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Serikali yatoa Sh3b kwa biashara za vijana chini ya mpango wa NYOTA

Mpango huu ni mojawapo ya uwekezaji mkubwa zaidi wa Kenya katika biashara za vijana. Maelfu ya biashara ndogo ndogo kote nchini zimepata msukumo wa kifedha unaohitajika ili kupanuka na kustawi. Kila mnufaika atapokea Shilingi 25,000, na hivyo kufanya jumla ya msaada chini ya mpango huu kufikia Shilingi 50,000 kwa kila kijana

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Serikali yatoa Sh3b kwa vijana chini ya mpango wa NYOTA

Rais William Ruto (kushoto) altikia salamu kutoka kwa vijana kabla ya kuzindua awamu ya pili ya mpango wa National Youth Opportunities Towards Advancement (NYOTA) katika Ulinzi Stadium jijini Nairobi.

NA WAANDISHI WA MYGOV

Serikali imezindua awamu ya usaidizi wa biashara chini ya mpango wa National Youth Opportunities Towards Advancement (NYOTA), na kutoa zaidi ya Shilingi bilioni 3 kwa zaidi ya vijana wajasiriamali 122,000 kote nchini. Kila mnufaika atapokea Shilingi 25,000, na kufanya jumla ya msaada chini ya mpango huo kufikia Shilingi 50,000 kwa kila kijana.

“Mpango huu ni mojawapo ya uwekezaji mkubwa zaidi wa Kenya katika ujasiriamali wa vijana. Maelfu ya biashara ndogo kote nchini zimepokea msukumo wa kifedha unaohitajika ili kupanua shughuli zao na kustawi,” alisema Rais William Ruto.

“Hadithi za mafanikio zinazovutia zinazojitokeza kutoka kila pembe ya nchi ni ushahidi tosha wa kile ambacho NYOTA inaweza kufanikisha. Wale waliodharau Shilingi 25,000 au Shilingi 50,000 wakisema ni kiasi kidogo kisichoweza kuleta mabadiliko wameonekana kuwa na makosa,” aliongeza.

Rais alisema serikali imejitolea kuhakikisha kuwa vijana sio tu wanaanzisha biashara, bali pia wanazikuza na kuzifanya kuwa endelevu.

“Nimeielekeza Wizara ya Ushirika na Maendeleo ya Biashara Ndogo, Ndogo na za Kati (MSME) kuanzisha mfumo wa kitaifa wa utambulisho wa NYOTA ambao utawawezesha wanufaika kupata huduma na motisha za serikali kwa urahisi,” alitangaza.

Ili kuimarisha zaidi mpango huo, Rais Ruto alizielekeza taasisi za serikali za ufadhili—Hazina ya Maendeleo ya Biashara ya Vijana, Hazina ya Uwezo, Hazina ya Biashara ya Wanawake na Kenya Industrial Estates—kuanzisha bidhaa maalum ya ukuaji wa NYOTA.

“Bidhaa hii itatoa ufadhili wa ziada kwa biashara ambazo tayari zimenufaika na NYOTA, na hivyo kuzisaidia kupanua shughuli zao na kufanikiwa,” alisema.

Kiongozi huyo wa Taifa pia alizihimiza serikali za kaunti kupunguza mzigo kwa vijana wajasiriamali.

“Nimeiomba Baraza la Bajeti na Uchumi la Serikali Mbili pamoja na serikali za kaunti kuzingatia kusamehe ada za vibali vya biashara kwa wanufaika wa NYOTA kwa kipindi cha miaka miwili. Hii itawapa nafasi ya kukuza biashara zao kabla ya kukabiliana na gharama za leseni,” alisema.

Katika awamu hii, takriban vijana 50,000 watapokea ruzuku ya Shilingi 22,000 kila mmoja kupitia akaunti zao za NYOTA Pochi la Biashara Wallet, huku Shilingi 3,000 zikielekezwa kwenye Mpango wa Akiba wa Haba Haba unaosimamiwa na Hazina ya Taifa ya Hifadhi ya Jamii (NSSF).

“Kila mnufaika atashiriki katika mpango wa ulezi wa biashara wa miezi miwili, akipokea msaada wa maendeleo ya biashara kutoka kwa wajasiriamali wenye uzoefu na wataalamu wa sekta mbalimbali,” alieleza Rais Ruto.

“Baada ya hapo watapatiwa

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KWA TAKWIMU

Sh25,000

Kila mnufaika atapokea Sh. 25,000, na hivyo kufanya jumla ya msaada chini ya mpango huo kuwa Sh. 50,000 kwa kila kijana.

> Bidhaa hii itatoa ufadhili wa ziada kwa biashara ambazo tayari zimenufaika na NYOTA, na hivyo kuziwezesha kupanua shughuli zao

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

THE NATIONAL TREASURY

UPCOMING LAUNCH OF THE FY 2027/28 AND MEDIUM-TERM BUDGET PREPARATION PROCESS

The National Treasury is pleased to announce the official launch of the FY 2027/28 and Medium-Term Budget preparation process. This significant event will take place on **22nd July 2026** at the **Kenyatta International Convention Centre (KICC)**, beginning at **8:30 am.**

This process is conducted in accordance with Article 201 of the Constitution and Section 35(2) of the Public Finance Management Act (Cap. 412A), underscoring the role of public participation in financial decision-making.

Key Activities

1. Opening remarks by the Principal Secretary, National Treasury, and the Chairperson of the Budget and Appropriations Committee, National Assembly.
2. Keynote address and official launch by the Cabinet Secretary for the National Treasury.
3. Presentations covering:
   - Highlights on Medium-Term Plan IV (MTP IV)
   - Macro-Economic Outlook for the Medium-Term
   - Highlights for the FY 2027/28 and the Medium-Term Budget Process
4. Way forward and closure of the event

Public Engagement

The event is open to the public to promote transparency and inclusiveness in budget formulation. Members of the public are encouraged to follow live updates and coverage via the National Treasury's official social media channels.

For additional information, please refer to forthcoming official communications from the National Treasury. Join us in shaping the future of our nation's financial planning!

Dr.Chris Kiptoo CBS
Principal Secretary
The National Treasury

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5.	Legal Assistants	3
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- Clearance from Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC)

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mafunzo ya usaidizi wa maendeleo ya biashara ili kuwaandaa kwa awamu ya pili ya ruzuku." Kundi la kwanza la wanufaika wa mpango huu lilizinduliwa Desemba 7, 2025, katika Uwanja wa Michezo wa Mumias, Kaunti ya Kakamega, likihusisha kaunti za eneo la Magharibi ambazo ni Kakamega, Busia, Bungoma na Vihiga. Mradi wa NYOTA unaofadhiliwa na Benki ya Dunia unawalenga vijana wasio na ajira wenye umri wa miaka 18 hadi 29, na hadi miaka 35 kwa watu wanaoishi na ulemavu. Hatua kuu za mpango huo ni pamoja na uthibitishaji wa ujuzi, usaidizi wa biashara, uhamasishaji wa akiba na kuimarisha mifumo ya ajira kwa vijana. Akizungumzia hatua za baadaye, Rais Ruto alisema serikali itaanzisha mpango wa On-the-Job Experience (OJE). "Mpango huu utawapatia wanufaika ujuzi wa kiufundi wa vitendo pamoja na uzoefu wa kazi kwa njia ya mafunzo kazini, na hatimaye kupata vyeti. Hii itaongeza nafasi zao za kupata ajira rasmi au kujiajiri," alisema. Mpango wa OJE utatekelezwa katika kaunti saba ambazo ni Nakuru, Kericho, Bomet, Kisii, Nyamira, Homa Bay na Narok. Takriban wanufaika 14,000 pia watashiriki katika mafunzo ya lazima ya ukuzaji wa ujuzi wa kijamii na kihisia ili kuboresha utayari wao wa kuingia katika mazingira ya kazi

Mapato ya KRA yagongaya Sh2.8 trilioni huku uchumi ukiimarika

NA CHRIS MAHANDARA (KNA)

Mamlaka ya Ushuru ya Kenya (KRA) ilikusanya rekodi ya Shilingi trilioni 2.844 katika ushuru na mapato ya wakala katika mwaka wa kifedha wa 2025/2026, ikiwa ni ukuaji mkubwa zaidi wa mapato katika miaka ya hivi karibuni huku sekta muhimu za uchumi zikichangia ongezeko la mapato ya serikali. Katika taarifa iliyotolewa kwa vyombo vya habari, KRA ilisema makusanyo hayo yaliongezeka kwa Shilingi bilioni 272.95 kutoka Shilingi trilioni 2.572 zilizokusanywa katika mwaka wa kifedha uliotangulia. Hii ni sawa na kiwango cha ukuaji cha asilimia 10.6, ikilinganishwa na asilimia 6.8 kilichorekodiwa mwaka wa 2024/2025. Mamlaka hiyo ilihusisha utendakazi huo mzuri na ukuaji katika sekta za utengenezaji bidhaa, nishati, huduma za kifedha na bima, Teknolojia ya Habari na Mawasiliano (ICT), pamoja na biashara ya jumla na rejareja. Kwa pamoja, sekta hizi zilichangia asilimia 62 ya mapato yote na zinawakilisha asilimia 27.4 ya Pato la Taifa (GDP) la Kenya kwa thamani ya sasa. Sekta ya utengenezaji bidhaa ndiyo iliyochangia zaidi baada ya kuzalisha ushuru wa Shilingi bilioni 462, kutoka Shilingi bilioni 423 katika mwaka uliotangulia, ikiwa ni asilimia 16.2 ya makusanyo yote.

Sekta ya nishati ilifuata kwa kuchangia Shilingi bilioni 445, hasa kutokana na ushuru wa forodha wa mafuta, huku huduma za kifedha na bima zikichangia Shilingi bilioni 320. Sekta ya ICT ilizalisha Shilingi bilioni 248, huku biashara ya jumla na rejareja ikichangia Shilingi bilioni 288, na hivyo kujikita miongoni mwa walipa ushuru wakuu nchini. Licha ya utendakazi huo mzuri, KRA haikufikia lengo lake la mapato ya Hazina ya Taifa baada ya kukusanya Shilingi trilioni 2.568 dhidi ya lengo la Shilingi trilioni 2.698, na kufanikisha kiwango cha utendakazi cha asilimia 95.2. Mapato ya wakala yaliyokusanywa kwa niaba ya taasisi nyingine za serikali yaliongezeka kwa asilimia 11.2 hadi Shilingi bilioni 276.1, huku mapato ya forodha yakizidi lengo baada ya kukusanya Shilingi bilioni 988.8 dhidi ya lengo la Shilingi bilioni 980.8, sawa na kiwango cha utendakazi cha asilimia 100.8. Mapato ya ndani yaliongezeka kwa asilimia 9.7 hadi Shilingi trilioni 1.851 lakini yakabaki chini ya lengo la Shilingi trilioni 1.991. Miongoni mwa aina kuu za ushuru, makusanyo ya Pay As You Earn (PAYE) yaliongezeka kwa asilimia 6.7 hadi Shilingi bilioni 598.8.

Hata hivyo, KRA ilieleza kuwa kasi ya ukuaji ilipunguzwa na kupungua kwa ajira katika sekta rasmi, ambayo mchango wake kwa jumla ya ajira ulipungua hadi asilimia 15.3 mwaka 2025 kutoka asilimia 15.7 mwaka 2022.

KWA TAKWIMU

Sh2.844tn

Mamlaka ya Mapato ya Kenya (KRA) ilikusanya kiasi cha rekodi cha Shilingi trilioni 2.844 kutokana na kodi na mapato mwaka wa fedha wa 2025/2026.

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

MINISTRY OF INFORMATION, COMMUNICATIONS, AND THE DIGITAL ECONOMY

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR ICT AND THE DIGITAL ECONOMY

PUBLIC NOTICE

CALL FOR COMMENTS ON THE DRAFT KENYA ARTIFICIAL INTELLIGENCE AND OTHER EMERGING TEVHNOLOGIES POLICY

The Ministry, through a multi-stakeholder committee "the Committee" has developed the draft Kenya Artificial Intelligence and Other Emerging Technologies Policy. This Policy establishes a coherent national framework for the governance, development, deployment, and use of AI and other Emerging Technologies. It aims to promote innovation, strengthen infrastructure and human capital, support sustainable development, and enhance Kenya's economic resilience and strategic autonomy.

In accordance with the requirements of the Constitution of Kenya, which mandates public participation in policy-making, the Ministry invites members of the public, stakeholders, and all interested parties to submit their views, comments, and recommendations on the proposed policy, which will inform its review.

The Policy is available on **https://ict.go.ke.**

Written submissions should be submitted to the Committee using the provided template below not later than **4th August, 2026** through electronic mail; **aipolicy@moict.go.ke** **CC: legal@moict.go.ke** or to the address:

ChairPerson,
Committee on AI and Other Emerging Technologies
C/O Principal Secretary
10th Floor, Telposta Towers
P. O. Box 30025-00100
Nairobi, Kenya

TEMPLATE TO SUBMIT COMMENTS

NAME OF ORGANISATION/INDIVIDUAL PERSON				
S/No	**Section of the Policy**	**Provisions of the Policy***	**Proposed Amendment****	**Rationale for Amendment recommendation**
1.				
2.				

***Provide text on exact wording of the provision in the policy paragraph or sub paragraph**

****Provide the exact wording of how the proposed amendment to the policy paragraph or sub paragraph is proposed to read.**

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ADDENDUM No. 1

EXTENSION OF CLOSING DATE TO 24TH JULY 2026

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The Anti-Female Genital Mutilation Board is a State Corporation under the Ministry of Gender, Culture and Children Services responsible for implementing the Prohibition of Female Genital Mutilation Act, 2011. The Board invites applications from qualified persons to fill the vacancies listed below.

S/NO.	POST	GRADE	VACANCY NO.	NO OF POSTS
1.	Chief Executive Officer	AFGM 1	AFGM/1/2026	1
2.	Deputy Director, HRM & Administration	AFGM 3	AFGM/2/2026	1
3.	Accountant	AFGM 7	AFGM/3/2026	1
	TOTAL			**3**

For detailed job requirements visit the Anti-FGM Board's website **www.antifgmboard.go.ke**

Application Procedure

Qualified and interested applicants who meet the requirements should visit the Board's career page on the website. The applicants shall apply through the Anti-FGM Board's recruitment portal which is accessible through **https://jobs.antifgmboard.go.ke/**

Applications should be submitted in Pdf format not later than **5:00PM Friday, July 24th, 2026. (East African Time)**

No hand delivery applications shall be accepted.

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Uondoaji watumishi ghushi wapisha ongezeko la mishahara ya watumishi

NA KIBE MBURU (KNA)

Serikali ya Kitaifa imetangaza nyongeza ya mishahara kwa watumishi wa umma kote nchini kuanzia mwezi huu wa Julai, huku Waziri wa Utumishi wa Umma, Maendeleo ya Rasilimali Watu na Programu Maalum, Geoffrey Ruku, akisema kuwa marekebisho hayo yatawanufaisha watumishi halali pekee walio kwenye orodha ya mishahara ya serikali. Waziri huyo alisema kuwa nyongeza hiyo ya mishahara itatolewa tu kwa watumishi wa umma waliothibitishwa huku serikali ikiendelea kutekeleza Mfumo wa Kati wa Usimamizi wa Rasilimali Watu (Human Resource System - HRS) usioweza kuchezewa, unaolenga kuondoa wafanyakazi hewa na kuziba mianya katika mfumo wa mishahara. Ruku alieleza kuwa Mfumo huo wa Kati wa Usimamizi wa Rasilimali Watu utaimarisha uadilifu wa mishahara katika wizara, idara za serikali, mashirika ya umma na taasisi nyingine za serikali kwa kuimarisha uthibitishaji wa wafanyakazi, kukuza uwajibikaji na kuondoa udanganyifu katika mfumo wa mishahara. Akizungumza wakati wa Siku ya Tuzo na Taaluma ya Eneo Bunge la Kipkelion Mashariki katika

Waziri wa Utumishi wa Umma Geoffrey Ruku na Mbunge wa Kipkelion Mashariki Joseph Cherorot wanashirikiana na wafanyakazi pamoja na wakazi wa eneo hilo katika hafla ya kuweka jiwe la msingi la Kituo cha ICT cha Londiani; mradi unaolenga kupanua miundombinu ya kidijitali na kuunda fursa za uvumbuzi kwa vijana katika Kaunti ya Kericho.

Shule ya Upili ya Londiani Boys, Kaunti ya Kericho, Ruku alisema mageuzi hayo yanafuatia ukaguzi wa mfumo wa mishahara wa serikali uliobaini kasoro nyingi, zikiwemo malipo haramu ya mishahara, rekodi za wafanyakazi zilizorudiwa na udhaifu katika mifumo iliyokuwepo ya usimamizi wa mishahara ambayo iliruhusu wafanyakazi hewa kubaki kwenye orodha ya mishahara ya serikali. "Nyongeza ya mishahara ya mwezi huu wa Julai itawanufaisha watumishi halali wa umma pekee. Wafanyakazi hewa hawana nafasi katika mfumo wa mishahara wa serikali chini ya Mfumo wa Kati wa Usimamizi wa Rasilimali Watu," alisisitiza Ruku. Alibainisha kuwa mageuzi hayo ni sehemu ya juhudi pana za serikali za kuboresha ufanisi katika utumishi wa umma na kuhakikisha matumizi sahihi ya fedha za walipa kodi. Ruku pia alitangaza kuwa serikali itajenga Kituo cha Huduma (Huduma Centre) katika Kaunti Ndogo ya Kipkelion Mashariki ili kusogeza huduma muhimu za serikali karibu na wananchi.

Kiwanda cha kisasa cha kusindika maziwa chainua wafugaji Nandi

NA SAMMY MWIBANDA (KNA)

Kwa miaka mingi, wafugaji wa ng'ombe wa maziwa katika Kaunti ya Nandi walishuhudia kwa masikitiko maziwa yakiharibika kutokana na ukosefu wa vifaa vya kutosha vya kuhifadhi na masoko yasiyo ya kuaminika. Leo, hali hiyo inabadilika kutokana na kuanzishwa kwa Kiwanda cha Kusindika Maziwa cha Kabiyet, ambacho ni kituo cha kisasa chenye uwezo wa kusindika zaidi ya lita 200,000 za maziwa kwa siku. Kiwanda hicho kilichopo katika Kaunti Ndogo ya Tinderet tayari kinabadilisha uchumi wa eneo hilo na kuboresha maisha ya maelfu ya wafugaji wadogo ambao kwa muda mrefu wamekuwa wakikabiliwa na hasara baada ya mavuno, mapato duni na ukosefu wa masoko ya uhakika. Mradi huo ni matokeo ya miaka ya mipango, uwekezaji na ushirikiano kati ya Serikali ya Kaunti ya Nandi, Benki ya Dunia na mashirika ya kitaifa, ikiwemo Mradi wa Kitaifa wa Maendeleo ya Mnyororo wa Thamani wa Kilimo (NAVCDP). Mbali na kutoa soko la uhakika kwa wafugaji, kiwanda hicho kinatarajiwa kuchochea ukuaji wa uchumi, kuunda ajira na kuimarisha mnyororo wa thamani wa sekta ya maziwa katika eneo hilo.

Kiwanda cha kusindika maziwa cha Kabiyet katika Kaunti Ndogo ya Tinderet, Kaunti ya Nandi. Kiwanda hiki kina uwezo wa kusindika lita 200,000 kwa siku.

Watumishi wapewa muda kusasisha taarifa za pensheni na wanufaika

Katibu wa Utumishi wa Umma Dkt. Jane Kere Imbunya (katikati) akiwa katika picha ya pamoja na Mwenyekiti wa Bodi ya PSSF Balozi Hussein Dado pamoja na Afisa Mtendaji Mkuu Dkt. Jonah Aiyabei

NA TIMOTHY MACHI (PCO)

Serikali imewaelekeza watumishi wote wa umma kusasisha taarifa zao katika Mfuko wa Pensheni wa Watumishi wa Umma (PSSF) kabla ya Agosti 14, 2026, ikiwa ni hatua ya hivi karibuni katika juhudi za kuboresha usimamizi wa pensheni na utoaji wa huduma katika sekta ya umma. Maelekezo hayo yamo katika waraka uliotiwa saini na Katibu Mkuu wa Idara ya Utumishi wa Umma na Maendeleo ya Rasilimali Watu, Dkt. Jane Kere Imbunya, na kuelekezwa kwa Wizara, Idara za Serikali, Tume za Kikatiba, Ofisi Huru, Bodi za Utumishi wa Umma na Kaunti na Serikali za Kaunti. Waraka huo unawataka wanachama wote wa PSSF kusasisha taarifa zao binafsi pamoja na maelezo ya wanufaika wao kupitia Tovuti ya Huduma Binafsi ya Wanachama wa PSSF au programu ya simu ya PSSF. Kama sehemu ya zoezi hilo, wanachama wanatakiwa kuingia katika Tovuti ya Huduma Binafsi ya Wanachama wa PSSF na kujaza fomu ya usajili pamoja na fomu ya uteuzi wa wanufaika kabla ya tarehe ya mwisho iliyowekwa. Hatua hiyo imekuja siku chache baada ya Tume ya Huduma kwa Walimu (TSC) kutoa maelekezo kama hayo, jambo linaloashiria juhudi za pamoja za Serikali kuhakikisha watumishi wa umma wanadumisha taarifa sahihi na zilizosasishwa za pensheni kama sehemu ya mpango unaoendelea wa kisasa wa usimamizi wa pensheni nchini. Zoezi hilo la usajili linatarajiwa kurahisisha usimamizi wa pensheni na kuharakisha uchakataji wa mafao ya kustaafu kupitia Mfumo mpya wa Usimamizi wa Pensheni (PAS), jukwaa la kidijitali lililobuniwa na PSSF ili kutoa huduma za pensheni kwa haraka zaidi, kwa uwazi zaidi na kwa ufanisi mkubwa. Zoezi hilo linawalenga wanachama 529,635 kutoka sehemu mbalimbali za utumishi wa umma, wakiwemo walimu 332,950 chini ya Tume ya Huduma kwa Walimu (TSC), maafisa 120,084 wa huduma za nidhamu, wafanyakazi 60,322 wa Wizara, Idara, Tume za Kikatiba na Mashirika ya Serikali (MDCAs), pamoja na wafanyakazi 16,279 wa serikali za kaunti. Lengo ni kuhakikisha taarifa za binafsi na za wanufaika za kila mwanachama ni sahihi na zimesasishwa, ili kuweka msingi thabiti wa usimamizi bora wa pensheni na utoaji wa huduma kwa haraka. Akifafanua umuhimu wa zoezi hilo, Afisa Mkuu Mtendaji wa PSSF, Dkt. Jonah Aiyabei, alisema kuwa kusasisha taarifa za wanachama ni jambo muhimu kwa mafanikio ya mageuzi ya pensheni na utoaji wa huduma bora za kustaafu. "Taarifa sahihi na zilizosasishwa za wanachama ndizo msingi wa usimamizi bora wa pensheni. Kwa kusasisha taarifa zao, watumishi wa umma watawezesha uchakataji wa haraka wa mafao ya kustaafu," alisema.

Mradi wa nyumba za bei nafuu waanza Marsabit, ukilenga kujenga nyumba 220

NA SEBASTIAN MIRITI NA ANTHONY MELLY (KNA)

Mpango wa Makazi Nafuu umeanza rasmi katika Kaunti ya Marsabit baada ya eneo la ekari mbili kukabidhiwa kwa mkandarasi kwa ajili ya ujenzi wa nyumba 220. Akizungumza wakati wa hafla ya ukabidhi wa eneo hilo, Kamishna wa Kaunti ya Marsabit, Stanley Kamande, alisema mradi huo wa Sh670 milioni unatarajiwa kukamilika ndani ya miezi 18. Mradi huo wa makazi ulioko mjini Marsabit katika Eneo Bunge la Saku ni miongoni mwa miradi mikuu ya serikali chini ya Ajenda ya Mabadiliko ya Kiuchumi kutoka Chini kwenda Juu (BETA), inayolenga kuboresha maisha ya Wakenya. Mratibu wa Kanda wa Miradi ya Makazi Nafuu katika kaunti za Marsabit na Mandera, Ahmed Ali, Naibu Katibu wa Kaunti ya Marsabit Tari Doti, na Mkurugenzi wa Kaunti wa Makazi David Kori walishuhudia ukabidhi wa eneo hilo kwa kampuni ya Mankos Agency Limited, tukio lililopokelewa vyema na wakazi wa eneo hilo. Kamande alisema mradi huo wa kisasa wa makazi utasaidia kupunguza uhaba wa nyumba za makazi katika mji wa Marsabit huku ukitoa nafasi za ajira, hasa kwa vijana. Alihimiza mkandarasi kukamilisha kazi hiyo ndani ya muda uliopangwa na kutumia wafanyakazi pamoja na rasilimali za eneo husika ili wakazi wanufaike moja kwa moja na mradi huo. Kamande alisisitiza dhamira ya serikali ya kuboresha maisha ya Wakenya kwa kuwapa fursa ya kumiliki makazi bora katika sehemu zote za nchi, akiongeza kuwa kila juhudi itafanywa kuhakikisha mkandarasi anatekeleza kazi hiyo bila vikwazo vyovyote.

Afisa wa kampuni ya Mankos Agencies Limited, Mhandisi Dennis Korir, anapokea nyaraka za eneo la ujenzi wa mradi wa nyumba za gharama nafuu katika mji wa Marsabit kutoka kwa Kamishna wa Kaunti, Stanley Kamande. Mradi huo utagharimu Shilingi milioni 670 kwa ajili ya ujenzi wa nyumba 220. PICHA: SEBASTIAN MIRITI

KWA TAKWIMU

Sh360m

Ali alisema miradi mingine inayoendelea katika eneo hilo inajumuisha ujenzi wa mabweni ya wanafunzi ya Sololo kwa gharama ya Shilingi milioni 360.

Kwa mujibu wa Mratibu wa Kanda, mradi wa Makazi Nafuu ni miongoni mwa miradi mingi ya maendeleo ya serikali ya kitaifa inayoendelea kutekelezwa katika Kaunti ya Marsabit. Ali alisema miradi mingine inayoendelea katika eneo hilo ni pamoja na ujenzi wa mabweni ya wanafunzi ya Sololo yenye thamani ya Sh360 milioni; bweni la wanafunzi lenye uwezo wa kulaza wanafunzi 340 katika Chuo cha Mafunzo ya Ufundi cha Saku kwa gharama ya Sh154 milioni; soko la mifugo la Bubisa katika Eneo Bunge la North Horr; na soko la kisasa la rejareja katika mji wa Moyale. Aliongeza kuwa mipango inaendelea kuanzisha miradi mingine mitatu ya kisasa ya makazi katika maeneo bunge ya Laisamis, North Horr na Moyale huku mpango wa makazi ukiendelea kushika kasi kote nchini. "Kila eneo bunge litanufaika na mpango wa Makazi Nafuu," alihakikishia, akiongeza kuwa serikali ya kaunti ina nia ya kuona mpango huo ukifaulu katika sehemu zote za Marsabit.

REPUBLIC OF KENYA

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STATE DEPARTMENT FOR AVIATION AND AEROSPACE DEVELOPMENT

RECRUITMENT OF INDEPENDENT MEMBERS THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE KENYA CIVIL AVIATION AUTHORITY (KCAA)

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 13 (1) (f) of the Civil Aviation Act, Cap 394 laws of Kenya, the Cabinet Secretary Ministry of Roads and Transport invites applications from suitably qualified persons for appointment as members of the Board of Directors of the Kenya Civil Aviation Authority.

Applications are invited for persons: with demonstrable knowledge and experience in Civil Aviation; qualification and expertise in financial management or accounting and bona fide member of a professional body regulating the accountancy or the auditing profession; with demonstrable knowledge and experience in Aviation Law or Business; and with demonstrable knowledge and experience in Management.

Terms of service

Pursuant to Section 13 (4) of the Civil Aviation Act, Cap 394, the members appointed shall serve for a period of three years on such terms and conditions as may be specified in their instruments of appointment and shall be eligible for re-appointment for a further one term of three (3) years subject to a favorable evaluation.

How to Apply

a) For more information on the application, qualification and procedure, please visit our portal **www.transport.go.ke** and submit your application letter, detailed Curriculum Vitae (CV) with at least three (3) referees and their contacts including telephone numbers, copies of academic and professional certificates, national identity card or passport, clearance certificates from the relevant statutory bodies;
b) Duly filled Form available on the website; and
c) Applications should be hand delivered and submitted in an envelope marked **"APPLICATIONS BOARD OF DIRECTOR POSITION"** to;

The Cabinet Secretary
Ministry of Roads and Transport
P.O. Box 52692–00200
Nairobi, Kenya.

Delivered to **Room 709, 7th Floor, Transcom House, 1st Ngong Avenue.**

A soft copy of the application, stating the referenced position should be emailed to **recruitmentcs@transport.go.ke.**

Applications should be received by the Cabinet Secretary not later than **5.00pm on Tuesday 4th August, 2026.**

NB: Shortlisted candidates shall be required to submit clearance from the following institutions, as per the requirements of Chapter 6 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010:
a) **Kenya Revenue Authority, (Tax Compliance Certificate);**
b) **Ethics and Anti-corruption Authority;**
c) **Directorate of Criminal Investigations (Current Certificate of Good Conduct);**
d) **Higher Education Loans Board (HELB); and**
e) **Clearance Certificate from Accredit Reference Bureau (CRB).**

The Ministry of Roads and Transport is an equal opportunity employer. Women, persons with disabilities and people from marginalized groups with requisite qualifications are encouraged to apply. Canvassing will lead to automatic disqualification.

Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

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KENYA REINSURANCE CORPORATION LIMITED

INVITATION TO TENDER

Kenya Reinsurance Corporation Limited invites sealed tenders from eligible candidates for the following items as detailed in the respective tender documents:

TENDER No.	DESCRIPTION	TENDER SECURITY	OPENING DATE
INTERNATIONAL TENDER			
KRC/2026/2820/220	Leasing of office premises for Kenya Re Subsidiary Office in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania	N/A	11th August 2026 12.00 NOON EAST AFRICAN TIME
KRC/2026/2843/256	Leasing of office premises for Kenya Re Subsidiary Office in Kigali, Rwanda	N/A	11th August 2026 12.00 NOON EAST AFRICAN TIME
KRC/2026/2762/168	Request for proposal or provision of consultancy service for establishment of a Kenya Reinsurance Corporation Liaison Office in Kigali, Rwanda	N/A	11th August 2026 12.00 NOON EAST AFRICAN TIME
NATIONAL TENDER			
KRC/2026/2763/169	Supply and installation of agentic AI automation system with Robotic Process Automation (RPA) integration	Kshs. 500,000	4th August 2026 10.00 A.M EAST AFRICAN TIME
KRC/2026/2806/213	Supply and delivery of 40 pieces of laptops - ***Reserved For Youth***	N/A	4th August 2026 10.00 A.M EAST AFRICAN TIME

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

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

To be received by as detailed above or in the Invitation to tender. Tenders will be opened the same day and time in the Corporation's Boardroom in the presence of bidders or their representative who choose to attend. Tenders that are delivered after the submission deadline will be rejected.

Prices quoted **MUST** be expressed in the currency indicated in the invitation to tender and must be inclusive of all applicable Government taxes and should remain valid for a period of **120 days** from the closing date of the tender.

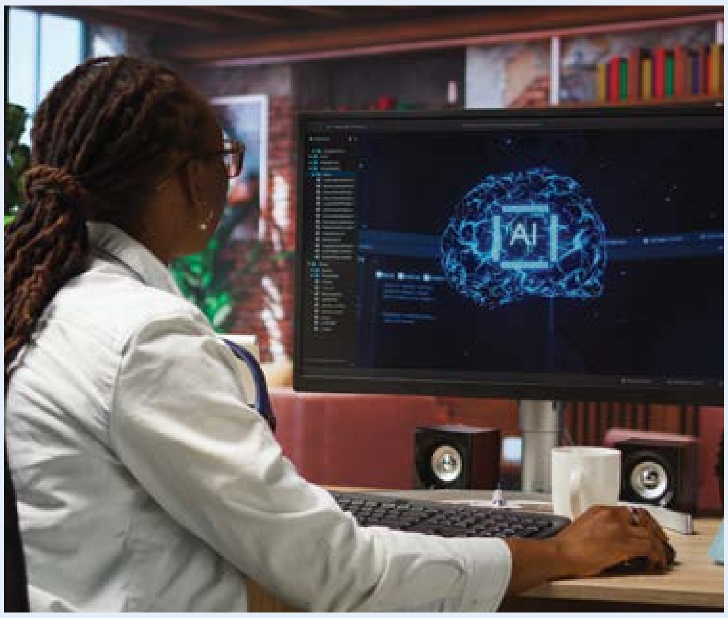
Bidders who download the tender documents from the website MUST forward their particulars immediately via email to **procurement@kenyare.co.ke.** This is for record and any further tender clarifications and addendum where necessary. The particulars should include: Name of Firm, Postal Address, Telephone Number, Email Address, Tender Number and Tender Name. Bidders should request for clarifications through the said e-mail. The purpose of the e-mail is for submission of tenderers particulars above ONLY.

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

MAONI: UCHUMI WA DUNIA

Ni lazima Kenya itengeneze AI inayozungumza lugha zake na kuwahudumia wananchi wake

NA PROF. SHAUKAT ABDULRAZAK



Akili Unde (AI) si teknolojia inayoibuka tena. Kwa kasi kubwa, imekuwa sehemu muhimu ya miundombinu ambayo mataifa hutumia kutoa huduma za afya, kuboresha kilimo, kuelimisha wananchi, kuzalisha bidhaa viwandani, kusimamia huduma za umma na kushindana katika uchumi wa dunia. Kenya tayari inaanza kushuhudia mabadiliko hayo.

Katika ngazi ya kikanda, Afrika inakabiliwa na uamuzi muhimu wa kihistoria: kubaki watumiaji wa algoriti, majukwaa na mifumo ya kidijitali iliyobuniwa kwingineko, au kuwa wabunifu, wamiliki na wauzaji wa teknolojia zinazobuniwa barani humo. Mustakabali wa Afrika haupaswi kuandikwa kwa niaba yetu; unapaswa kuandikwa kwa ushirikiano nasi na, kwa kiwango kikubwa zaidi, na sisi wenyewe.

Kwa mtazamo wangu, swali kuu si tena iwapo Akili Unde itabadilisha nchi yetu. Swali la msingi ni iwapo tutayaongoza mabadiliko hayo kwa makusudi, kwa uwajibikaji na kwa maslahi ya taifa.

Kenya lazima itengeneze mifumo ya Akili Unde inayofahamu mazao yetu, magonjwa yetu, taasisi zetu na jamii zetu. Tunahitaji teknolojia zinazoweza kuwasiliana kwa Kiswahili na lugha nyingine za asili, kusaidia walimu, kuimarisha utoaji wa huduma za afya, kuboresha usimamizi wa umma, kuwawezesha wafanyabiashara na kujibu hali halisi za wananchi wetu.

Kwa bahati nzuri, Kenya tayari ina misingi imara ya kujengea mafanikio hayo. Tuna uchumi wa kidijitali unaokua kwa kasi, ubunifu wa simu za mkononi unaotambulika duniani, vyuo vikuu na taasisi za utafiti zenye uwezo, mfumo hai wa kampuni changa za ubunifu (start-ups), pamoja na idadi kubwa ya vijana wenye ari ya kubuni suluhu mpya.

Mkakati wa Kitaifa wa Akili Unde wa mwaka 2025-2030 unatoa mwongozo wa wazi wa kuendeleza miundombinu ya kidijitali, kuimarisha usimamizi wa data na Akili Unde, pamoja na kukuza utafiti, ubunifu na biashara ya teknolojia.

Kwa hivyo, Serikali tayari imeweka mwelekeo muhimu wa kisera. Kazi kubwa iliyo mbele yetu sasa ni kutafsiri maono hayo kuwa vitendo kupitia utekelezaji madhubuti.

Kwanza, tunapaswa kuimarisha vituo vya utafiti na ubunifu katika maeneo ya kimkakati kama vile Akili Unde, afya ya kidijitali, kilimo, teknolojia za kukabiliana na mabadiliko ya tabianchi, usalama wa mtandao, uchumi wa kibaolojia, nishati na uzalishaji wa kisasa viwandani. Vituo hivyo vitawawezesha wadau kushirikiana kutumia miundombinu yenye gharama kubwa, kuunganisha utaalamu, kuepuka kurudia kazi na kutekeleza malengo ya kitaifa kwa kiwango kikubwa.

Pili, tunapaswa kuanzisha Viti vya Kitaifa vya Utafiti katika maeneo ya Akili Unde yenye uwajibikaji, roboti, usalama wa mtandao, kilimo cha kidijitali, afya ya kidijitali na maadili ya Akili Unde. Viti hivyo vinapaswa kuwa majukwaa ya ubora, malezi ya wataalamu, mafunzo ya uzamili, ushirikiano wa kimataifa na uhamasishaji wa rasilimali zaidi za utafiti. Mafanikio yake yasipimwe tu kwa idadi ya machapisho ya kitaaluma, bali pia kwa hati miliki, biashara zilizoanzishwa, sera zilizoathiriwa, wanafunzi waliofunzwa, ufadhili uliopatikana na maisha yaliyoboreshwa. Zaidi ya yote, lazima yaonyeshe athari halisi katika jamii.

Tatu, tunapaswa kupanga utafiti kwa kuzingatia Changamoto Kuu zinazowagusa wananchi moja kwa moja. Akili Unde inaweza kusaidia kupunguza vifo vya akina mama na watoto wachanga, kutabiri ukame, mafuriko, milipuko ya magonjwa na wadudu waharibifu wa mazao, kuboresha matokeo ya elimu katika shule zisizo na rasilimali za kutosha, kupunguza hasara baada ya mavuno na kuimarisha tija katika sekta ya umma. Chini ya mfumo wa Ajenda ya Mabadiliko ya Kiuchumi kutoka Chini kwenda Juu (BETA), malengo haya ya maendeleo ya kitaifa yanapaswa kutekelezwa kupitia timu za taaluma mbalimbali, hatua zinazopimika na njia wazi za kuhamisha matokeo ya utafiti hadi kwenye utekelezaji.

Nne, ufadhili wa kutosha na unaotabirika ni jambo la msingi. Mfumo wa Kenya wa utafiti na maendeleo uko katika mwelekeo wa kuongeza uwekezaji katika sayansi, utafiti na ubunifu kutoka angalau asilimia 1 hadi kufikia asilimia 2 ya Pato la Taifa (GDP). Uwekezaji huu utasaidia ruzuku za ushindani za utafiti, miundombinu ya kisasa, mafunzo ya uzamili, viti vya utafiti, maendeleo ya miradi ya majaribio, ulinzi wa haki miliki na biashara ya matokeo ya utafiti.

Kama Serikali, tunathamini ushirikiano wa kimataifa na mchango wa washirika wa maendeleo. Hata hivyo, uendelevu wa muda mrefu wa mfumo wa utafiti wa Kenya hauwezi kutegemea kwa kiasi kikubwa ufadhili wa nje. Vipaumbele vyetu vya kitaifa lazima kwa kiwango kikubwa zaidi vifadhiliwe kupitia rasilimali za ndani. Ufadhili wa ndani ndiyo msingi wa uhuru wa kweli wa taifa. Hili linahitaji mgao mkubwa zaidi kutoka Hazina ya Taifa, ushiriki mpana wa sekta binafsi, michango ya serikali za kaunti, uwekezaji wa vyuo vikuu, misaada ya taasisi za hisani na mbinu bunifu za ufadhili. Ufadhili wa utafiti unapaswa kuonekana kama uwekezaji katika uzalishaji wa taifa, uwezo wa kukabiliana na changamoto na ushindani wa kiuchumi, si matumizi ya kawaida ya umma.

Rais William Ruto amesema: "Ili kubadilisha nchi yetu, lazima tufanye maamuzi yatakayobadili mwelekeo na hatima ya taifa letu." Moja ya maamuzi hayo ni kuweka sayansi, utafiti, ubunifu na Akili Unde katikati ya ufadhili wa maendeleo ya Kenya.

Sekta binafsi pia lazima iachane na nafasi ya mtazamaji na kuwa mshirika wa ubunifu. Kampuni zinapaswa kushiriki kufadhili utafiti, kudhamini Viti vya Utafiti, kutoa data, kuwapa wanafunzi nafasi za mafunzo, kupima teknolojia mpya na kuwekeza katika kampuni zinazotokana na ubunifu wa vyuo vikuu. Serikali nayo lazima itoe sera wezeshi, viwango vinavyofaa, miundombinu rafiki na fursa za ununuzi kwa ubunifu wa kuaminika unaotokana na Wakenya.

— Mwandishi ni Katibu, Idara ya Sayansi, Utatifi na Ubunifu
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Miundombinu mipya ya maji kumaliza miongo ya ubaba wa maji Tana River

NA RIPOTA WA MYGOV

Kwa miongo kadhaa, wananchi wa Kaunti ya Tana River wameishi katika hali ya kinaya chenye maumivu. Licha ya kuwa nyumbani kwa mto mrefu zaidi nchini Kenya, maelfu ya kaya pamoja na mifugo yao wameendelea kushindania vyanzo vichache vya maji vinavyozidi kupungua. Uhaba wa maji haujaathiri tu maisha na shughuli za kiuchumi za wananchi bali pia umechangia hali duni ya usafi wa mazingira, kuvuruga elimu na kusababisha matatizo ya mara kwa mara yanayotokana na ukame.

Hata hivyo, hali hiyo inaanza kubadilika taratibu. Kupitia Shirika la Maendeleo ya Miundombinu ya Maji wa Pwani (CWWDA), Serikali inawekeza Shilingi milioni 185 katika miradi ya kimkakati ya uvunaji maji inayolenga kubadilisha maisha ya wananchi kote kaunti hiyo. Shirika hilo linatekeleza miradi mbalimbali ya miundombinu ya maji ikiwemo mabwawa ya Bangale 1 na Bangale 2, Mradi wa Usambazaji Maji wa Sheli na mabwawa ya Chirifa katika Eneo Bunge la Garsen. Miradi hiyo inatarajiwa kuimarisha usalama wa upatikanaji wa maji, kuongeza uwezo wa jamii kukabiliana na mabadiliko ya tabianchi na kuhakikisha upatikanaji endelevu wa maji kwa jamii ambazo zimekumbwa na uhaba wa muda mrefu kwa miaka mingi.

Uzinduzi wa Mradi wa Usambazaji Maji wa Sheli umeleta matumaini mapya kwa wakazi wa eneo hilo, ukiashiria mwanzo wa suluhisho lililosubiriwa kwa muda mrefu la changamoto za maji zinazozikabili vijiji hivyo. Mradi huo unahusisha ujenzi wa bomba la kilomita nne litakalounganisha Kisima cha Konkona na Kijiji cha Sheli, ujenzi wa mtandao mpana wa usambazaji maji pamoja na uwekaji wa vituo viwili vya kuuza maji na maeneo ya pamoja ya kuchotea maji.

Ukikamilika, mradi huo unatarajiwa kuhudumia zaidi ya kaya 300 kwa kuwapatia maji safi na salama ya kunywa. Mbali na kuboresha upatikanaji wa maji, mradi huo utapunguza mzigo kwa wanawake na watoto ambao hutumia saa nyingi kutafuta maji, hivyo kuwawezesha watoto kubaki shuleni na kuwapa wanawake fursa zaidi za kujihusisha na shughuli za kujiongezea kipato.

Shule za Keiyo zakumbatia nishati safi kupitia miradi mipya ya 'biogas'

NA RENNISH OKONG'O

Shule katika eneo la Keiyo Kusini zinatarajiwa kunufaika na nishati safi na nafuu kufuatia uzinduzi wa Kiwanda cha Biogas cha KyoGreen katika Shule ya Upili ya Mokwo pamoja na kuanzishwa kwa miradi mingine ya biogas katika taasisi mbalimbali za elimu.

Mkuu wa Utumishi wa Umma Felix Koskei, akiwa ameandamana na Katibu Mkuu wa Hazina ya Taifa Dkt. Chris Kiptoo, anakabidhi hundi ya mfano yenye thamani ya Shilingi 480,000 kwa Shule ya Msingi Changach Barak na Shule ya Sekondari Changach Barak, ili kufanikisha ufungaji wa mifumo miwili ya biogas ya KyoGreen.

Mkuu wa Utumishi wa Umma, Felix Koskei, alizindua kiwanda hicho akikitaja kama hatua muhimu katika kuendeleza matumizi ya nishati jadidifu katika taasisi za umma huku ikipunguza utegemezi wa nishati za jadi za kupikia. Kiwanda hicho cha biogas kinatarajiwa kuipatia shule chanzo endelevu cha nishati safi kwa ajili ya maandalizi ya chakula, hivyo kupunguza gharama za uendeshaji na utegemezi wa kuni. Aidha, kitachangia katika uhifadhi wa mazingira kwa kusaidia kupunguza ukataji wa miti na uzalishaji wa gesi chafuzi zinazochangia mabadiliko ya tabianchi. Akizungumza wakati wa hafla ya uzinduzi, Koskei alisema kuwa serikali inaendelea kujitolea kuunga mkono teknolojia zinazozingatia mazingira.

Mradi wa barabara kuu wa Sh16.7b kufungua fursa Kisumu na kaunti jirani

NA MABEL KEYA NA ROBERT ONYANGO (KNA)

Wakazi wa Kisumu wanatarajiwa kunufaika kwa kiasi kikubwa katika sekta ya usafiri na uchumi kutokana na ujenzi unaoendelea wa barabara ya Shilingi bilioni 16.7 ya Mamboleo–Miwani–Chemelil–Muhoroni–Kipsitet, huku maendeleo yake yakionyesha hatua muhimu kuelekea kukamilika kwake. Mradi huo mkubwa wa miundombinu ambao umekuwa ukisubiriwa kwa muda mrefu katika eneo hilo unaendelea kutekelezwa kwa kasi, huku mamlaka zikionyesha matumaini kwamba utakamilika ifikapo Julai mwaka ujao.

Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA) Nyanza Regional Director Fredrick Oyuga briefing the media in Kisumu on the status of the Sh16.7 billion Mamboleo – Miwani – Chemelil – Muhoroni – Kipsitet road bypass.

Kwa mujibu wa Mkurugenzi wa Kanda ya Nyanza wa Mamlaka ya Kitaifa ya Barabara Kuu Kenya (KeNHA), Fredrick Oyuga, mradi huo wa barabara umegawanywa katika sehemu tatu muhimu ili kuongeza ufanisi na kupunguza hatari zinazoweza kujitokeza wakati wa ujenzi. Sehemu ya kwanza yenye urefu wa kilomita 12.6 kati ya Mamboleo na Miwani, ikijumuisha barabara ya njia mbili yenye urefu wa kilomita 6.5, kwa sasa imekamilika kwa asilimia 24. Sehemu ya pili inayokadiriwa kuwa na urefu wa kilomita 20 kutoka Miwani hadi Chemelil imefikia asilimia 34 ya ukamilishaji, huku sehemu ya tatu na ndefu zaidi kutoka Chemelil kupitia Muhoroni hadi Kipsitet yenye urefu wa takriban kilomita 44 ikiwa imekamilika kwa asilimia 22. Oyuga alisema kuwa mradi huo ulioanza mwaka 2021 awali ulikumbwa na changamoto za ufadhili ambazo zilichelewesha utekelezaji wake. Hata hivyo, alisema changamoto hizo zimetatuliwa baada ya serikali kuanzisha sera na kanuni zitakazohakikisha mradi huo unafadhiliwa kupitia Mfuko wa Tozo ya Mafuta (Fuel Levy Fund), hatua ambayo itahakikisha upatikanaji wa fedha kwa wakati. "Wakandarasi wote sasa wamehamasishwa kikamilifu na wako kazini, huku shughuli za ujenzi zikiendelea kulingana na ratiba iliyowekwa," alisema. Mhandisi wa mradi, Catherine Mwinyi, alieleza kuwa barabara hiyo inajengwa kwa viwango vya juu vya tabaka la lami ili kuhimili magari mazito ya kibiashara, hasa malori yanayohudumia viwanda muhimu kama vile Kibos Sugar and Allied Industries, Kampuni ya Sukari ya Chemelil na Kampuni ya Sukari ya Muhoroni.

MINISTRY OF CO-OPERATIVES AND MICRO, SMALL AND MEDIUM ENTERPRISES (MSMEs) DEVELOPMENT
State Department for Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) Development

MSEA MICRO AND SMALL ENTERPRISES AUTHORITY

KJET AJIRA NA UWEKEZAJI
KENYA JOBS AND ECONOMIC TRANSFORMATION PROJECT

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS:

KJET PROJECT – MSME CLUSTERS (COHORTS 3 AND 4)

The Kenya Jobs and Economic Transformation (KJET) is a five-year Government of Kenya project (2024–2029) funded by the World Bank. Its development objective is to **increase private sector investment, access to markets, and sustainable finance.** The project aims to enhance the productivity of Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSME) clusters thereby facilitating **job creation and improvement** which is aligned with the Government's priority on job creation under Bottom-up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).

The project invites Cooperatives, Associations, or other cluster-based entities looking to scale, innovate, and access new markets to apply for support under **Component 2: Enhancing Cluster Competitiveness.**

Through this component, eligible organizations operating within priority value chains will benefit from **tailored Business Development Services (BDS)** training. In addition, some beneficiaries will receive **co-investment support** to acquire productive assets that enhance their operations and market reach.

Eligibility Criteria:

Must be a registered Cooperative, Association or Cluster-based entity.
Must operate in one of the following value chains:

1. Edible Oils
2. Textiles
3. Construction Materials
4. Dairy
5. Leather
6. Tea
7. Coffee
8. Rice
9. Blue Economy
10. Minerals

Note: While the project prioritizes the ten value chains listed above, exceptional MSME clusters in other sectors may be considered on a case-by-case basis, depending on strategic alignment and potential for impact.

- Must have been in operation for over 2 years
- Must be actively engaged in value addition
- Must have products currently in the market

Don't miss out on this opportunity to transform and scale your impact!

Deadline:

21TH AUGUST 2026

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Disclaimer:

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For further enquiries,

kjetenquiries@msea.go.ke
+254 (0) 770 666 000

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REPUBLIC OF KENYA

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR AGRICULTURE

Ministry Of Agriculture & Livestock Development

NAVCDP NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL VALUE CHAIN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

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

Country:	**KENYA**
Name of Project:	**NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL VALUE CHAIN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT- NAVCDP**
Credit No.:	**70640**
Project ID:	**176758**
Assignment Title:	**CONSULTING SERVICES FOR BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT AND ACCELERATION OF APICULTURE VALUE CHAIN**
Reference No.:	**KE-MOALF-560393-CS- CQS**

1.0 The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the National Agricultural Value Chain Development Project (NAVCDP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

2.0 The Consulting Services (***"the Services"***) include Consulting Services of a Business Accelerator for Apiculture Value Chain for NAVCDP. The estimated period of the assignment is twelve (12) calendar months from contract commencement date.

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

4.0 The State Department for Agriculture (***"the client"***) now invites eligible consulting firms (***"Consultants"***) to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are: -

4.1 **Core business and years in business:** The firm shall be registered/incorporated as a consulting firm with core business in the field of livestock or closely related field for a period of a minimum of ten (10) years.

4.2 **Relevant experience:** The firm shall demonstrate as having successfully executed and completed at least two (2) assignments of similar nature, complexity and in a similar operating environment in the last eight (8) calendar years. Details of similar assignments - Name and address of the client, scope, value/enumeration, and period should be provided and submitted with the Expression of Interest (EOI).

4.3 **Technical and managerial capability of the firm:** The firm shall demonstrate as having the requisite technical and managerial capacity including relevant management tools to undertake the assignment in the submitted company profile(s).

Key Experts will not be evaluated at this stage.

5.0. The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's ***"Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers"*** First Published July 2016 and revised Fourth Edition November 2020 (***"Procurement Regulations"***), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.

6.0. 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 a joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.

7.0 A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Consultant' s Qualification -Based Selection (CQS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

8.0. Further information can be obtained at the address below during office hours 0900 to 1600 hours East Africa Time (EAT) at the address below.

Address for further information:
National Project Coordinator
National Value Chain Development Project
State Department for Agriculture
Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development
Capitol Hill Towers, 5th Floor, Cathedral Road.
Nairobi Kenya
Phone : +254 773206315
E-mail : info@navcdp.go.ke

9.0. Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below (in person, or by e-mail) by **4th August, 2026 at 1100 hours EAT.** The delivery by person must be deposited in the tender box clearly marked State Department for Agriculture located at Kilimo House main reception –Ground floor, Cathedral Road Nairobi - Kenya, or delivery by e-mail must be sent to **info@navcdp.go.ke** and clearly marked "Consulting Services for Business Accelerator for Apiculture Value Chain for NAVCDP, Contract Ref. No. **KE-MOALF-560393-CS-CQS.**

Address for submission:

The Principal Secretary
State Department for Agriculture
Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development
Kilimo House, Ground floor
Cathedral Road
Telephone +254 773206315
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Head Supply Chain Management
For: Principal Secretary

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STATE DEPARTMENT FOR AGRICULTURE

Ministry Of Agriculture & Livestock Development

NAVCDP NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL VALUE CHAIN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT

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

Country:	**KENYA**
Name of Project:	**NATIONAL AGRICULTURAL VALUE CHAIN DEVELOPMENT PROJECT- NAVCDP**
Credit No.:	**70640**
Project ID:	**176758**
Assignment Title:	**CONSULTING SERVICES FOR BUSINESS ACCELERATOR FOR MANGO AND AVOCADO VALUE CHAINS FOR NAVCDP**
Reference No.:	**KE-MOALF-560682-CS-QCBS**

1.0 The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the National Agricultural Value Chain Development Project (NAVCDP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

2.0 The Consulting Services (***"the Services"***) include Consulting Services for Business Accelerator for mango and avocado value chains for NAVCDP. The estimated period of the assignment is twelve (12) calendar months from contract commencement date.

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KDF yakarabati shule Laikipia ili kuimarisha amani

NA MUTURI MWANGI (KNA)

Jeshi la Ulinzi la Kenya (KDF) limeanza ukarabati na ujenzi wa madarasa katika shule kumi za msingi zilizoko maeneo yanayokumbwa na ukosefu wa usalama katika Kaunti ya Laikipia, kama sehemu ya juhudi za kurejesha amani ya kudumu katika maeneo yaliyoathirika.

Katibu wa Ulinzi, Patrick Mariru, wakati wa kuzindua miradi hiyo, alisema madarasa hayo yatakamilika na kuanza kutumika ndani ya kipindi cha miezi miwili.

Aliongeza kuwa mpango huo unatekelezwa kufuatia agizo la Rais William Ruto.

"Rais alielekeza kwamba majangili waondolewe katika Msitu wa Mukogodo na shule zilizo jirani na msitu huo ziboreshewe. Mkuu wa Taifa anataka wanafunzi wawe na mazingira bora na yanayofaa kwa kujifunza," alisema Mariru baada ya kuzindua ujenzi wa mabweni katika Shule Jumuishi ya Ngenia.

Katibu wa Ulinzi Patrick Mariru (aliyevalia kofia) na Mbunge wa Laikipia Kaskazini Sarah Korere (upande wa kushoto kabisa) wakikata utepe kuashiria kuanza kwa ujenzi wa bweni katika Shule ya Ngenia Comprehensive.

Upanuzi wa miundombinu katika shule zinazotoa huduma za bweni unalenga kuongeza idadi ya wanafunzi wanaojiandikisha na kuboresha kiwango cha wanaoendelea na masomo, kama njia ya kuwazuia vijana wanaoacha shule kujihusisha na shughuli za uhalifu.

Shule nyingi zilizojumuishwa katika mradi huo ziko karibu na Msitu mkubwa wa Mukogodo katika Eneo Bunge la Laikipia Kaskazini, ambapo vijiji vya jirani vimeathiriwa kwa miaka mingi na mashambulizi ya majangili yaliyosababisha vifo, wizi wa mifugo na uharibifu wa mali.

Hali hiyo ya ukosefu wa usalama hapo awali ilisababisha kifo cha chifu mmoja na Askari wa Akiba wa Polisi wa Kitaifa (NPR) kadhaa, jambo lililowalazimu baadhi ya wakazi kuhama eneo hilo na kusababisha wanafunzi wengi kuacha shule.

Hivi karibuni, kikosi cha usalama cha mashirika mbalimbali ya serikali kilitumwa katika msitu huo kuwaondoa wahalifu.

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NATIONAL OPEN TENDER NOTICE REQUEST FOR BIDS-WORKS

COUNTRY	KENYA
NAME OF PROJECT	Water Supply Distribution for Meru Rural Water and Sanitation Company - Aid on Delivery
CONTRACT TITLE	Proposed Water Supply Distribution Project for Muriri - Karumo, in Meru County
REFERENCE No.	MERUWASCO/ONT/WSTF/AOD 01/2026-2027

1. The Government of Kenya has received financing from the German Development Bank toward the cost of the Water Supply Extension for Meru County Rural Water and Sanitation Company Limited under the Aid on Delivery Program (AoD) and intends to apply the proceeds toward payments for various works as detailed below;

No	Tender Number	Tender Name	Site Visit Date	Closing Date
1.	MERUWASCO/ONT/WSTF/AOD 01/2026-2027	Proposed Water Supply Distribution Project for Muriri – Karumo in Meru County • **Lot 1** -Construction of Intake and Raw Water Mains	28th July 2026 at 9.00 am	4th August 2026
2.	MERUWASCO/ONT/WSTF/AOD 02/2026-2027	Proposed Water Supply Distribution Project for Muriri – Karumo in Meru County • **Lot 2** -Construction of Distribution Mains and Household Connections	28th July 2026 at 9.00 am	4th August 2026

2. This Request for Bids comprises of two (2) Lots: LOT 1 and LOT 2. Bidders can participate in either of the LOT s or both LOTs as they qualify. The LOTs will be awarded separately but could be awarded to the same bidder, if they demonstrate capacity and capability to implement the works LOTs in parallel.
3. Meru County Rural Water and Sanitation Services Company Limited, a Public Water Service Provider (WSP) established in 2023 under the Water Act 2016 and wholly owned by the County Government of Meru, now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for construction of the above LOTs.
4. Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Bidding using a Request for Bid (RFB) and is open to eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.
5. Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from Meru County Rural Water and Sanitation Services Company Limited (MeRUWASCO) along Meru-Nanyuki Highway, adjacent to National Police Service, Directorate of Criminal Investigations Headquarters, during office hours excluding weekends and public Holiday
6. There will be a **MANDATORY** site visit on **Tuesday 28th July 2026, 9.00a.m at MURIRI DC'S OFFICE** participation of which is at the bidder's cost.
7. A complete set of tender documents in English may be downloaded free of charge from the Meru County Rural Water and Sanitation Services Co. Ltd website (**www.meruwasco.co.ke**) or the Public Procurement Information Portal (**www.tenders.go.ke**). Upon downloading/obtaining the tender documents, interested bidders must register by emailing as early as possible, giving their firm's name, address, and contact details to **meruwasco@gmail.com**. This registration will facilitate issuance of clarifications, addenda, and updates regarding the tender to all bidders where necessary.
8. Bids **must** be delivered to the address below on or before the closing date and time indicated above. Electronic Bidding will not be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. Bids will be publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders' designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend at the address below on **4th August 2026 at 11.00 am East African Time (EAT).**
9. All bids **must** be accompanied by Bid security in the form of a bank Guarantee as follows;
   - **Lot 1**-Construction of Intake and Raw Water Mains - **KSH. 1,300,000 (One Million Three Hundred Thousand)**
   - **Lot 2**-Construction of distribution Mains and Household Connections - **KSH.1,100,000 One Million One Hundred Thousand)**
10. Attention is drawn to the Procurement Regulation, which requires the borrower to disclose information on the successful bidder's beneficial ownership as part of the contract award notice, using the beneficial ownership disclosure form included in the bidding document.
11. The address(es) referred to above is (are):

Managing Director
Meru County Rural Water and Sanitation Services Co. Ltd
P.O BOX 467-60200 MERU
Street: Meru-Nanyuki Highway Tel.: +254757227115
Email: **meruwasco@gmail.com**
Website: **www.meruwasco.co.ke**

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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

The **Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) Staff Pension Scheme** is seeking to recruit results-oriented, self-driven, dynamic, and experienced persons with high integrity to fill the following positions:

No.	Position	Vacancy No.	Posts
1.	Administrative Assistant	AA/P/7/26	1
2.	ICT System Administrator and Support Officer	ICT/P/7/26	1
3.	Pension Officer – Administration	POA/P/7/26	1
4.	Procurement Officer	PO/P/7/26	1
	Total		**4**

Detailed Job description are posted on the KRA website.

Interested candidates are requested to visit KRA website at **https://www.kra.go.ke/careers** for full job descriptions and specifications and submit online applications by **10th August, 2026,** 23:59hrs.

1. It is a criminal offence to include incorrect information in the application and to present fake certificates/documents.
2. Canvassing, falsifying or misrepresentation of qualifications will lead to automatic disqualification.
3. Only shortlisted and successful applicants will be contacted.
4. KRA Staff Pension Scheme is committed to affording equal employment opportunities to men and women, members of all ethnic groups and persons with disabilities. People with disabilities, the marginalized and the minorities are therefore encouraged to apply.
5. KRA Staff Pension Scheme does not charge any application, processing, interviewing, or any other fee at any stage of the recruitment process.

Additional Requirements:

Successful candidates will be expected to present the following certificates/reports in line with Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya 2010: -

1. Valid certificate of good conduct from the Directorate of Criminal Investigations.
2. Valid clearance certificate from Higher Education Loans Board (HELB).
3. Valid tax compliance certificate from Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA).
4. Current report from an approved Credit Reference Bureau (CRB).

Application Guidelines

Registration:

1. Go to **https://erecruitment.kra.go.ke/login** and then click on the **'Register'** button to start the application process. Use your personal/private email address (non-work email) to register.
2. After registration, you will receive an email enabling you to confirm your email address and complete your registration.

Log on:

1. After registration go to https://erecruitment.kra.go.ke/login
2. Key in your username and password then click on **'Log in'** to access your account.
3. After successful log in, the system will open the **'Applicant Cockpit'**.

Candidate Profile (To create or update applicant detail):

1. On the **'Applicant Cockpit'** page, go to the tab **'Candidate Profile'**.
2. Click on 'My Profile' to create and update your profile (Attach documents in PDF format).
3. Follow the instructions to complete your profile.
4. The process will end by clicking the tab **'Overview and Release'**.
5. Ensure you click the check box on the page to complete the profile.

Application process:

1. To view the open job postings, click on the tab **'Employment Opportunities'** on the **'Applicant Cockpit'** page.
2. Under the heading **'Job Search'** click the **'Start'** button to view all available vacancies.
3. Click on the Job posting to display the details of the position.
4. To apply for the position, click **'Apply'** button at the top of the page.
5. Follow the instructions to complete and submit your application.
6. Kindly note that all mandatory fields must be completed.
7. To complete the process of application, click the **'Send Application Now'** button after reviewing and accepting the **'Data Privacy Statement'**.

In case of any challenge or issues, please send your email query to **kraspscareers@kra.go.ke**

MAKALA: HALI ZA AFYA YA AKILI

Jinsi familia moja ya Vihiga ilivyoshinda changamoto fiche za ugonjwa wa akili

NA KELLY BARASA (KNA)

Eneo la kusubiri nje ya Kliniki ya Afya ya Akili katika Hospitali ya Rufaa na Mafunzo ya Vihiga (VTRH) ni tulivu, lakini kila mgonjwa aliyeketi hapo ana simulizi ambalo mara nyingi halisimuliwi.

Baadhi yao wameandamana na wanafamilia wenye wasiwasi, huku wengine wakikaa kimya wakisubiri zamu yao ya kuonana na wataalamu ambao wamekuwa chanzo cha matumaini katika safari yao ya kupona.

Nyuma ya kila chumba cha ushauri kuna mapambano dhidi ya msongo wa mawazo, wasiwasi, saikosi, mfadhaiko na matatizo mengine ya afya ya akili.

Mara nyingi mapambano haya hupiganwa kimya kimya kutokana na unyanyapaa, hofu na dhana potofu zinazoizunguka afya ya akili.

Miongoni mwa wanaosubiri kufanyiwa tathmini ni Isaac Chabeda mwenye umri wa miaka 19 kutoka Kijiji cha Busamu katika Kaunti ya Vihiga.

Akiwa ameketi kando ya mama yake, Margaret Kadara, Isaac anaonekana mtulivu na mwenye utulivu wa nafsi. Kumtazama leo, ni vigumu kuamini kuwa zaidi ya mwaka mmoja uliopita, familia yake ilihofia kumpoteza kutokana na hali ambayo hawakuweza kuielewa wala kuifanua.

Akizungumza na Shirika la Habari la Kenya (KNA) wakati wa kliniki ya tathmini katika Hospitali ya Rufaa na Mafunzo ya Vihiga, Kadara alisimulia jinsi matatizo ya mwanawe yalivyoanza mwezi Machi 2025 alipokuwa mwanafunzi wa Kidato cha Nne.

Lango la kuingilia katika Hospitali ya Rufaa na Mafunzo ya Vihiga iliyoko Mbale, Kaunti ya Vihiga. Hospitali hii hutumika kama kituo kikuu cha rufaa cha kaunti na hutoa huduma maalum za afya ya akili, zikiwemo huduma za magonjwa ya akili, ushauri nasaha na kliniki ya ufuatiliaji wa wagonjwa.

Isaac Chabeda, mgonjwa wa afya ya akili mwenye umri wa miaka 19 kutoka Busamu, Kaunti ya Vihiga, akiwa na mama yake, Margaret Kadara, wakati wa ziara ya kliniki katika Hospitali ya Rufaa na Mafunzo ya Vihiga.

Muuguzi Mwandamizi Esther Anekaya akizungumza na Shirika la Habari la Kenya (KNA) wakati wa mahojiano katika Kitengo cha Afya ya Akili cha Hospitali ya Rufaa na Mafunzo ya Vihiga. Picha: Henry Ananda na Kelly Barasa.

"Yote yalianza baada ya kupona kutokana na malaria kali. Tulidhani kila kitu kilikuwa sawa hadi alipoanza kulalamikia maumivu ya kichwa ya mara kwa mara, kizunguzungu na msongo wa mawazo usioelezeka. Mwanzoni tulidhani hali hiyo ingepita," alikumbuka.

Hata hivyo, kadiri wiki zilivyopita, hali ya Isaac ilianza kuzorota taratibu.

"Alipoteza hamu ya kula, alianza kujitenga na wengine na akawa mwenye hasira kwa urahisi hata katika mazungumzo ya kawaida. Walimu wa shule yake pia walianza kuripoti mabadiliko makubwa katika tabia yake."

Kama wazazi wengi, Kadara anasema mwanzoni alihangaika kuelewa kilichokuwa kikitokea.

"Nilijiuliza kama alikuwa ameanza kutumia dawa za kulevya kwa sababu tabia yake ilikuwa imebadilika kabisa, lakini aliendelea kukataa na nilimwamini."

Mabadiliko makubwa yalijitokeza usiku mmoja wakati Isaac alipokuwa akiruka-ruka bila kujizuia ndani ya nyumba akiwa usingizini. Familia ilifanikiwa kumtuliza kabla ya kutafuta matibabu asubuhi iliyofuata.

Hali yake iliendelea kuzorota. Wakati mwingine alikuwa akizungumza peke yake, na wakati mmoja alijaribu kuruka kutoka kwenye pikipiki iliyokuwa ikienda mwendo akiwa safarini pamoja na ndugu zake.

Familia ilianza kutafuta matibabu katika Hospitali ya Mulele kabla ya kuhamishiwa VTRH, ambapo ameendelea kupokea huduma maalumu za afya ya akili kupitia dawa, ushauri nasaha na tiba mbalimbali.

Licha ya safari hiyo kuwa ngumu, Kadara anasema maendeleo ya taratibu aliyoyapata mwanawe yameirejeshea familia matumaini mapya.

"Aliweza hata kufanya mtihani wake wa KCSE licha ya yote aliyokuwa amepitia. Wakati mwingine dalili hurudi kwa ukali, lakini kutokana na dawa, ushauri nasaha na kliniki za mara kwa mara, tunaweza kudhibiti hali hiyo."

Anasema kumtunza mtu anayeishi na ugonjwa wa akili kunahitaji umakini wa kudumu.

"Siwezi kumwacha peke yake kwa sababu anahitaji uangalizi wa karibu. Matibabu pia ni ghali na wakati mwingine huwa vigumu kuyaendeleza."

Margaret anasema mbali na mzigo wa kifedha, familia imekuwa ikikabiliwa na unyanyapaa kutoka kwa baadhi ya wanajamii.

Maafisa wa KPA wafanya mazungumzo na bandari kubwa zaidi nchini China

NA HUSSEIN ABDULLAHI (KNA)

Wasimamizi wa Mamlaka ya Bandari Kenya (KPA) imefanya mazungumzo ya ngazi ya juu na ujumbe kutoka Bandari ya Nanjing nchini China kwa lengo la kuimarisha ushirikiano katika shughuli za bandari, teknolojia na kubadilishana maarifa huku mamlaka hiyo ikiendelea na juhudi za kisasa za kuboresha Bandari ya Mombasa.

Mkurugenzi Mkuu wa KPA, Kapteni William Ruto, aliongoza majadiliano na ujumbe uliotembelea kutoka Bandari ya Nanjing, ambayo ni bandari kubwa zaidi duniani ya ndani ya nchi, chini ya Mpango wa Ushirikiano wa Bandari Dada (Sister Port Cooperation Initiative).

Mazungumzo hayo yalijikita katika uwezekano wa ushirikiano katika uwekaji wa mifumo ya kiotomatiki bandarini, mageuzi ya kidijitali, mifumo mahiri ya malango ya kuingilia na kutoka bandarini, ufuatiliaji wa mizigo, michakato isiyotumia karatasi, uchambuzi wa data na matumizi ya teknolojia za hali ya juu ili kuboresha ufanisi wa shughuli na utoaji huduma.

Kapteni Ruto alithibitisha tena dhamira ya KPA ya kuendeleza ushirikiano wa kimkakati wa kimataifa unaoonga mkono maendeleo endelevu ya bandari na kuimarisha ushindani wa Kenya katika biashara ya kimataifa ya baharini.

"Tulijadili maeneo ya ushirikiano yanayowezekana, maboresho na kubadilishana maarifa kwa kutumia teknolojia ili kuendelea kuiweka bandari yetu kama kitovu kinachoongoza cha biashara ya baharini katika ukanda huu," alisema Ruto.

Mkurugenzi Mtendaji wa KPA, Kapteni William Ruto, akiwa na Meneja Mkuu wa Bandari ya Nanjing ya China, Zhang Chuanping, katika makao makuu ya KPA mjini Mombasa. KPA iliingia katika ushirikiano na Bandari ya Nanjing ya China ili kuboresha biashara, mtiririko wa mizigo na meli, pamoja na huduma kati ya bandari hizo mbili.

Ruto amepongeza uhusiano imara kati ya Kenya na China, akibainisha mchango mkubwa wa China katika upanuzi na uboreshaji wa kisasa wa Bandari ya Mombasa.

Mkurugenzi Mkuu huyo wa KPA alisema Bandari ya Mombasa inahudumia eneo kubwa lenye zaidi ya watu milioni 250, likijumuisha Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi, Jamhuri ya Kidemokrasia ya Congo (DRC), Sudan Kusini na Ethiopia.

Alisema bandari hiyo inajumuisha Bandari ya Kilindini, Port Reitz, Bandari ya Kale, Port Tudor na maji yote ya mawimbi yanayozunguka Kisiwa cha Mombasa, na ina uwezo wa kuhudumia makontena milioni 2.65 ya vipimo vya futi ishirini (TEUs).

Kapteni Ruto alisema kuwa kama sehemu ya ajenda ya mageuzi ya bandari mahiri, KPA iko katika hatua za awali za kubadilisha mfumo wake wa zamani wa SAP Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) na mfumo wa kisasa wa IFS Cloud, ambao unatarajiwa kuongeza ufanisi wa shughuli, kuunganisha michakato ya biashara na kuunga mkono mkakati mpana wa mageuzi ya kidijitali wa mamlaka hiyo.

Nakuru yazindua mpango kuchakata tani 700 za taka

NA ESTHER MWANGI NA WEDDY MUTUMA (KNA)

Eneo la kutupia taka la Giotto, ambapo Serikali ya Kaunti ya Nakuru imepanga kuanzisha Kituo cha Kisasa cha Urejeshaji wa Nyenzo (MRC) PICHA NA MUTUMA

Serikali ya Kaunti ya Nakuru inatarajia kuanzisha Kituo cha Kisasa cha Urejeshaji wa Taka (Material Recovery Centre - MRC) kitakachotenganisha taka kuwa taka zinazooza, taka ngumu, plastiki na taka za kielektroniki kwa ajili ya utupaji na urejelezaji unaofaa.

Gavana Susan Kihika alisema kuwa kituo hicho, kitakachojengwa katika dampo la Giotto, kitawezesha tani 700 za taka zinazozalishwa kila siku katika kaunti hiyo kupangwa, kurejeshwa na kurejelewa kabla ya kutupwa, hivyo kupunguza kwa kiasi kikubwa kiwango cha taka kinachoishia damponi.

Gavana huyo alieleza kuwa taka zinazooza zitarejelewa ili kuzalisha mbolea ya kikaboni, akiongeza kuwa MRC itasaidia kukuza uchumi wa mzunguko kwa kurejesha malighafi zenye thamani, kuunda ajira za kijani, kuboresha maisha ya wakusanyaji taka kupitia mazingira salama na yaliyoratibiwa zaidi ya kazi, pamoja na kupunguza uchafuzi wa mazingira.

"Baada ya kukamilika, kituo hiki kitakuwa muhimu katika kubadilisha taka kuwa rasilimali yenye thamani huku kikitoa mazingira salama ya kazi kwa wakusanyaji taka," alisema Bi. Kihika.

Akizungumza katika ofisi yake, gavana huyo alibainisha kuwa kituo hicho kitakuwa na mashine ya kusaga plastiki ili kusaidia urejelezaji, sambamba na juhudi za kimataifa za kudhibiti uchafuzi unaotokana na plastiki.

Kwa miongo kadhaa, dampo la Giotto limekuwa kitovu cha mfumo wa usimamizi wa taka wa Nakuru. Lilianzishwa mwaka 1975 kuhudumia idadi ndogo ya watu, lakini tangu wakati huo limegeuka kuwa dampo la wazi lililolemewa na ongezeko la taka linalochochewa na ukuaji wa haraka wa idadi ya watu.

Kwa miaka mingi, gavana huyo alisema Giotto limekuwa chanzo cha uchafuzi wa mazingira, harufu mbaya na moto usiodhibitiwa kutokana na uzalishaji wa gesi ya methane, hali inayohatarisha afya ya wakazi wa maeneo ya karibu yakiwemo Hilton, London, Milimani, sehemu za Kabarak na Nakuru kwa ujumla kupitia kuathiri ubora wa maji na hewa.

Aliongeza kuwa dampo hilo, ambalo liko katika mojawapo ya maeneo ya juu zaidi ya mji, pia limechangia uchafuzi wa maji kupitia maji ya mvua yanayosafirisha taka kuelekea Ziwa Nakuru na Mto Njoro.

Kwa mujibu wa Shirika la Mazingira la Umoja wa Mataifa (UNEP), miji duniani huzalisha zaidi ya tani bilioni mbili za taka ngumu za manispaa kila mwaka, na kiwango hicho kinatarajiwa kuongezeka hadi tani bilioni 3.8 ifikapo mwaka 2050 iwapo hatua endelevu za usimamizi wa taka hazitachukuliwa.

Benki ya Dunia inakadiria kuwa angalau asilimia 33 ya taka duniani hazisimamiwi kwa njia salama kwa mazingira, huku utupaji wa taka ovyo katika madampo ya wazi ukichangia kwa kiasi kikubwa uzalishaji wa gesi chafuzi, uharibifu wa ardhi na uchafuzi wa maji.

Wataalamu wa mazingira wanaeleza kuwa Vituo vya Urejeshaji wa Taka vina jukumu muhimu katika kupunguza taka zinazopelekwa damponi, kuhifadhi rasilimali za asili, kupunguza uzalishaji wa gesi chafuzi na kusaidia mpito kuelekea uchumi wa mzunguko kupitia ongezeko la urejelezaji na matumizi ya tena ya vifaa mbalimbali.

Bi. Kihika alisema kuwa kuanzishwa kwa MRC ni sehemu ya ushirikiano unaoendeshwa chini ya Malengo ya Maendeleo Endelevu ya Umoja wa Mataifa (SDGs) na kunachangia kufanikisha SDG 11 kuhusu Miji na Jamii Endelevu, SDG 12 kuhusu Matumizi na Uzalishaji Wenye Uwajibikaji, pamoja na SDG 13 kuhusu Hatua za Kukabiliana na Mabadiliko ya Tabianchi, huku kikilinda afya ya umma na kuhifadhi mazingira ya asili ya Nakuru.

Alisema utawala wake unaunga mkono kikamilifu mipango mbalimbali ya kubadilisha maeneo ya kutupa taka na mitambo ya kusafisha maji taka kuwa rasilimali zenye manufaa kupitia urejelezaji, kama njia ya kupunguza athari za taka kwa mazingira na afya ya umma.

Kwa mujibu wa gavana huyo, Nakuru kwa sasa ndiyo kaunti inayoongoza nchini katika urejeshaji wa glasi kupitia matumizi ya vipande vya glasi vilivyosagwa kutengeneza matofali ya ujenzi na samani.

Nakuru itakuwa kaunti ya saba nchini kujenga Kituo cha Urejeshaji wa Taka (MRF), ikitumia fursa ya kubadilisha taka kuwa rasilimali yenye thamani.

Kaunti hiyo, alisema gavana, inaendelea kubadilisha maeneo ya kutupa taka na mitambo ya kusafisha maji taka kuwa vituo vya ubunifu endelevu.

Kihika alieleza kuwa kaunti hiyo inashirikiana na wafanyabiashara wa ndani, wajasiriamali na mashirika mbalimbali kubadilisha taka kuwa bidhaa rafiki kwa mazingira kama vile briquettes za mafuta, vifaa vya ujenzi, samani na bidhaa za matumizi ya nyumbani.

KWA TAKWIMU

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Kwa miongo kadhaa, eneo la kutupa taka la Giotto limekuwa kiini cha mfumo wa udhibiti wa taka jijini Nakuru. Lilianzishwa mwaka wa 1975 kuhudumia idadi ndogo zaidi ya watu, lakini tangu wakati huo limegeuka kuwa eneo la wazi la kutupa taka ambalo limelemewa na ongezeko la kiasi cha taka linalochangiwa na ukuaji wa haraka wa idadi ya watu.

IEBC, Mahakama zataka hatua madhubuti za ulinzi kabla uchaguzi

NA LILIAN GICHOHI NA CATHERINE ODOYO (KNA)

Mahakama ya Kenya na Tume Huru ya Uchaguzi na Mipaka (IEBC) zimethibitisha tena dhamira yao ya pamoja ya kulinda uhalali wa demokrasia, zikionya kuwa michakato mibovu ya kisiasa—na si idadi ya kura pekee—inaweza kudhoofisha mamlaka ya wananchi.

Akizungumza wakati wa uzinduzi rasmi wa Ripoti ya Kamati ya Utatuzi wa Migogoro ya Kabla ya Uchaguzi (DRC) ya mwaka 2022 pamoja na Muhtasari wa Kesi (Case Digest) jijini Nairobi, Naibu Jaji Mkuu Philomena Mwilu alisema uimara wa demokrasia unategemea mifumo madhubuti ya ukaguzi na uwiano wa mamlaka hata kabla ya siku ya kupiga kura.

"Demokrasia haiendelezwi kwa kupiga kura pekee," alisema Jaji Mwilu. "Inaendelezwa na imani ya wananchi kwamba kila hatua ya mchakato wa uchaguzi inasimamiwa kwa mujibu wa sheria, inaendeshwa kwa haki, na inafanyiwa mapitio yasiyo na upendeleo pale migogoro inapojitokeza."

Akikumbusha matokeo muhimu ya kesi ya kupinga uchaguzi wa urais wa mwaka 2017, Naibu Jaji Mkuu alisisitiza kuwa uaminifu wa uchaguzi unapaswa kutathminiwa kwa mtazamo mpana.

"Hatimaye, uchaguzi lazima uwe kielelezo halisi cha matakwa ya wananchi kama inavyoelekezwa na Katiba kupitia misingi yake ya uwazi, uaminifu, uthibitishwaji, uwajibikaji, usahihi na ufanisi," alisema.

Akihutubia makamishna wapya wa uchaguzi, Mwilu aliitaka IEBC kufikia viwango vya juu vya utendaji katika maandalizi ya uchaguzi mkuu ujao.

"Maombi yangu kwenu ni haya: mfanye kazi kwa usahihi mkubwa mnamo 2027 kiasi kwamba kusiwe na kesi yoyote ya kupinga uchaguzi wa urais," aliwahimiza.

Kwa upande wake, Mwenyekiti wa IEBC Erastus Ethekon alisema kuwa mifumo ya mapema ya kiutawala ilichangia kwa kiasi kikubwa kulinda utulivu wa taifa dhidi ya migogoro ya kisiasa.

Naibu Jaji Mkuu wa Mahakama ya Juu, Jaji Philomena Mwilu, anazungumza na vyombo vya habari wakati wa uzinduzi wa Ripoti na Muhtasari wa Kesi kuhusu Utatuzi wa Migogoro ya Kabla ya Uchaguzi wa IEBC wa mwaka 2022 jijini Nairobi.

Mwenyekiti wa Tume Huru ya Uchaguzi na Mipaka (IEBC), Erastus Edung Ethekon, anatoa hotuba yake wakati wa uzinduzi wa Ripoti na Muhtasari wa Kesi kuhusu Utatuzi wa Migogoro ya Kabla ya Uchaguzi wa 2022 wa IEBC jijini Nairobi.

Alifichua kuwa Tume ilifanikiwa kutatua migogoro 323 ya kabla ya uchaguzi wakati wa Uchaguzi Mkuu wa mwaka 2022 ndani ya muda uliowekwa kisheria, na hivyo kuweka rekodi muhimu ya utendaji.

"Ufanisi huo na uthibitisho wa mahakama kupitia kuunga mkono maamuzi hayo ni ushahidi kwamba Tume ilitekeleza wajibu wake kwa umakini, weledi, bila upendeleo, kwa haki na ndani ya mipaka ya sheria," alisema Ethekon, akibainisha kuwa kiwango cha mafanikio ya Tume katika kesi za uchaguzi kimefikia asilimia 93.

Aidha, mwenyekiti huyo alisema kuwa Muhtasari wa Kesi uliozinduliwa unakusanya mafunzo na maarifa muhimu ya kisheria katika mada kuu tatu, na hivyo kutoa mwongozo rahisi kwa wanasiasa, wasomi wa sheria na wasimamizi wa uchaguzi ili kusaidia kuzuia kesi zinazoweza kuepukika.

Licha ya kupongeza mafanikio ya awali ya mahakama, mkuu huyo wa IEBC alitumia jukwaa hilo la kitaifa kutoa onyo kali kuhusu kuzorota kwa hali ya usalama na ukiukaji wa wazi wa kanuni za maadili ya uchaguzi katika uchaguzi mdogo wa Ol Kalou.

Ruto aagiza kuharakishwa kwa ujenzi wa Thwake Dam baada ufadhili wa Sh10b

NA PATRICK NYAKUNDI (KNA)

Mwonekano wa angani wa Bwawa la Thwake.

Serikali imepata ufadhili wa ziada wa Shilingi bilioni 10.6 ili kukamilisha awamu ya kwanza ya Mradi wa Bwawa la Matumizi Mengi la Thwake, hatua inayotoa msukumo mpya kwa mojawapo ya miradi mikubwa zaidi ya miundombinu nchini. Rais William Ruto alitangaza mafanikio hayo ya ufadhili wakati wa ziara yake katika Kaunti ya Kitui, akilitaja Bwawa la Thwake kuwa "mradi mkubwa zaidi wa bwawa nchini" na kuagiza Wizara ya Maji, Usafi wa Mazingira na Umwagiliaji pamoja na mkandarasi kuharakisha ukamilishaji wake ili lizinduliwe ifikapo Aprili mwaka ujao. Rais alisema ufadhili huo wa ziada utasaidia kutatua changamoto za mtiririko wa fedha zilizokuwa zimekwamisha maendeleo ya mradi huo, na hivyo kuwezesha utoaji wa maji kwa matumizi ya nyumbani, mifugo na umwagiliaji kwa zaidi ya wakazi milioni 1.3 wa kaunti za Makueni, Kitui na sehemu za Machakos. "Bwawa la Thwake ni mradi mkubwa zaidi wa bwawa nchini. Sasa tumepata Shilingi bilioni 10.6 za kukamilisha bwawa hilo. Kufikia Aprili mwaka ujao, tunatarajia kulizindua ili wananchi wa maeneo ya vijijini katika kaunti za Makueni, Kitui na hata sehemu za Machakos wanufaike kiuchumi na kijamii," alisema Mkuu wa Taifa. Tangazo hilo, lililoungwa mkono na Benki ya Maendeleo ya Afrika (AfDB), linaashiria hatua muhimu katika utekelezaji wa mradi huo. Zaidi ya kuwa mradi wa maji na ujenzi wa bwawa, Thwake inatarajiwa kuwa kichocheo kikubwa cha kupunguza umaskini, kuimarisha usalama wa chakula, kuongeza upatikanaji wa nishati na kukuza maendeleo jumuishi.

Mafanikio hayo ya kupata ufadhili yanatatua vikwazo vya kifedha vilivyokuwa vimekwamisha kazi za ujenzi, na hivyo kuruhusu kuendelea kwa kazi muhimu zilizosalia kama vile ujenzi wa tabaka la zege la uso wa bwawa, daraja la njia ya kupitisha maji ya ziada (spillway bridge) na usakinishaji wa vifaa vya kimitambo vya maji. Baada ya kukamilika na kuanza kufanya kazi, manufaa yake yanatarajiwa kuwainua kijamii na kiuchumi wakazi milioni 1.3, kuimarisha ustahimilivu wa taifa na kudhihirisha dhamira ya Kenya ya kuwekeza katika miundombinu ya mageuzi chini ya Dira ya Maendeleo ya Kenya 2030 na Ajenda ya Mabadiliko ya Kiuchumi kutoka Chini Kwenda Juu (BETA). Wizara ya Maji, Usafi wa Mazingira na Umwagiliaji, kwa ushirikiano na AfDB, inatekeleza Awamu ya Kwanza ya Mpango wa Maendeleo ya Maji wa Matumizi Mengi wa Thwake kama mojawapo ya miradi kinara ya Dira ya Kenya 2030. Mpango huo unalenga kutimiza malengo ya muda mrefu ya maendeleo ya taifa katika sekta za maji, nishati na kilimo. Unajumuisha bwawa la matumizi mengi kwa ajili ya usambazaji wa maji, uzalishaji wa umeme wa maji, maendeleo ya umwagiliaji na udhibiti wa mtiririko wa Mto Athi ili kupunguza mafuriko na kukabiliana na ukame

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S/No	Position	NyNP Grade	Vacancies
1.	Librarian	8	1
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Note:

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   iv. Clearance from EACC
   v. Clearance from a recognized Credit Reference Bureau (CRB)
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"A values – driven citizen-centric public service"

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"To ensure an efficient, effective, ethical and inclusive public service for delivery of quality services to the citizenry"

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

1. PUBLIC UNIVERSITIES

S/No.	V/No.	Post	University	No. of Vacancies
1.	130/2026	Vice Chancellor	Bomet University	1
2.	131/2026	Deputy Vice Chancellor (Administration, Finance & Planning)	Technical University of Mombasa	1
3.	132/2026	Principal	Kabarnet University College	1
4.	133/2026	Deputy Principal (Academics, Research, Extension & Student Affairs)		1
5.	134/2026	Deputy Principal (Administration, Planning & Finance)		1

2. NATIONAL GOVERNMENT CONSTITUENCIES DEVELOPMENT FUND (NG-CDF)

S/No.	V/No.	Position	Ministry	No. of Vacancies
1.	135/2026	Member – Board of Directors, NG-CDF	The National Treasury & Economic Planning	1

3. MINISTRIES AND STATE DEPARTMENTS

S/No.	V/No.	Post	Ministry/ State Department	Grade	No. of Vacancies
1.	136/2026	Foreign Service Cadet / Third Secretary Cadet	Foreign Affairs	CSG 11	100
2.	137/2026	Hospitality Officer II	Correctional Services	CSG 11	5
3.	138/2026	Instructor III		CSG 12	20

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

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Postgraduate Diploma in Education

Master of Education in Special Needs Education

Master of Education in Early Childhood Education

Bachelor of Education (Arts)

Bachelor of Education (Science)

Bachelor of Education in Special Needs Education

Bachelor of Education in Early Childhood Education

SCHOOL OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SCIENCES

Doctor of Philosophy in Human Nutrition

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Master of Science in Public Health

Bachelor of Medicine & Bachelor of Surgery (MB, ChB)

Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Direct Entry)

Bachelor of Science in Public Health

Bachelor of Science in Food, Nutrition and Dietetics

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PhD in all the areas offered at Masters level

Masters of Arts (MA): Kiswahili; Literature; English; Sociology; Religious Studies; Philosophy; History, Archaeology & Political Science and Counselling Psychology

Master of Communication and Media (MCM)

Bachelor of Arts (BA): Christian Religious Studies; Islamic Religious Studies and Theology

Bachelor of Arts (BA): Philosophy; Sociology; Psychology; Anthropology; and Leadership Studies & Philosophy

Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Anthropology

Bachelor of Arts (BA): English & Linguistics; Literature; Kiswahili; French; German and Arabic

Bachelor of Arts (BA): History; History & Archaeology and Political Science

Bachelor of Arts in Child Care & Protection

Bachelor of Arts in Art and Design

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS

Doctor of Philosophy in: Hospitality Management; Tourism Management and Business Management.

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Master of Science in Hospitality & Tourism Management.

Master of Arts in Economics

Bachelor of Arts (BA) in Economics.

Bachelor of Commerce, with specialization in: Accounting; Business Administration; Finance; ManagementScience; Marketing and Human Resource Management.

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Bachelor of Science in Hospitality & Tourism Management

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Master of Science in Microbiology; Fisheries; Applied Medical Entomology; Immunology; Physics; Statistics; Biochemistry; Biotechnology; Bioinformatics; Parasitology; Chemistry; Botany

Bachelor of Science in Mathematics; Physics; Computer Science; Telecommunication and Information Technology; Biochemistry; Biotechnology; Chemistry; Industrial Chemistry; Botany; Zoology; Conservation Biology; Oceanography; Microbiology; Marine Biology and Fisheries

Bachelor of Science (General)

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BSc. Animal Health Management and Production*
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Master of Environmental Studies (Community Development)

Bachelor of Environmental Science

Bachelor of Environmental Planning and Management

Bachelor of Environmental Studies in: Community Development; Resource Conservation

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HOW TO APPLY

Application forms are available from the following Offices:
Pwani University, Admissions Office (Kilifi Campus); The forms can also be downloaded from our website: **www.pu.ac.ke (See Academics- Admissions, or More downloads links)**

OR APPLY ONLINE VIA: https://ee.kobotoolbox.org/x/isEhpNhG

MODE OF PAYMENT

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Account Number: PRSC-Your Name-Application.
(*e.g., PRSC-George Mikoko-Application*)

and **ATTACH THE PRINT OUT OF E-CITIZEN PAYMENT** to the duly filled application form on returning it to the University. The application processing fees for Kenyan applicants are as follows:

Programme	Application Fee East African	Application Fee Non-East African
Ph.D./Master	3000.00	4,000.00
Bachelor	2,000.00	3,500.00
Diploma	1000.00	2,000.00
Certificate	500.00	1,000.00

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Kenya yazindua mfumo wa kidijitali wa kufuatilia mifugo kufungua milango ya masoko ya kimataifa

NA ERICK KYALO (KNA)

Kenya inalenga kuwafungulia wafugaji wake fursa za masoko ya kimataifa yenye faida kubwa kupitia uzinduzi wa Mfumo wa Utambuzi na Ufuatiliaji wa Mifugo (ANITRAC), jukwaa la kidijitali na programu ya simu iliyobuniwa na serikali kwa ajili ya kusajili na kufuatilia mifugo kwa kutumia hereni za kielektroniki za RFID. Mfumo huo unageuza mifugo kuwa mali inayoweza kuthibitishwa kwa urahisi na kutumika kama dhamana ya kupata mikopo na huduma nyingine za kifedha. Mfumo hutumia hereni mbili maalum; hereni ya kawaida kwenye sikio la kushoto na hereni yenye chipu ndogo ya kielektroniki kwenye sikio la kulia, hali inayowezesha ufuatiliaji wa mifugo kwa wakati halisi, kutambua mahali ilipo na kuchora ramani ya maeneo yake.

Akizungumza wakati wa uzinduzi rasmi wa mfumo wa ANITRAC katika Kijiji cha Karawa, Kaunti Ndogo ya Tarasaa, Kaunti ya Tana River, Waziri wa Kilimo Mutahi Kagwe alisema kuwa mpango huo si lengo lenyewe bali ni chombo cha kuwawezesha wafugaji kupata bei bora za mifugo yao na kufikia masoko ya kimataifa.

"Mfumo huu utawawezesha wafugaji kuuza na kusafirisha mifugo na bidhaa za mifugo kwa urahisi zaidi kwa kutimiza matakwa ya kimataifa kuhusu ufuatiliaji wa bidhaa," alisema Kagwe.

Waziri wa Kilimo na Mifugo Mutahi Kagwe (wa kwanza kulia) akiwa na wafugaji katika kijiji cha Karawa, Kaunti Ndogo ya Tarasaa kaunti ya Tana River, wakati wa uzinduzi rasmi wa mfumo wa ANITRAC.

Waziri huyo alibainisha kuwa masoko ya kimataifa yanazidi kuhitaji bidhaa za mifugo zinazoweza kufuatiliwa kwa urahisi, ikiwemo taarifa kuhusu asili yake, historia ya chanjo zilizotolewa na rekodi za matibabu ya magonjwa, ili kuhakikisha usalama na uwazi katika mnyororo mzima wa usambazaji.

Kagwe aliongeza kuwa mfumo huo pia utasaidia kudhibiti wizi wa mifugo na ujangili wa mifugo, changamoto ambazo zimekuwa zikiathiri jamii za wafugaji kwa muda mrefu, kwa kurahisisha ufuatiliaji wa mahali ilipo na umiliki wa kila mnyama aliyesajiliwa kupitia mfumo huo.

Alisema soko la kimataifa linahitaji bidhaa zinazoweza kufuatiliwa kikamilifu, ikiwemo mahali zilipotoka, chanjo zilizotolewa na magonjwa yaliyotibiwa, ili kuhakikisha usalama wa walaji na uwazi katika biashara ya bidhaa za mifugo.

MAKALA: USIMAMIZI ENDELEVU WA TAKA

Mpango unaoungwa mkono na serikali wafufua sekta ya kahawa ya Vihiga iliyokuwa ikiyumba

NA CRISPINUS IVAN NA WINSTAR JAIKA (KNA)

Kwa miongo kadhaa, kahawa ilikuwa fahari ya familia nyingi katika Kaunti ya Vihiga. Mapato yaliyotokana na zao hilo yaligharamia ada za shule, kujenga nyumba na kuendesha maisha ya familia nyingi, na hivyo kulifanya kuwa mojawapo ya vyanzo vya uhakika vya riziki katika eneo hilo.

Hata hivyo, bei za kahawa katika soko la dunia zilipoporomoka katika miaka ya 1990 na mwanzoni mwa miaka ya 2000, maelfu ya wakulima walikata miti yao ya kahawa au kuacha mashamba yao kabisa, wakiamini kuwa zao hilo halikuwa tena na faida ya kiuchumi.

Leo, simulizi hilo linabadilika. Katika maeneo mbalimbali ya kaunti hiyo, miche mipya ya kahawa inachukua nafasi ya mashamba yaliyotelekezwa, vyama vya ushirika vinapata wanachama wapya, na wakulima wanaanza tena kuona kahawa kama njia ya uhakika ya kufikia ustawi wa kiuchumi.

Mabadiliko hayo yanasukumwa na Mpango wa Kitaifa wa Kufufua Sekta ya Kahawa, ushirikiano unaohusisha serikali ya kitaifa, Serikali ya Kaunti ya Vihiga, Muungano Mpya wa Vyama vya Ushirika vya Wakulima wa Kahawa Kenya (New KPCU), Taasisi ya Utafiti wa Kahawa (CRI) na vyama vya ushirika vya eneo hilo. Mpango huo unalenga kurejesha uzalishaji wa kahawa kupitia usambazaji wa miche iliyothibitishwa, mafunzo kwa wakulima, huduma bora za ugani na kuboresha upatikanaji wa masoko.

1. **Mkulima wa kahawa akikata kichaka cha kahawa wakati wa maonyesho katika Kaunti ya Vihiga, utaratibu unaolenga kuboresha uzalishaji, kuimarisha afya ya mimea na kuongeza mavuno ya kahawa chini ya Mpango unaoendelea wa Kufufua Sekta ya Kahawa.**
2. **Wakulima huandaa ardhi kwa ajili ya kupanda miche ya kahawa iliyoidhinishwa Vihiga huku serikali za kaunti na kitaifa zikiimarisha juhudi za kufufua kilimo cha kahawa na kuongeza mapato ya kaya.**
3. **Gavana wa Vihiga Dkt. Wilberforce Khasilwa Ottichilo akipanda miche ya kahawa iliyoidhinishwa wakati wa uzinduzi wa Programu ya Kufufua Sekta ya Kahawa, akithibitisha tena kujitolea kwa serikali ya kaunti kurejesha uzalishaji wa kahawa.**

Akizungumza katika kongamano la Mpango wa Kufufua Sekta ya Kahawa mjini Vihiga, Gavana Dkt. Wilber Ottichilo alisisitiza kujitolea kwa serikali ya kaunti kurejesha kilimo cha kahawa kama shughuli muhimu ya kiuchumi.

"Wakulima wetu wanastahili kuwa na zao lenye faida. Tutaendelea kusambaza miche iliyothibitishwa, kuimarisha vyama vya ushirika na kupanua huduma za ugani ili kila mkulima mwenye nia aweze kunufaika na mpango huu wa kufufua kahawa," alisema gavana huyo.

Kenya bado ni mojawapo ya wazalishaji wakuu duniani wa kahawa bora aina ya Arabica, huku sekta hiyo ikitegemezwa na zaidi ya watu milioni sita moja kwa moja na kwa njia zisizo za moja kwa moja.

Wakulima wadogo huzalisha karibu asilimia 70 ya kahawa nchini, maharagwe yanayojulikana kwa ubora wake wa hali ya juu na ladha ya kipekee.

Ingawa Vihiga ilikuwa mojawapo ya maeneo muhimu ya uzalishaji wa kahawa hapo awali, kushuka kwa bei, magonjwa ya mazao, mabadiliko ya tabianchi na changamoto za kifedha kulisababisha wakulima wengi kuachana na zao hilo. Hata hivyo, msaada mpya kutoka serikalini na kuongezeka kwa bei za kahawa kwa mkulima sasa kunabadilisha hali hiyo.

Katika Chama cha Wakulima wa Kahawa cha Wamondo Coffee Growers Society Limited kilichoanzishwa mwaka 1955, dalili za kuimarika kwa sekta hiyo zinaonekana wazi.

Mwenyekiti wa chama hicho, Gibson Atsiaya, anasema ushirika huo unaendelea kujijenga upya baada ya miaka mingi ya kupungua kwa uzalishaji na wanachama.

"Wakulima wengi walitelekeza kahawa wakati bei zilishuka na uzalishaji ukawa mgumu. Leo kahawa imekuwa na faida tena, na tunawahimiza wakulima kurejea kwenye zao hili," alisema.

Ili kuhakikisha uwazi, Atsiaya alieleza kuwa wanachama wapya hulipa ada ya usajili ya Sh500 na kununua hisa za thamani ya Sh1,500, huku malipo yote yakiwekwa moja kwa moja katika Benki ya Ushirika kupitia nambari rasmi ya Pay Bill.

Alikanusha madai kuwa fedha hizo hutumika kununua miche ya kahawa, akieleza kuwa miche iliyothibitishwa hutolewa bure kupitia mipango ya serikali na New KPCU kabla ya kusambazwa kwa wakulima waliosajiliwa.

Mbali na kusambaza miche, chama hicho huwapatia wakulima mafunzo kuhusu maandalizi ya mashamba, matumizi ya samadi, mbinu sahihi za upandaji, usimamizi wa mazao na utunzaji wa kahawa baada ya kuvunwa.

Wakulima pia hupata fursa ya kutembelea maeneo yenye mafanikio katika kilimo cha kahawa ili kujifunza mbinu za kisasa za uzalishaji.

Hamasa mpya miongoni mwa wakulima imechochewa na ongezeko kubwa la bei ya kahawa.

Uasin Gishu yashinda haki za kuandaa sherehe za kitaifa za Siku ya Mashujaa

NA FREDRICK MARITIM (KNA)

Sherehe za kitaifa za Siku ya Mashujaa mwaka huu zitafanyika katika Kaunti ya Uasin Gishu, Gavana Jonathan Bii ametangaza. Gavana Bii alieleza fursa hiyo kuwa heshima kubwa na utambuzi wa hadhi inayozidi kukua ya kaunti hiyo kitaifa pamoja na mafanikio yake ya maendeleo. Alizungumza wakati wa hafla ya kuapishwa kwa wajumbe wapya wa Bodi ya Utumishi wa Umma ya Kaunti ya Uasin Gishu (CPSB). Gavana alisema kuwa kuandaa hafla hiyo ya kitaifa kutatoa nafasi kwa kaunti hiyo kuonyesha maendeleo yake, ukarimu, uwezo wa kuvutia uwekezaji na uwezo wa kuandaa shughuli kubwa za kitaifa. "Kuandaa Siku ya Mashujaa ni heshima kubwa kwa Uasin Gishu. Ni wakati unaotuleta pamoja katika maadili yetu ya uzalendo, umoja na huduma kwa taifa letu. Tuko tayari kuwakaribisha Wakenya kutoka sehemu zote za nchi na kuonyesha maendeleo, uthabiti na uwezo wa Kaunti ya Mabingwa," alisema Bii. Gavana huyo alimshukuru Rais William Ruto na Serikali ya Kitaifa kwa kuichagua Uasin Gishu kuwa mwenyeji wa sherehe za mwaka huu, akisema uamuzi huo ni ishara ya imani kwa umuhimu wa kimkakati wa kaunti hiyo na mchango wake katika maendeleo ya taifa. "Tunaheshimika sana kwa Uasin Gishu kuchaguliwa kuwa mwenyeji wa sherehe za mwaka huu za Mashujaa Day. Hii ni ishara kubwa ya imani kwa kaunti yetu na utambuzi wa hatua kubwa tulizopiga katika kuifanya Uasin Gishu kuwa kitovu cha ubora, biashara na fursa," alisema.

Gavana wa Kaunti ya Uasin Gishu, Jonathan Bii (katikati), anampongeza mjumbe wa Bodi ya Utumishi wa Umma ya Kaunti ya Uasin Gishu aliyeapishwa hivi karibuni, huku akipokea cheti chake cha uteuzi wakati wa hafla ya kuapishwa iliyofanyika katika makao makuu ya Kaunti ya Uasin Gishu mjini Eldoret. Anayeshuhudia tukio hilo ni Wakili wa Kaunti ya Uasin Gishu, Sylvester Mett. PICHA: FREDRICK MARITIM

Bii alisema serikali ya kaunti itashirikiana kwa karibu na wadau wote kuhakikisha sherehe hizo zinaandaliwa kwa mafanikio na pia kutoa jukwaa la kuitangaza Uasin Gishu kama eneo bora la uwekezaji, ubunifu na utalii. "Tutafanya kazi kwa pamoja na wadau wote kuhakikisha kuwa sherehe za mwaka huu za Siku ya Mashujaa zinakuwa za heshima, za kukumbukwa na zinazoakisi roho ya taifa letu kubwa," aliongeza. Gavana huyo pia aliwataka wakazi na viongozi kubaini watu walitoa mchango wa kipekee katika sekta za kilimo, elimu, biashara, utumishi wa umma na maendeleo ya jamii ili watambuliwe wakati wa sherehe hizo za kitaifa. Hata hivyo, sherehe za kitaifa za Siku ya Mashujaa za mwaka 2026 zimehamishwa kutoka Uwanja wa Kamariny katika Kaunti ya Elgeyo Marakwet hadi Uwanja wa Kipchoge Keino mjini Eldoret baada ya kubainika kuwa ujenzi wa Kamariny ulikuwa umechelewa na hivyo uwezekano wa kukamilika kwa wakati kwa hafla hiyo kuwa mdogo. Waziri wa Usalama wa Ndani na Utawala wa Kitaifa, Kipchumba Murkomen, akizungumza katika hafla tofauti, aliwahakikishia wakazi wa Elgeyo Marakwet kuwa kuhamishwa kwa sherehe za mwaka huu hakutabadilisha dhamira ya serikali ya kukamilisha ujenzi wa kihistoria wa Uwanja wa Kamariny ulioko Iten. Murkomen alisema ujenzi wa uwanja huo utaendelea kama ilivyopangwa, akisisitiza kuwa uamuzi wa kuhamisha sherehe hizo ulifanywa ili kuhakikisha hafla ya kitaifa inafanyika katika eneo ambalo liko tayari. Wakati huo huo, akihutubia wajumbe wapya wa Bodi ya Utumishi wa Umma ya Kaunti waliokuwa wameapishwa, Gavana Bii aliwataka kuzingatia taaluma na uadilifu katika usimamizi wa wafanyakazi wa kaunti, akisema kuwa utumishi wa umma wenye ufanisi ni muhimu kwa utekelezaji wa Ajenda ya Maendeleo ya Nguzo Kumi ya kaunti hiyo.

> Tumepandisha vyeo zaidi ya wafanyakazi 1,400 kuwapa motisha. Tunatarajia kujitolea zaidi na nidhamu

Aliitaka bodi hiyo kuhakikisha uwazi na usawa katika ajira, vyeo na hatua za kinidhamu huku ikidumisha taaluma katika utumishi wa umma wa kaunti. Gavana huyo pia aliwaonya wafanyakazi wa kaunti dhidi ya kuchelewa kazini au kuripoti wakiwa wamelewa, akiielekeza bodi hiyo kuchukua hatua kali za kinidhamu dhidi ya wanaorudia makosa hayo, ikiwemo kufutwa kazi inapobidi. Aidha, aliwataka maafisa wa utekelezaji wa sheria za kaunti kuwahudumia wafanyabiashara kwa weledi, haki na heshima wanapotekeleza sheria za kaunti. Wakati huo huo, aliwahimiza wafanyabiashara kushirikiana na maafisa wa kaunti kwa kufanya biashara katika maeneo yaliyotengwa na kuzingatia kanuni za kaunti. "Tumewapandisha vyeo zaidi ya wafanyakazi 1,400 ili kuwapa motisha. Kwa upande wao, tunatarajia kujituma, nidhamu na utoaji wa huduma bora kwa wananchi wa Uasin Gishu," alisema Bii. Gavana huyo alieleza imani yake kuwa bodi mpya itaimarisha utoaji wa huduma za umma kwa kukuza taaluma, uwajibikaji na ufanisi katika serikali ya kaunti. Bodi hiyo mpya yenye wajumbe sita inaongozwa na Paul Kibet kama mwenyekiti na wanachama Daniel Melly, Dkt. Emily Ng'eno, Augustine Cheruiyot, John Tanui na Dkt. Angeline Oyomo. Watahudumu kwa kipindi cha miaka sita kuanzia Juni 24, 2026. Hafla hiyo ilisimamiwa na Jaji wa Mahakama Kuu ya Eldoret, John Chigiti, na kuhudhuriwa na Spika wa Bunge la Kaunti ya Uasin Gishu Philip Muigei, Katibu wa Kaunti Philip Meli pamoja na maafisa wengine waandamizi wa serikali ya kaunti.

Miundombinu ya 5G kuwezesha utangazaji usio na hitilafu AFCON

NA MICHELLE DIBO (PCO)

Kenya inawekeza katika uboreshaji wa mtandao wa 5G kote nchini ili kuendesha Kombe la Mataifa ya Afrika (AFCON) la mwaka 2027, ikilenga kuifanya mashindano hayo kuwa si tu sherehe ya ubora wa michezo bali pia kichocheo cha ukuaji wa uchumi wa kidijitali wa taifa. Katibu wa Utangazaji na Mawasiliano ya Simu, Stephen Isaboke, alisema uwekezaji huo utasaidia utangazaji usiokatizwa, ushirikishwaji wa mashabiki kwa wakati halisi na maendeleo ya miundombinu ya muda mrefu ili kuimarisha mawasiliano katika viwanja vya michezo, viwanja vya ndege, hoteli na vituo vya mikutano. Isaboke alisema maandalizi ya mashindano hayo ya bara yanaenda mbali zaidi ya uwanja wa soka, akieleza kuwa AFCON 2027 ni fursa ya kuharakisha mageuzi

Katibu wa Utangazaji na Mawasiliano, Stephen Isaboke, katika Uwanja wa Kimataifa wa Raila Odinga, Talanta. PICHA: JAMES EKAI

ya kidijitali na kuunda nafasi mpya kwa vijana wa Kenya katika ubunifu wa maudhui, utangazaji na biashara za mtandaoni. Katibu huyo, ambaye hivi karibuni aliongoza kikao cha pamoja cha kamati elekezi kilichowaleta pamoja wadau wakuu wa sekta hiyo kujadili utayari wa mawasiliano na muunganisho wa mtandao, alisema serikali inalenga kuyafanya mashindano hayo kuwa hatua muhimu ya mageuzi katika uchumi wa kidijitali wa nchi. "Tunajenga uti wa mgongo wa kidijitali ambao utahakikisha kila bao, kila shangwe na kila tukio linaonyeshwa kwa wakati halisi kwa ulimwengu mzima," alisema Isaboke. Aliongeza kuwa wakati vigogo wa soka la Afrika watakapowasili nchini Kenya, urithi wa AFCON 2027 hautapimwa tu kwa mabao na mataji bali pia kwa uimara wa miundombinu ya kidijitali itakayowekwa kwa manufaa ya vizazi vijavyo. Kwa mujibu wa Isaboke, serikali inaona mashindano hayo kama kichocheo cha uwekezaji katika sekta ya mawasiliano, huku lengo la muda mrefu likiwa kuimarisha uchumi wa kidijitali wa Kenya na kufungua fursa mpya kwa vijana. Alisema kipaumbele kikuu ni kuhakikisha mitandao ya Kenya ina uwezo wa kushughulikia kiwango kikubwa cha data kitakachozalishwa na tukio la kimataifa la michezo, ambapo maelfu ya mashabiki, watangazaji, wafanyabiashara na wageni wataunganishwa kwa wakati mmoja. Mabadiliko ya Kenya kuelekea matumizi ya mitandao ya kasi ya juu yanaendelea kushika kasi, huku takwimu za Mamlaka ya Mawasiliano Kenya (CA) zikionyesha kuwa kufikia Juni 2025, huduma za 5G zilikuwa zimefikia asilimia 30 ya idadi ya watu, huku huduma za 4G zikifikia asilimia 97.3. Kufikia Septemba 2025, watumiaji wa 5G walikuwa wakitumia wastani wa gigabaiti 40 za data kwa mwezi, ikilinganishwa na wastani wa gigabaiti 14.1 kwa watumiaji wa 4G. Alisema takwimu hizo zinaonyesha ongezeko la mahitaji ya muunganisho wa kasi ya juu na umuhimu wa kujenga mitandao yenye uwezo wa kuhimili shughuli zinazozidi kuhitaji matumizi makubwa ya data. "Kwa AFCON 2027, teknolojia ya 5G itawezesha mazingira ya mashindano yaliyoimarishwa kidijitali, kuanzia ushirikishwaji wa mashabiki kwa wakati halisi hadi utangazaji na shughuli za vyombo vya habari bila hitilafu," alisema.

MAKALA: MABADILIKO YA TABIANCHI

Wakulima Lugari wakumbatia ufugaji nyuki mabadiliko ya tabianchi yakiathiri mahindi

NA LINET WAFULA (KNA)

Kwa vizazi vingi, kilimo cha mahindi kimekuwa uti wa mgongo wa maisha ya wakazi wa Kaunti Ndogo ya Lugari, Kaunti ya Kakamega. Hata hivyo, mabadiliko ya tabianchi, kupungua kwa rutuba ya udongo na kuongezeka kwa gharama za uzalishaji vimeendelea kupunguza faida ya wakulima, hali iliyowasukuma wengi wao kuanza kufuga nyuki kwa kutumia mbinu za kisasa kama njia mbadala endelevu na yenye faida kubwa. Shughuli hiyo inabadilisha mapato ya kaya huku ikichangia uhifadhi wa mazingira.

Katika maeneo mbalimbali ya kaunti ndogo hiyo, mizinga ya kisasa inaendelea kuanzishwa kando ya mashamba ya mahindi, huku wakulima wakikumbatia ufugaji wa nyuki kama chanzo cha ziada cha mapato ambacho kinahitaji ardhi ndogo, nguvu kazi chache na gharama nafuu za uzalishaji.

Shughuli hiyo pia inachangia kurejesha bioanuwai, kwani wakulima wanahifadhi miti ya asili na kupanda miti na mimea yenye maua ambayo hutoa lishe kwa nyuki.

Peter Wekesa, mkulima kutoka Wadi ya Lumakanda, alianza kufuga nyuki miaka mitatu iliyopita baada ya kuhudhuria mafunzo yaliyoandaliwa na Serikali ya Kaunti ya Kakamega.

“Nilianza na mizinga mitano ya Kenya Top Bar, na leo ninamiliki mizinga 25. Katika kila msimu wa uvunaji, ninapata kati ya kilo 200 na 300 za asali ambazo huuza kwa wafanyabiashara wa eneo hili na wasindikaji wa asali. Mapato hayo yamenisaidia kulipa karo ya watoto wangu, kuboresha makazi yangu na kuwekeza katika shughuli nyingine za kilimo,” alisema.

Mkulima aonyesha sega la asali ili kuonyesha jinsi asali iliyoiva inavyotambuliwa kabla ya kuvunwa katika Kaunti Ndogo ya Lugari.

Kwa sasa, kilo moja ya asali huuzwa kati ya Sh600 na Sh900 kutegemea ubora wake na mahitaji ya soko, jambo linaloufanya ufugaji wa nyuki kuwa mojawapo ya shughuli zenye faida kubwa kwa wakulima wadogo katika eneo hilo.

Tofauti na kilimo cha mahindi ambacho kimeathiriwa kwa kiasi kikubwa na mvua zisizotabirika na vipindi virefu vya ukame, ufugaji wa nyuki una uwezo mkubwa wa kustahimili athari za mabadiliko ya tabianchi. Mbali na kuzalisha asali, nyuki wana mchango mkubwa katika uchavushaji wa mazao kama vile parachichi, maharagwe, alizeti, maboga na mboga za asili, hali inayoongeza mavuno na kuboresha ubora wa mazao.

Mary Nanjala, mfugaji mwingine wa nyuki kutoka Wadi ya Chekalini, alisema shughuli hiyo imebadilisha mtazamo wa wakulima kuhusu uhifadhi wa mazingira.

“Kabla sijaanza kufuga nyuki, sikuwa nikifikiria sana kuhusu umuhimu wa kuhifadhi miti ya asili. Sasa ninaelewa kuwa misitu yenye afya na mimea yenye maua ni muhimu kwa uzalishaji wa asali. Tumepanda miti zaidi na kupunguza ukataji holela wa miti kwa sababu nyuki wanategemea mazingira hayo,” alisema.

Kwa mujibu wa Afisa wa Kilimo wa Kaunti Ndogo ya Lugari, Kakai Wekesa, ufugaji wa kisasa wa nyuki unaendelea kupata umaarufu huku wakulima wakibadilisha vyanzo vyao vya mapato na kukumbatia kilimo kinachozingatia mabadiliko ya tabianchi.

“Ufugaji wa nyuki unazalisha ajira, unaongeza mapato ya kaya na kuboresha uchavushaji wa mazao.

Pia unachangia uhifadhi wa mazingira kwa sababu wakulima wanahifadhi miti na kupunguza shughuli zinazoharibu makazi ya nyuki,” alisema afisa huyo.

Ili kuunga mkono shughuli hiyo inayokua kwa kasi, Serikali ya Kaunti ya Kakamega kupitia Idara ya Kilimo na Maendeleo ya Mifugo imeongeza mafunzo kwa wakulima kuhusu usimamizi wa kisasa wa mizinga, uanzishaji wa makundi ya nyuki, uvunaji wa asali, uongezaji thamani na masoko.

Kaunti hiyo pia imesambaza mizinga ya kisasa, mavazi ya kujikinga na vifaa vya kuvunia asali kwa vikundi vya wakulima vilivyojipanga ili kuongeza uzalishaji na kupunguza hasara baada ya mavuno.

Maafisa wa kaunti wanasema mpango huo ni sehemu ya juhudi pana za kuendeleza kilimo kinachozingatia mabadiliko ya tabianchi, kuimarisha usalama wa chakula na kubadilisha vyanzo vya riziki vijijini kwa kuhamasisha shughuli ambazo ni endelevu kwa mazingira na zenye manufaa kiuchumi.

Wataalamu wa mazingira wanaeleza kuwa idadi nzuri ya nyuki ni muhimu kwa uhifadhi wa bioanuwai na uzalishaji wa chakula, huku karibu theluthi moja ya mazao ya chakula yakitegemea uchavushaji unaofanywa na wadudu.

Vijana zaidi Marsabit wafaidika mgao wa Mpango wa Nyota ukiongezeka hadi Sh41m

NA SEBASTIAN MIRITI NA ANTHONY MELLY (KNA)

Kaunti ya Marsabit imepokea ongezeko la mgao chini ya Mpango wa Nyota wa serikali kufuatia kuongezeka kwa mahitaji kutoka kwa vijana wanaotafuta ruzuku za kuanzisha biashara.

Akizungumza wakati wa uzinduzi wa Awamu ya Pili ya Mpango wa Nyota katika Uwanja wa Marsabit, Katibu Mkuu wa Wizara ya Usalama wa Ndani, Dkt. Raymond Omollo, alisema mgao wa kaunti hiyo umeongezeka kutoka Sh37 milioni zilizotolewa katika awamu ya kwanza hadi Sh41 milioni katika awamu ya pili ili kuwajumuisha wanufaika zaidi.

Dkt. Omollo alihusisha ongezeko hilo na idadi inayoongezeka ya vijana wanaoonyesha nia ya kujiunga na mpango huo baada ya kushuhudia matokeo na mafanikio yake.

“Mahitaji ya Mpango wa Nyota yameongezeka kwa kiwango kikubwa. Hapo awali, vijana wengi hawakuwa na uhakika kama mpango huo ulikuwa wa kweli, lakini baada ya kuona wenzao wakipokea ruzuku na kuanzisha biashara, wengi zaidi wamejitokeza kutuma maombi,” alisema.

Katibu wa Wizara ya Masuala ya Ndani, Dkt Raymond Omollo, akitoa hotuba wakati wa uzinduzi wa awamu ya pili ya Mpango wa Nyota katika Uwanja wa Kaunti ya Marsabit. Jumla ya Sh41m zilitolewa kwa wanufaika wa Kaunti ya Marsabit. PICHA: ANTHONY MELLY

Katibu huyo alisema serikali imeongeza idadi ya wanufaika katika Kaunti ya Marsabit, huku mpango huo ukilenga kuwafikia kati ya vijana 70 na 84 katika kila wadi kati ya wadi 20 za kaunti hiyo.

Aliongeza kuwa Mpango wa Nyota umeundwa kusaidia vijana kushinda mojawapo ya vikwazo vikubwa vya ujasiriamali, ambacho ni ukosefu wa mtaji wa kuanzisha biashara, suala ambalo serikali ya Kenya Kwanza imeazimia kulitatua.

Mpango huo, unaowalenga vijana wenye umri wa kati ya miaka 18 na 29, huku ukiongeza kikomo hadi miaka 35 kwa watu wanaoishi na ulemavu, huwapatia wanufaika ruzuku ya Sh25,000 kila mmoja. Fedha hizo zinajumuisha Sh23,000 za kusaidia biashara na Sh2,000 zinazowekwa moja kwa moja katika akaunti ya mnufaika kama akiba kwa lengo la kuhamasisha utamaduni wa kuweka akiba.

Dkt. Omollo alisema serikali imewawezesha wanufaika kwa kuwapatia mafunzo ya ujuzi wa biashara na ushauri elekezi, huku ufuatiliaji wa karibu ukiendelea kufanywa ili kuhakikisha fedha hizo zinawekezwa katika shughuli endelevu za kuzalisha mapato.

Licha ya kuongezeka kwa mgao huo, Dkt. Omollo aliwahimiza vijana kuchangamkia programu nyingine za serikali za ufadhili ili kupata mtaji wa ziada wa kukuza biashara zao.

“Mpango wa Nyota ni mojawapo tu ya programu za serikali za kuwawezesha wananchi kiuchumi. Vijana wanaohitaji mtaji zaidi wanapaswa pia kuchunguza fursa za fedha nyingine za serikali ili kukuza biashara zao,” alisema.

Serikali yazindua mpango wa Sh 465b kupunguza gharama za lishe ya mifugo

NA WANGARI NDIRANGU (KNA)

Serikali inapanga kutekeleza Mkakati wa Kitaifa wa Lishe ya Mifugo wenye thamani ya Sh465 bilioni unaolenga kupunguza gharama kubwa za chakula cha mifugo, kushusha gharama za uzalishaji wa mifugo na kuimarisha usalama wa chakula pamoja na ushindani wa Kenya katika masoko ya kikanda. Akizungumza wakati wa ufunguzi wa Kongamano na Maonesho ya Afrika ya Lishe ya Mifugo (AFEC) 2026 mjini Nairobi, Mkuu wa Kitengo cha Lishe ya Mifugo katika Idara ya Serikali ya Maendeleo ya Mifugo, Newton Kariuki, alisema chakula cha mifugo huchangia hadi asilimia 80 ya gharama za uzalishaji wa mifugo, hivyo kufanya upatikanaji wa chakula bora na cha gharama nafuu kuwa muhimu katika kuongeza uzalishaji wa maziwa, nyama na mayai. Kariuki alisema serikali inashirikiana na Chama cha Watengenezaji wa Chakula cha Mifugo Kenya (AKEFEMA) pamoja na wadau wengine kushughulikia changamoto sugu zinazoikabili sekta ya lishe ya mifugo. Alisema mkakati huo wa miaka 10 unalenga kuongeza uzalishaji wa chakula na malisho ya mifugo, kuimarisha uwezo wa ndani wa utengenezaji wa chakula cha mifugo na kuboresha tija katika sekta ya mifugo. Mkakati huo unakamilisha Mpango Mkuu wa Mifugo unaoelekeza uwekezaji katika sekta hiyo kulingana na maeneo ya kiikolojia ya kilimo. Kariuki alibainisha kuwa Kenya inakabiliwa na upungufu wa asilimia 60 wa malighafi za kutengenezea chakula cha mifugo, hali inayowalazimu watengenezaji kutegemea

Mkuu wa Kitengo cha Chakula na Lishe ya Mifugo katika Idara ya Serikali ya Maendeleo ya Mifugo, Newton Kariuki, na Mwenyekiti wa AKEFEMA, Joseph Karuri, wakizungumza na vyombo vya habari wakati wa ufunguzi wa mkutano wa AFEC jijini Nairobi.

uagizaji wa bidhaa kutoka nje ambao ni ghali na unaoathiriwa na ushuru pamoja na misukosuko ya minyororo ya ugavi duniani. Ili kupunguza utegemezi huo, mkakati huo unahamasisha uzalishaji wa ndani wa viambato muhimu vya chakula cha mifugo kupitia kilimo cha mkataba, huku ukiwahimiza watengenezaji kutumia motisha za msamaha wa ushuru za Jumuiya ya Afrika Mashariki ili kupunguza gharama za malighafi zinazoagizwa kutoka nje.

Serikali pia inaanzisha Akiba ya Kitaifa ya Kimkakati ya Chakula cha Mifugo kwa ajili ya kuhifadhi nyasi kavu, silaji na malisho wakati wa misimu ya ziada kwa

> Wakulima wanastahili chakula bora cha mifugo kwa sababu walaji wastahili bidhaa salama

matumizi wakati wa ukame. Aidha, mpango wa "Wadi Moja, Malisho Moja" unalenga kuzalisha tani metri 300,000 za malisho makavu kila mwaka ifikapo 2028 katika wadi 1,450 nchini. Kariuki alitoa wito wa kufanyika kwa mijadala inayotegemea sayansi kuhusu matumizi ya viambato vya chakula cha mifugo vilivyoboreshwa kwa teknolojia ya vinasaba (GM), akisema bioteknolojia inaweza kusaidia kupunguza gharama za uzalishaji na kuboresha upatikanaji wa chakula cha mifugo huku ikidumisha viwango vya usalama wa kibayolojia. Pia alieleza wasiwasi kuhusu uwepo wa chakula cha mifugo kilichochakachuliwa na kisicho na lebo sahihi, akitaka utekelezaji mkali wa viwango vya ubora pamoja na uwekezaji zaidi katika uundaji sahihi wa lishe ya mifugo, ufuatiliaji wa kidijitali wa ubora wa chakula, uzalishaji wa malisho unaozingatia mabadiliko ya tabianchi na matumizi ya vyanzo mbadala vya protini kama mabuu ya nzi aina ya Black Soldier Fly. "Wakulima wanastahili kupata chakula bora cha mifugo kwa sababu walaji wanastahili bidhaa salama za mifugo. Kile ambacho wanyama wanakula hatimaye huingia kwenye meza zetu," alisema. Kariuki alizihimiza serikali za kaunti kuweka kipaumbele katika uzalishaji wa chakula na malisho ya mifugo katika mipango yao ya maendeleo, akiongeza kuwa lishe bora ya mifugo ndiyo msingi wa sekta yenye tija. Alieleza kuwa ukuaji wa uzalishaji wa maziwa nchini umetokana na sera zinazounga mkono sekta hiyo, uwekezaji wa kibiashara katika tasnia ya maziwa, programu bora za uboreshaji wa mifugo, huduma za uhimilishaji wa kisasa, mbolea ya ruzuku iliyoongeza uzalishaji wa malisho na kuongezeka kwa mahitaji ya bidhaa za maziwa. Wakati huo huo, Mwenyekiti wa AKEFEMA, Joseph Karuri, alisema kuongeza uzalishaji wa ndani wa viambato vya chakula cha mifugo ndiyo suluhisho endelevu zaidi la kupunguza gharama za lishe ya mifugo. Alibainisha kuwa sekta ya mifugo inachangia takriban asilimia tatu ya Pato la Taifa (GDP) la Kenya na asilimia 40 ya pato la sekta ya kilimo, huku ikisaidia mamilioni ya wananchi kujipatia riziki. "Kwa sasa Kenya huzalisha takriban tani metri milioni 2.5 za chakula cha mifugo kilichochanganywa kila mwaka, huku sekta ya kuku ikichangia asilimia 60 ya matumizi ya chakula cha mifugo cha kibiashara na sekta ya maziwa asilimia 29," aliongeza. Karuri alisema zaidi ya asilimia 80 ya viambato muhimu vya chakula cha mifugo, ikiwemo soya, mashudu ya alizeti na mashudu ya pamba, huagizwa kutoka nje, jambo linalowaweka watengenezaji katika hatari ya kuyumba kwa masoko ya kimataifa. Alikaribisha Mpango wa Serikali wa Msamaha wa Ushuru unaoruhusu watengenezaji wanaostahili kuagiza viambato vya chakula cha mifugo bila kulipa ushuru, lakini akasisitiza kuwa kuongeza uzalishaji wa ndani wa mahindi ya njano, soya, alizeti na kanola kupitia kilimo cha mkataba kutatoa suluhisho la kudumu. "Ikiwa tutazalisha malighafi hizi hapa nchini, bei ya chakula cha mifugo itashuka kwa kiwango kikubwa kwa sababu malighafi huchangia kati ya asilimia 70 na 80 ya gharama za uzalishaji," alisema.

Kenya nchi ya kwanza Afrika kuandaa Kombe la Dunia la upigaji makasia

NA PURITY MUGO (KNA)

Kenya imeweka historia kwa kuandaa duru ya Afrika ya Mashindano ya Kombe la Dunia ya Upigaji makasia yaliyofanyika katika Mto Sagana, Kaunti ya Murang'a, baada ya siku tatu za ushindani mkali. Mashindano hayo yaliwakutanisha timu 61 kutoka mataifa mbalimbali duniani, hatua iliyoweka alama muhimu kwani Kenya imekuwa nchi ya kwanza barani Afrika kuandaa duru ya mashindano hayo ya hadhi ya kimataifa. Timu ya Kenya iling'ara kwa kutoa matokeo bora, huku timu ya wanawake ikijizolea medali za dhahabu, fedha na shaba katika makundi mbalimbali, isipokuwa katika kundi la mseto ambapo Uganda ilitwaa medali ya dhahabu. Akizungumza wakati wa hafla ya utoaji wa tuzo, Mweka Hazina wa Shirikisho la Upigaji makasia Kenya, Ibrahim Mwangi, aliisifu Timu ya Kenya kwa utendaji wake wa kipekee na kuipongeza serikali kupitia Wizara ya Michezo kwa kuendelea kuunga mkono maendeleo ya michezo nchini. "Katika makundi yote, Kenya ilifanya vizuri sana. Timu ya wasichana ilishinda medali za dhahabu, fedha na shaba katika makundi yote isipokuwa kundi la mseto ambapo Uganda ilichukua dhahabu," alisema, akibainisha kuwa serikali imekuwa mstari wa mbele katika kuendeleza michezo nchini. Wanariadha wa Kenya Jamal Nasir na Alissa Kariuki mwenye umri wa miaka 14 walieleza kuridhishwa na matokeo yao

Washiriki na watazamaji katika Mashindano ya Kombe la Dunia la Rafting kwenye Mto Sagana katika Kaunti ya Murang'a.

na kuwataka vijana wengi zaidi kujihusisha na michezo ya majini. "Katika kundi la wanawake wa Afrika tulishika nafasi ya pili, huku katika kundi la mseto tukimaliza katika nafasi ya tatu," alisema Kariuki, akihimiza vijana wengi zaidi kukumbatia michezo ya majini. Viongozi wa dunia wa mchezo wa upigaji makasia waliipongeza Kenya kwa kufanikiwa kuandaa mashindano hayo, huku wakitoa wito kwa mataifa mengi zaidi kushiriki ili kuharakisha ukuaji wa mchezo huo barani Afrika na kwingineko duniani. Mashindano hayo yalivutia watazamaji kutoka sehemu mbalimbali za nchi waliokuja kushuhudia na kusherehekea mafanikio ya Timu ya Kenya, jambo lililoonyesha kuongezeka kwa hamasa ya mchezo huo nchini. Angeline Choni, ambaye alikuwa akihudhuria mashindano ya upigaji makasia kwa mara ya kwanza, alisema,

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Ugavi wa mafuta bado thabiti licha ya usumbufu wa usafirishaji Ghuba

NA ZIPPORAH ODIONYI NA NANCY OMONDI (KNA)

Serikali imewahakikishia Wakenya kuwa usambazaji wa bidhaa za petroli nchini umeendelea kuwa thabiti licha ya mvutano unaoongezeka Mashariki ya Kati ambao umevuruga masoko ya kimataifa ya mafuta na kuongeza wasiwasi kuhusu bei za mafuta duniani.

Waziri wa Nishati na Petroli, Opiyo Wandayi, alisema mashambulizi dhidi ya meli za kibiashara karibu na Mlango-Bahari wa Hormuz yamepunguza idadi ya meli za mafuta zinazopita katika eneo hilo na kuongeza kuyumba kwa masoko ya nishati duniani, lakini hayajaathiri upatikanaji wa mafuta nchini Kenya.

“Usambazaji wa mafuta nchini Kenya umeendelea kuwa thabiti wakati wote. Kila shehena iliyopangwa imewasili na kupakuliwa kwa wakati unaofaa, na mafuta yameendelea kupatikana katika vituo vya mafuta kote nchini,” alisema Wandayi.

Alieleza kuwa uthabiti huo umetokana na mpango wa usambazaji wa mafuta wa Serikali kwa Serikali (G2G), ambao umeiwezesha Kenya kupata shehena za petroli kutoka maeneo mbalimbali ya upakiaji nje ya Ukanda wa Ghuba huku ikidumisha usambazaji usiokatizwa.

Waziri wa Nishati na Petroli, Opiyo Wandayi, akizungumza na wanahabari kuhusu hali ya kutokuwa na uhakika katika soko la kimataifa la nishati katika jengo la KASNEB Towers jijini Nairobi. PICHA: ARON KINYAMASYO/KNA

Kwa mujibu wa Waziri huyo, mpango huo umeilinda nchi dhidi ya ongezeko la gharama za usafirishaji na bima ambazo zimeathiri mataifa yanayotegemea ununuzi wa papo kwa papo na zabuni za wazi.

“Kenya imeendelea kulipa gharama zilezile za usafirishaji na ada maalum zilizowekwa. Mfumo huu wa gharama zisizobadilika umewezesha kudhibiti gharama za kuingiza mafuta nchini, kuhakikisha shehena zinawasili kwa ratiba iliyopangwa na kuruhusu wasambazaji kupata mafuta kutoka maeneo mbadala bila kuhamishia gharama hizo za ziada kwa watumiaji wa Kenya,” alisema.

Akizungumza jijini Nairobi, Wandayi alibainisha kuwa manufaa ya mpango wa G2G huonekana zaidi wakati wa misukosuko katika masoko ya kimataifa, kwani huwezesha nchi kudumisha usalama wa upatikanaji wa mafuta hata wakati bei za mafuta duniani zinapobadilika.

Hata hivyo, alikiri kuwa mvutano mpya katika eneo la Mashariki ya Kati umechangia kupanda kwa viwango vya kimataifa vya bei ya mafuta ghafi, hali ambayo huenda ikaathiri mizunguko ijayo ya upangaji wa bei za mafuta nchini.

Waziri huyo alisema wizara itaendelea kushirikiana kwa karibu na wadau wa sekta hiyo ili kuhakikisha upatikanaji wa mafuta unaendelea kuwa wa kutosha, kulinda masharti ya mpango wa G2G na kuwafahamisha wananchi kuhusu maendeleo katika soko la nishati duniani.

> “Kila shehena iliyopangwa imewasili na kushushwa kwa wakati, na mafuta yanapatikana vituo vyote vya mafuta.

Aliwahakikishia madereva, waendeshaji wa usafiri wa umma, watengenezaji bidhaa, wakulima, wawekezaji na watumiaji wengine kuwa akiba ya kutosha ya mafuta ipo nchini kote.

“Maendeleo ya kimataifa hayajaathiri upatikanaji wa bidhaa za petroli nchini mwetu. Mafuta yanaendelea kupatikana kwa urahisi kote nchini, yakisaidiwa na akiba ya kutosha ya kitaifa, mfumo imara na unaofanya kazi kikamilifu wa uagizaji na usambazaji wa mafuta, pamoja na mafanikio endelevu ya mpango wa usambazaji wa mafuta wa Serikali kwa Serikali,” alisema.

Wandayi alisema mfumo wa G2G umeimarisha usalama wa nishati nchini kwa kuongeza utabirika wa usambazaji, kuimarisha uimara wa mnyororo wa ugavi wa petroli na kupunguza shinikizo kwa mahitaji ya fedha za kigeni nchini.

Aliongeza kuwa uwekezaji wa serikali katika kuimarisha sekta ya petroli umeongeza uwezo wa nchi kustahimili misukosuko ya nje na kudumisha usambazaji wa mafuta unaotegemewa licha ya kuyumba kwa masoko ya kimataifa.

Maelfu ya shule za ngazi ya chini kupokea ubao mahiri

NA FREDRICK MARITIM

Zaidi ya shule 10,000 za Sekondari ya Chini (JSS) nchini zitapokea ubao mahiri wa kidijitali (smartboards) katika awamu ya kwanza ya mpango wa serikali wa ujifunzaji wa kidijitali unaolenga kuimarisha utekelezaji wa mtaala wa Elimu Inayozingatia Umahiri (CBE).

Katibu Mkuu wa Elimu ya Msingi, John Ololtuaa, alitangaza kuwa shule 10,382 za Sekondari ya Chini zitanufaika katika awamu ya kwanza ya mpango huo.

Shule zilizobaki zitajumuishwa katika awamu ya pili, na kufanya jumla ya shule zinazolengwa nchini kufikia zaidi ya 21,000.

Akizungumza wakati wa ziara ya heshima katika Shule ya Hill Senior School mjini Eldoret, Kaunti ya Uasin Gishu, Katibu Mkuu huyo alisema mpango huo wa miundombinu ya kidijitali ni sehemu ya dhamira ya serikali ya kuboresha mbinu za ufundishaji na ujifunzaji katika shule za umma.

Katibu wa Elimu ya Msingi, John Ololtuaa, anazungumza na wanafunzi pamoja na wadau wa elimu wakati wa ziara ya heshima katika Shule ya Sekondari ya Hill School mjini Eldoret, Kaunti ya Uasin Gishu.

“Tunazingatia pia shule zote za Sekondari ya Chini. Takriban shule 10,382 kote nchini zitapokea mbao mahiri katika Awamu ya Kwanza. Katika Awamu ya Pili, shule zilizobaki pia zitanufaika,” alihakikishia.

Alisema serikali imejizatiti kuhakikisha utekelezaji wenye mafanikio wa mfumo wa Elimu Inayozingatia Umahiri kwa kuwekeza katika miundombinu ya ujifunzaji wa kidijitali pamoja na rasilimali nyingine muhimu za elimu.

KWA UFUPI

Ufufuaji wa Nzoia wazaa matunda kwa wakulima

NA CHRIS MAHANDARA (KNA)

Kampuni ya Sukari ya Nzoia imelipa zaidi ya Sh700 milioni kwa wakulima tangu irejee shughuli zake mwaka huu, huku kiwanda hicho kikiripoti kuimarika kwa uzalishaji, malipo ya haraka kwa wakulima na uwekezaji mkubwa unaolenga kurejesha utendaji wake.

Mkurugenzi Mtendaji (CEO) wa kampuni hiyo, Sohan Sharma, alisema kampuni imeingiza karibu Sh900 milioni katika uchumi wa Kaunti ya Bungoma tangu ilipoanza tena shughuli zake, huku wakulima sasa wakilipwa ndani ya wiki mbili baada ya kuwasilisha miwa yao.

Sharma alisema kampuni ilitekeleza mpango mkubwa wa ukarabati baada ya kuchukua usimamizi wa kiwanda hicho mwezi Mei 2025. Kazi hizo zilijumuisha ukarabati wa sehemu ya awali ya kusaga miwa, kitengo cha usagaji, kitengo cha kuchemshia sukari, boilers, mitambo ya turbine, mifumo ya umeme, vifaa vya udhibiti wa mitambo pamoja na miundombinu mingine ya kiraia.

Alisema kiwanda kilianza tena shughuli za kusaga miwa Januari 2026 na tangu wakati huo kimeshachakata zaidi ya tani 292,980 za miwa.

Mkurugenzi huyo alieleza kuwa ingawa kiwanda kina uwezo wa kusaga tani 3,000 za miwa kwa siku, kwa sasa kinachakata wastani wa tani 1,900 kwa siku.

Aliongeza kuwa uwekezaji katika vifaa vipya umeboresha kwa kiasi kikubwa ufanisi wa usagaji, huku uwiano wa upotevu ukishuka kutoka kati ya asilimia 17 na 21 hadi asilimia 10.

Sharma alihusisha sehemu ya mafanikio hayo na kuanzishwa kwa Mfumo wa Kidijitali wa Upimaji wa Uzito (Smart Weighment System) pamoja na Mfumo wa Udhibiti wa Kielektroniki (Distributed Control System), akisema teknolojia hizo zimeondoa uwezekano wa udanganyifu katika daraja la kupimia miwa na kuwawezesha wakulima kupokea ujumbe mfupi wa simu (SMS) unaothibitisha mara moja kuwasilishwa kwa miwa yao.

Vijana 7,000 wapokea fedha za biashara

NA BERNARD MUNYAO NA TECLA LEPOJOS (KNA)

Zaidi ya vijana 7,000 kutoka kaunti za Murang’a, Nyeri na Kirinyaga wamepokea ufadhili wa kuanzisha biashara chini ya awamu ya pili ya Mpango wa Kitaifa wa Fursa za Vijana kwa Maendeleo (NYOTA), mpango wa serikali unaolenga kukabiliana na ukosefu wa ajira kwa vijana kupitia ujasiriamali.

Jumla ya wanufaika 7,055 — wakiwemo 2,988 kutoka Murang’a, 1,828 kutoka Kirinyaga na 2,239 kutoka Nyeri — walipokea msaada wa kifedha katika hafla ya utoaji wa fedha iliyofanyika katika Uwanja wa Ihura, Kaunti ya Murang’a.

Akizungumza wakati wa hafla hiyo, Waziri wa Ardhi, Alice Wahome, alisema Kaunti ya Murang’a ilitengewa Sh74.7 milioni katika awamu ya pili ya utoaji wa fedha. Kati ya wanufaika hao, 2,278 waliokuwa tayari katika mpango huo walipokea awamu yao ya pili ya ufadhili, huku wanufaika wapya 710 wakipokea mgao wao wa kwanza.

Aliwahimiza vijana kutumia fedha hizo kwa busara kwa kuwekeza katika biashara zitakazoboresha maisha yao na kuunda nafasi za ajira, huku wakiepuka ulevi, matumizi ya dawa za kulevya, uhuni na maandamano haramu.

“Nawahimiza vijana wetu kutumia fedha hizi kuanzisha na kukuza biashara ambazo zitabadilisha maisha yao. Jiepusheni na ulevi, matumizi ya dawa za kulevya, uhuni na maandamano haramu, na badala yake mjikite katika kujenga maisha bora kwa ajili yenu na jamii zenu,” alisema Wahome.

Kaunti ya Kirinyaga ilipokea Sh45.7 milioni, ambapo wanufaika 1,267 waliokuwa tayari katika mpango huo walipokea awamu yao ya pili ya ufadhili..