AUTHORITY

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## Tender Notice

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

TENDER DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY	PREBID DATE/TIME	CLOSING/OPENING DATE, TIME AND VENUE
<b>KRA/HQS/RFP-001/2025-2026:</b> Supply, Delivery, Installation, Commissioning and Maintenance of Integrated Excisable Goods Management System (EGMS) for a period of Five (5) Years	OPEN	27 <sup>th</sup> November, 2025 at 11.00 a.m. VIRTUAL	16 <sup>th</sup> December, 2025 at 11.00 a.m. TIMES TOWER
<b>KRA/HQS/NCB-002/2025-2026:</b> Framework Contract for Supply and Delivery of Laptops for a period of Two (2) Years	RESERVED FOR WOMEN	26 <sup>th</sup> November, 2025 at 11.00 a.m. VIRTUAL	3 <sup>rd</sup> December, 2025 at 11.00 a.m. TIMES TOWER
<b>KRA/HQS/NCB-003/2025-2026:</b> Framework Contract for Supply and Delivery of Desktop Computers for a period of Two (2) Years.	OPEN	26 <sup>th</sup> November, 2025 at 11.00 a.m. VIRTUAL	3 <sup>rd</sup> December, 2025 at 11.00 a.m. TIMES TOWER
<b>KRA/HQS/NCB-004/2025-2026:</b> Renewal of SUSE Enterprise Linux Subscription for SAP Applications for a Period Of One (1) Year	OPEN	27 <sup>th</sup> November, 2025 at 11.00 a.m. VIRTUAL	4 <sup>th</sup> December, 2025 at 11.00 a.m. TIMES TOWER
<b>KRA/HQS/NCB-005/2025-2026:</b> Lease of Office space for Narok TSO	OPEN	27 <sup>th</sup> November, 2025 at 11.00 a.m. VIRTUAL	4 <sup>th</sup> December, 2025 at 11.00 a.m. TIMES TOWER
<b>KRA/HQS/NCB-006/2025-2026:</b> Lease of Office space for Embu TSO	OPEN	27 <sup>th</sup> November, 2025 at 11.00 a.m. VIRTUAL	4 <sup>th</sup> December, 2025 at 11.00 a.m. TIMES TOWER
<b>KRA/HQS/NCB-007/2025-2026:</b> Lease of Office Space at Wajir Town	OPEN	27 <sup>th</sup> November, 2025 at 11.00 a.m. VIRTUAL	4 <sup>th</sup> December, 2025 at 11.00 a.m. TIMES TOWER

Tender documents detailing the requirements of the above tenders may be obtained from the Kenya Revenue Authority website [www.kra.go.ke](http://www.kra.go.ke) and the Public Procurement Information Portal (PPIP) [www.tenders.go.ke](http://www.tenders.go.ke)

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# Green Investment Fund gains traction as pension sector backs climate finance drive



From right: Principal Secretary, State Department for Investment Promotion, Mr. Abubakar Hassan Abubakar, Prof. Dominic Mwenja, Chairman of the CBK Pension Fund

BY VICTORIA NJERI (PCO)

Kenya's ambition to lead Africa's green transition received a major boost as the country's pension sector threw its weight behind the Green Investment Fund (GIF), a landmark initiative designed to mobilize climate finance and accelerate sustainable development.

In a high-level dialogue convened by the State Department for Investment Promotion, Principal Secretary Abubakar Hassan Abubakar joined forces with the World Bank and top institutional investors to chart the path forward for the fund.

Among the key players were the Central Bank of Kenya (CBK) Pension Fund and the Public Service Superannuation Fund (PSSF), which together manage over half of Kenya's Ksh 2.5 trillion pension assets.

Their endorsement signals growing investor confidence in Kenya's green finance architecture and sets the stage for a billion-dollar investment platform aimed at powering climate-resilient enterprises.

The Green Investment Fund is envisioned as a private sector-led vehicle to attract both domestic and international capital into sectors critical to Kenya's green economy, such as sustainable transport, regenerative agriculture, and circular waste management.

Backed by the World Bank through the Kenya Jobs and Economic Transformation (KJET) Project,

the fund is designed to unlock long-term financing for enterprises that create jobs while reducing environmental impact.

The government, through the Kenya Development Corporation (KDC), has committed an initial seed investment of USD 40 million.

This anchor capital is expected to catalyze an additional USD 160 million from pension schemes and development finance institutions, with the ultimate goal of scaling the fund into a billion-dollar platform.

In his opening remarks, Abubakar emphasized that the fund will be independently managed and commercially governed to ensure transparency and investor trust.

"Kenya has the tools to turn perceived frontier risk into a bankable, investment-grade reality," he said. "Your capital is not just fuel, it is the ultimate vote of confidence that Kenya is open for strategic, high-impact business."

He highlighted the fund's alignment with national frameworks including Vision 2030, the Green Economy Strategy and Implementation Plan (2016–2030), the Climate Change Act (2016, amended 2023), and the Kenya Green Finance Taxonomy launched by the Central Bank earlier this year.

The CBK Pension Fund and PSSF's strong interest in the fund was a defining moment in the dialogue. Their backing not only validates the fund's structure but also

sends a powerful signal to other institutional investors about the viability of green assets.

Prof. Dominic Mwenja, Chairman of the CBK Pension Fund, described the fund as a catalytic platform: "The Green Investment Fund will leverage public and private capital to finance sustainable enterprises, create jobs, and strengthen Kenya's global competitiveness."

The World Bank's Global Director for Finance, Competitiveness and Investment, Niraj Verma, praised Kenya's leadership in establishing a blended finance mechanism aligned with international ESG standards.

He reaffirmed the Bank's commitment to providing technical assistance and risk mitigation tools to enhance investor confidence.

Discussions also focused on deepening engagement with pension trustees to broaden participation; exploring specialist fund structures for emerging sectors like the blue economy and finalizing a robust governance framework to safeguard independence and accountability.

The GIF will be overseen by a Fund Board, an Advisory Committee with public-private representation, and an independent Investment Committee comprising financial and climate finance experts.

A competitive process to appoint an independent fund manager is nearing completion, with onboarding expected by December 2025.



## RURAL ELECTRIFICATION AND RENEWABLE ENERGY CORPORATION

### INVITATION TO TENDER

**PROCURING ENTITY:** Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation P.O Box 34585 - 00100 Nairobi.

The Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation invites sealed bids for the following tenders/Contracts.

**CONTRACT NAME AND DESCRIPTION** as follows;

RFX No.	Contract name and Descriptions	Bid Security	Closing/Opening Date
1000001442	Supply, Installation, Testing & Commissioning of 5No. Solar PV systems in Bokura Energy Centre, Uasin Gishu Energy Centre, Maralal Energy Centre, Jamhuri Energy Centre and Wambugu Energy Centre	Required amount in TDS	10.12.2025 @10.00am.
1000001443	Construction of 5No. Cook Stoves Production Workshops in Maralal Energy Centre, Bokura Energy Centre, Jamhuri Energy Centre, Kitui Energy Centre and Mitunguu Energy Centre	Required amount in TDS	10.12.2025 @10.00am.
1000001444	Construction of Administration Block at Bumula Energy Centre	Required amount in TDS	10.12.2025 @10.00am.
1000001445	Construction of warehouse and gate at Bumula Energy Centre	Required amount in TDS	10.12.2025 @10.00am.
1000001446	Solar for schools maintenance contractors –Frame contract additional contractors	Required amount in TDS	10.12.2025 @10.00am.

1. Tendering will be conducted under open competitive method (National) using a standardized tender document. Youth, Women and Persons with Disability owned firms are encouraged to bid.
2. Qualified and interested tenderers may obtain further information and inspect the Tender Documents during office hours **8.00am - 12.45pm to 1.45pm-4.00pm Monday to Friday** at the address given below.
3. A complete set of tender documents may be viewed and downloaded by interested tenderers **free of charge** electronically from the Website [www.rerec.co.ke](http://www.rerec.co.ke) under November, 2025 tender documents, through the e-procurement portal using <https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44300/irj/portal> and on the Public Procurement Information Portal <https://tenders.go.ke>.
4. Tenderers who are not yet registered with REREC must register their companies in order to participate in the tender using link below that can be found from the website [www.rerec.co.ke](http://www.rerec.co.ke) Procurement-Supplier registration:[https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44200/supportal\(bD1bIZjPTUwMCZkPW1pbg==\)/bspwdapplication.do#VIEW\\_ANCHOR-ROS\\_TOP](https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44200/supportal(bD1bIZjPTUwMCZkPW1pbg==)/bspwdapplication.do#VIEW_ANCHOR-ROS_TOP)
5. Tenders shall be quoted in Kenya Shillings and shall include all taxes. Tenders shall remain valid for **133 days** from the date of opening of tenders.
6. Tenders must be accompanied by bank tender security of amount as specified in the TDS or Tender Securing Declaration Forms as specified in the TDS of the tender document. Original bid security must be submitted in the tender box before closing date and time indicated in the table above.
7. The Tenderer shall chronologically serialize all pages of the tender documents submitted.
8. Completed tenders must be delivered to the SRM portal; <https://suppliers.rea.co.ke:44300/irj/portal> with scanned documents uploaded to the collaboration folder on or before closing/opening date and time as indicated above. A guide on tender submission labelled **(Quick bidding reference)** can be found in the REREC website <https://www.rerec.co.ke/Supplier-Bidding-Quick-reference-guide.pdf>
9. Only Electronic Tenders will be permitted.
10. Any addendum to this tender shall be uploaded to the Corporation's website [www.rerec.co.ke](http://www.rerec.co.ke) and Public Procurement Information Portal <https://tenders.go.ke> under the specific tender documents.
11. 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 the Tenderers' designated representatives who choose to attend at the address below.
12. Late tenders will be rejected.
13. The addresses referred to above are:

#### Address for obtaining further information on tender documents

For hand Courier, Original Bid security delivered to the tender Box (Kawi Complex, Block C, Ground floor, Off Popo Road). Contact Manager, Supply chain management, telephone number: 0709193000 and e-mail address: [tenders@rerec.co.ke](mailto:tenders@rerec.co.ke)

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

**Address for Opening of Tenders.** Kawi Complex, Block C, Ground floor, **Online system**

#### Chief Executive Officer

#### Address for Submission of Tenders.

1. Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation
2. Postal Address: 34585 – 00100 Nairobi
3. Physical address for hand Courier Delivery: South C, Office Popo Road, Kawi Complex, Block C, Ground floor; e-mail address: [tenders@rerec.co.ke](mailto:tenders@rerec.co.ke) and [info@rerec.co.ke](mailto:info@rerec.co.ke)

#### Address for Opening of Tenders.

1. Rural Electrification and Renewable Energy Corporation
2. Physical address for the location: Kawi Complex, Block C, Ground floor.

**DR. ROSE N. MKALAMA**  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**



# IGRTC clinches top continental honour for local leadership excellence

BY DICKSON WEKESA  
(PCO)

The Intergovernmental Relations Technical Committee (IGRTC) has been awarded the prestigious Prix d'Excellence du Leadership Local – Pan-African Edition (PELL Award) for outstanding leadership in local governance.

The recognition was conferred during the 6th International Forum on Participatory Democracy in Africa (FIDEPA), held in Dakar, Senegal.

IGRTC triumphed over strong contenders from Senegal, Rwanda, Angola, and Côte d'Ivoire, having been shortlisted among the top three institutions in the category.

The PELL Award is organized by the International Observatory of Participatory Democracy in Africa (IOPD Africa) in collaboration with UCLG Africa and the African Union and it celebrates and promotes excellence in decentralization and local governance.

The award honours the transformative im-

pact of local leaders and grassroots actors who champion inclusive and participatory governance across the continent.

This initiative aligns with the African Charter on the Values and Principles of Decentralization, Local Governance, and Local Development, adopted by Heads of State at the African Union Summit in June 2014.

IGRTC made a submission on behalf of the Government of Kenya in July 2025, under the Local Leadership Award (Institutional Category) for directorates.

The submission canvased the progress that Kenya has made in devolution, since the repeal of the Local Government Act (Cap 265) to the new Constitution of Kenya in 2010, and the extent to which the objects of devolution have enhanced the involvement of citizens in Kenya's devolved system of governance.

Following evaluation of the submission by the Scientific Committee which provides intellectual support to the IOPD Africa, IGRTC

was shortlisted among the top five nominees in the Ministries and Technical Directorates category.

Speaking after receiving the award from the IGRTC delegation that presented and defended Kenya's submission during the Peer-Learning Conference, IGRTC Chief Executive Officer, Dr. Kipkurui Chepkwony, said the Committee takes pride in representing the Government of Kenya in showcasing our successes in devolution as a country.

He reiterated the significant and pivotal role that IGRTC plays in promoting excellence in local governance, and ensuring that the objects of devolution bear the fruit of delivering sustainable services to our citizens at the grassroots levels.

Guided by its vision of fostering effective and harmonious intergovernmental relations, IGRTC serves as an institutional bridge between the national and county governments, ensuring that devolution delivers on its promise of equitable development, efficiency, and citizen-centered service delivery.



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### CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Kenya University Teaching, Referral and Research Hospital (KUTRRH) is a State Corporation established under Legal Notice No. 4 of 2019 as a Level 6 Referral Hospital equipped with state-of-the-art medical equipment and facilities. KUTRRH employs cutting edge research, innovation, training and partnerships to keep abreast with advancements in healthcare management. The Hospital's vision is to be a premier referral Hospital renowned for excellence in clinical care, training, research and innovation with a mission to enhance the health and well-being of Kenyans and global citizens through provision of patient-centered and evidence-based healthcare.

KUTRRH is seeking to recruit highly motivated, dynamic and result oriented individuals of high integrity, innovation and ability to deliver results to fill vacant positions. The Hospital invites applications from suitably qualified candidates to fill the following positions on Contract and Permanent and Pensionable (P&P) terms:

SN.	POSITION	TERMS OF SERVICE	POSTS	GRADE	JOB REFERENCE NUMBER
1.	Deputy Director, Human Resource Management and Development	Contract	1	KUH 3	V/FT/22/2025
2.	Deputy Director, Administration	Contract	1	KUH 3	V/FT/23/2025
3.	Assistant Director, Security Services	P&P	1	KUH 4	V/FT/24/2025
4.	Senior Medical Specialist (Gastroenterology)	P&P	1	KUH 4	V/FT/25/2025
5.	Senior Medical Specialist (Haemato-oncology)	P&P	1	KUH 4	V/FT/26/2025
6.	Medical Specialist (Clinical Oncology)	P&P	2	KUH 5	V/FT/27/2025
7.	Medical Specialist (Radiation Oncology)	P&P	1	KUH 5	V/FT/28/2025
8.	Medical Specialist (Nuclear Medicine)	P&P	2	KUH 5	V/FT/29/2025
9.	Medical Specialist (Pediatric Surgery)	P&P	1	KUH 5	V/FT/30/2025
10.	Principal Partnership and Resource Mobilization Officer	P&P	1	KUH 5	V/FT/31/2025
11.	Principal Accountant (Credit Control)	P&P	1	KUH 5	V/FT/32/2025
12.	Senior Administrative Officer	P&P	1	KUH 6	V/FT/33/2025
13.	Senior Office Administrator	P&P	1	KUH 6	V/FT/34/2025
14.	Senior Counsellor	P&P	1	KUH 6	V/FT/35/2025
15.	Medical Officer	P&P	14	KUH 7	V/FT/36/2025
16.	Clinical Psychologist II	P&P	2	KUH 8	V/FT/37/2025
17.	Nutrition & Dietetics Officer II	P&P	2	KUH 8	V/FT/38/2025
18.	Research Officer II	P&P	1	KUH 8	V/FT/39/2025
19.	Registered Nurse II (Critical Care)	P&P	4	KUH 9	V/FT/40/2025
20.	Registered Nurse II (Neonatal Intensive Care Unit)	P&P	5	KUH 9	V/FT/41/2025
21.	Registered Nurse II (Palliative Nursing)	P&P	1	KUH 9	V/FT/42/2025
22.	Registered Nurse II (Pediatric Intensive Care Unit)	P&P	3	KUH 9	V/FT/43/2025
23.	Registered Nurse II (Pediatric Nursing)	P&P	5	KUH 9	V/FT/44/2025
24.	Registered Nurse II (Oncology Nursing)	P&P	2	KUH 9	V/FT/45/2025
25.	Registered Nurse II (Pediatric Oncology Nursing)	P&P	1	KUH 9	V/FT/46/2025
26.	Registered Nurse II (Cath-Lab Nursing)	P&P	3	KUH 9	V/FT/47/2025
27.	Assistant Radiographer II	P&P	1	KUH 9	V/FT/48/2025
28.	Registered Nurse III (General Nursing)	P&P	13	KUH 10	V/FT/49/2025
29.	Health Records Information Assistant III	P&P	6	KUH 10	V/FT/50/2025
30.	Assistant Physiotherapist III	P&P	3	KUH 10	V/FT/51/2025
31.	Nuclear Medicine Technologist III	P&P	2	KUH 10	V/FT/52/2025
32.	Pharmaceutical Technologist III	P&P	4	KUH 10	V/FT/53/2025
33.	Laboratory Technologist III	P&P	3	KUH 10	V/FT/54/2025
34.	Radiation Therapy Technologist III	P&P	2	KUH 10	V/FT/55/2025
35.	Theatre Technician III	P&P	4	KUH 11	V/FT/56/2025
36.	Mortician III	P&P	1	KUH 12	V/FT/57/2025
37.	Emergency Medical Technician III	P&P	1	KUH 12	V/FT/58/2025

#### HOW TO APPLY:

For detailed job descriptions, qualifications, and application instructions, please visit our website at (<https://www.kutrrh.go.ke/careers/>).

All applications should be submitted via (<https://recruitment.kutrrh.go.ke/>) with the subject line clearly indicating the position applied for (e.g., "Application for Deputy Director, Administration" and Job Reference Number). All applications should reach KUTRRH not later than **Tuesday, December 9, 2025**.

#### Please note that:

- Kenya University Teaching, Referral, and Research Hospital does not charge a fee at any stage of the recruitment process.
- Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.
- Canvassing will lead to automatic disqualification.
- Shortlisted candidates will be required to demonstrate compliance with Chapter Six of the Constitution by submitting required documents (e.g., clearance certificates from EACC, DCI, KRA, HELB, CRB and CUE/KNAQ for those with academic qualifications obtained from learning institutions outside Kenya).

**KUTRRH is an equal opportunity employer and respects inclusivity and diversity. Persons living with disabilities and individuals from marginalized and minority communities who meet the person specifications are strongly encouraged to apply.**



## MAMA NGINA UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

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We invite applications from qualified individuals for the following position:

S/NO.	POST	GRADE	REF NUMBER
1	REGISTRAR, ACADEMIC AND STUDENT AFFAIRS	15	MNUC/ASA/002/2025

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## CALL FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

### INVITATION TO STAKEHOLDERS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON PROPOSED INSURANCE REGULATIONS AND GUIDELINES AND NOTICE OF REGULATORY IMPACT ASSESSMENT ON PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO INSURANCE REGULATIONS

Pursuant section 3A and 180 of the Insurance Act, Cap 487 of the Laws of Kenya, the Cabinet Secretary, National Treasury and the Insurance Regulatory Authority (**hereby referred to as 'the Authority'**) propose 13 statutory instruments as follows –

1. Insurance (Market Conduct) Guidelines, 2025;
2. Insurance (Risk Management and Control Functions) Guidelines, 2025;
3. Insurance (Corporate Governance) Guidelines, 2025;
4. Insurance (Claims Management) Guidelines, 2025;
5. Insurance (Reinsurance Arrangement) Guidelines, 2025;
6. Insurance (Intermediaries) Regulations, 2025;
7. Insurance (Index Insurance) Regulations, 2025;
8. Insurance (Operations of Takaful) Regulations, 2025;
9. Insurance (Products) Regulations, 2025;
10. Insurance (External Auditors and Appointed Actuaries) Regulations, 2025;
11. Insurance (Service Providers) Regulations, 2025;
12. Insurance (Bancassurance) (Amendment) Regulations 2025; and
13. Insurance (Amendment) Regulations, 2025.

The proposed statutory instruments aim to enhance insurance supervision and promote sustainable insurance practice and were uploaded on the Authority's website ([www.ira.go.ke](http://www.ira.go.ke)) for stakeholders' consideration on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2025.

Pursuant to Articles 10 and 47 of the Constitution of Kenya and Section 5 of the Statutory Instruments Act, the Authority issued a public notice on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2025 informing the stakeholders that written comments on the Proposed Statutory Instruments should be submitted in physical or hard copy in the format provided below, to reach the Authority (through the address provided below) on or before 21<sup>st</sup> November 2025 at 5:00 pm.

S/No.	Clause of the Regulation/ Guideline	Provision of the Regulation/ Guideline	Comments/ Proposed amendment	Rationale
1.				
2.				

The public notice further informed stakeholders that public consultative forums shall be conducted across the country from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. on the dates and counties indicated in the notice. A further notice was to issue informing stakeholders on the venues of the respective fora.

Region	Date	Venue
Nairobi Metropolitan Area (Nairobi, Kajiado, Kiambu)	24th October 2025	College of Insurance, Nairobi
Nyanza Region (Homa Bay, Kisumu, Migori, Siaya)	24th October 2025	Tom Mboya Labour College, Kisumu
Western Region 2 (Trans Nzoia, West Pokot, Turkana)	24th October 2025	The Kitale National Polytechnic, Kitale
Coastal Region 2 (Lamu)	24th October 2025	Lamu Vocational Training Centre, Lamu
North-Eastern Region (Garissa, Wajir, Mandera, Tana River)	25th October 2025	Government Guest House, Garissa
Lower-Eastern Region (Machakos, Makueni, Kitui)	25th October 2025	Machakos University, Machakos
Western Region 1 (Busia, Bungoma, Kakamega, Vihiga)	25th October 2025	Golf Hotel, Kakamega
North Rift Region (Uasin Gishu, Nandi, Elgeyo Marakwet)	25th October 2025	The Eldoret National Polytechnic, Eldoret
Coastal Region 1 (Kwale, Mombasa, Taita Taveta, and Kilifi)	25th October 2025	Kenya School of Government, Mombasa
South Rift Region 1 (Nakuru, Narok, Kericho, Baringo)	26th October 2025	Egerton University ARC Hotel, Nakuru
South Rift Region 2 (Bomet, Kisii, Nyamira)	26th October 2025	Kisii Agricultural training Centre, Kisii
Mt. Kenya Region (Nyeri, Murang'a Nyandarua, Kirinyaga, Laikipia)	26th October 2025	Dedan Kimathi University of Science and Technology, Nyeri
Upper Eastern Region 1 (Embu, Meru, Tharaka Nithi, Samburu, Isiolo, Marsabit)	27th October 2025	Meru University of Science & Technology, Meru
Virtual Session	28th November 2025	[link to be shared on <a href="http://www.ira.go.ke">www.ira.go.ke</a> and social media: Facebook (@IRAKenyaPage) and X (@ira_kenya)]

Any communication may be addressed to the Authority through:

**Commissioner of Insurance**  
**Insurance regulatory Authority**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Zepre Place, Longonot Road-Upperville,**  
**P.O. Box 43505-00100**  
**Nairobi, Kenya.**  
**Email: BudgetTeam@ira.go.ke**  
**Toll Free Telephone: 0800 724499**  
**Telephone: 0719 047000/ 020 4996000**



## CAREER OPPORTUNITY

Geothermal Development Company's formation is a result of the enactment of the Energy Act No. 12 of 2006, after the adoption of Sessional Paper No. 4 on Energy in 2004 that unbundled the country's energy sector into five sub-sectors: generation, transmission, distribution, regulation and policy. GDC is in the generation sub-sector.

The company seeks to recruit top talent to complement the current team in implementing its mandate for the following positions.

No.	Title of Position	Reference Number	Vacancies
1	Manager – Geothermal Resource Management (GDC3)	GDC/HRM/GRD/GRM/MGRM/01/2025	1 Post
2	Manager – Administration & Property Management (GDC3)	GDC/HRM/CS/APM/MAPM/02/2025	1 Post
3	Principal Legal Services Officer (GDC5)	GDC/HRM/CSLS/LS/PLSO/01/2025	1 Post
4	Principal Insurance Officer (GDC5)	GDC/HRM/CSLS/IBS/PIO/01/2025	1 Post

Please visit our career page on our website <https://www.gdc.co.ke> for detailed job profiles and application instructions. Applications should reach the address below strictly through the application link (<https://jobs.gdc.co.ke/>) not later than **5.00 pm on 15<sup>th</sup> December 2025**:

**The Managing Director**  
**P.O. Box 100746-00101**  
**Kawi House, South C Bellevue [Popo Lane] Off Red Cross Road**  
**Nairobi Kenya**

**Note:** Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

**GDC is an equal opportunity employer. Marginalized, Women, Youth and Persons with Disabilities are encouraged to apply. GDC does not charge any cost to process your application.**

### Additional Requirements

Successful candidates will be expected to present the following in line with Chapter Six of the Constitution:

- i. Valid Certificate of Good Conduct from the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI)
- ii. Clearance Certificate from the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB)
- iii. Tax Compliance Certificate from Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA)
- iv. Clearance from Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC)
- v. A Clearance Certificate from an approved Credit Reference Bureau (CRB)

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# KMPDC

Enhancing Quality Healthcare

## ADVISORY ON DETAINING BODIES OF DECEASED PERSONS FOR UNPAID HOSPITAL BILLS

The Kenya Medical Practitioners and Dentists Council is a body corporate established under Section 3 of the Medical Practitioners and Dentists Act (CAP 253) with the mandate to regulate the training and practice of medicine, dentistry and community oral health within the Republic of Kenya. The Council is also mandated by CAP 253 to regulate health facilities within the country.

The right to dignity does not end at death. Article 28 of the Constitution of Kenya guarantees every person the inherent right to dignity and to have that dignity respected and protected.

Consistent with this, Section 137 of the Penal Code makes it a criminal offence (a misdemeanour) to hinder the burial of a deceased person without lawful authority.

Kenyan courts have reinforced this principle. In *Mary Nyang'ayi Nyaigero & Another Karen Hospital Limited (2016)* and *Ludindi Venant & Another v Pandya Memorial Hospital (1998)*, the courts held: "There is no property in a dead body. It cannot be offered or held as security for payment of a debt. It cannot be auctioned if there is a default. It cannot be used to earn rental income in a cold room. In sum, there is no legal basis for detaining it."

While health facilities are entitled to pursue payment for services rendered, the law does not permit them to detain a deceased person's body as collateral for unpaid bills. Such actions breach constitutional rights and amount to a criminal offence.

Hospitals and mortuaries/funeral homes are therefore advised to engage families of deceased persons in payment plans or other alternative arrangements for settling outstanding bills, rather than detaining bodies.

Affected families are reminded of their obligation and encouraged to agree with hospitals on bills payment plans to enable timely release of their loved ones for burial.

This approach upholds the law and preserves the dignity of the deceased.

**DR DAVID G KARIUKI**  
**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**



# Kenya rallies Africa toward unified maritime future with integrated transport corridors

BY JUSTUS ANZAYA (PCO)

Kenya has issued a clarion call for continental unity in maritime governance, urging African nations to harmonize policies and strengthen regional cooperation.

Speaking at a high-level maritime forum, Kenyan officials emphasized that aligned frameworks are essential to unlocking the full potential of Africa's blue economy, enhancing trade and safeguarding shared marine resources.

Speaking during the opening session at the 19th Coordination Committee Meeting of the Maritime Organization for Eastern and Southern Africa (MOESNA) in Mombasa, Principal Secretary for

Shipping and Maritime Affairs, Mr. Aden Millah, underscored the country's commitment to becoming the region's premier maritime and logistics hub.

"Kenya's maritime success is a shared opportunity. With world-class port infrastructure, integrated transport corridors, and efficient customs systems, we are ready to serve as the gateway for all MOESNA member states," he said.

The PS spotlighted the Port of Mombasa—East Africa's largest and busiest seaport—as a cornerstone of regional trade, handling over 30 million tonnes of cargo annually. He cited transformative infrastructure projects such as the Second Container Terminal (CT2), the Standard Gauge Railway (SGR), and

the Dongo Kundu Bypass as key enablers of cargo flow efficiency and regional integration.

He also highlighted Lamu Port as a strategic asset under the LAPS-SET Corridor Programme, linking Kenya with Ethiopia and South Sudan.

"Lamu Port is unlocking new trade routes and economic opportunities, especially for northern Kenya," he noted.

Beyond coastal infrastructure, Kenya is investing in inland waterways to expand its maritime footprint. The establishment of the Maritime Rescue Coordination Centre (MRCC) in Kisumu will enhance search and rescue operations and promote safety across Lake Victoria and other inland water bodies.



## PUBLIC NOTICE

### APPLICATION FOR APPOINTMENT AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR KILIFI MARIAKANI WATER & SEWERAGE CO. LTD

Following the promulgation of the Constitution of Kenya 2010, and subsequent enactment of the Water Act 2016 the provision of water services is now a devolved function of the County Governments. Consequently, the County Governments took over the ownership of the Water Service Providers [WSPs] within their counties.

Under the Corporate Governance guidelines, the Water Services Providers [WSPs] are managed by a Board of Directors whose primary function is oversight in the long-term interest of shareholders and stakeholders.

In this respect, The County Government of Kilifi [CGK] intends to fill three vacant positions in the Board of Kilifi-Mariakani Water & Sewerage Co. Ltd (KIMAWASCO-WSP) as indicated below:

#### BACKGROUND OF THE DIRECTORS

The composition of the directors requires a mix of skills from the Business and Manufacturing Community, Professional Bodies, Resident Organizations, Women Organizations and Local Stakeholder groups such as schools, farmers, youth groups, geographical representation etc. The selection process will be subjected to the Constitutional requirement of gender and regional balance.

#### ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA

To be eligible, all persons appointed to the board must:

1. Be a holder of Bachelor's Degree from any recognized University
2. Must be in standing with the relevant professional body
3. Demonstrate experience and acumen in any business, profession or trade for at least 7 years.
4. Demonstrate participation in local development initiatives.
5. Not be suppliers or other trading associates of the Company.
6. Be a resident within the area served by the Company.
7. Obtain recommendation from the nominating body they wish to represent.
8. Fulfil conditions of chapter six of the constitution of Kenya 2010 on leadership & integrity.

Applications are invited from qualified individuals wishing to be considered to serve as member of the Board of Directors of Kilifi-Mariakani Water & Sewerage Co. Ltd [KIMAWASCO] – WSP

#### Description of Vacant Position

- I. One member representing the farming community.
- II. One member representing local professionals
- III. One member representing the Water Users Association/Resident Association.

Interested persons should submit their applications and curriculum vitae [CVs] indicating the stakeholder group they belong to. The application should be sent in a plain and sealed envelope marked **\*Application for Directorship\*** and deposited or sent to the WSP through the following address:-

**The Chairperson, Selection Panel**  
C/o Managing Director  
Kilifi-Mariakani Water & Sewerage Co. Ltd  
P O Box 275-80108  
KILIFI

**The deadline for submission of applications is 2<sup>nd</sup> December, 2025. Youth, Women and persons with disabilities are encouraged to apply.**



## MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT STATE DEPARTMENT FOR LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT

### KENYA LIVESTOCK COMMERCIALIZATION PROJECT (KELCOP)

#### SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE (SPN)

#### INVITATION TO BID

18<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2025

PROCUREMENT ACTIVITY	TIME AND DATE OF SUBMISSION
Construction of solar powered water pans at Laki at Golbo Ward in Marsabit County, Nambuku ward - Namboboto in Busia County and at Sagante /Jaldeza Ward in Marsabit County	19 <sup>th</sup> December 2025 at 11.00am
<b>PROCUREMENT REFERENCE NUMBER: MOA&amp;LD /SDLD/KELCOP/NCB/09/2025-2026</b>	
Provision of group medical insurance cover services for Kenya Livestock Commercialization Project Staff	18 <sup>th</sup> December 2025 at 2pm
<b>PROCUREMENT REFERENCE NUMBER: MOA&amp;LD /SDLD/KELCOP/NCB/010/2025-2026</b>	
Framework contract for Provision of conference services as and when required	18 <sup>th</sup> December 2025 at 11.00am
<b>PROCUREMENT REFERENCE NUMBER: MOA&amp;LD /SDLD/KELCOP/NCB/011/2025-2026</b>	

1. The **Government of Kenya (GoK)** through the National Treasury has received financing from the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) and intends to apply a part of the proceeds of the financing to the procurements activities above. 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 **Kenya Livestock Commercialization Project (KelCoP) under the State Department for Livestock Development**.

2. The Kenya Livestock Commercialization Project (KelCoP) is a six-year project jointly funded by: Government of Kenya (GoK), International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), Heifer International, and Participating Financial Institutions (PFI) and Beneficiary communities. The Project came into force on 05 March 2021 with a Completion date of 31 March 2027 and Loan Closing date of 30 September 2027. The Project Goal is to contribute to the Government's agriculture transformation Agenda of increasing rural small-scale farmers' incomes, food and nutrition security. The development objective is to increase incomes of 110,000 poor livestock and pastoralist households, especially youth and women, in an environmentally friendly manner, in selected project areas of the 10 participating counties. The Project areas are Semi-Arid counties (Elgeyo Marakwet and Baringo), Arid counties (Marsabit and Samburu) and other areas are Busia, Bungoma, Kakamega, Siaya, Nakuru and Trans Nzoia.

3. This IFB follows the General Procurement Notice that appeared on the IFAD website, KelCoP website, Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development website and The Star Newspaper (MyGov publication) on **16<sup>th</sup> September 2025**.

4. The purchaser now invites sealed bids from eligible entities (bidders) for the above mentioned procurement activities. More details on these works, goods and related services and consultancy services are provided in the bidding documents.

5. This IFB is open to all eligible bidders who wish to respond. Subject to restrictions noted in the bidding document, eligible entities may associate with other bidders to enhance their capacity to successfully carry out the procurement.

6. Bidding will be conducted using the methods, the evaluation procedure for which are described in the bidding documents, in accordance with the IFAD Procurement Handbook which is provided at [www.ifad.org/project-procurement](http://www.ifad.org/project-procurement) and Public Procurement and Asset Disposal Act 2015. The bidding process, as described, will include a review and verification of qualifications and past performance, including a reference check, prior to the contract award.

7. Bidding documents may be viewed and obtained electronically for free from the [www.kilimo@go.ke](http://www.kilimo@go.ke), [www.ppip@go.ke](http://www.ppip@go.ke), [www.kelcop.or.ke](http://www.kelcop.or.ke) websites. Tenderers who download the tender document must forward their particulars immediately to pmcu.kelcop@gmail.com to facilitate any further clarification or addendum.

8. All interested bidders are required to **continually check every Tuesday** the mentioned websites for any bid addendums or clarifications that may arise before the submission date.

9. Bidding documents obtained electronically will be **free of charge**.

10. Bids must be delivered to the address below and in the manner specified in the bid data sheet –no later than time and date specified to:

**Project Coordinator,**  
Project Management and Coordination Unit (PMCU),  
Kenya Livestock Commercialization Project (KelCoP),  
Nakuru-Ravine Road, Opposite KEMSA Nakuru Regional office  
P.O. Box 12261-20100 Nakuru, Kenya

11. Bidders shall be aware that late bids will not be accepted under any circumstance and will be returned unopened at the written request and cost of the bidder.

12. All bids must be accompanied by a bid Security **(as required and where applicable)** in the manner and amount specified in the bid data sheet in the form of unconditional bank guarantee.

13. Bids will be opened immediately after the deadline date and time specified or any deadline date and time specified later. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of the Tenderers' designated representatives who choose to attend at the address below.

14. Please note that electronic bids shall not be accepted.

*Yours sincerely,*

**Project Coordinator**  
Project Management and Coordination unit, (PMCU),  
Kenya Livestock Commercialization Project (KelCoP),  
P.O. Box 12261-20100 Nakuru, Kenya  
Nakuru-Ravine Road, Opposite KEMSA Nakuru Regional office  
E-mail: pmcu.kelcop@gmail.com

For: Principal Secretary, State Department for Livestock Development

# e-procurement gains traction amid push for audit autonomy

BY HILDA CHESHARI  
(MYGOV)

As Kenya deepens its digital transformation agenda, a quiet revolution is unfolding in public procurement—one that promises to cut costs, curb corruption, and restore public trust. At the heart of this shift is the rollout of the Electronic Government Procurement system (e-GP), a digital platform designed to overhaul how government buys goods and services.

For decades, public procurement has been marred by inefficiencies, opacity, and manipulation. But with e-GP, the entire procurement cycle—from tendering to contract award—is being digitised, reducing administrative overheads and closing loopholes that previously enabled fraud. Citizens now have greater visibility into how public funds are spent, reinforcing transparency and accountability.

Speaking at the Second Edition of the 22nd Annual Seminar of the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) Kenya in Mombasa, IIA Chairperson CPA Lilian Wangechi Mwangi underscored the transformative potential of the system.

“What once took weeks or months—opening bids, evaluating submissions, awarding contracts—can



**CPA Lilian Mwangi, the Institute of Internal Auditors (Kenya) Chairperson, speaking during the Second Edition of the 22nd Annual Seminar of the Institute of Internal Auditors (IIA) Kenya in Mombasa.**

now be completed more quickly and efficiently,” she said. “Built-in workflow approvals and audit trails will ensure better value for money, while built-in workflow approvals and audit trails enhance accountability at every step.”

She noted that the standardisation of procurement procedures across ministries, counties, and state corporations will promote fairness and reduce irregularities. The e-GP system, she added, creates a fully traceable digital environment, enabling internal auditors to detect anomalies and red flags with greater ease. To maximise impact, she called for comprehensive training of all system users.

“What once took weeks or months: opening bids, evaluating submissions, and awarding contracts

can now be completed more quickly and efficiently. This will ensure the Government secures better value for money, while built-in workflow approvals and audit trails enhance accountability at every step.”

CPA Mwangi said the standardised procedures across ministries, state corporations, counties, and other public entities will help prevent irregularities and ensure fairness for all suppliers. She added that the e-GP system creates a fully traceable, electronic environment where every procurement action is recorded. This high level of transparency makes it easier for internal auditors to detect inconsistencies, red flags, and potential fraud. She emphasized the need for all e-GP system users to be trained ensure

optimal system utilization.

The sentiments were echoed by EACC Chairman Bishop Dr. David Oginde who was speaking at the same event.

“About eighty percent (80%) of corruption cases are related to procurement and if this is streamlined through digitization most of these issues will be sorted out. While the system needs refining, this will be achieved as people use the system” Dr. Oginde said.

At the same time, Ms Mwangi said that IIA is spearheading efforts to professionalise the inter-

nal audit practice through the development of the Internal Audit Bill, currently under drafting.

The bill once enacted will reinforce independence and provide legal protection to internal auditors.

Backed by IIA Global, the initiative positions Kenya as a flagship case study for Africa, aiming to inspire similar reforms across the continent.

The internal audit bill will regulate internal audit work, cushion internal auditors from victimisation and offer a platform to discipline rogue audi-

tors who are not complying with global internal audit standards and code of conduct.

“This comes amidst reports that Internal Auditors are losing their positions after unearthing fraud in their corporations. These incidents indicate an urgent governance issue: internal auditors must be able to discharge their duties with independence, integrity, and professional courage, without fear of reprisal. The bill, which we hope will soon become law, will address and seal several existing loopholes,” CPA Lilian said.



REPUBLIC OF KENYA

## PRIVATE SECURITY REGULATORY AUTHORITY

PRIVATE SECURITY REGULATION ACT, CAP 207.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### INVITATION TO SUBMIT COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT PRIVATE SECURITY REGULATIONS, 2025

The Private Security Regulatory Authority (PSRA), under the guidance of the Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Interior and National Administration, and in consultation with stakeholders, has developed the following draft Private Security Regulations, 2025 pursuant to sections 11, 33, 45, 46, 47, 48, 51, 52, 61, and 70 of the Private Security Regulation Act Cap. 207 and would like to invite public input and consideration on the same.

1. Private Security (General) Regulations, 2025;
2. Private Security (Procedure for the Appointment of Members of the Board) Regulations, 2025;
3. Private Security (Use of Animals in Private Security Services) Regulations, 2025; and
4. Private Security (Fidelity Fund Operations) Regulations 2025.

The draft Private Security Regulations are intended to set compliance and professional standards within the private security services industry in accordance with the provisions of the Act.

The Public Participation forums have been organized to be held in various regions as follows:

NO.	REGION (Clustered Counties)	CITY/TOWN	VENUE	DATE
1.	Wajir, Garissa, Mandera	Garissa	Government Guest House	November 21, 2025
2.	Machakos, Kitui, Makueni, Isiolo, Meru, Embu, Marsabit, Tharaka Nithi,	Machakos	Machakos University	November 21, 2025
3.	Kiambu, Kirinyaga, Nyeri, Nyandarua, Murang'a	Nyeri	Nyeri Cultural Centre	November 21, 2025
4.	Mombasa, Kilifi, Kwale, Tana River, Taita Taveta, Lamu	Mombasa	Tononoka Social Hall	November 21, 2025
5.	Uasin Gishu, Elgeyo Marakwet, Baringo, West Pokot, Nandi, Kericho, Bomet, Nakuru, Narok, Laikipia, Samburu, Kajiado	Eldoret	Multipurpose Social Hall	November 21, 2025
6.	Kakamega, Vihiga, Busia, Bungoma	Kakamega	Kakamega Social Hall	November 21, 2025
7.	Kisumu, Homa Bay, Siaya, Migori, Kisii, Nyamira	Kisumu	Le Savannah Hotel	November 21, 2025
8.	Nairobi	Nairobi	Kenyatta International Convention Centre (KICC)	November 24, 2025

The Public Participation forums will commence at 9.00 A.M.

The Draft Regulations are available for download on the official PSRA website: [www.psra.go.ke](http://www.psra.go.ke).

The public, stakeholders and interested parties are invited to review and submit their written comments (memoranda) in the format below to the following address or via email to: [regulations@psra.go.ke](mailto:regulations@psra.go.ke) or hand deliver to the PSRA offices listed below by **November 28, 2025 at 5.00pm**.

Section of the Regulation	Comment/Proposed Amendment	Rationale
1.		
<b>GENERAL COMMENTS</b>		
1.		

PHILIP LEAKY OKELLO, IIAK,MBA  
DIRECTOR GENERAL /CEO  
PRIVATE SECURITY REGULATORY AUTHORITY  
LONRHO HOUSE, 10<sup>th</sup> Floor, Standard Street  
P.O Box 22565-00100, Nairobi.



## AGRICULTURE AND FOOD AUTHORITY

### ROLL-OUT NOTICE

### IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CROPS (BIXA) REGULATION, 2025

**Nairobi, 14<sup>th</sup> November 2025** - In exercise of the powers conferred by section 40 of the Crops Act, the Agriculture and Food Authority (AFA) hereby notify the general public and all stakeholders in the bixa (Bixa orellana) value chain that the Crops (Bixa) Regulations, 2025, were **published on August 28, 2025**, vide Legal Notice No. 145 of 2025 and are hereby scheduled for rollout.

The Regulations provide the legal framework for the development, promotion, and regulation of the bixa sub-sector, including the registration and licensing of actors, production standards, processing, quality assurance, marketing, compliance and enforcement measures.

All dealers, nursery operators, aggregators, processors, exporters and importers are required to familiarize themselves with the provisions of the Regulations and take the necessary steps to comply within the prescribed timelines.

Copies of the Regulations are available on the Agriculture and Food Authority website [www.afa.go.ke](http://www.afa.go.ke) and at Agriculture and Food Authority offices, West Riverside Lane, Off Riverside Drive during official working hours. For more information or clarification, send an email to: [info@afa.go.ke](mailto:info@afa.go.ke)

DR. BRUNO LINYIRU, OGW  
DIRECTOR GENERAL



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Public Service  
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**MAKUENI**

**987,653**

**Population  
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# Koskei warns underperforming State Agencies

Head of Public Service demands better service delivery to citizens from all Government-owned enterprises, noting that their performance reflects the overall performance of the Government

**C**hief of Staff and Head of Public Service Felix Koskei has called on Government-owned enterprises to strengthen service delivery, noting that citizens are getting frustrated with institutions that are failing short of expectations.

Mr Koskei, who held a consultative meeting with Chief Executive Officers and Board Chairpersons of various State Corporations last week, said the first of its kind forum signalled a new era of results-driven reforms.

"This meeting is a deliberate, strategic and resource-oriented intervention in our continuing journey towards a Public Service that is efficient, accountable and fully aligned to the governance renewal envisioned for this administration," he said.

He observed that State Corporations and Departments are the "operational backbone of Government," therefore, the performance of each agency reflects the overall performance of the Government.

"You are the institutions through which the State is felt, seen, experienced and judged by citizens," he said.

"Whether online, at service counters or in field operations, you are the human and institutional face of Government," he added.

Mr Koskei constituted the forum following a nationwide self-assessment conducted by his Office.

He said the assessment revealed some commendable progress but also recurring weaknesses that continue to undermine public trust.

He identified delays in decision-making, unresponsiveness to citizen needs, unresolved complaints, prolonged turnaround times on public inquiries and significant financial losses as the weaknesses affected Government Agencies.

"These gaps erode institutional credibility. They obstruct our national development aspirations and have understandably weakened public trust and confidence," he said.

While previous reforms efforts that included tighter enforcement of consequences for infractions have yielded some progress, Mr Koskei explained that the scale and



Chief of Staff and Head of Public Service Felix Koskei addresses Heads of Government-Owned Enterprises at KICC in Nairobi. He asked the institutions to strengthen service delivery.

persistence of challenges make it necessary to introduce targeted revitalisation programme for specific State corporations and Executive Agencies.

He said the Government has developed a comprehensive programme aimed at re-energising State-owned enterprises and Executive Agencies following successful intervention in regulatory bodies.

He noted that regulatory bodies such as the National Environment Management Authority (NEMA), National Construction Authority (NCA) and National Campaign Against Drug Abuse (NACADA) as having recorded visible improvements in compliance, operational discipline and responsiveness.

"We have seen a great turnaround in the regulatory space. These institutions are now working fearlessly and effectively."

As wheels of reforms roll, Mr Koskei said focus now shifts to Government-owned commercial enterprises and Executive Agencies, including National Transport

## FACTS & FIGURES

245

The number of State Corporations in Kenya

and Safety Authority, all of which directly interact with the public.

"These are the institutions through which citizens gauge Government performance. Their performance shapes public perception more than any policy document or press statement," he observed.

Mr Koskei said the new reforms programme places quality service delivery at the centre of public sector renewal.

"There is nothing that stops us from

delivering service at the level of corporates. This requires a change of attitude, proper oversight and mechanisms that are self-regulating," he said.

He emphasised that good service does not depend on new funding, but on better use of existing resources.

"You should ask yourself, what are you going to do with the staff you have? How do you reorganise yourselves to serve people better? How do you cut unnecessary costs and report responsibly?" he posed. "Let us work with what we have before running to the Treasury."

He warned public servants who perpetuate unprofessionalism at service points, including eating snacks while citizens queue and staff who do not listen.

He further decried frequent systems breakdowns that disrupt digital services and agencies unresponsive to emergencies.

"What we are saying is simple: the citizen is the king. We must act with the resources

we have now. Responsiveness is not a favour, it is a basic obligation," he said.

He noted that agency heads will take personal responsibility for inefficiencies, therefore, they must push their institutions to become "the defining measure of Government effectiveness."

"Every resource, every decision and every action must translate into tangible benefits for citizens. This is the journey of restoring the image of Government – and it starts with you."

Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board (KYEB) Chairperson Wangui Ng'ang'a asked Chairpersons and Chief Executive Officers of Executive Agencies and Government-Owned Entities, who were present at the event, to partner with KYEB.

She noted that the partnership will enable entities to effectively document, communicate and amplify their achievements, thereby strengthening public awareness and confidence in Government initiatives. ■

## TELLING THE STORY

### Kenya Yearbook strengthens compliance with State e-procurement directive

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KYEB also defined various users on the platform to facilitate

procurement, including Department Officer, Department User, Head of Department and Head of Directorate.

KYEB Chairperson Wangui

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Ng'ang'a, who joined employees during the sensitisation, said the institution has complied with the Government directive on electronic procurement.

CEO Lilian Kimeto said the eGP system will provide real-time tracking of procurement activities, improve compliance with regulations and enhance service delivery.

The e-GP system is expected to significantly reduce procurement delays, cut costs and improve accountability in the use of public funds in line with the Constitution and Public Finance Management Act.



Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board Chairperson Wangui Ng'ang'a (centre, right) and CEO Lilian Kimeto (centre, left) with staff during E-GP sensitisation forum.

## President Ruto opens new Huduma Centre in Kitui

Residents of Kitui East can now access Government services more conveniently following the official opening of a new Huduma Centre by President William Ruto.

The Centre marks a major milestone in the Government's efforts to decentralise service delivery and ensure that all citizens can access essential services efficiently.

During the launch, Huduma Kenya Chief Executive Officer Ben Kai Chilumo led the Huduma

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Secretariat team, reaffirming the agency's dedication to expand access to public services.

President Ruto praised the initiative as a major step towards promoting economic inclusion, adding that the centre will not only make it easier for residents to access services but also create employment opportunities for the youth.

And in a related effort to

strengthen collaboration and improve service delivery, Huduma Kenya and the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) held a joint service clinic aimed at enhancing coordination between the two institutions.

The engagement focused on streamlining service delivery, improving customer support and expanding joint outreach initiatives.

The session was attended by Mr Chilumo and KRA Deputy Commissioner Patience Njau. ■



President William Ruto (right) and Huduma Kenya CEO Ben Kai Chilumo (centre) during the opening of Kitui Huduma Centre.

### JOB CREATION

## 17 firms set up at the Naivasha Special Economic Zone

The companies are in sectors such as data storage, pharmaceuticals, agro-processing, manufacturing, logistics and electric vehicle production

Naivasha Special Economic Zone (SEZ) has attracted 17 investors across diverse industries, a major milestone as the project takes shape.

Mr Lee Kinyanjui, the Cabinet Secretary for Investments, Trade and Industry, who visited the SEZ last Friday to assess progress, said the investors are drawn from high-impact sectors such as data centres, pharmaceuticals, agro-processing, manufacturing, logistics and electric vehicle (EV) production.

"These investments have the potential to create over 50,000 direct and indirect jobs," Mr Kinyanjui said.

He observed that the EV sector is one of the fastest-growing globally, therefore, Kenya is moving quickly to secure its position in the space.

Through investment in the sector, he noted the Government is building an ecosystem of innovation, clean energy and skilled jobs for the youth.

"The Government fully supports investments that create jobs for our youth. As a Ministry, we will work closely with SEZA and Nakuru County TVETs to ensure young people are trained in the relevant skills



Trade Cabinet Secretary Lee Kinyanjui (third right) when he toured Naivasha Special Economic zone. Below: Mr Kinyanjui (left) and Industry PS Juma Mukhwana (second right) among other officials at the event.



needed to benefit from the opportunities emerging at the SEZ," he added.

Mr Kinyanjui observed that the Government is committed to aligning its policies with industry to attract more investors and address any issues arising.

He noted that Kenya has 37 gazetted SEZs, spread across different counties including Nairobi, Mombasa, Busia, Kisumu, Machakos, Uasin Gishu and Nakuru.

The SEZs have attracted some \$1.2 billion in investments and created over 12,000 jobs directly and 30,000 indirectly.

During the tour, Mr Kinyanjui who was

accompanied by Industry Principal Secretary Dr Juma Mukhwana, met investors who have already set up their facilities as well as those in the process of establishing operations.

He held discussions on the status of their projects, the emerging opportunities within the zone and the challenges they are navigating as they scale up.

The Naivasha SEZ is strategically located near the Standard Gauge Railway and major highways, offering investors easy access to transport and logistics infrastructure.

Further, its proximity to Olkaria's geothermal power plants offers it easy

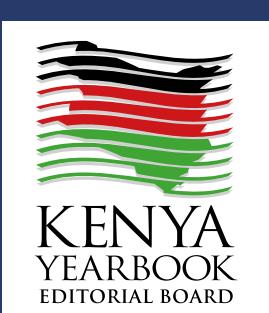


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### INFOBOX

#### Why Government is investing in Special Economic Zones

- \* To attract Foreign Direct Investment
- \* Boost industrial growth by clustering industries such as manufacturing, agro-processing and technology to accelerate development.
- \* Job creation as such projects generate thousands of direct and indirect employment opportunities.
- \* Government links SEZs with vocational training institutions to prepare youth for new industries.
- \* Promote exports since the zones encourage production for international markets, increasing foreign exchange earnings.
- \* Improve infrastructure like roads, railways, ports and energy facilities which are upgraded to support SEZ operations.

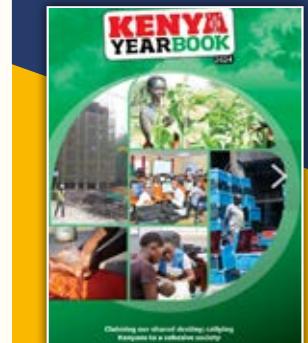


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## PICTURESPEAK



President William Ruto addresses the 14<sup>th</sup> International Association of Refugee and Migration Judges World Conference in Nairobi yesterday. He said Kenya adopted Shirika Plan to enable refugees contribute to the country's development.



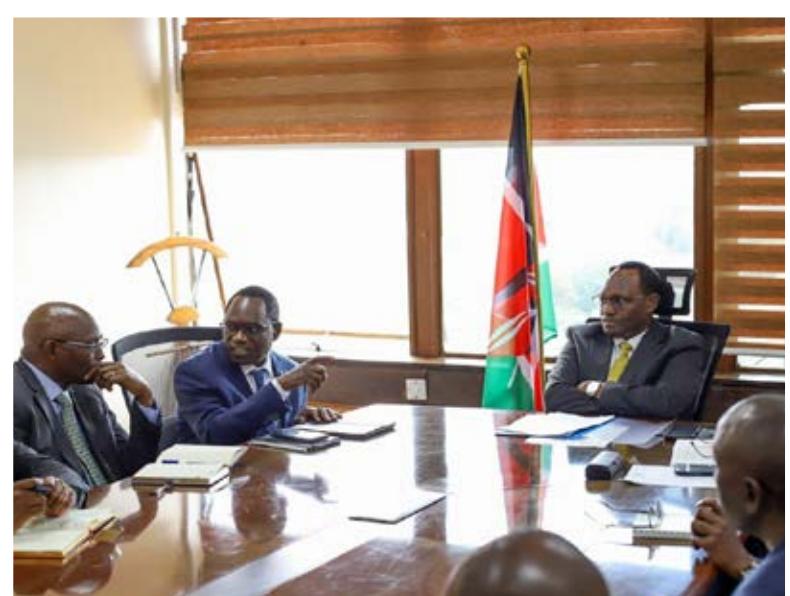
Cabinet Secretary for Information, Communications and the Digital Economy William Kabogo (centre) with China Telecom Corporation Limited Senior Executives led by Mr Lin Gui Qing (right). The teams discussed how to advance cooperation in AI and cloud computing.



Health CS Aden Duale presides over the breaking ground for the construction of a 2,000-bed Multi-Specialty Facility at Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital (MTRH) in Kiplombe, Uasin Gishu County, yesterday.



Interior CS Kipchumba Murkomen (centre) and Chief Justice Martha (right) during the launch of Administration of Justice in Kenya Annual Report 2024/2025 and the Justice Sector Monitoring, Evaluation and Learning Framework hosted by the National Council for the Administration of Justice yesterday in Nairobi.



National Treasury PS, Dr Chris Kiptoo (right), his Broadcasting counterpart Stephen Isaboke (centre) and Posta Kenya CEO John Tonui (left) during a discussion on the financial wellbeing and sustainability of the postal corporation, reaffirming the Government's commitment to revitalising the ailing institution.

## New system to boost efficiency in public investment projects—PS

BY JANE CHEBET AND JACK MWANIKI (PCO)

The Government remains firmly committed to improving the implementation and management of public investment projects across the country. This commitment has been strengthened by the National Treasury through the establishment of the Public Investment Management (PIM) Framework, which aims to enhance the entire project cycle, from planning to completion.

In line with this commitment, the Public Finance Management (Public Investment Management) Regulations, 2022, were issued to operationalize the PIM Framework and provide clear guidelines for the preparation, appraisal, selection, budgeting, implementation, monitoring, evaluation, and closure of public investment projects.

These remarks were made by the Principal Secretary, State Department for Public Investments and Asset Management, Mr. Cyrell Wagunda, during the launch of a week-long workshop in Naivasha, Nakuru County, to review the Public Investment Management Information System (PIMIS).

The workshop provided a platform to assess the development of the system,



**Principal Secretary, State Department for Public Investments and Asset Management, Mr. Cyrell Wagunda**

its performance and functionality, identify areas for improvement, and agree on a clear roadmap for the next phase of its enhancement.

He noted that the National Treasury has successfully designed, developed, and deployed PIMIS, which automates the entire PIM process. According to the PS, the System shall streamline and digitize all key stages of the projects lifecycle, including project identification and planning pre-feasibility and feasibility analysis, selection for budgeting, implementation, monitoring, evaluation, and reporting as well as project closure, sustainability, and ex-post evaluation.

"PIMIS represents a major milestone in our journey toward digital transformation in Public Investments Management in line with the principles of good governance and the goals of Vision 2030. It serves as the government's central platform for managing the entire public investment cycle, from project identification and appraisal to budgeting, implementation, and evaluation," said PS Wagunda.

Since its deployment, PIMIS has recorded commendable progress with over 600 new concept notes being captured through the System and more than 2,000 legacy projects have been successfully migrated.

"Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs) are now using standardized workflows and benefiting from a centralized repository of investment data. PIMIS has enhanced transparency providing real-time visibility into the public investment portfolio, strengthened accountability, improved resource allocation, and ensured that every shilling invested delivers maximum value to the Kenyan people," the PS underscored.

Mr. Wagunda said with the System in place, it demonstrates the government's commitment to leveraging technology to improve how it plans, executes, and evaluates public investments.

"As we celebrate these achievements, we must also recognize that we are entering a critical transition phase, moving from consultant-led development to full government ownership and management of PIMIS. Our task now is to consolidate the progress made and address the remaining processes which include completing integration with key Government systems such as Integrated Financial Management Information System (IFMIS), Electronic Government Procurement (e-GP) System and the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) systems," he stated.

## Cabinet approves Sh38.7b upgrade of Pangani–Kiambu road

BY CYNTHIA KITUKU (KNA)

Residents of Kiambu County are celebrating after the Cabinet approved the Sh38.7 billion dualing of the 23.5-kilometre Pangani–Muthaiga–Kiambu–Ndumberi road project. The new road, long awaited by commuters, aims to eliminate the persistent traffic jams that have made daily travel between Kiambu and Nairobi frustrating and time-consuming. According to the Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA), the existing

two-lane B32 road will be upgraded into a four-lane dual carriageway with two-lane service roads, pedestrian walkways, and six footbridges to enhance safety in busy areas such as Ridgeways, Thindigua, and Kiambu Town.

Financed through a Sh38.7 billion loan from China's EXIM Bank, the project will be implemented under an Engineering, Procurement and Construction (EPC) contract over 36 months, followed by a 24-month defects liability period.

The redesigned road



**Heavy morning traffic builds up along Kiambu Road as motorists head to Nairobi, a daily struggle that the new dual carriageway project aims to resolve.**

will cover three sections Muthaiga to Kirigit Junction, Kirigit Junction through Kiambu Town to the Governor's Office, and Governor's Office to Ndumberi near Sasini Estate. It begins at Pangani, stretching past Muthaiga Golf Club, Ridgeways, Windsor, and Runda then to Ndumberi.

Several new bridges and overpasses will be constructed at Muthaiga Golf Club Spur, Mua Road, DCI, Coffee Garden, Tala Road, Ridgeways and Runda U-turns, and Kirigit Junction.

## BRIEFS

### 70,000 Maralal residents to benefit from new water project

BY ROBERT GITHU

President William Ruto has launched seven national government flagship projects worth over Sh7.4 billion in Samburu County during a two-day official tour of the region.

Addressing residents in Maralal, the President noted that Samburu County has long been marginalized by previous administrations, emphasizing that his government is committed to investing in development projects in infrastructure, education, water, sanitation, and economic empowerment.

He expressed optimism that Samburu County will continue to develop on par with the rest of the country and commended local leaders for putting aside political differences to work collaboratively towards the county's progress. Among the projects launched is the Maralal Water Supply Project Phase One at the already completed Yamo Dam on the outskirts of Maralal town, which holds

1.2 million cubic meters of water. "Once the piping is completed in April 2026, over 70,000 residents of Maralal town and its environs will have access to a consistent and reliable water supply," President Ruto said.

Other projects included the laying the foundation stone of Archers post Affordable Housing Project, upgrading to bitumen standards of the 20-kilometer Kisima Sura Adoru road section, laying the foundation stone for Samburu West Technical and Vocational college hostels and Maralal affordable housing project phase II.

Ruto also launched the upgrading to bitumen standards of 30-kilometer section of the Maralal-Baragoi road and as well led an inspection tour of the Kenya Medical Training College-Maralal campus.

At the same time, the president urged parents to enroll their children to school emphasizing that education is a constitutional right for every child.

### University set to establish research-based nursing school

BY BRIAN ONDENG' (KNA)

Brussels (VUB).

Jaramogi Oginga Odinga University of Science and Technology (JOOST) is set to establish a research-based nursing school to address health challenges in the Lake Victoria basin.

The institute, which is at the final stages of getting clearance, is scheduled to open its doors for the first nursing students in May 2026 with initial thirty students expected to be admitted.

The School of Nursing established through sponsorship of the Belgian government via the Vlirous program, has already been given the green light by the Kenyan Commission for University Education (CUE).

The Nursing School, which is a component of Health sub project is a deliverable in the ten-year collaboration program between JOOST and Flemish universities coordinated by the Vrije University of

According to JOOST Prof. Denis Ochuodho, the nursing school's core mandate besides training will be health research, unlike conventional nursing schools which are solely focused on training health practitioners.

"Already we have a fully equipped skills lab courtesy of the Joost-Flemish universities collaboration program funded by the Belgian government. We are ready to start admission next semester which is mid 2026" said Ochuodho.

Prof Ochuodho, who is the coordinator of Vlir funded projects at JOOST revealed that nurses trained at the institute will be better equipped to handle health issues prevalent in the Lake Victoria region.

"We are a university established in a community set-up, having nurses trained locally will make it easier to address health issues afflicting the local community," said Prof Ochuodho.