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13 million Kenyans enrol in new Social Health Authority

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BY DOUGLAS NAMUNANE

(PCO)
At least 13 million Kenyans had enrolled in the new Social Health Authority (SHA) as of October 31, 2024.

Making the announcement, Health Cabinet Secretary Dr. Deborah Barasa said that of the total registered persons, approximately 7.2 million transitioned from the phased-out National Health Insurance Fund (NHIF), while 6.2 million are new entrants.

"I'm pleased to note that, so far, 13,344,674 Kenyans have registered. Among these are 7,152,487 who transitioned from NHIF

and 6,192,188 new registrations," Dr. Barasa explained.

Speaking in an exclusive interview at her Afya House office in Nairobi, Dr. Barasa also revealed that 29,598 employers, in addition to

“SHA registrants will benefit from free treatment at Level Two and Three facilities and have access to essential services under the emergency critical illness funds,” Barasa

7,411 healthcare providers, are registered with SHA.

She stated that SHA beneficiaries seeking medical services at Level Two and Three facilities across the country will receive treatment at no cost.

"SHA registrants will benefit from free treatment at Level Two and Three facilities and have access to essential services under the emergency critical illness funds," said the Cabinet Secretary.

Dr. Barasa noted that, under the SHA claims benefit analysis, the government has allocated a substantial Sh102.8 million to cater for mental wellness services.



Health Cabinet Secretary Dr. Deborah Barasa

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Kenyans who had enrolled to the new Social Health Authority (SHA) as at October 31st, 2024.

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Sh30b

Cost of a programme Water Resources Authority (WRA) has unveiled to accelerate water regulation in the next five years.

Sh30b

Amount of money owed to hospitals by the defunct National Health Insurance Fund (NHIF)

Farmers to benefit from Sh3,500 maize price as state builds strategic reserve

BY JOSEPH NG'ANG'A, KNA

The Government, through the National Cereals and Produce Board (NCPB), will immediately begin purchasing one million 90kg bags of maize from farmers at a price of Sh3,500 per bag for the National Strategic Food Reserve.

Agriculture and Livestock Development Cabinet Secretary (CS) Dr. Andrew Karanja stated that the set price of Sh3,500 per bag is intended to help farmers maintain profit margins and aligns with the prevailing farm gate price of Sh2,835.

"During the 2022/2023 short rains, the Kenya

Kwanza Government launched a fertilizer subsidy program to boost agricultural production and ensure food security for all Kenyans by reducing the cost of fertilizer from Sh6,500 to the current Sh2,500 per 50kg bag," explained Dr. Karanja.

The CS added that a total of 6.45 million farmers have been successfully registered on the Kenya Integrated Agriculture Management Information System (KIAMIS), a platform that has enabled effective administration of the subsidy program through the e-voucher system.



Agriculture and Livestock Development Cabinet Secretary (CS) Dr. Andrew Karanja

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Farmers to benefit from Sh3,500 maize price as state builds grain reserve

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Dr. Karanja noted that the fertilizer subsidy, together with relatively favorable weather conditions, has led to improved maize production.

“The maize production for the 2024 long rains season is projected to reach 75.97 million 50kg bags,” said Dr. Karanja.

The CS emphasized that, in line with the Bottom-up Economic Transformation Agenda to ensure a low cost of living, the Sh3,500 price will also help maintain the current price of maize flour, which is retailing at Sh130 per 2kg packet.

“The purchase of the

one million bags will also bolster the National Strategic Food Reserve, which is currently at 30% of the proposed quantities,” disclosed the CS.

Dr. Karanja added that maize will be purchased from all farmers and urged them to adhere to quality standards to ensure safe storage.

“The Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development, in collaboration with county governments, will provide capacity-building support on quality standards and post-harvest management practices to minimize food loss,” said Dr. Karanja.

13m Kenyans now enrolled in new Social Health Authority

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“Under the claims benefit analysis, the top ten services provided within SHA in the first month included mental wellness services, which were not previously covered under NHIF, amounting to Sh102.8 million,” she revealed.

The Cabinet Secretary said other services include outpatient services amounting to Sh273.8 million, inpatient services at Sh774.9 million, and renal care services at Sh244.4 million, as well as haemato-oncology services, maternal, neonatal, and child health services.

Dr. Barasa further mentioned that the Ministry has put in place adequate measures to facilitate the swift processing of claims within 90 days.

“Moving forward, claims will be processed within 90 days to maintain sustainability and responsiveness in health-care service provision,” she said.

The Cabinet Secretary added that the SHA



The Social Health Authority (SHA) headquarters in Nairobi. (Photo: SHA)

system is now fully operational, with initial technical issues being effectively resolved to ensure smooth service delivery. She highlighted that a dedicated multidisciplinary team has been mobilized at the regional and county levels to support and optimize coverage in all health-care facilities, ensuring continuity of service delivery under SHA. Dr. Barasa emphasized that

SHA registration, which is open to all Kenyans, ensures that everyone, regardless of location or background, can access quality healthcare.

“The system is designed to be universally inclusive, meaning that public, private, and faith-based healthcare facilities across Kenya operate under the same SHA guidelines, standards, and services. This consistency ensures that

registered individuals receive the same quality of care and benefits,” Dr. Barasa added.

The Cabinet Secretary urged Kenyans who have yet to register with SHA to do so, noting that it will help them access comprehensive health-care services. To enroll, interested individuals are required to dial USSD Code *147* or visit online portals AfyaYangu.go.ke or SHA.go.ke.



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The Institute hereby invites bids from eligible bidders for the tender for Provision of events Management services (**Two Years frame work Contracting**).

S/N	Tender Name	Reservation	Tender No.	Closing Date
1	Provision of events management services	Open Tender	KIMC/S/16/2024-2026	11th November, 2024 at 10.30Am.

- Bidders are advised to download the long the Detailed Tender document from the Institutes website: www.kimc.ac.ke and PPIP Portal; www.tenders.go.ke
- Bidders who download the tender document must forward their particulars immediately to: procurement@kimc.ac.ke to facilitate any further clarification or addendum if any.
- Bidders may obtain further information from the Procurement Unit of KIMC at the address below during working hours from 9.00 to 16.00 Hours local time Monday to Friday.

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TENDER NOTICE

Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture & Technology intends to lease the two parcels of land measuring approximately 2.013 acres situated at Jiye Close – Lavington Estate, Nairobi City County. The University now invites sealed tenders from eligible candidates to lease the said property. The lease period is for ten (10) years, renewable under a lease agreement.

Interested Bidders are invited to apply for Tender listed below.

S/No.	Tender Reference No.	Description of Tender	Eligibility
1	REF: JKUAT/69/2023-2024	Lease of property L.R. No. 5/38 & L.R. No. 5/39 JKUAT Westlands Campus	Open

A tenderer must tender for the two parcels of land as tabulated above.

Interested tenderers may inspect the said property to be leased during office hours **Monday to Friday 9.00 am to 4.00 pm.**

Interested and eligible candidates may inspect and obtain Tender Document from the University's Department of Procurement at JKUAT – Main Campus or download documents from our website: www.jkuat.ac.ke free of charge from PPIP portal: Public Procurement Information Portal www.tenders.go.ke.

The Tenderers should stamp and serialize all pages and **SHOULD NOT** alter the Bid Document.

Sealed Tenders must be accompanied by duly completed forms as specified in the Bid Documents with Original and a copy in the same envelop and addressed to:

Vice Chancellor,
Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and Technology,
P.O. Box 62000 - 00200, Nairobi.

and placed in the Tender Box at the **Department of Procurement JKUAT Main Campus**. The documents should be in plain sealed envelopes indicating the Tender Number, without identifying the sender so as to reach the University not later than **Tuesday 19th November, 2024 at 11:30 a.m.** Bids will be opened immediately thereafter at **Procurement Department, JKUAT Main Campus Juja** in the presence of bidders/their representatives who wish to attend.



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State to settle Sh30b NHIF debt amid shift to new health fund

BY JANE NGUGI, KNA

The Government will settle the Sh30 billion owed to hospitals by the defunct National Health Insurance Fund (NHIF) as part of the ongoing transition to the Social Health Insurance Fund (SHIF).

Medical Services Principal Secretary Mr. Harry Kimtai stated that Sh4.5 billion has already been released to health facilities, with an additional Sh4.5 billion to be disbursed later this week.

Mr. Kimtai announced that the government has committed to paying healthcare facilities Sh9 billion by the end of November. He added that the State has directed County Commissioners and County Executive Committee Members (CECMs) responsible for health services to ensure that fully paid members of the Social Health Insurance Fund (SHIF) are not denied services.

Speaking in Nakuru after meeting County Commissioners and CECMs from the 14 counties in Rift Valley, the Principal

Secretary advised Kenyans registered with SHIF to upload their dependents' names on the fund's portal to ensure they can access benefits whenever needed.

Mr Kimtai stated that the move to settle the Sh30 billion is a crucial step to maintain the health facilities' trust and cooperation under SHIF. He pledged that the remaining payments will be made progressively, based on the availability of funds.

Hospitals and other healthcare providers were hesitant to shift to SHA due to the financial strain caused by unpaid claims.

The Principal Secretary indicated that a national steering committee that brings on board all stakeholders in the health sector had been formed to help smoothen transition from NHIF to SHIF.

"We acknowledge there have been glitches during transition to the new SHIF, but we want to assure Kenyans that we are ironing out the challenges and soon operations at the new fund will run seamlessly.

"The government is committed to ensuring

that every Kenyan gets quality and affordable health care," the Principal Secretary said.

According to the management of some of the hospitals, the outstanding amounts have created operational challenges, with some facilities forced to delay services or find alternative means to stay afloat.

As part of the transition, Mr Kimtai reassured stakeholders that the government will address this outstanding financial obligation.

He stated that the concerns of most hospitals regarding the transition and debts were legitimate and would be addressed in due course.

"We will take on the assets and liabilities of NHIF. Our estimated outstanding debt is approximately Sh30 billion," he said.

The Health Ministry, he said, has formed a transition committee that has been taking stock of NHIF's assets and liabilities.

"We have also formed a committee that will oversee claims payment and disbursement of funds.



Medical Services Principal Secretary Harry Kimtai at a previous function. He has given an assurance that the government will settle the Sh30 billion owed to hospitals by the defunct National Health Insurance Fund (NHIF) as part of the ongoing transition to the Social Health Insurance Fund (SHIF).

We will not favour any hospital as far as payment is concerned," he said.

"Whatever amount we

have at the ministry, we will just use a percentage and declare that out of the amount that we have,

we will pay hospitals a flat rate so that we clear the debts to assure them that there will be no debts carried forward with the transition," Mr Kimtai added.

The Principal Secretary said that moving forward with the transition, payment of claims would not be delayed since the current system can monitor claims as they come in, with the system as of Tuesday last week capturing Sh100 million to be paid to hospitals.

"We have given a directive to SHA (Social Health Authority) that they need to pay the claims within 90 days of being lodged. This will bring confidence and satisfaction to everyone. We want sanity to ensure that those who are investing in the business are sure of their returns so that they can grow," he said.

The Principal Secretary defended the Social Health Insurance Fund (SHIF) that has caused radical changes in the health sector, saying the inadequacy being experienced is due to teething problems.

He emphasized that the new Social Health Insurance Fund (SHIF), despite its shaky rollout, is set to transform healthcare access.



BOMET UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

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TENDER NOTICE

Bomet University College invites interested, eligible and capable firms for provision of Goods, Works and Services for the Financial Year 2024/2025

S/N	Tender No.	Item Description	Eligibility	Closing Date
1.	BUC/OT/ICT/08/2024-2025	Supply and Delivery of the following: • Document Management System, • Servers and • Biometric Terminal	Open to All	15 th November, 2024 at 10:00 am
2.	BUC/OT/FRWC/09/2024-2025 & 2024-2026	Provision of Motor Vehicle Maintenances Services	Open to All	
3.	BUC/OT/010/25/2024-2025	Supply and Delivery of Library Books	Open to All	
4.	BUC/PQ/2024-2026 FY	Registration of Suppliers for Supply and Delivery of Goods, Works and Services for Financial Year 2024-2025/2025-2026	Open to All	

Interested eligible Bidders who wish to apply may obtain Tender Documents with detailed requirements and conditions, from the Procurement Office at a non-refundable fee of **Kshs. 1,000** per set, between 8.00 am to 5.00 pm on working days, or download from the University Website: www.buc.ac.ke or Public Procurement Information Portal (PIIP) tender portal www.tenders.go.ke to access further details in regard to the tenders. Bidders are required to complete and submit the Tender Documents in a plain sealed envelope, clearly marked "Tender No" addressed to **Principal, Bomet University College, P.O Box 701-20400, Bomet**, and deposit in the Tender Box at the Reception in the Green Tuition Block at Bomet University College, on or before: **Friday, 15th November, 2024 at 10:00 am**. Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of Bidders or their Representatives who choose to attend.

Bidders are advised to regularly visit Bomet University College website to obtain any additional information/ Addendum on the Tenders which will form part of the Tender Document.

Any Canvassing will lead to automatic disqualification. **Late Tenders will not be accepted.** Youth, Women and Persons with disability are encouraged to apply.

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NOTICE OF THE 48TH GRADUATION CEREMONY

This is to notify **ALL** graduands that Kenya Utalii College will hold its **48th Graduation Ceremony** on **Thursday, 5th December, 2024 at 10:00 am** at the College Library grounds, along Thika Super Highway. The proceedings of this event will also be streamed live on Kenya Utalii College Social Media platforms (**YouTube and Facebook**). The links for the event will be provided at least two days to the event.

ACADEMIC ATTIRE

ALL graduands will be required to be in full academic attire during the ceremony. Food Production will wear their professional Chefs Uniform. The attire will be issued at the Laundry Department from **Tuesday 3rd to Wednesday, 4th December, 2024** during working hours (8:00 am to 5:00 pm).

RETURN OF GOWNS

ALL graduands are required to return the gowns latest by **4.00 pm, Friday, 13th December, 2024** failure to which a fine of **Kes 200/- per day** shall be levied for any attire returned after the said deadline.

REHEARSAL

It is **MANDATORY** that **ALL** graduands attend the rehearsal at the Library Grounds on **Wednesday, 4th December, 2024 at 9:00 am**. Graduands should be seated by 8:30 am.

GRADUATION FEES

The Graduation fee is **Kes 3,500/-**.

All graduands are required to pay the non-refundable graduation fee into the

- College Fees **Account No. 01129070937100, Co-operative Bank, Stima Plaza Branch** Or via
- Mpesa Paybill number 222222, Account number: KUCC2-Student Number**
(Note: Every transaction attracts an additional Kes 50 for E-Citizen)

by **Friday, 29th November, 2024**. Graduands will be required to produce bank slips to the College cashier for issuance of receipts by the aforementioned date. **Cash payments will not be accepted.**

Note: Only those students who have fully paid the College fees, graduation fees, and cleared with the Examinations Office will be eligible for graduation. For any enquiries on examinations please contact the Examinations Office through email: examinations@utalii.ac.ke.

For more information on the graduation ceremony and courses offered, please log on to our College website: www.utalii.ac.ke



Authority unveils Sh30b plan to improve water access in next five years

BY JOAN OGOLLA AND MANU MUMBA, KNA

The Water Resources Authority (WRA) has unveiled a Sh30 billion plan to accelerate water regulation in a bid to improve access to the scarce commodity over the next five years.

Speaking during the launch of the Authority's strategic plan in Nairobi, Cabinet Secretary for the Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation Eng. Eric Mugaa stated that the plan aims to regulate the management and use of water resources for prosperity.

"The plan is aligned with Kenya's Vision 2030 and the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda, as it seeks to address issues such as compliance with water resources laws, climate change integration, stakeholder partnerships, and resource mobilization," Eng. Mugaa said.

He pointed out that the

plan's objectives are to operationalize and maintain water resource information gathering, strengthen water planning and allocation, enhance the institutional capacity of WRA, and improve the conservation of water catchment areas.

Eng. Mugaa stated that the plan would steer WRA towards achieving its goals over the next five years.

"A strategic plan is a blueprint aimed at prioritizing what is key and essential for the prosperity of the future generation," he said.

The CS further revealed that the plan entails key points such as the digitization of services and the promotion of real-time data to monitor and analyze areas prone to flooding.

The CS called for collaboration from development partners to not only support WRA but also the entire ministry in terms of development and water

regulation.

"When water leaves our custody, it is directed to other agencies that deal with dams and service delivery up to the county level and so if WRA fails in its mandate, the entire chain fails," he emphasized.

In his remarks, the Principal Secretary State Department of Water and Irrigation Julius Korir mentioned that WRA operates within the framework applied in the Water Act of 2016 that fulfils the function of prioritizing sustainable surface and groundwater development.

"WRA has achieved milestones in enhancing climate change resilience and water security," he announced.

Korir revealed that the state department contributes to national development by supporting integrated water resource management to enhance water availability and ac-



Cabinet Secretary Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation Eng. Eric Mugaa. Photo: Manu Mumba/KNA.

cessibility.

He noted that the water available yearly per person is 106 cubic meters per capita compared to the needed 600 cubic meters per year.

"It is upon us to ensure that we have sufficient water storage available to be able to meet our clients' needs," he stressed.

The WRA strategic plan

was developed as a sequel to the 2018 to 2022 plan. The plan comes when adverse environmental conditions including climate change and global warming have led to a drop in the underground water reserves globally.

The plan comes at a time when the Bottom-up Economic Transformation Agenda has been rolled

out with an aim to boost the industrial and agricultural sectors to drive economic development in Kenya.

The agenda thus depends on water as a critical necessity, so it is crucial to enhance water resource management and regulation to ensure sustained availability and access to water for all.



MINISTRY OF WATER, SANITATION AND IRRIGATION

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR WATER AND SANITATION

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR

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CONTRACT NO.: KE-MOWI-441576-CS-CQS

ADDENDUM NO.1

EXTENSION OF SUBMISSION DEADLINE

- The Invitation to Tenders (ITT) Submission Deadline is hereby extended from 5th November, 2024 to **12th November, 2024 at 10.00 a.m.**
- All other terms and conditions remain the same.

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EXTERNAL ADVERTISEMENT FOR TEACHING AND ADMINISTRATIVE VACANCIES

Pursuant to Part V Section 35 of the Universities Act 2012, Part IV Section 23 of the Kibabii University Charter, 2015 and Kibabii University Statutes 2023, the University invites applications from suitably qualified applicants for the following vacant positions:

TEACHING POSITIONS				
S/No.	Designation	Grade	Advert No.	No. of Posts
1.	Lecturer/Research Fellow (Strategic Management)	AC 12	KIBU/ACA/13/2024	1
2.	Tutorial/Junior Research Fellow (Religion)	AC 11	KIBU/ACA/14/2024	1
3.	Tutorial/Junior Research Fellow (Criminology)	AC 11	KIBU/ACA/16/2024	1
4.	Tutorial/Junior Research Fellow (Midwifery) (Re-advertisement)	AC 11	KIBU/ACA/17/2024	1
Sub-total				4
ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS				
S/No.	Designation	Grade	Advert No.	No. of Posts
1.	Chief Supply Chain Management Officer - (Re-advertisement)	AD 15	KIBU/ADM/10/2024	1
2.	Dean of Students - (Re-advertisement)	AD 15	KIBU/ADM/11/2024	1
3.	Senior Accountant	AD 13	KIBU/ADM/12/2024	1
4.	Assistant Games and Sports Officer III - (Re-advertisement)	AD 5	KIBU/ADM/13/2024	1
5.	Driver I- (Re advertisement)	AD 4	KIBU/ADM/14/2024	2
Sub-total				6
Grand Total				10

Applications must be submitted on or before **5 pm EAT Tuesday 19th November, 2024.**

Note: For more details on this advertisement, please visit the University website and click on the following link: <https://kibu.ac.ke/jobs-vacancies/>.



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Ronald Ngala Utalii College set for completion after 14-year time lag

BY **SADIK HASSAN, KNA**

After a 14-year hiatus, construction of the Sh8.5 billion Ronald Ngala Utalii College in Vipingo is finally taking shape. The project had been stalled for years due to allegations of corruption and impropriety.

Cabinet Secretary for Tourism and Wildlife, Rebecca Miano, recently gave an extensive tour of the impressive facility, which spans 59 acres near the Indian Ocean. She stated that the institution is set to become a center of excellence for the hospitality sector in line with Vision

2030.

The college is expected to bolster the Blue Economy and Cruise Tourism sectors by offering specialized training, thereby enhancing skill development and capacity building.

“A lot of work has been done, and the project is now approximately 83 percent complete,” said CS Miano, who was accompanied by board members from the Tourism Fund. The CS also held a meeting with the board to discuss the operationalization plan and the college’s opening schedule.

“We hope to be ready by the end



Cabinet Secretary (CS) for Tourism Rebecca Miano is taken through architectural designs during an inspection tour of the Ronald Ngala Utalii College, Vipingo.

of the first quarter of next year,” she added.

“We want it to have all the specialisation and we look forward to fulfilling the market in the region and even internationally for the

people we need in the hospitality sector,” she added.

The CS lauded the Tourism Trust Fund Trustees for working around the clock to ensure the project progresses as scheduled.



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VACANT POSITIONS FOR REPLACEMENT

Bomet University College (BUC) is a Constituent College of Moi University established through the Legal Notice No. 145 of 27th July 2017. BUC is located in Bomet County. The University College invites applications from suitably qualified candidates for the following Positions that have fallen vacant:

ACADEMIC POSITIONS

S/N	POSITION	SPECIALIZATION	SCALE	NO.	JOB REFERENCE
1	Senior Lecturer	Computer Science	BUC 13	1	BUC/ACD/1/11/2024
2	Lecturer	Physics (Electronics)	BUC 12	1	BUC/ACD/2/11/2024
3	Lecturer	Communication / Public Relations	BUC 12	2	BUC/ACD/3/11/2024
4	Lecturer	History	BUC 12	1	BUC/ACD/4/11/2024

ADMINISTRATIVE POSITIONS

S/N	POSITION	SCALE	NO.	JOB REFERENCE
1	Senior Procurement Officer	BUC13	1	BUC/ADM/1/11/2024
2	Senior Accountant	BUC13	1	BUC/ADM/2/11/2024
3.	Quantity Surveyor	BUC10	1	BUC/ADM/3/11/2024
4	Senior Administrative Assistant	BUC10	1	BUC/ADM/4/11/2024
5	Legal Assistant II	BUC 8	1	BUC/ADM/5/11/2024
6	Secretary	BUC 7	1	BUC/ADM/ 6/11/2024
7	Assistant Farm Manager	BUC 7	1	BUC/ADM/ 7/11/2024
8	Clerical Officer	BUC 5	2	BUC/ADM/ 8/11/2024
9	Security Officer	BUC 5	1	BUC/ADM/ 9/11/2024
10	Security Supervisor	BUC 4	1	BUC/ADM/ 10/11/2024

Qualifications for the advertised Academic Positions are based on Commission for University Education (CUE) Harmonized Criteria for Appointment and Promotion of Academic Staff. Please visit Commission for University Education (CUE) website for more information.

Terms of Service: All the Positions listed above are on Permanent and Pensionable terms, subject to successful completion of Probation period of six (6) months.

GENERAL REQUIREMENTS FOR THE POSITIONS. Only shortlisted applicants will be conducted and will be expected to satisfy requirements of the Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya (2010) when successful in the Recruitment process.

Interested applicants should visit the Bomet University College website <https://www.buc.ac.ke> for detailed Job Specifications, Remuneration and other job requirements. The Reference Number of the Position applied for should be clearly indicated in the Applications letter addressed to: **The Principal, Bomet University College, P.O Box 701-20400, BOMET.** A signed Application letter with the required testimonials should be emailed to: recruitment1@buc.ac.ke on or before **Monday 25th November 2024 at 5.00 pm.**

Bomet University College is an Equal Opportunity Employer and does not charge any fee for recruitment. Persons having difficulties in performing activities of daily life and marginalized groups are encouraged to apply.



INVITATION TO TENDER

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

NO.	TENDER NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	TENDER COMMENCEMENT DATE	TENDER CLOSING DATE
1.	KP9/9A/OT/WK/TPT/001/24-25	Three (3) Year Contract for Supply of Fleet Repair & Maintenance Service from Third Party Garages for West Kenya Region	Tuesday 05.11.2024	Tuesday 26.11.2024 at 10.00 a.m.
NO.	TENDER NO.	REGISTRATION NO.	TENDER COMMENCEMENT DATE	TENDER CLOSING DATE
2.	3800000430	Registration of Suppliers and Contractors for Generator Spare Parts, Works and Services for Off Grid Power Stations	Thursday 07.11.2024	Thursday 21.11.2024 at 10.00 a.m.

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

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MINISTRY OF INVESTMENTS, TRADE AND INDUSTRY

State Department for Industry

PUBLIC NOTICE

THE DRAFT NATIONAL COTTON, TEXTILE AND APPAREL POLICY

The Ministry of Investments, Trade and Industry in collaboration with relevant Ministries, Departments and Agencies has developed a draft National Cotton, Textile and Apparel Policy, 2024 to guide the development of the cotton value chain in Kenya. The policy also aims to revitalize and enhance the competitiveness and sustainability of the Cotton, Textiles and Apparel sector in Kenya and within the region.

Pursuant to Article 10(2) (a) of the Constitution of Kenya, that provides for National Values and Principles of Governance including participation of the people, the Ministry through this Notice, hereby invites interested members of the public and stakeholders to give their comments on the draft National Cotton, Textile and Apparel Policy during the public participation forums which shall be held from 9.00 a.m-12.00 noon at the following venues and dates;

DATE	COUNTIES	VENUE
Monday 2 nd December 2024	Laikipia, Samburu, Isiolo and Marsabit	Isiolo Catholic Pastoral Center-Isiolo
	Bomet, Nyamira, Kisii and Narok	Kisii Agricultural Training Center Hall - Kisii
	Garissa, Wajir and Mandera	Government Guest House – Garissa
Tuesday 3 rd December 2024	Tharaka Nithi, Meru and Embu	Kamundi Hall - Meru
	Tana River, Kilifi and Lamu	Takaye Social Hall – Malindi
	Homa Bay, Kisumu, Siaya and Migori	Mama Grace Onyango Cultural and Social Center (Formerly Kisumu Social Center) - Kisumu
Wednesday 4 th December 2024	Nyeri, Nyandarua, Kirinyaga, Murang'a	Nyeri Cultural Center - Nyeri
	Kwale and Mombasa	Tononoka Social Hall - Mombasa
	Busia, Bungoma, Vihiga and Kakamega	Kenya Red Cross Society Hall, Kanduyi-Bungoma
Thursday 5 th December 2024	Nakuru, Kericho and Baringo	Kenya National Library Services – Nakuru
	Taita Taveta	Dan Mwanzo Hall – Voi
	Trans-Nzoia and West Pokot	Kitale Social Hall – Kitale
Friday 6 th December 2024	Machakos, Kitui and Makueni	Wote Social Hall – Wote
	Turkana	Lodwar Vocational Training Centre – Lodwar
	Uasin Gishu, Nandi and Elgeyo Marakwet	County Multi-purpose Hall – Eldoret
Tuesday 10 th December 2024	Nairobi, Kajiado and Kiambu	NITA Nairobi Headquarters Theatre Room (Commercial street, Industrial Area) – Nairobi

Members of the Public and Stakeholders may also send their comments and feedback through written submissions using the “Draft National Cotton, Textile and Apparel Policy, 2024 Memorandum Submission Template” available at www.industrialization.go.ke/downloads to the following email address cta@industrialization.go.ke or through **P.O BOX 30418-00100** on or before **Friday 13th December, 2024.** The Draft National Cotton, Textile and Apparel Policy may be downloaded from website www.industrialization.go.ke/downloads.

Youth Enterprise Fund to disburse Sh300 million for overseas job opportunities

BY MYGOV REPORTER

The Youth Enterprise Development Fund (YEDF) will disburse at least Sh300 million to support youth seeking employment opportunities abroad in the 2024/2025 financial year.

The Fund states that this initiative aligns with the government's efforts to place Kenyans in jobs overseas.

"Through our migration loan facility, we are removing financial barriers to enable eligible youth to access international job opportunities that were previously out of reach," said Mr. Josiah Moriasi, the Fund's Chief Executive Officer.

According to the CEO, the program has already made a significant impact, disbursing Sh46.4 million in just two months to support 353 youth who have secured employment abroad.

Moriasi added that the Fund offers zero-interest loans of up to Sh300,000 to individual youth migrants, with only an eight percent management fee and a six-month repayment period.

"These loans cover essential expenses, including airfare, medical examinations, and visa processing fees," the CEO



The Youth Enterprise Development Fund Chief Executive Officer Mr. Josiah Moriasi

said.

Additionally, the YEDF provides secured loans of up to Sh5 million to accredited recruitment agents who wish to act as intermediaries, offering a twelve-month repayment period and a competitive two percent processing fee.

Moriasi added that a flagship initiative under YEDF's international employment agenda is the 'Mkulima Majuu' programme, which connects semi-skilled farm workers from Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) institutions and the National Youth Service (NYS) with agricultural employment opportunities in the United Kingdom.

Moriasi said this initiative is being implemented through collaboration

with the State Department for Diaspora Affairs, TVETA, and HOPS Labour Solutions (UK).

The CEO added the YESA program offers comprehensive support to beneficiaries, including pre-departure training to prepare recruits for work environments abroad.

Moriasi added that the Fund has formed strategic partnerships with key stakeholders both locally and internationally, resulting in a strong ecosystem that supports youth throughout their international employment journey.

"This initiative will help reduce unemployment at home while contributing to the country's economic growth through remittances and skills transfer," Mr. Moriasi noted.



REPUBLIC OF KENYA



KENYA REVENUE AUTHORITY

Tulipe Ushuru, Tujitegeme!

Public Notice

Declaration of Mobile Devices Incorporating IMEI Numbers at Importation

Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) is mandated to collect revenue on behalf of the Government of Kenya. Among the tax laws and regulations it administers, KRA also administers the East African Community Customs Management Act (EACCMA, 2004).

Pursuant to Part B of the Second Schedule to the East African Community Customs Management Act (EACCMA, 2004), on restricted imports, mobile devices require regulatory permits from the Communications Authority of Kenya (CA).

Following the Communication Authority of Kenya's (CA) public notice on enhancing the integrity and tax compliance of mobile devices, Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) hereby notifies all importers of Mobile devices and travelers of the following Customs requirements to implement the CA's requirements:

- Requirements for Importers:** All Importers of Mobile Devices will be required to submit detailed import entries for all mobile devices with accurate quantities, proper model descriptions/specifications, and their respective IMEI numbers in the Customs system.
- Requirements for Passengers:** Passengers entering the territory of Kenya will declare the details and the respective IMEI numbers for their mobile devices intended for use, during the stay in the country at the Port of entry on the F88 passenger declaration form.
- Device Assemblers/Manufacturers:** Must register on the Customs portal and submit a report of all devices assembled for the local market and their respective IMEI numbers.

One must also obtain necessary regulatory clearances and permits from the Communications Authority of Kenya (CA).

The Public is therefore notified of this requirement, which will be implemented **effective 1st January, 2025**. Specific guidelines on the system process and how to capture the devices and IMEI numbers for different users will be shared in due course.

For more information kindly email: callcentre@kra.go.ke, the Contact Centre on 020 4999 999 or 0711 099 999, or visit any KRA office near you.

Commissioner Customs and Border Control

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Public Notice

Draft Statutory Instruments

In compliance with the Statutory Instruments Act, Cap. 2A, the Commissioner General on behalf of the Cabinet Secretary, National Treasury and Economic Planning, has developed the following Rules:

- Draft Income Tax (Pay As You Earn) Rules, 2024
- Draft Income Tax (Advance Tax) Rules, 2024
- Draft Income Tax (Withholding Tax) Rules, 2024
- Draft Income Tax (Guidelines on Allowability of Bad Debts Guidelines), 2024
- Draft Income Tax (Retirement Benefit) Rules, 2024
- Draft Income Tax (National Social Security Fund) (Exemption) Rules, 2024
- Draft Tax Procedures (Distraint) Rules 2024
- Draft Income Tax (Leasing) Rules, 2024
- Draft Income Tax (Registered Collective Investment Schemes) Rules, 2024
- Draft Income Tax - Declarations of Crops
- Draft Income Tax - Prescribed Limit of Medical Benefit.

In compliance with the same Act, the Commissioner General, on behalf of the Cabinet Secretary, the National Treasury and Economic Planning, invites interested members of the public, professionals and stakeholders to submit their inputs and comments for consideration in finalizing the Rules. The draft rules have been posted on the KRA website. You may download the draft rules for your reference.

Please channel your submissions to the Commissioner General, Kenya Revenue Authority, P.O Box 48240-00100, Nairobi or by email to stakeholder.engagement@kra.go.ke to be received on or before 22nd November, 2024.

Commissioner General

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KENYA URBAN ROADS AUTHORITY

Transforming Urban Mobility



TENDER NOTICE

This is to bring to the attention of the general public that an invitation for the following tenders has been uploaded on the **PUBLIC PROCUREMENT INFORMATION PORTAL and KENYA URBAN ROADS AUTHORITY'S WEBSITE.**

No.	Tender Name	Tender Number
1	The Road Annuity Programme Lot 15 Consultancy Services for Supervision of the Development of 2,000 Km of Roads Supporting Primary Growth Sectors Through Contractor Facilitated Financing Mechanism (Phase 1), Lot 15 Operation & Maintenance Phase	KURA/DEV/HQ/390/2024-2025
2	The Road Annuity Programme Lot 18 Consultancy Services for Supervision of the Development of 2,000 Km of Roads Supporting Primary Growth Sectors Through Contractor Facilitated Financing Mechanism (Phase 1), Lot 18 Operation & Maintenance Phase	KURA/DEV/HQ/391/2024-2025

Bidders are requested to visit KURA's Website at www.kura.go.ke and www.tenders.go.ke for more information.

Deputy Director – (SCM)
For: DIRECTOR GENERAL



Kenya Urban Roads Authority



The Authority is ISO 9001:2015 certified

8 Lugari CBOs receive solar dryers to curb post-harvest losses

BY MELECHEZEDECK EJAKAIT, (KNA)

Eight Eight Community-Based Organizations (CBOs) engaged in cereal farming in Lugari Sub-County have each received a solar bubble dryer to help address post-harvest losses.

These CBOs include Mulembe CBO and Mbagara Farmers in Mautuma Ward, Lumakanda Maize Producers and Mercy CBO in Lumakanda Ward, Koromait

Nafaka Jasho in Chekalini Ward, and Baco CBO, Marakusi Mali Shambani, and Muungano CBO in Lugari Ward.

Speaking during the hand-over ceremony outside the Lumakanda agriculture office, Sub-County Agriculture Officer Kakai Wekesa thanked the Kenya Cereal Enhancement Programme - Climate Resilient Agricultural Livelihoods (KCEP-CRAL) for supporting cereal farmers.

He said, "Lugari is pre-

dominantly a maize-growing zone. Farmers have been incurring losses when there is too much rainfall during the harvesting period, as drying maize and other cereals becomes a challenge." However, with the bubble-dryers, losses will be minimised. They will ease the cumbersome drying exercise. Once you put maize into the dryer, it will take the shortest time possible to completely dry depending on its moisture

content. Once dry the farmers will use a moisture meter to measure the moisture content." Wekesa urged the beneficiary CBOs to make good use of the bubble dryers and guard them against damage.

Rodgers Alinda from Sky Bold-the suppliers of the solar bubble-dryers said each dryer has the capacity to dry between 500-600 kilograms of maize within two to three hours depending on the moisture content.



Rodgers Alinda from Sky Bold (white T-shirt) shows beneficiary CBO representatives how to fix a bubble-dryer



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INVITATION TO TENDER

Kenya Pipeline Company Limited invites tenders from eligible candidates for the following:

NO.	TENDER REFERENCE & DESCRIPTION	TENDER SECURITY	SITE VISIT DATE	PRE-BID CONFERENCE DATES	CLOSING DATE
OPEN NATIONAL TENDER					
1.	KPC/PU/OT - 065/QC/NBI/24 - 25 Supply of Multi Fuel Analyzer	KES.200,000.00	N/A	14-11-2024	19-11-2024
2.	KPC/PU/OT - 066/QC/NBI/24 - 25 Supply of Naphthalenes Analyzer	KES.100,000.00	N/A	14-11-2024	19-11-2024
3.	KPC/PU/OT - 063/HSE/NBI/24 - 25 Supply of Hydrocarbon Detectors for Storm Drains and Oil Water Separator Drains	KES.200,000.00	N/A	14-11-2024	19-11-2024
4.	KPC/PU/OT - 043/MECH/NBI/24 - 25 Supply and Installation of Line 5 By-pass line.	KES.200,000.00	13-11-2024	12-11-2024	19-11-2024
5.	KPC/PU/OT - 045/MECH/NBI/24 - 25 Supply, Installation and Commissioning of Submersible Sewage Pumps at PS28 Kisumu Depot.	KES.100,000.00	14-11-2024	12-11-2024	19-11-2024
6.	KPC/PU/OT - 053/ICT/NBI/24 - 25 Data Backup Upgrade Cyber Security Improvement Project.	KES.500,000.00	N/A	12-11-2024	20-11-2024
7.	KPC/PU/OT - 054/ICT/NBI/24 - 25 Replacement of CISCO UCS Blade Servers.	KES.500,000.00	N/A	12-11-2024	20-11-2024
8.	KPC/PU/OT - 055/ICT/NBI/24 - 25 Supply and Installation of Identity Management and Multifactor Authentication System.	KES.500,000.00	N/A	12-11-2024	20-11-2024
9.	KPC/PU/OT - 058/ELEC/NBI/24 - 25 Supply of new Main Line Motor PS22 - Ngema	KES.200,000.00	N/A	12-11-2024	20-11-2024
10.	KPC/PU/OT - 061/KPRL/NBI/24 - 25 Supply of Jet Fuel Thermol Oxidation Tester	KES.200,000.00	N/A	14-11-2024	21-11-2024
11.	KPC/PU/OT - 062/KPRL/NBI/24 - 25 Supply of Automatic Penetrometer	KES.100,000.00	N/A	14-11-2024	21-11-2024
12.	KPC/PU/OT - 041/MECH/NBI/24 - 25 Reconfiguration of Line 5 Booster Pumps Strainers at PS14 - Kipevu	KES.200,000.00	13-11-2024	12-11-2024	21-11-2024
13.	KPC/PU/OT - 042/MECH/NBI/24 - 25 Supply of Hydrant Pit Valves for PS12 - Moi International Airport Mombasa.	KES.200,000.00	N/A	12-11-2024	21-11-2024
14.	KPC/PU/OT - 044/MECH/NBI/24 - 25 Supply of Materials and Modification Works to Install Separate Drain Pipelines of Jet A-1 to Dump Tanks in PS27 Eldoret and PS28 Kisumu	KES.200,000.00	From 13-11-2024 TO 14-11-2024	12-11-2024	21-11-2024
15.	KPC/PU/OT - 067/OPS/NBI/24 - 25 Supply of Self-Priming Portable Diesel Pump c/w Hoses m3/h at 90m head	KES.200,000.00	N/A	14-11-2024	22-11-2024

RESERVED FOR WOMEN					
16.	KPC/PU/OT - 057/ELEC/NBI/24 - 25 Supply, Installation and Commissioning of 2No Synchronized 550KVA Prime Duty Generators for PS09 - Embakasi	N/A	13-11-2024	14-11-2024	22-11-2024
17.	KPC/PU/OT - 059/CORR/NBI/24 - 25 Supply of Heavy Duty Self-Priming Pump (Spate Pump)	N/A	N/A	14-11-2024	22-11-2024
18.	KPC/PU/OT - 064/HSE/NBI/24 - 25 Supply of Fast Tanks	N/A	N/A	14-11-2024	22-11-2024
RESERVED FOR YOUTH					
19.	KPC/PU/OT - 060/CORR/NBI/24 - 25 Supply of Pin Brazing Kit	N/A	N/A	14-11-2024	22-11-2024
<p>The Tender documents can be viewed and downloaded from the website www.kpc.co.ke at no cost. Bidders will be required to register their companies on KPC SRM portal and send ONLY queries to opentender@kpc.co.ke. In addition, all addenda will be posted to those bidders who indicate their intention to participate through the SRM portal.</p> <p>No other email addresses shall be used and KPC shall not be liable if bidders choose to send their queries to other email addresses.</p>					
FRAMEWORK					
20.	KPC/PU/FW - 051/ADM/NBI/24 - 25 Framework Contract for Motor Vehicles Fuels for a Period of Two Years	N/A	N/A	15-11-2024	26-11-2024
21.	KPC/PU/FW - 052/AIRWING/NBI/24 - 25 Framework Contract for Jet A1 Fuel for a Period of Two Years.	N/A	N/A	15-11-2024	26-11-2024
22.	KPC/PU/FW - 056/ICT/NBI/24 - 25 Framework Contract for Maintenance of ICT Hardware for a Period of Two Years	N/A	N/A	15-11-2024	26-11-2024
<p>The Tender documents can be viewed and downloaded from the website www.kpc.co.ke at no cost. Bidders will be required to register their companies on KPC SRM portal and send ONLY queries to technicalprocurement@kpc.co.ke. In addition, all addenda will be posted to those bidders who indicate their intention to participate through the SRM portal.</p> <p>No other email addresses shall be used and KPC shall not be liable if bidders choose to send their queries to other email addresses.</p> <p>NOTE: Bidders who are not registered in KPC SRM System should first register using this link https://e-procurement.kpc.co.ke/irj/portal</p>					

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

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

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

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



On-site assessment reveals steady progress in Kisumu's Affordable Housing construction

BY JOSEPH OUMA, KNA
The Government has spent Sh5.7 billion on the ongoing construction of affordable houses in Kisumu County. Through the Affordable Housing Development Programme, it is building 1,880 units in Lumumba Estate, Kisumu.

A team from the Prime Cabinet Secretary's office, led by Principal Administrative Secretary Juliana Yiapan, visited the area to assess the status of 51 national government-funded projects in Western Kenya, most of which were launched by the Head of State. The team, accompanied by Nyanza Regional Commissioner Flora Mworoo, was informed by contractor Jared Buoga that the project commenced later than anticipated and is set for completion by January 2026.

So far, excavation for the foundations of 11 blocks has been completed, with four other blocks—A3, A4, A5, and C—in progress. Backfilling of blocks B1 and B7 is underway, while casting of foundation columns for block B2, as well as casting of raft and other steel reinforcements, is ongoing.

In an exclusive interview with KNA at the site, Yiapan stated that her team was on a mission to determine whether the 51 projects were being implemented after it emerged that some projects could not be easily located and may have stalled. Resident Eng. Clement Nyangoro reported that the government has so far paid Sh575.2 million as of July 2024 and that the construction works are progressing well. He informed the team that an



One of the engineers showing the Principal Administrative Secretary Juliana Yiapan (L) some of the achievements they have had with the Affordable Housing Project at Lumumba site, Kisumu Central.

additional Sh215.6 million is being processed to ensure the project does not stall for any reason.

Yiapan and her team had earlier paid a courtesy call to the Nyanza Regional Commissioner before proceeding to Siaya County for a similar exercise. They later traveled back to Kisumu International Airport, visited the cotton-growing project in Chiga, Kisumu East, and finally arrived at the Kisumu National Polytechnic Textile Industry, which is projected to cost up to Sh3.9 billion upon completion.

At Chiga, Kisumu County Government of-

officials confirmed having received one metric ton of BT-cotton, and traditional cotton seeds being piloted by selected farmers to ascertain their reliability before upscaling to all farmers in the county.

The team was informed that most of the cotton seeds were destroyed by flooding and that was followed by drought. This meant that most farmers had to plant twice or thrice, culminating in huge losses.

The farmers have subsequently appealed to the government to avail more cotton seeds.

Stakeholders in the agriculture sector identified



“We boast of Sh230-million worth of equipment, computer machines for weaving and processing some of which have been delivered while others are still on the way,” - Nyang'oro

further distribution to farmers in the region.

At Kisumu Polytechnic the team was told that the government through World Bank funding has built a modern textile industry complete with state-of-the-art machinery and laboratories for mass production as well as training students drawn from East, Southern and Central Africa.

So far, the government has disbursed Sh394 million already spent on the project and is only awaiting delivery of a few other machines to start running after being commissioned in the next few months, according to the director in charge of the project, Thomas Nyang'oro.

Nyang'oro said the five-year project has lagged due to unpredictable climate changes among other challenges, adding that it would facilitate

the region's staff skills upgrading on TVET programmes.


He said Tanzania and Ethiopia are among the countries set to improve their workforce as their students will use the state-of-the-art textile machines, studios, textile libraries as the multi-billion project stands out among other national government flagship projects scattered across the country.


“We boast of Sh230-million worth of equipment, computer machines for weaving and processing some of which have been delivered while others are still on the way,” he told the team.

The textile project has the capacity to host 600 students per session for those going for hands-on practicals from the polytechnic and other institutions in the region.



Nyanza Regional Commissioner (RC) Flora Mworoo (L) and the Principal Administrative Secretary, Juliana Yiapan admiring some of the piloted BT-cotton alongside the traditional seedlings being piloted at Chiga, Kisumu East.





KENYA REVENUE AUTHORITY
Tulipe Ushuru, Tujitegemeel

Tender Notice

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

DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY	PREBID DATE, TIME AND VENUE	CLOSING/OPENING DATE, TIME AND VENUE
KRA/HQS/NCB-012/2024-2025: Provision of OEM Subscription, Support and Maintenance Services for Identity Access Management (IAM) Solution for a Period of Three (3) Years	OPEN	15 th November, 2024 11.00 AM VIRTUAL	22 nd November, 2024 11.00 AM TIMES TOWER
KRA/HQS/NCB-013/2024-2025: Provision of Support and Maintenance Services for Data Centre System and Electrical Switch Gears for a Period of Two (2) Years	OPEN	14 th November, 2024 11.00 AM VIRTUAL	20 th November, 2024 11.00 AM TIMES TOWER
KRA/HQS/RFP-014/2024-2025: Request for Proposal for Media Monitoring Services for a Period of Two (2) Years	OPEN	18 th November, 2024 11.00 AM VIRTUAL	26 th November, 2024 11.00 AM TIMES TOWER

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

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KENYA FILM CLASSIFICATION BOARD



VACANCY RE-ADVERTISEMENT

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER - REF:KFCB/HR/01/2024

Kenya Film Classification Board (KFCB) is a state corporation established under the *Films and Stage Plays Act, Cap 222*, of the Laws of Kenya mandated to regulate the creation, broadcast, possession, distribution and exhibition of film content. Regulation is geared towards facilitating an enabling environment for sector growth at the same time ensuring protection of children and minors from exposure to harmful content.

To enhance its capacity to deliver on the afore-cited statutory mandate, KFCB invites applications from qualified candidates to fill the position of the **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, Grade KFCB 1**.


TERMS OF SERVICE
Three(3) year's Contract Renewable Once Subject to Satisfactory Performance.


HOW TO APPLY
Interested Persons, who meet the requirements, can find a detailed Job Description, Job Specification and other requirements for the advertised position on our website at www.kfcb.go.ke/downloads/opportunities/careers.

- HARD** Copy applications should be sent through the address provided below or hand delivered to our Headquarters, citing the reference number of the position applied for.
Chairperson
Kenya Film Classification Board
Uchumi House, 15th Floor
P.O. Box 44226-00100 Nairobi
- All applications should be accompanied by a Cover letter, a Curriculum Vitae, copies of Academic and Professional Certificates, Testimonials and a National Identity Card.
- Upon offer of employment the successful candidate must present and satisfy the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 by providing the following documents:
 - A valid Tax Compliance Certificate from the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA);
 - A valid Certificate of Good Conduct from the Directorate of Criminal Investigations (DCI);
 - A valid Clearance Certificate from the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB);
 - A valid Clearance Certificate from an accredited Credit Reference Bureau (CRB); and
 - A valid Clearance from the Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC).
- All applications should reach the Board by close of business on or before **25th November 2024**.
- Only shortlisted candidates will be contacted.

Women and Persons with disability are encouraged to apply.







Kenya National Highways Authority
Quality Highways, Better Connections

TENDER NOTICE

The Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA) is a State Corporation established under the Kenya Roads Act, 2007 with the responsibility for Management, Development, Rehabilitation and Maintenance of National Trunk Roads.

The Authority hereby invites sealed tenders from eligible bidders for the following tender;

S/No.	Tender No.	Tender Description	Date/Time/Venue for Tender Closing/Opening
1.	KeNHA/2826/2024	Supply and Delivery of Various Toners and Stationery (Framework Contract)	21 st November, 2024 at 1100Hrs. KeNHA Head Office, Barabara Plaza, Block C, 2nd Floor, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA), Off Airport South Road, along Mazao Road.




The Tender Document may be obtained by interested tenderers **free of charge** by downloading from KeNHA website: www.kenha.co.ke or Public Procurement Information Portal (PIIP): www.tenders.go.ke. or from the KeNHA Headquarters Office, Barabara Plaza, 2nd Floor Block C Supply Chain Management Department during normal working hours upon payment of non-refundable fee of **Kshs. 1,000.00** (One thousand shillings only) in form of a banker's cheque payable to Kenya National Highways Authority.

Bidders are encouraged to download tender documents from the above websites to minimize physical visits to the KeNHA Offices.
Completed tender document are to be enclosed in a plain sealed envelope clearly marked with tender **name and reference number**, and deposited in the Tender Box at the Barabara Plaza, Block C, Second Floor.

All interested bidders are required to continually check the Kenya National Highways Authority website: www.kenha.co.ke or PIIP Procurement portal: www.tenders.go.ke for any tender addenda or clarifications that may arise before the submission date.

Deputy Director (Supply Chain Management)
For: DIRECTOR GENERAL

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Kenya National Highways Authority
Quality Highways, Better Connections

TENDER NOTICE (RE-ADVERTISEMENT)

The Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA) is a State Corporation established under the Kenya Roads Act, 2007, with the responsibility for the Management, Development, Rehabilitation and Maintenance of National Roads.
The Authority hereby invites sealed bids from eligible Service Providers for the following tenders.

S/No.	Tender No.	Tender Description	Mandatory Pre - Tender Site Visit Venue/date	Tender Closing/Opening Date/Time/Venue
1.	KeNHA/2827/2024	Request for Proposal (RFP) to Lease, Operate and Manage Developed Kibwezi Roadside Station : A Facility Along Kibwezi-Kitui Highway (A9).	Kibwezi Roadside Station along Kibwezi – Kitui A9 Road, Kibwezi town at 9.00am on 12th November, 2024 .	29th November, 2024 at 11:00am , KeNHA Headquar Barabara Plaza, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA), Nairobi, Off Mazao Road, Block C - 2 nd Floor Board Room
2.	KeNHA/2828/2024	Request for Proposal (RFP) to Lease, Operate and Manage Developed Kitui Roadside Station : A Facility Along Kibwezi - Kitui Highway (A9).	Kitui Roadside Station along Kibwezi – Kitui A9 Road, Kitui at 2.00pm on 12th November, 2024..	

There shall be a mandatory pre-tender site visit as indicated above and as specified in the Detailed Tender Notice uploaded onto the KeNHA website or Public Procurement Information Portal (PIIP) website www.tenders.go.ke.

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Bidders are encouraged to download the RFP documents from the above websites to minimize physical visits to the KeNHA Office.
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Government to establish 1,450 new digital hubs across the country

BY KIPTANUI CHERONO,
KNA

The Government is accelerating internet connectivity to ensure that each technical and vocational education training (TVET) institutions is connected to fiber, Principal Secretary for ICT and the Digital Economy, Eng. John Tanui, has said.

Speaking at the Rift Valley Technical Training Institute in Eldoret while launching the institution's digital hub, the PS mentioned that the state department is working through an arrangement with Kenya Power to lay fiber over power lines to hasten the connectivity process.

"We are not only aiming to ensure that all public institutions are connected to fiber internet, but we are also collaborating with the private sector so that they can take advantage of this connectivity.

This will enable the business community, as well as homes within reach of Kenya Power poles, to access fiber internet and log on to global opportunities," Eng. Tanui said.

Earlier, the PS also launched a digital hub at Kipkabus Technical Training Institute (TTI), which is part of the 1,450 digital hubs the government intends to

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establish across the country.

He noted that over 274 digital hubs have already been established in TVET institutions.

"In the north rift region 51 digital hubs have already been connected to fiber, and we are in the process of connecting another 100 through the arrangement with Kenya

Power," he added.

Eng. Tanui said the opening of digital hubs, including those being established in every ward with support from members of parliament was critical for the government's digital superhighway initiatives that will unlock opportunities for the youth in the digital space.

He said they were working with TVET principals and local leadership to ensure the digital hubs are not only available to the students, but neighbouring communities are also allowed to access the hubs.

On the manufacturing of digital devices, the PS said the first factory, East Africa Devices Assembly

Kenya, EADAK, which was commissioned by President William Ruto last year has so far manufactured more than 1m devices.

"We also have another company, M-Kopa that has entered into manufacturing the devices, which has already exceeded the manufacture of more than 1m devices," he added.

Kenya marks 100 years of tea production with a focus on value addition and diversification

BY JOSEPH NG'ANG'A, KNA

Kenya is adopting value addition and diversification of tea varieties as it marks 100 years of commercially growing tea to meet market expectations. Agriculture and Livestock Development Cabinet Secretary (CS) Dr. Andrew Karanja stated that Kenyan tea has had a tremendous journey, starting from its humble beginnings when the country only exported to one destination at the beginning of the commercialization phase, to its current status, where it is exported to over 90 destinations.

Speaking in Nairobi during the launch of the Kenya Tea Industry Centenary Celebrations hosted by the Tea Board of Kenya, Dr. Karanja emphasized that while Kenya has been exporting tea as a raw material, the country aims to export value-added tea as it looks forward to the



Agriculture and Livestock Development Cabinet Secretary (CS) Dr. Andrew Karanja during the launch of the Kenya tea industry centenary celebrations hosted by the Tea Board of Kenya (TBK). Photo by Joseph Ng'ang'a.

next 100 years.

"Further, stakeholders should strive to present tea as a 'trendy' beverage for the youth by providing it in more flavors and forms, thereby making tea a true 'anytime' beverage, like coffee," the CS said.

He highlighted that over the years, tea has become a leading foreign exchange

earner for Kenya and a source of direct and indirect livelihoods for over six million people along the value chain.

"In 2024, the industry's earnings from exports hit Sh180 billion, up from Sh138 billion the previous year. Notably, this year's performance looks better compared to last year. Up

to August this year, export earnings had surpassed last year's by Sh21 billion, standing at Sh127 billion," the CS explained.

Dr. Karanja added that tea auctions in Mombasa have expanded to include tea from neighboring countries. He disclosed that the government recognizes the role of the tea

industry in driving the nation's socio-economic development, explaining that this is why tea forms part of the flagship projects in the agricultural sector under the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) initiative.

"The role of tea is anchored on value addition for agricultural produce with a view to ensuring maximum returns across the value chain," he said.

The CS said currently, several regulations aimed at fully operationalizing the Tea Act, 2020 are nearing completion and his ministry will soon gazette these regulations.

"This will pave the way to full implementation of reforms aimed at ensuring sustainability and enhanced performance of the tea industry," he said.

The CS said in 2024, tea production will cross the 600 million kilograms mark, and the government will continue sup-

porting the farmers with inputs like the subsidized fertilizer at Sh2,500 in efforts to ensure quality production.

Dr. Karanja said the ministry is looking at enhancing the quality with focus being on attracting more international buyers.

"The government, together with tea stakeholders will be organizing trade missions to some of the countries which we have identified as potential buyers of our tea," Dr. Karanja said.

The CS said that at the tea auction in Mombasa the government suspended the minimum price directive which has led to a significant reduction in the volume of unsold tea.

Tea Board of Kenya (TBK) Chairman Jacob Kahiui said the stocks of unsold tea at the Mombasa auction has come down from the highs of 100 million kilograms in 2023 to below 15 million Kahiui said tea plays a big role in the country as about 22 per cent of foreign exchange comes from tea.



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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC TO SUBMIT COMMENTS ON AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT STUDY REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED ESTABLISHMENT OF BUS RAPID TRANSIT LINE 5 ON OUTER RING ROAD, NAIROBI COUNTY

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

The proponent, Kenya Urban Roads Authority, intends to establish a Bus Transit Line (BRT) Line 5 transport system which will include the construction of 2No BRT line on the median of outer ring road approximately 10.435km long connecting Airport North Road and Thika Road, 3No. River bridges, 13No. BRT stations, drainage works, barrier on the outer extent of the BRT lane, 5 acre parking depot along Mombasa road just after city cabanas interchange, street lighting, electromechanical works associated works and facilities.

The following are the anticipated impacts and proposed mitigation measures:

Impacts	Mitigation Measures
Occupational Safety and Health (OSH)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Proponent shall ensure that the Contractor is committed to adherence to OSH Rules and Regulations as stipulated in the Occupational Safety and Health Act (OSHA), 2007. Provision of appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and ensuring that workers while at work always use the provided PPE as the last line of defence in risk control at the workplace. Proactive risk management of safety at the workplace centred at identifying precursors that lead to risk, identifying threats before they become dangerous, and understanding what behaviours and attitudes are influencing safety performance.
Noise and Vibration Pollution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> On-site power gen-sets shall be covered with an acoustic enclosure and fitted with muffler and shall conform to EMC (Noise and Excessive Vibration Pollution) (Control) Regulations, 2009 and the Noise Prevention and Control Rules, 2005; Prescribe noise reduction measures if appropriate noise buffering. Inform the surrounding community on the permissible noise levels and best working hours; Use quiet equipment and regular maintenance of machinery to ensure that noise produced from machinery is kept to a practicable minimum; Limit pickup trucks and other small equipment to a minimum idling time ; Vehicles hired for bringing construction materials at site shall conform to the noise emission standards and shall be operated during non-peak hours.
Air Pollution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All dusty materials shall be sprinkled with water prior to any loading, unloading or transfer operation so as to maintain the dusty materials wet; Cover stockpiles of sand, soil and similar materials or surround them with wind breaks; Watering all roads used for any vehicular traffic at when need arises and restrict vehicle speed to 15 miles per hour; Down wash of trucks (especially tyres) prior to departure from site; Vehicles delivering loose and fine materials like sand and fine aggregates shall be covered to reduce spills on road; Post signs that limit vehicle speeds onto unpaved roads and over disturbed soils; Rapid onsite construction so as to reduce duration of traffic interference and therefore reduce emissions from traffic delays.
Interruption of Existing Installations and Services	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Establish the various service providers whose installations are to be interrupted; Identify key interests of each of the stakeholders and development of utility relocation action; The work plan should then be implemented to ensure smooth execution of the construction.
Loss of Biodiversity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure proper demarcation of the Project area to be affected by the construction works. KURA will engage relevant stakeholders such as Kenya Forest Service (KFS) and other Community Based Organizations (CBOs) in growing trees along the Outer Ring Road.
Flooding	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Design team has incorporated the impacts of flooding in the Project design by utilizing the flood risk assessment guide; The BRT infrastructure will be elevated in areas where flooding is common; The BRT Project System will have an option for collecting floodwater before it pools by placing rain barrels on the side of the BRT infrastructure; The design will provide a concentrated location for water collection and contain rain that would otherwise pool on the street; Road shoulders and storm drains shall be kept free from debris to reduce the severity of flooding; KURA to liaise with NCCG and Water Resources Authority (WRA) for development and implementation of an appropriate Storm Water Management Plan anchored on the watershed management concept.
Increased Temperatures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Planting of trees after construction of the BRT infrastructure to provide shade and help to reduce the impact of carbon emissions and restore natural ecosystems; Increase investment in BRT System maintenance and repair programs, focusing on the use of heat-resistant road materials; Greater usage of permeable materials in civic infrastructure to reduce the urban heat island effect; The BRT buses will improve public transportation and reduce private vehicle usage thus helping in reducing extreme heat; Adjustment of both bituminous mixture design and structural design of the pavement; Change of the design for concrete pavement mixture to lower the amount of water needed.
Generation and Disposal of Solid Waste	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Carefully budget to ensure that the amount of construction materials left on site after construction is kept to a minimal; Consider the use of recycled or refurbished construction materials; Purchase and use once-used or recovered construction materials; Use of durable, long-lasting materials that will not need to be replaced as often, Provision of facilities for proper handling and storage of construction materials to reduce the amount of waste caused by damage or exposure to the elements; Use of construction materials that have minimal packaging to avoid the generation of excessive packaging waste; Use of construction materials containing recycled content when possible and in accordance with accepted standards; Adequate collection and temporarily storage of waste on site shall be ensured to facilitate sustainable waste management including but not limited to safe transportation of waste to designated waste disposal site.
Increased Water Demand	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure that water is used efficiently at the workplace by sensitizing construction workers to avoid irresponsible water use; An assessment and evaluation of the identified water sources should be done against the estimated water demand during construction.
Increased Storm Water Runoff from New Impervious Areas	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Put in place appropriate measures aimed at minimizing soil erosion and associated sediment release from the proposed Project site during construction.
Traffic Disruption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Erect temporary road signs that are visible both during the day and at night indicating road works and restrictions; Restrict construction activities at the median of Outer Ring Road as much as possible; Set aside footpaths and parking areas; and Areas where construction is taking place should have clearly marked speed reduction signage.

Impacts	Mitigation Measures
Fuel and Oil Spills	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Control dangers of oil and fuel spills by maintaining machinery in specific areas designated for this purpose; Prompt cleaning of oil and fuel spills, and proper disposal of clothing and rags contaminated with oil; Construct sealed areas for the storage of pollutants so as to avoid any accidental discharge that would pollute water resources; and Oil and fuel shall be stored in storage tanks within a secure compound.
Generation of Wastewater	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No grey water runoff or uncontrolled discharges from the site/working areas (including wash-down areas) to watercourses and/or water bodies shall be permitted; Water containing such pollutants as cements, concrete, chemicals and fuels shall be discharged as provided in EMC (Water Quality) Regulations, 2006. The Contractor shall also prevent runoff loaded with sediment; Wash areas shall be placed and constructed in such a manner so as to ensure that the surrounding areas (including groundwater) are not polluted.
Soil Erosion and Sedimentation	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Contractor should avoid working on very steep alignments; Avoid cut-slope creation and embankments greater than the angle of response for the soil type; The Contractor should minimize ground clearance area by working only within the road reserve; Balance the cut-and-fill requirements by rightly choosing the route in order to avoid creating excess spoil materials and borrow pits; Store and re-use top soil during the initial excavation to be deposited on the slopes to form a superficial layer for seedling establishment; Construction of riprap, gabions, cribs or other wooden barricades and grid work battered back against the slope.
Asphalt Mixing and Hazardous Materials	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All concrete and asphalt plants shall be operated and maintained in accordance with the manufacturers' specifications and manuals; The plant should be located a distance from residential areas with a buffer zone in between; Fit the exhaust with appropriate acoustic design to arrest noise pollution; Control visual impacts by ensuring that the design camouflages with the surrounding and trees are maintained to enhance aesthetics; The plant should be fitted with dust collectors and operated on venture principle; Wastewater from the wet dust collector and cleaning of the equipment should be channeled to dedicated settling tanks and the effluent dried to form sludge which is recycled; Install absorbent mineral aggregates such as limestone for the absorption of sulphur oxides from the combustion of fuels; There should be regular maintenance of the burner and optimization of the combustion volume to reduce emission of hydrocarbons; Allow for correct air-fuel mixture and appropriate retention time for complete combustion to limit production of carbon oxides.
Fire Risks	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Contractor's staff shall undergo fire safety training and must be instructed in the correct use of fire-fighting equipment; The site shall have suitable emergency routes and exits, The Contractor shall ensure that fires, except for controlled fires for burning rubbish The Contractor shall have trained firefighting personnel armed with adequate fire-fighting equipment; Electrical systems must only be installed by a qualified electrician and must be frequently maintained; High-intensity lights should not be hidden or placed near flammable material; The Contractor shall ensure any welding activity is undertaken in areas free of flammable materials.
Labour Influx	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepare a labour influx plan to manage labour influx; Casuals and skilled labour will be sourced from the local population as far as possible to minimize on influx of foreigners into the community; Use of manual labour where possible to ensure more employment of locals and hence ensure support of the Project throughout the construction process; Sensitize workers on the different cultures and inculcate tolerance.
Pollution of Rivers	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Reduce plastic consumption and reuse/recycle as much as possible; Ensure proper disposal of chemical cleaners, oil, and non-biodegradable materials to keep them from going into the rivers; Maintain the machineries and vehicles so that they don't leak oil, antifreeze, or coolant on the ground; and Remove all the solid waste that has been dumped into the storm water drainage system of Outer Ring Road.
Demolition of Warehouses at the Depot Site	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demolition to be carried out in accordance with the standard procedures by ensuring that all plant and construction equipment are fitted with noise control measures and shall strictly conform to the EMC (Noise and Excessive Vibration Pollution) (Control) Regulations, 2009 and Noise Prevention and Control Rules, 2005; Ambient air quality measurements shall be undertaken and maintained in compliance with EMC (Air Quality) Regulation, 2014.

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The EU Ambassador to Kenya urges entrepreneurs to diversify export products

BY ANNE KANGERO (KNA)

The European Union ambassador to Kenya Henriette Geiger has called on Kenyan entrepreneurs to diversify export products to the EU to increase profits under the Kenya -EU Economic Partnership Agreement (EPA).

Geiger noted that Kenya mainly exports horticultural produce like flowers and

vegetables and underscored the need for exporters to shift to manufactured and high value goods.

The ambassador who spoke during a Kenya -EU EPA sensitization forum in Athiriver in Machakos County, said the agreement presents an opportunity for Kenya to build capacity in terms of industrialisation and move to an upper middle level income country.

“Kenya harbors ambition to become an upper middle-level income country and this can be achieved by the setting up of companies to manufacture and process products,” she said.

Geiger hailed Machakos as one of the counties that has recognised the strategic opportunity offered by EPA by setting up Special Economic Zones and called on other counties to do the same.

“These special economic zones present exceptional opportunities that will drive manufacturing and other counties should embrace the move,” the ambassador said.

She assured Kenya of EU’s support in the implementation of EPA and said similar sensitization forums will be conducted in Europe to bring investments to Kenya so as to upscale trade be-

tween the parties.

Speaking at the same forum the Director of External Trade in the State Department for Trade Joseah Rotich said the agreement has given Kenyan exporters unlimited access to the EU market for all products.

“The agreement had legally secured a quota free and duty free market to 27 countries in the European Union,” Rotich said.

He said EPA will help expand the country’s industrial base and access to markets not only to the EU but also other countries including the US.

Rotich reiterated the State Department’s commitment to fully implement the agreement and disclosed that plans are at an advanced stage to roll out an EPA implementation strategy.



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SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES FOR VARIOUS POSTS ADVERTISED ON 25TH JUNE 2024

The Office of the Director of Public Prosecutions invited interested and qualified persons to apply for consideration into appointment to various vacant positions as advertised in the print media on 25th June 2024.

At the close of the advertisement on 15th July 2024, applications were received as indicated below: -

S / NO	POST	GRADE	V/No.	NO. OF POSTS	NO. OF APPLICANTS	NO. SHORTLISTED
1.	Senior Assistant Director, Supply Chain Management	DPP 3	3/2024	1	47	7
2.	Chief Internal Auditor	DPP 3	4/2024	1	59	8
3.	Chief Finance Officer	DPP 3	5/2024	1	90	10
4.	Senior Assistant Director, Public Communication	DPP 3	6/2024	1	31	5
5.	Assistant Director, Human Resource Development Officer	DPP 4	8/2024	1	59	4
6.	Senior Principal Librarian	DPP 5	9/2024	1	29	6
7.	Senior Internal Auditor	DPP 7	12/2024	1	232	6
8.	Senior Supply Chain Management Officer 1	DPP 7	13/2024	1	297	6
9.	Accountant 1	DPP 9	14/2024	2	1002	20
10.	Information Communication Technology Officer II	DPP 10	15/2024	1	657	10
11.	Driver III	DPP 13	16/2024	2	438	14
TOTAL				13	2941	96

Interviews for the shortlisted candidates will be conducted from **26th November 2024 to 6th December 2024** at the ODPP Headquarters and Prosecution Training Institute (PTI) respectively.

Please visit the ODPP website www.odpp.go.ke, the Government Portal www.myGov.go.ke and the ODPP Office Notice Boards at Nairobi Headquarters and ODPP County Offices for details on the following:

- Shortlisted candidates for the various posts.
- Interview schedules indicating venue, time and date of the interview.
- Documents to be brought by candidates during the interviews.

Members of the public with any adverse information on any shortlisted candidate are requested to submit the information under **CONFIDENTIAL COVER** before **19th November 2024** to the:

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The Teachers Service Commission invites interested and eligible bidders/tenderers to bid for the tenders listed below:

S/ N	TENDER NO.	TENDER DESCRIPTION	BID / TENDER SECURITY	CATE - GORY	PRE BID / SITE VISIT	CLOSING/ OPENING DATE
1.	TSC/T/007/2024-2025	Supply, Delivery and Installation of Local Area Network at TSC offices at various Regional and Counties in Kenya	Tender Security Declaration Form	Reserved for Women	N/A	Wednesday 20 th November, 2024 at 9.00am
2.	TSC/T/008/2024-2025	Provision of a Comprehensive Cleaning and Sanitary Services, Maintenance of indoor plants and Landscaping at TSC Headquarters (Two years frame work contract)	Tender Security Declaration Form	Reserved for youth	Wednesday 13th November, 2024 at 9.00am.	Wednesday 20 th November, 2024 at 9.00am
3.	TSC/T/010/2024-2025	Provision of Internal and External Window Cleaning Services at TSC House (Two years framework contract)	Tender Security Declaration Form	Reserved for youth	Wednesday 13th November, 2024 at 9.00am.	Wednesday 20 th November, 2024 at 9.00am
4.	TSC/T/013/2024-2025	Supply and Delivery of various ICT Accessories	Tender Security Declaration Form	Reserved for PWD	N/A	Wednesday 20 th November, 2024 at 9.00am
5.	TSC/T/015/2024-2027	Maintenance of Dell Hardware and Associated Software (Three-year framework contract)	80,000	Citizen Contractors	N/A	Wednesday 20 th November, 2024 at 9.00am
6.	TSC/T/019/2024-2026	Provision of Comprehensive Group Life Assurance cover for Teachers (Two-year framework contract)	20,000,000	Open Tender	N/A	Thursday 21 st November, 2024 at 9.00am
7.	TSC/T/021/2024-2025	Supply, Delivery and Installation of Firewall for Data Recovery site at Konza Technopolis	Tender Security Declaration Form	Reserved for youth	N/A	Thursday 21 st November, 2024 at 9.00am
8.	TSC/T/022/2024-2025	Supply, Delivery, Installation and Commissioning of Core Switch for Data Recovery (DR) Site	Tender Security Declaration Form	Reserved for youth	N/A	Thursday 21 st November, 2024 at 9.00am
9.	TSC/T/024/2024-2025	Supply, Delivery and Installation of 48 Port Network Switches at TSC Headquarters	Tender Security Declaration Form	Reserved for PWD	N/A	Thursday 21 st November, 2024 at 9.00am

Detailed Tender documents may be obtained from Supply Chain Management Services Division, at the **TSC House 2nd floor Podium Wing, Kilimanjaro Road, Upper Hill** during normal working hours. Interested bidders may also access the tender documents from TSC website: www.tsc.go.ke or the Public Procurement Information Portal (PIIP) www.tenders.go.ke free of charge.

Complete bid documents must be enclosed in plain sealed envelopes and clearly marked with the Tender Number and tender description should be addressed to: **The Secretary, Teachers Service Commission, TSC House, Upper Hill, Kilimanjaro Road, Private Bag, 00100, NAIROBI** and deposited in the **Tender Box located at TSC Headquarters, TSC House, Podium Wing, ground floor to be received on or before the time and dates indicated against each tender.**

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COMMISSION SECRETARY/ CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Calls intensify for EAC partner states to abolish transport barriers



Cabinet Secretary (CS) for Roads and Transport, Davis Chirchir (c), chairs the 19th meeting of the Sectoral Council on transport, communication and meteorology in Mombasa.

BY SADIK HASSAN, KNA
The East African Community's (EAC) eight partner states have been urged to eliminate all physical and non-physical barriers to transportation to boost cross-border trade and enhance economic growth in the region.

Speaking in Mombasa during the Ministerial Session of the 19th EAC Sectoral Council on Transport, Communications and Meteorology, Kenya's Cabinet Secretary (CS) for Roads and Transport Davis Chirchir underscored the role of transportation in facilitating the movement of people, goods, services, and resources as well as improving access to local and international markets.

"Transport, communication, and meteorology, these sectors are the key drivers of our economies, the channels through which the heart of trade, information, and services flow, connecting our nations and our people," CS Chirchir stated.

He added that removing physical and non-physical barriers to effective transportation would directly impact the economic and social development of EAC countries.

Chirchir emphasized the critical role of digitalization in promoting connectivity and economic growth, noting that in the contemporary digital age, communication is the bridge that connects all nations and entities, transcending geographical boundaries.

"It is through effective communication systems that we can share knowledge, foster inno-

vation and build a cohesive community," the CS said.

He stated that accurate and timely meteorological data are essential for planning and protecting infrastructure, agriculture, and communities.

"This Council provides an excellent platform for us to discuss and devise strategies to enhance our communication networks, ensuring that no corner of our region remains isolated.

"Consequently, let us use this forum to strengthen our meteorological cooperation and build resilience against the challenges posed by climate change," he said.

CS Chirchir reaffirmed Kenya's commitment to developing and maintaining relevant and robust infrastructure, laws and regulations, that enable effective communication, mitigate climate change, foster trade and facilitate seamless movement across EAC borders.

The EAC Deputy Secretary General (DSG), in charge of Infrastructure, Productive, Social and Political Sectors, Andrea Malueth, said the main purpose of investing in infrastructure development along the Northern and Central Transport Corridors is to facilitate people's movement.

The investment will also enhance intra-regional trade, which is still low and currently stands at 15 per cent.

"Intra-regional trade in Europe, Asia and Latin America ranges at over 60 per cent. Intra-regional trade can promote economic integration and development within a regional economic community, as well as

increase trade flows and reduce dependence on external markets," Malueth said.

He disclosed that Partner States are pushing on with projects to actualize the East African Railways Network connected through the Standard Gauge Railway.

"A total of 1,120 kilometers of SGR is operational in Kenya and Tanzania, a further 1,100 kilometers is under construction in Tanzania and about 4,000 kilometers is under project preparation in all partner states. The EAC will harmonize the standards to ensure seamless operations across the regional network," Malueth said.

To achieve seamless connectivity of the railway system, synergy must be built in joint resource mobilization to ensure there are no gaps that would render the programme ineffective, he added.

For East Africa to cope with climate change and improve the safety of air transport, the DSG stated that it must equip itself with automatic weather stations and adopt quality management systems for aeronautical meteorological services.

"So far, five radar stations and over 30 automatic weather stations have been added to the regional network," he said.

Also present at the meeting that was conducted in a hybrid manner was Dieuconne Dukundane, Minister for Infrastructure, Equipment and Social Housing (Burundi); Dr. Jimmy Gasore, Minister of Infrastructure (Rwanda); among others.



LAKE NAKURU BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION PROJECT

Tender notice for the Procurement of	
Lot 2 :	Improvement of the Water Supply System of Nakuru and
Lot 3 :	Improvement of the Sewer System and Rehabilitation of the Southern Zone Water Supply Network of Nakuru

CONSTRUCTION	
Country	Kenya
Project Executing Agency	Central Rift Valley Water Works Development Agency Maji Plaza, Prison Road, Off Nakuru - Eldama Ravine Highway, P.O Box 2451-20100 Nakuru, Kenya
Project Ref No:	34537
Procurement Ref No:	Lot 2: 511843 and Lot 3: 511844
Subject:	International Open Tender for Lake Nakuru Biodiversity Conservation Project: Lot 2: Improvement of the Water Supply System of Nakuru and Lot 3: Improvement of the Sewer System and Rehabilitation of the Southern Zone Water Supply Network of Nakuru
Tender No:	Lot 2: CRVWDA/KfW/LNBKP/NTP/LOT2/2024-2025 and Lot 3: CRVWDA/KfW/LNBKP/NTP/LOT3/2024-2025
Project Executing Agency	Central Rift Valley Water Works Development Agency (CRVWDA)
Contractual framework	FIDIC Pink Book
Closing Date:	20th December 2024 at 1100Hrs East African Time

Project measures:

- The Government of the Republic of Kenya (GoK) has received financing from the German Development Bank (KfW) towards the cost of the Lake Nakuru Biodiversity Conservation Project.
- The project focuses on improving the conditions of the water supply, sewerage systems and wastewater treatment in Nakuru city. This includes increasing the water supply through new boreholes, optimization of existing wellfields and improving the surface water intake. To enhance water transmission, new transmission mains and a reservoir will be constructed, and parts of the water supply network will be rehabilitated. The sewer network will be expanded and rehabilitated to handle more wastewater flow to Njoro wastewater treatment plant which will be replaced by a new treatment plant. Investments will also be made in a wastewater transfer station and a smaller pump station to convey wastewater to the treatment plant.
- Lot 2** of the Lake Nakuru Biodiversity Conservation Project includes the investments in the water supply network excluding rehabilitation of existing water supply pipelines. Measures within this lot include drilling of twelve (12) new boreholes, optimization of four (4) existing wellfields, improvement of the Mereroni river intake, construction of a 10,000m³ water reservoir and three (3) water transmission mains with a total length of approximately 27km.
- Lot 3** of the Lake Nakuru Biodiversity Conservation Project includes the investments in the sewerage system as well as the rehabilitation of existing water pipelines. Measures within this lot include extension and rehabilitation of approximately 65km sewer network including new sewer connections, construction of a wastewater pump station and a wastewater transfer station consisting of a treatment facility and a transfer pump station. Lot 3 also includes the rehabilitation of approximately 10km of water pipelines in the Southern Zone of Nakuru.
- The Central Rift Valley Water Works Development Agency (CRVWDA) now invites eligible civil engineering construction companies to submit their Bid(s) for either one or both contracts separately in order to be considered for the execution of these Works.
- A firm may bid either individually or as part of a joint venture (JV) to enhance their qualifications.
- This Bidding process for Construction of the Works will be guided by the latest version of the KfW's "Guidelines for the Procurement of Consulting Services, Works, Plant, Goods and Non-Consulting Services in Financial Cooperation with Partners" (see webpage of KfW: www.kfw-entwicklungsbank.de).
- The Executing Agency is under no obligation to award any Bidder. Should the Tender be cancelled, Bidders are not entitled to any compensation, nor will any reasons be given for the cancellation.
- The Bidding Document is available free of charge from CRVWDA upon written request to LNBKP@crvwda.go.ke and info@crvwda.go.ke (CC: procurement@crvwda.go.ke, LNBKP@cowi.com and A223802-project@cowi.com).
- For purposes of communication during the preparation of Bid(s), a Firm/Joint Venture/Association intending to submit a Bid/Bids shall be required to pre-register its intent by an email communication to the Employer through the addresses indicated: LNBKP@crvwda.go.ke and info@crvwda.go.ke (CC: procurement@crvwda.go.ke, LNBKP@cowi.com and A223802-project@cowi.com).
- The pre-registration email in 10 above shall clearly indicate the name of the firm (or one of the firms for JV or Association), name, position, e-mail and telephone contact of its contact persons. In case of a joint venture or association, at least one of the firms is required to pre-register the interest of the JV or Association, this shall form the primary contacts for communication to bidders including the submission of clarifications to all interested bidders.
12. Bidders are invited for a Pre-Bid Meeting and thereafter a Site Visit, the pre-bid meeting shall be held at Central Rift Valley Water Works Development Agency Conference Hall/Board Room in Nakuru City, for **Lot 2 on 21st November 2024 as from 9:00 a.m.a.m. (East African Time)** and for **Lot 3 on 22nd November 2024 as from 9:00 a.m. (East African Time)**.
- Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security, for Lot 2 EUR 150,000 (One Hundred and Fifty Thousand Euros) and for Lot 3 EUR 250,000 (Two Hundred and Fifty Thousand Euros) valid for a period specified in the Bid Document from Bid Submission Date.
- Bidders may obtain further information at the address and emails given and to the attention of the officer provided in the Bidding Document during office hours (weekdays from 8h00 to 17h00 EAT, excluding public holidays):
Central Rift Valley Water Works Development Agency
Maji Plaza, Prison Road, Off Nakuru - Eldama Ravine Highway,
P.O Box 2451-20100 Nakuru, Kenya
Electronic mail address: LNBKP@crvwda.go.ke and info@crvwda.go.ke
(CC: procurement@crvwda.go.ke and LNBKP@cowi.com and A223802-project@cowi.com)

The Bid(s) shall be prepared in English language. For each Bid, the Bidder shall submit one (1) original, three (3) paper copies and one (1) digital copy in an envelope clearly marked with the following:

- For Lot 2: "Bid for: Lake Nakuru Biodiversity Conservation Project Procurement of Lot 2 - Improvement of the Water Supply System of Nakuru" Tender No. CRVWDA/KfW/LNBKP/NTP/LOT2/2024-2025
- For Lot 3: "Bid for: Lake Nakuru Biodiversity Conservation Project Procurement of Lot 3 - Improvement of the Sewer System and Rehabilitation of the Southern Zone Water Supply Network of Nakuru" Tender No. CRVWDA/KfW/LNBKP/NTP/LOT3/2024-2025

and must be delivered physically to the address below and to the attention of the officer provided in the bidding document on or before **Friday, 20th December 2024 at 1100Hrs East African Time**. Electronically submission is not an option.

Central Rift Valley Water Works Development Agency
Supply Chain Management Division
Maji Plaza, Prison Road, Off Nakuru - Eldama Ravine Highway
P.O Box 2451-20100 Nakuru, Kenya

The expected Bid opening date is on **Friday, 20th December 2024 at 1300Hrs East African Time**.

Chiefs to lead Kenya's climate initiative with monthly tree planting

BY **DIANA NGUNJIRI**
(MYGOV)

In a bid to achieve the 15-billion tree goal by 2032, the country's 3,950 chiefs will lead and rally local communities across all the 47 counties to plant trees in a unified effort against environmental degradation.

This is as Kenya aims to boost its national tree cover from 12 percent to an ambitious 30 percent.

Recently, the Ministry of Interior officially launched "Chiefs Climate Action Day" at Ondiri Swamp in Kiambu County, with Interior Principal Secretary Dr. Raymond Omollo leading the event.

The initiative kicked off a consistent national commitment that every first Friday of each month

communities will come together to plant trees, raise environmental awareness, and discuss actionable ways to combat climate change at the grassroots level.

Each of Kenya's chiefs has been tasked with mobilizing their communities and climate actors within their locations to plant at least 250 trees every month, a goal that translates to nearly one million new trees nationwide each month.

"Chiefs in Kenya have long been the backbone of local governance, acting as trusted community leaders and figures of stability. Now, they are taking on the role of climate champions," Dr. Omollo noted.

"Their unique position enables them to reach



State Department for Interior Principal Secretary Dr. Raymond Omollo waters a tree during a Chief's tree planting exercise.

communities directly, fostering awareness about environmental conservation and the pressing need to address climate change. Chiefs are the government's direct link to communities, and this

initiative will allow them to engage their regions in critical environmental action."

Amid worsening droughts, erratic rainfall, and alarming rates of deforestation, Kenya's drive

to combat climate change has become more urgent than ever.

President William Ruto, who initiated this ambitious 15-billion-tree project, emphasized that chiefs are instrumental in bridging the gap between high-level government goals and on-the-ground action.

"Every community's effort is Kenya's effort," the President previously said.

"Chiefs are our climate ambassadors, rallying their communities toward a healthier, more resilient Kenya," he added.

The initiative, dubbed "One Nation, One Canopy, One Future," envisions a Kenya united under a shared environmental mission.

The monthly Chiefs Cli-

mate Action Day aims to instil a sense of pride and responsibility within communities, reinforcing the idea that every tree planted brings the nation closer to a greener future.

"Our nation's resilience rests on the actions of every community. Every tree planted, no matter where, is a contribution to Kenya's shared canopy," Dr Omollo said.

Beyond tree planting, Chiefs Climate Action Day will be a day of environmental education and community engagement.

Chiefs will guide their communities through discussions on climate change, underscoring how issues like deforestation, water scarcity, and poor soil health directly affect their livelihoods and well-being.



OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY-GENERAL & DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Applications are invited from suitably qualified persons for the positions shown below:

VACANCY NO.	VACANCY	JOB GROUP	NO. OF POSTS
VACANCY NO. 6/2024	OFFICE ASSISTANT III	CSG 16	THIRTY (30)

(a) **Terms of Service – Permanent and pensionable.**

(b) **Salary and other benefits**

Basic salary – Ksh 18,250 x 510 – 18,760 x 580 – 19,340 x 580 – 19,920 x 640-20,560 x 680 –21,240 x 700 –21,940 x 780 –22,720 p.m.

Allowances:

- Commuter Allowance - Kshs. 3,000 p.m.
- House Allowance - As per region deployed
- Leave Allowance - Kshs. 4,000 p.a.
- Leave Entitlement - 30 working days p.a.

(c) **Duties and Responsibilities**

This will be the entry and training grade for this cadre. An officer at this level will work under the guidance of a senior officer. Duties and responsibilities will entail: Clean Offices, machines/equipment/apparatus; Maintain general cleanliness around offices by collection and disposal of litter; Collect and dispose waste including papers and ensure general proper sanitation; Dust the Office and ensure Habitable Office Conditions; Move or carry office equipment, furniture and ensure orderly arrangement; Dispatch letters and files; and Carry out photocopying, scanning, binding and lamination.

(d) **Requirements**

For appointment to the grade of Office Assistant III, CSG16, a candidate must possess: - **Kenya Certificate Secondary Education mean grade D**

How to Apply

Candidates who meet the above requirements are requested to make their applications by filling Application for Employment Form OAG&DOJ.1.2024 available on OAG&DOJ website (www.statelaw.go.ke). Applications should be scanned (PDF) and Emailed to: recruit2024@ag.go.ke or sent to the address below on or before **21st November, 2024** to be received by **5.00pm**.

**THE SOLICITOR GENERAL,
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL &
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
P.O BOX 40112-00100 NAIROBI.**

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- Canvassing in any form will lead to automatic disqualification; and
- Shortlisted candidates shall be required to produce originals of their National Identity card; academic and professional certificates and transcripts; and other testimonials during interviews

**Hon. Dorcas Adour, SC, OGW, EBS
Attorney General**



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VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Applications are invited from suitably qualified persons for the positions shown below:

VACANCY NO.	VACANCY	JOB GROUP	NO. OF POSTS
VACANCY NO. 3/2024	STATE COUNSEL	CSG 9	SEVENTY-EIGHT (78)

(a) **Terms of Service – Permanent and pensionable.**

(b) **Salary and other benefits**

Basic salary – Ksh 46,120 x 1,920- 48,040 x 2,000 – 50,040 x 2,290 – 52,330 x 2,350 -54,680 x 2,550 – 57,230 x 2,850 –60,080 x 2,850 –62,930 x 2,930-65,860 p.m.

Allowances:

- Commuter Allowance - Kshs. 6,000 p.m.
- House Allowance - As per region deployed
- Leave Allowance - Kshs. 6,000 p.a.
- Leave Entitlement - 30 working days p.a.

(c) **Duties and Responsibilities**

This will be entry and training grade for this cadre. An officer at this level will work under the guidance of a senior officer and may be deployed to any of the technical divisions which include Civil Litigation, Legislative Drafting, Justice and Constitutional Affairs, Public Legal Services, Government Legal Services, Advocates Complaints Commission and Regional Offices..

(d) **Requirements**

For appointment to the grade of **State Counsel CSG 9**, a candidate must possess: -

- Bachelor of Laws degree (LLB) from a recognized institution;
- Postgraduate Diploma in law from Kenya School of Law;
- Been admitted as an advocate of the High Court of Kenya;
- Met the requirements of Chapter six of the Constitution; and
- Proficiency in computer applications.

How to Apply

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Tobong'u Lore Festival receives major funding as President highlights Turkana's cultural potential



President William Ruto center enjoys a dance during the Turkana cultural and tourism festival.

BY PETER GITONGA, KNA
President William Ruto has announced a Sh49 million allocation to support the Turkana Tourism and Cultural Festival, Tobong'u Lore. Speaking during the festival's second day, the President stated that the funding is part of the government's plan to strengthen the festival, which has evolved into a unifying platform for pastoralist communities in northern Kenya and the East African region.

Commending the county government for its efforts, President Ruto emphasized the festival's role in promoting Turkana as a cultural tourism hub and showcasing northern Kenya's investment potential. "This festival has become a central event that significantly positions Turkana as a top destination for cultural tourism and highlights northern Kenya as a region rich in investment opportunities," he remarked. "This year, the government has released Sh49 million to continue supporting this event in the future," he added.

President Ruto also announced the establishment of a Presidential Taskforce on the Development of the Kenya Home of Human Origins Museum and Science Park, based in the Lake Turkana Basin. The task force is conducting a feasibility study for the project's development, aimed at promoting Kenya's status as the cradle of human origins and advancing overall development.

The Head of State was

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accompanied by Cabinet Secretaries Rebecca Miano (Tourism and Wildlife) and Beatrice Askul (East African Community Affairs), along with other senior government officials. He announced that construction of a Sh900 million project to connect Lodwar to the national power grid has commenced. The President stated that the government would consider proposals from Turkana Central MP Emathe Namuar for extending the project to Kalokol.

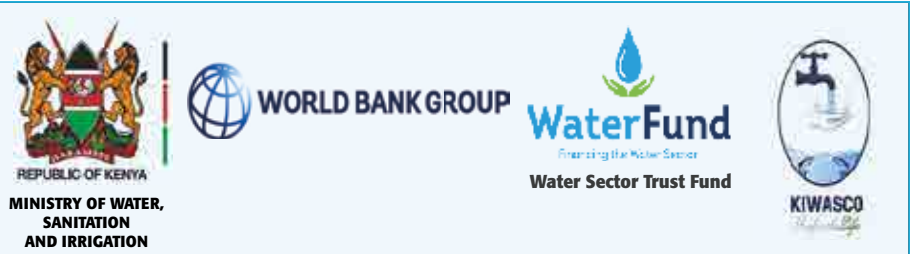
In further development plans, President Ruto revealed that Sh360 million would be allocated in the upcoming supplementary budget for infrastructure upgrades at Turkana University College, necessary for the institution's eventual charter award. He also instructed CS Miano to address concerns raised by local leaders regarding the mistreatment of fishermen by Kenya Wildlife Service officers on Lake Turkana.

Governor Jeremiah Lomorkai highlighted the peaceful coexistence fostered among communities living in the border area. He announced that a resource-sharing agreement with Uganda had been finalized and requested the President's engagement with Ugandan President Yoweri Museveni to formalize its signing.

Uganda's Minister for Karamoja Affairs, Peter Lokeris, proposed that President Ruto assume the honorary title of Patron of the Ateker Community, a role previously held by former President Daniel Moi. Governor Louis Lobong of South Sudan's Eastern Equatorial State affirmed that Ateker leaders would continue dialogue with the President on regional matters.

MP Emathe Namuar requested the establishment of a Lake Turkana Development Authority and a ferry service to facilitate transport across the lake to Marsabit. Senator James Lomenen, Woman Representative Cecilia Ng'itit, County Assembly Speaker Christopher Nakuleu, and MPs Dr. John Ariko (Turkana South), Ekwom Nabuin (Turkana North), Protus Akuja (Loima), Nicholas Ng'ikor (Turkana East), and Daniel Epuyo (Turkana West) also spoke during the festival.

Other leaders accompanying the President included Senators Jackson Mandago (Uasin Gishu) and Okong'o Omogeni (Kisii), Laikipia Woman Representative Jane Kagiri, and MPs Julius Taitumu (Igembe North) and Thuku Kwenya (Kinangop).



NATIONAL OPEN TENDER NOTICE REQUEST FOR BIDS - WORKS

PROJECT NO.	P156634
CREDIT NO.	6030-KE
COUNTRY	KENYA
NAME OF PROJECT	WATER AND SANITATION DEVELOPMENT PROJECT - CONDITIONAL LIQUIDITY SUPPORT GRANT (CLSG) II
CONTRACT TITLE	KISUMU WATER NETWORK OVERHAULS AND EXTENSIONS IN ARINA, GUDKA, GUBA, CBD, KAMALER & MILIMANI AREAS WITHIN KISUMU CITY
RFB REFERENCE NO.	KWSC/RBW/004, 005, 006, 007 & 008/2024-2025

- The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Water and Sanitation Development Project-Conditional Liquidity Support Grant (CLSG) II, and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for Various Works as detailed below.
- Kisumu Water and Sanitation Company Limited now invites sealed Bids from eligible Contractors for works as indicated in the table below:

No	RFB Reference No.	Tender Description	Quantity	Closing Date
1	KWSC/RBW/004/2024 - 2025	Water Network Overhaul at Arina Estate within Kisumu City	6.02 Kms	20th November 2024 at 11:00 am
2	KWSC/RBW/005/2024 - 2025	Water Network Overhauls at Gudka, Lower Railways and CBD 9" Line within Kisumu City	4.55 Kms	20th November 2024 at 11:00 am
3	KWSC/RBW/006/2024 - 2025	Proposed Kamaler Water Network Extension Works within Kisumu City	3.40 Kms	20th November 2024 at 11:00 am
4	KWSC/RBW/007/2024 - 2025	Proposed Guba Water Network Extension Works within Kisumu City	5.0 Kms	20th November 2024 at 11:00 am
5	KWSC/RBW/008/2024 - 2025	Water Network Overhauls at Milimani Estate within Kisumu City	1.8 Kms	20th November 2024 at 11:00 am

- Bidding will be conducted through National Competitive Procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" dated July 2016, revised 5th Edition September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations"), which can be found in the following website: www.worldbank.org/procurement and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations
- Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from Kisumu Water and Sanitation Company Limited, KIWASCO Headquarters, Tom Mboya Estate, along Nyerere Road and inspect the bidding document during office hours 0800 to 1700 hours excluding weekends and public holidays at the address below.
- The bidding document in English may be downloaded free of charge from the company's website www.kiwasco.co.ke or from Public Procurement Information Portal's website <https://tenders.go.ke>. Bidders who download the bidding documents must notify the Purchaser by email to procurement@kiwasco.co.ke with full contact details that they intended to participate before closing date. This will facilitate issuance of notifications by the Purchaser, to all bidders where necessary. **Bidders are advised to visit the website regularly to check any additional information, clarifications or addenda.**
- 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 **Wednesday, 20th November 2024, at 1100 hours East African Time (EAT).**
- All Bids must be accompanied by a **Bid Security in the form of a Bank Guarantee** as shown below:

004: Arina Works	- Kshs. 500,000.00
005: Gudka & Railways Works	- Kshs. 700,000.00
006: Kamaler Works	- Kshs. 800,000.00
007: Guba Works	- Kshs. 500,000.00
008: Milimani Works	- Kshs. 800,000.00
- Attention is drawn to the Procurement Regulations requiring 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 as included in the bidding document.

9. The address(es) referred to above is (are):

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| <p>A. Attention: The Managing Director, Company: Kisumu Water and Sanitation Company Limited
Address: 3210 - 40100
Town: Kisumu
Street: Tom Mboya Estate, Nyerere Road
Tel.: 057 517000
Email: info@kiwasco.co.ke
Website: www.kiwasco.co.ke</p> | <p>B. Address for Submission of Tenders
The Managing Director
Kisumu Water and Sanitation Company Limited
P.O Box 3210 – 40100 Kisumu
KIWASCO Headquarters, Tom Mboya Estate,
along Nyerere Road</p> |
| | <p>C. Address for Opening of Tenders
KIWASCO Boardroom
KIWASCO Headquarters, Tom Mboya Estate,
along Nyerere Road</p> |

Kenya opens EAC market to 400 MSEs at 24th regional trade fair



Cooperatives and MSMEs CS Wycliffe Oparanya (in white cap) joins Kenya exhibitors for a dance in Juba, South Sudan.

BY MYGOV REPORTER
The Government facilitated over 400 medium and small enterprises to participate in the 24th East African Community (EAC) Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs) Trade Fair held in Juba, South Sudan.

This was in a bid to help them access markets in the East African Community region. Speaking during the Kenya Day celebrations at the Fair that is coming to an end today, the Cabinet Secretary for Cooperatives and Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSME) Development Wycliffe Oparanya noted that the trade fair captured the developmental aspirations of the intra-EAC trade region and recognized the important role that the development of domestic production capabilities plays in the development of the regional economies.

“MSMEs account for over 90 per cent of employment in the region and contribute around 29 per cent to the GDP of the EAC market,” Oparanya stated.

“The annual trade fair has distinguished itself as an instrument for promoting intra-EAC trade and investment by enabling businesses to interact and access market information and opportunities. This event has presented an opportunity for 483 Kenyan MSMEs to further understand the emerging market dynamics and business practices to facilitate business linkages for

increased trade” the CS said.

The Fair, Oparanya said, was not only a forum for showcasing what Kenya has to offer to the regional market but also played a leading role in facilitating trade and business exchanges among participating countries while at the same time offering an exciting platform for launching new and improved technologies targeting both the local and regional markets.

“The Government is also exploring new development plans to improve MSMEs’ awareness of digital markets and trade to sustain e-commerce,” Oparanya said.

Despite their importance, Oparanya observed that many MSMEs struggle to integrate into regional value chains and the broader continental trading system.

He said factors such as competition, market adaptability, and con-

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straints in knowledge and technology hinder their growth potential.

“In a world increasingly shaped by globalization, it is essential for our MSMEs to innovate and adapt,” he said.

The CS noted that innovation is not solely about technological advancements. “New marketing strategies and organizational improvements can enable small enterprises to participate more actively in the innovation process without requiring extensive investment,” he explained.

He underscored the collaborative nature of modern business innovation, which allows smaller firms to benefit from partnerships and networks, thereby enhancing productivity.

Oparanya also described the “Buy Kenyan Build Kenya” initiative, which aims to promote domestic production and integrate local enterprises into the regional economy as a game changer which aligns with the East African Industrialization Strategy which targets a 25 per cent increase in intra-regional manufactured exports by 2032.

“We are exploring new paths to improve regional trade and enhance the competitiveness of our MSMEs,” he said.

“When governments and the private sector work together, the impact on diversifying economies and promoting inclusive growth is significant,” Oparanya said.



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Wildlife Research and Training Institute (WRTI) wishes to inform all trainees who qualified for the award of various Diplomas and Certificates during the 2023/2024 Academic Year and members of the public that the **22nd Graduation Ceremony** will be held on **Wednesday, 11th December 2024 from 10.00 am** at the Institute's Headquarters in Naivasha.

The ceremony will be presided over by the Cabinet Secretary, Ministry of Tourism & Wildlife, Hon. Rebecca Miano, EGH. The proceedings of the event will also be streamed live on our social media platforms.

Graduands are hereby reminded to confirm their examination results, clear all outstanding fees and pay the graduation fee before **11th November 2024**. The graduation gowns will be available for collection from the House-keeping offices as from **2nd December 2024**. Rehearsals will take place on **Tuesday, 10th December 2024 from 10:00am at the main campus, Naivasha**.

Further, note that it is the responsibility of each graduand to confirm their examination results, accuracy and order of names with the Registrar.

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MINISTRY OF INFORMATION COMMUNICATION AND THE DIGITAL ECONOMY

STATE DEPARTMENT OF ICT AND THE DIGITAL ECONOMY

INVITATION TO TENDER

- The Ministry of Information, communications and the Digital Economy, State Department of ICT and the Digital Economy invites tenders from eligible candidates for the provision for the following supply;

S/NO	ITEMS DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBILITY
1.	TENDER FOR THE PROVISION FOR EXTENDED DETECTION AND RESPONSE (XDR) SOFTWARE SOLUTION	OPEN

- Tendering is open to all eligible tenderers.
- Qualified and interested tenderers may obtain further information during office hours from 0900hrs to 1600hours at the address given below:

**The Principal Secretary
Ministry of ICT, and the Digital Economy,
State Department for ICT and the Digital Economy
P.O BOX 30025-00200
GPO, Nairobi
8th Floor
Email: ictprocurement@information.go.ke**

- Tender documents may be obtained electronically from the Ministry's Website: www.ict.go.ke. The tender documents obtained electronically will be free of charge. Tenderers downloading documents from the designated website shall advise the procurement Entity that they have downloaded the tender documents, giving full contact address of the tenderers to ictprocurement@information.go.ke to facilitate any further clarification or addendum.
- All tenders **Must** be accompanied by a Tender Security of **2%** of the total tender sum from a reputable bank registered by the Central Bank of Kenya or Insurance Company Registered by the PPRA valid for a period of 150 days.
- The Tender validity period shall be **150 days** from the tender opening/closing date.
- Completed tenders must be delivered to the address below on or before **21st November, 2024 at 10.00am**

**The Principal Secretary
Ministry of ICT, and the Digital Economy,
State Department for ICT and the Digital Economy
P.O BOX 30025-00200
GPO, Nairobi
8th Floor procurement unit.**

- Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of bidders or representatives who choose to attend the tender opening process in the 9th floor boardroom at Teleposta Towers.
- Late tenders will be rejected.

The Government reserves the right to reject any tender giving reasons for the rejection and does not bind itself to accept the lowest or any tender.

**HEAD, SUPPLY CHAIN MANAGEMENT
FOR: PRINCIPAL SECRETARY**



Youth urged to align skills with market demand



Labour Cabinet Secretary Dr. Alfred Mutua (R) hands over policy framework documents to the Principal Secretary State Department for Labour, Mr. Shadrack Mwandime.

BY JULIUS NDEGWA (PCO)

Mismatch between skills developed and skills demanded in the labour market has been cited as one of the key reasons young people are struggling to find employment opportunities.

According to the Principal Secretary, State Department for Labour and Skills Development Mr. Shadrack Mwandime the mismatch has been caused by the rapidly changing labour market, technological evolution, globalization and demographic changes resulting in high youth unemployment.

To address and reverse this, the Principal Secretary challenged youth to embrace entrepreneurship and self-employment instead of relying on white-collar jobs.

“There is a deep rooted culture of ‘job seeking’ instead of ‘job creation’ amongst the youth. There is a negative attitude amongst the youth towards entrepreneurship and self-employment. We need to reverse such negative attitude,” says Mr. Mwandime.

The PS was addressing delegates from the African Union Commission and various countries including Zambia, Tanzania, Burundi, Rwanda and Nigeria who were attending the East African Employability Summit held at the KICC in Nairobi.

Under the theme ‘Building on The Gains: Closing on the Youth Employability Skills Gap in the East African Community’, the summit provided a platform for the youth to discuss and build on good practices towards addressing the

skills gap and unlocking employment opportunities for the youth.

The PS said the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection is committed towards ensuring that skills generated and supplied are aligned to industry demand and that young people are able to find decent work after completion of their education and training.

He noted that Kenya like most African countries is experiencing a youth bulge that is required to be transformed into a demographic dividend.

“The youth bulge is a demographic dividend as long as the young people are employed productively, so that they can contribute towards building a prosperous, secure and self-sustaining economy,” he said.

Mr. Mwandime said the department has developed, for implementation, several policy frameworks that forge stronger links between the ‘world of skills’ development and ‘world of work.’

This he noted, was evident by the employability interventions frameworks launched by the Cabinet Secretary for Labour and Social Protection Dr Alfred Mutua when he officially opened the summit.

They included the National Skills Development Policy, National Policy Framework on Career Guidance in Kenya, the National Policy on Linking Industry to Education, Training and Research, and National Work-based Policy.

The PS appealed for support from the African Union, private sector, NGOs, Civil Society and development partners to tackle the youth unemployment challenges by enhancing the transition of youth to the labour markets.



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MOI TEACHING AND REFERRAL HOSPITAL

TENDER NOTICE

Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital (MTRH) invites sealed bids from eligible candidates for the under listed tenders

No.	Tender No.	Tender Description	Eligibility	Closing Date
1	MTRH/RFP/3/2024-2025	Request for Proposal to carry out Emission test for incinerator 150kg.hr	Open Tender	4.12.24
2	MTRH/D/01/2024-2025	Tender for Disposal of Furniture, Equipment and Assorted Items	Open Tender	4.12.24
3	MTRH/T/14/2024-2025	Tender For Supply and Delivery of Medical gases, Industrial Gases and Related accessories	Open Tender	4.12.24
4	MTRH/T/15/2024-2025	Tender for Supply, Delivery, Installation and Testing of Medical equipment	Open Tender	4.12.24
5	MTRH/T/16/2024-2025	Tender For Supply and Delivery of Foodstuffs (Non - Perishables) rice long grain	Open Tender	4.12.24
6	MTRH/T/17/2024-2025	Tender for Supply and Delivery of Cleansing Items	Open Tender	4.12.24
7	MTRH/T/19/2024-2025	Tender For Supply and Delivery of Medical Equipment and laundry spare parts	Open Tender	4.12.24
8	MTRH/T/20/2024-2025	Tender for Supply and Delivery of implants	Open Tender	4.12.24
9	MTRH/T/21/2024-2025	Tender for Supply and Delivery of Dressings and sutures	Open Tender	4.12.24
10	MTRH/T/22/2024-2025	Tender For Supply and Delivery of Human drugs (Pharmaceutical)	Open Tender	4.12.24
11	MTRH/T/23/2024-2025	Tender for Provision of Plant Preventive Maintenance and Repair of Electrical Panel.	Open Tender	4.12.24
12	MTRH/T/24/2024-2025	Tender For Maintenance Service and Repair of Solar Water Heater.	Open Tender	4.12.24
13	MTRH/T/25/2024-2025	Tender for Supply and Delivery of Motor Vehicle Batteries, Tyres and Tubes	Open Tender	4.12.24
14	MTRH/T/26/2024-2025	Tender for Maintenance Service of Heat Ventilation and Air Conditioning HVACs	Open Tender	4.12.24
15	MTRH/T/27/2024-2025	Tender For Proposed Completion of Cathlab Equipment Pre-Installation Works At MRI/ Cathlab Centre	Open Tender	19.11.24

SUPPLIER REGISTRATIONS

1	MTRH/R/1/2024-2025	Registration Of Suppliers Provision of Repairs and Maintenance of Kitchen Equipment and Appliances	Open Tender	19.11.24
2	MTRH/R/2/2024-2025	Registration of Suppliers for Repair and Maintenance of Motor Vehicles	Open Tender	19.11.24
3	MTRH/R/3/2024-2025	Registration of Suppliers for Supply and delivery of Housekeeping Equipment	Open Tender	19.11.24
4	MTRH/R/4/2024-2025	Registration of Suppliers For Supply and delivery of Public health Equipment	Open Tender	19.11.24
5	MTRH/R/5/2024-2025	Registration of Suppliers For Provision of Environmental impact Assessment Services	Open Tender	19.11.24
6	MTRH/R/6/2024-2025	Registration of Suppliers For Provision of Emission Test Services	Open Tender	19.11.24
7	MTRH/R/7/2024-2025	Registration of Suppliers For Provision of Exhaustion of Septic Tank Services	Open Tender	19.11.24
8	MTRH/R/8/2024-2025	Registration of Suppliers for Provision of Servicing of Air Conditioners, Cold-rooms Refrigerators and Freezers	Open Tender	19.11.24
9	MTRH/R/9/2024-2025	Registration of Suppliers For Supply and delivery Medical Appliances	Open Tender	19.11.24
10	MTRH/R/10/2024-2025	Registration of Suppliers For Provision of Tents ,promotion and decoration services	Open Tender	19.11.24
11	MTRH/R/11/2024-2025	Registration of Suppliers For Supply and delivery of Ophthalmology items	Open Tender	19.11.24
12	MTRH/R/12/2024-2025	Registration of Suppliers For Supply and delivery and Repair of mobile phones	Open Tender	19.11.24
13	MTRH/R/13/2024-2025	Registration of Suppliers For Supply and delivery of Nutritional Feeds	Open Tender	19.11.24
14	MTRH/R/14/2024-2025	Registration of Suppliers For Provision of Felling trees services	Open Tender	19.11.24
15	MTRH/R/15/2024-2025	Registration of Suppliers For Supply and delivery of flowers and trees	Open Tender	19.11.24
16	MTRH/R/16/2024-2025	Registration of Suppliers For Provision of Repair and servicing of Lawn mowers, Brush Mowers and scrubbing machines.	Open Tender	19.11.24
17	MTRH/R/17/2024-2025	Registration of Suppliers For Provision of Radiation Equipment Assessment services	Open Tender	19.11.24
18	MTRH/R/18/2024-2025	Registration of Suppliers for Provision of Service and repair of Hospital standby Generators and Automatic change over switches	Open Tender	19.11.24
19	MTRH/R/19/2024-2025	Registration of Suppliers for Provision of Service and repair of Automatic voltage regulator (AVR) and uninterruptable power supply (UPS)	Open Tender	19.11.24
20	MTRH/R/20/2024-2025	Registration of Suppliers for Provision of repair of solar powered flood lights	Open Tender	19.11.24
21	MTRH/R/21/2024-2025	Registration of Suppliers for Provision of Accommodation and conference facilities	Open Tender	19.11.24

Completed Tender documents in plain sealed envelopes should be deposited in Tender box number “A” located at Ground floor left wing of Chandaria Cancer and Chronic Diseases Centre (CCDC) Building of MTRH (Eldoret) or posted to:

**Chief Executive Officer
Moi Teaching and Referral Hospital
P.O. Box 3-30100
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So as to be received on or before **19.11.2024 and 04.12.2024 at 10.00 a.m** respectively. Opening of the Bidding documents will be conducted publicly immediately thereafter at a venue to be advised by Tender Opening Committee.

**CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER.
MOI TEACHING AND REFERRAL HOSPITAL**

Egerton University pioneers grafting method to fight bacterial wilt in tomatoes

BY ANNE MWALE, KNA
Standing next to a tray of tiny tomato plants, Professor Joshua Otieno Ogweno carefully uproots one, picks up a razor blade, slices it in half, then uproots another plant and repeats the process.

The Associate Professor in the Department of Crops, Horticulture, and Soils at Egerton University then uses a plastic rope to bind the two pieces together.

“The top part is the scion, and the bottom part is the rootstock. Although the plants look the same, they’re from two different tomato varieties. We leave the new plant for two days to heal. If it wilts, we know it hasn’t healed,” he explains.

Professor Ogweno, who is also the Kenyan Director at Egerton University’s Confucius Institute, explains that the grafted

plants are then placed in a healing chamber for three weeks before being planted in a greenhouse.

He notes that in 2019, researchers at Egerton University discovered that bacterial wilt (*Ralstonia solanacearum*) had become a major challenge for most tomato farmers.

Agronomists learned of a Chinese tomato variety known as Wells that is tolerant to bacterial wilt. This tomato plant can grow up to 18 feet, develops deep roots, and extends the harvest period from the usual three months to nine or ten months.

“The solution involves grafting a scion from the commercial Anna F1 tomato variety onto the Wells variety rootstock, which is highly tolerant to bacterial wilt. This method produces resilient plants that mature earlier and yield more fruit compared to ungrafted plants,” he

says.

He adds, “We discovered it was advisable to use a resistant rootstock against soil-borne diseases like bacterial wilt. Wells tomato variety is highly tolerant to bacterial wilt and its root stock has been used in Asian countries in the management of the disease.”

Professor Ogweno affirms that grafting helps control tomato pests and diseases such as nematodes, fusarium as well as bacterial wilt which is a major challenge to most farmers.

Tomato bacterial wilt, he said, is caused by a bacterium *Ralstonia solanacearum*, formerly known as *Pseudomonas solanacearum*. The pathogen has different races, each of them unique and each of them attacking different plants.

The Don explains that tomato bacterial wilt is



A farmer Mary Muthoni harvesting grafted tomatoes developed by Egerton University

mostly caused by the Race 1 strain, which has a wide host range and can survive in the soil for a long period of time.

He elaborates that Race 1 strains are highly variable in their genotype and aggressiveness on tomato. Some highly aggressive strains he observes, can cause severe symptoms, even on “resistant” varieties. “Bacterial wilt often happens where plants have been cut, injured or weakened by insects or simply by cultivation. This bacterium lives in the soil and will work its way quickly through the roots and up the stem of the plants, preventing water

and nutrients from reaching the leaves causing the death of the plant,” he elaborates.

Professor Ogweno disclosed that Egerton University, in collaboration with Nanjing Agricultural University and the Confucius Institute, through an initiative, dubbed ‘Empowering Rural Youth through Innovative Horticultural Solutions in the Tomato Value Chain,’ has introduced an advanced grafting technology on trial basis in Nakuru, Kisumu and Nyandarua Counties to boost yields and manage bacterial wilt disease in greenhouse tomato.

“Through the project funded by the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) we have trained over 4,000 farmers on greenhouse tomato farming and grafting.

“We are currently working with 14 farmers in conducting trials on tomato root stocks that are resistant to bacteria wilt. We intend to move to all the 47 counties once the trials are successful,” explains Don.

He pointed out that the core objective of the project is to bolster food security and nutrition, reduce poverty among small-holder farmers.



TENDER NOTICE

Kenya Electricity Transmission Company Limited (KETRACO) is a State Corporation whose mandate is to plan, design, construct, operate, own, and maintain high voltage national electricity transmission grid and regional power interconnectors.

KETRACO now invites tenders from interested/eligible firms to bid for the tender given below:

S / no	TENDER DESCRIPTION	TENDER REFERENCE NUMBER	ELIGIBILITY	CLOSING DATE
1.	Supply Of Load Handling Equipment for Substations: Electric Forklift, Insulated Aerial Working Platform and Medium Truck with Mounted Crane.	KETRACO-PT-035-2024	OPEN	4 th December 2024 at 10.30 am EAT
2.	Supply Of Circuit Breakers, Surge Arresters and 33/0.415kV Auxilliary Transformers.	KETRACO-PT-033-2024	OPEN	27 th November 2024 at 10.30 am EAT
3.	Supply Of Current Transformers and Neutral Bushings for Isinya 40MVAR, 400kV Shunt Reactor.	KETRACO-PT-037-2024	OPEN	27 th November 2024 at 10.30 am EAT
4.	Supply of Protection and Control Relays and Accessories.	KETRACO-PT-038-2024	OPEN	28 th November 2024 at 10.30 am EAT

KETRACO tenders run on SAP ARIBA e-procurement platform and therefore the tender document detailing the requirements may be viewed by clicking on the link provided in KETRACO website (www.ketraco.co.ke) beginning **6th November 2024**.

All enquiries on this tender should be channelled through kettenders@ketraco.co.ke ;cc hkiseru@ketraco.co.ke or through message board in SAP Ariba.

Complete tender documents shall be electronically submitted through SAP ARIBA platform on or before the dates as indicated in the table above for specific tenders.

Tenders will be opened electronically promptly thereafter in the presence of the tenderers or their representatives who choose to attend in KETRACO Procurement Office at Kawi Complex, Block B, Second Floor.

AG. SENIOR MANAGER, SUPPLY CHAIN FOR: MANAGING DIRECTOR



KENYA ROADS BOARD

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Kenya Roads Board (KRB) is a State Corporation established under the Kenya Roads Board Act No. 7 of 1999. The object and purpose for which the Board is established is to oversee the road network in Kenya and coordinate the maintenance, rehabilitation and development funded by the Kenya Roads Board Fund and to advise the Cabinet Secretary for Roads and Transport on all matters related thereto.

The Board seeks to recruit dynamic, experienced, and results-oriented persons to the positions of:

No.	Position	Job Grade	Posts
1.	Deputy Director, Geoinformatics – <i>Readvertised</i>	KRB Grade 3	1
2.	Deputy Director, Human Resources & Administration	KRB Grade 3	1

For detailed job description, requirements for appointment and instructions on how to apply, interested and qualified applicants may visit the Board’s job web portal www.krb.go.ke/career

Kenya Roads Board is an equal opportunity employer and selects candidates through fair and open competition from the widest range of eligible candidates. Canvassing in any form will lead to automatic disqualification.

All applications should reach the Board not later than **5:00pm on 19th November, 2024**.

Persons with Disabilities (PWDs) are encouraged to apply.

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Kenya , Germany explore new trade avenues with emphasis on workforce skills and trade

BY SHARON ATIENO, KNA

The Ministry of Investments, Trade, and Industry is proposing the development of workforce skills, start-up support, and the expansion of trade access as key pillars in the bilateral relationship between Kenya and Germany.

Investment, Trade, and Industry Cabinet Secretary (CS) Salim Mvurya emphasized the importance of collaboration between the two nations while hosting a German delegation from the Federal State of Bavaria.

The strategic meeting aimed to establish mechanisms for duty- and quota-free trade partnerships that will boost trade volumes and create opportunities for local producers.

The discussions also focused on strategies to increase Kenya's agricultural exports to Germany and attract more investments.

The CS noted that Germany and Kenya maintain strong trade relations, with Kenya exporting agricultural products to Germany annually. He cited the year 2023, where the export value was around



CS for Investment, Trade and Industry, Salim Mvurya (Centre) and his counterpart Bavaria's Vice Minister of Economic Affairs, Tobias Gotthardt are joined by the Principal Secretary for Industry Dr. Juma Mukhwana (Third right) for a photo shoot alongside the German delegation during the media update.

Sh16 billion, comprising mostly agricultural products such as coffee, tea, cut flowers, macadamia and other agricultural products.

Mvurya observed that having German companies set up in Kenya will give skilled workers the right skills and right certification that enable them to qualify for placement in the German-owned companies.

He at the same time

noted that Kenya imports products from Germany to the tune of Sh39 billion, adding that currently the partnership favours the German trade.

He further expressed the same trade likelihood to be favourable to Kenya through the opening up of the market further via the Bavarian Representative Office in Kenya.

"We have agreed to further our engagement in the area of skilled workers

since Germany has a very good program in technical training which should be scaled up in order to prepare German investors undertake investment in Kenya," Mvurya stated.

The CS added that the discussion had led to an agreement that the Bavarian State Chamber of Commerce will work with the Kenya Chamber of Commerce and with partners to have startups in areas that have innovation

and also conduct business mentorship to help in scaling up commerce in the country.

"The German delegation, from the Free State of Bavaria, led by the Vice Minister for Economic Affairs met with us and this discussion focuses on how the Bavarian State, the 16th largest state as well as has a big economy in Germany, and Kenya can leverage the opportunities that we already have with the Federal Republic of Germany in terms of the bilateral relations, and also leverage the economic partnership agreement with the EU, to see how we can mobilize investments from the Free State of Bavaria," Mvurya said.

Bavaria's Vice Minister for Economic Affairs, Tobias Gotthardt, expressed strong support for fostering startups and enhancing free trade that aims to open new business opportunities for both countries.

He noted that on the African Continent, Kenya is their strongest partner and added the State is really looking forward to deepen the collaboration since the partnership has made a good trade volume

of about 45 million Euros annually and would increase to 50 million Euros annually with regard to startups, skilled workers as well as deepen the Bavarian-Kenyan cooperation. Meanwhile, Principal Secretary for Industry Dr. Juma Mukhwana underscored the import and export of the duty-free goods, highlighting the existence of four-band taxation structures.

"All manufacturing equipment whether from Germany or anywhere else coming in for manufacturing purposes is duty free, including machinery for manufacturing and imported raw materials while the imported intermediate products have an import duty of 10 per cent, imported finished products for which we do not have capacity is rated 25 per cent import duty and imported finished products with capacity attracts an import duty of 35 per cent," Dr Mukhwana said.

Also present at the meeting included Dr. Petra Loibl and Johann Müller who are MDL Members of the Bavarian Parliament, AfD Parliamentary Group, Georg Schmidt, Deputy Head of Department for Internationalization, Location Policy, Invest in Bavaria, Silke Huber-Vogt, Head of the Vice Minister's Office among other dignitaries.

Kirinyaga dairy farmers celebrate launch of new yoghurt product

BY DAVID WANDETO, KNA

Dairy farmers in Gichugu, Kirinyaga County, have a reason to smile after one of their cooperatives launched its first yoghurt product in the market. The value addition initiative was supported by the County Government of Kirinyaga through the Wezesha Empowerment Programme. The county government installed yoghurt-making equipment at Rung'eto Farmers' Cooperative Society, which has the capacity to produce up to 200 liters of yoghurt per hour.

Speaking during the launch of 'Runto Yoghurt' at the factory situated at Ngariama Ward in Gichugu Sub-County, County Executive Committee Member (CECM) for Finance and Economic Planning Jackline Njogu said the production line is part of the Kirinyaga County government's initiative to increase farmers' earnings from



County Executive Committee member (CECM) for Finance Jackline Njogu together with County Executive Committee Member (CECM) for Agriculture, Dr. John Gachara celebrating Runto yogurt at Rung'eto farmers' cooperative.

dairy value addition. The CECM said that through several other initiatives, like subsidized artificial insemination (AI), subsidized animal feeds, the supply of milk coolers, and backup generators, as well as training on livestock diseases and husbandry, farmers have been able to increase production, resulting in a rise in earnings.

Jackline said the launch of the yoghurt product is one of the many success

stories achieved through the Wezesha Empowerment Programme. Several other cooperatives—Kirima, Pondago, New Ngariama, Rukingo, and Kirinyaga Dairy—have also benefitted from the dairy sector revitalization initiatives. Jackline mentioned that Kirinyaga has about 90,000 dairy cows, which produce an average of 65.3 million liters of milk annually.

"The county government began working with

Rung'eto Cooperative to bring to life our vision of putting more money into the pockets of farmers through Wezesha Kirinyaga. Our focus is not only on supporting milk production but also on capacity building and training," Jackline said. She emphasized that the dairy sector interventions have led to a remarkable increase in milk production. "When we started, farmers produced around 3,000 liters of milk daily.

Ijara community invests in youth through local lobby Triple I initiative

BY MOHAMMED DAHIR

The Impact Initiative (Triple I), a non-profit non-governmental organization (NGO), organized a two-day seminar for youth in Ijara Sub-County of Garissa, aimed at transforming their lives through mentorship programs. The workshop brought together participants from Holugho, Bothai, and Masalani divisions, who interacted with resource people with expertise in education, business, career guidance, and general social life.

According to Fatuma Aden, the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Ijara Impact Initiative (Triple I), the seminar, organized in conjunction with the Department of Gender, County Government of Garissa, was a follow-up to another transformative mentorship program workshop that was conducted at Ijara Girls

Primary and Junior Secondary School.

Ms. Aden stated that the Impact Initiative is committed to investing in education, empowering the next generation of leaders through mentorship, and fostering a brighter future for the youth and the Ijara community in general.

"Through this initiative, Triple I aims to inspire and support young learners in their educational journey, ensuring they have the tools and guidance necessary to succeed in leadership, and to empower them physically and intellectually, so that Ijara youth and residents can prosper to greater heights," the CEO added.

The meeting was attended by Ijara leadership, including the Ijara Youth Leader Yakub Yarrow, several departmental heads, chiefs and their assistants, teachers, and school headteachers, among others.

10, 000 households benefit from KVDA water projects in Baringo

BY FRED KIBOR
(PCO)

It is a sigh of relief to over 10, 000 families spread across Baringo County who previously trekked long distances in search of water after Kerio Valley Development Authority (KVDA) set up several water infrastructure in the region to mitigate the scarcity.

The projects which include boreholes, small dams and water pans will also benefit over 200, 000

livestock as well as initiate smallholder irrigation schemes to bolster food security and household income.

Some of the water projects include Birkwonin, Kalabata, Seretion, Barketiew, Mogotio, Kabuswa, Katikitik, Kapkechir, Kimao, Kelelwa, Cheploch and Chemorongion.

According to KVDA Managing Director Sammy Naporos, the projects after addressing the biting water shortage which has been a

source of resource-based conflict will go a long way to encourage crop farming to build resilience among communities.

“Water conflict will reduce and the many hours used in search of the precious commodity will be diverted in other meaningful development activities.

This region has a lot of resources that need to be harnessed for the benefit of the communities and water availability is signalling the

paradigm shift,” he said.

The MD stated the projects will transform the region from relief reliance to food secure and better livelihoods.

“What we have done is a drop in the ocean. We are focused at building resilience and improving the dwindling economic well-being of the communities which also have been exacerbated by climate change,” the MD observed.

“Adequate water will offer alternative livelihoods

to the locals away from traditional pastoralism the region is predominantly known for. We need a paradigm shift over the sole reliance of livestock keeping which has been blamed for the raids,” he noted.

He added, “As KVDA we are advocating for crop irrigation, mango, avocado, coffee farming and bee keeping as an alternative sources of livelihoods and sustainable development in the region.”

Mr Naporos said the pro-

jects will go hand in hand with sustainable conservation efforts which involve the supplying of mango and avocado seedlings to farmers for environmental conservation as well as income generation.

“In this way we are going to achieve the presidential directive to grow 15 billion trees by 2032 forest cover and more other activities have been lined up to generate income to the local residents in the KVDA area of operation,” he said.



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AFRICAN DEVELOPMENT BANK

SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE (SPN) OPEN COMPETITIVE BIDDING (INTERNATIONAL)(OCBI) INVITATION FOR BIDS [IFB] GOODS (ONE-ENVELOPE BIDDING PROCESS)

PROGRAMME: NAIROBI RIVERS BASIN REHABILITATION AND RESTORATION PROGRAM:
SEWERAGE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT- PHASE II

Supply, Installation, Testing, and Commissioning of 3 No. 275 Kva Soundproof Diesel Engine Driven Generators Complete with Generator House

Loan No. / Grant No.: 2000200003407

OCBI / LCB No: AWWDA/NARSIP-II/G/08/2024

- The Government of Republic of Kenya has received financing from the African Development Bank hereinafter called the Bank toward the cost of the Nairobi Rivers Basin Rehabilitation and Restoration Program: Sewerage Improvement Project - Phase II, and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for Supply, Installation, Testing, and Commissioning of 3No. 275 Kva Soundproof Diesel Engine Driven Generators Complete with Generator House. For this contract, the Borrower shall process the payments using the Direct Payment disbursement method, as defined in the Bank's Disbursement Guidelines and procedures for Investment Project Financing, except for those payments, which the contract provides to be made through letter of credit.
- The **Athi Water Works Development Agency** now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for Supply, Installation, Testing, and Commissioning of 3 no. 275 Kva Soundproof Diesel Engine Driven Generators Complete with Generator House.
- Bidding will be conducted through the Open Competitive Bidding (International), (OCBI) method as specified in the Bank's Procurement Framework dated October 2015, and is open to all eligible bidders as defined in the Procurement Framework.
- Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from **The Chief Executive Officer, Athi Water Works Development Agency, Athi Water Plaza, Muthaiga North Rd** and inspect the bidding document during office hours 0800 to 1700 hours at the address given below.
- A complete set of bidding documents may be purchased by interested eligible bidders on the submission of a written application and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of KES. 1,000.00 (Kenya Shillings One Thousand Only). Documents can also be downloaded from the AWWDA website: www.awwda.go.ke and PPIP Portal. www.tenders.go.ke/supplier.treasury.go.ke. Bidders who download the bidding document from the website MUST forward their particulars immediately to procurement@awwda.go.ke, for records and any further clarifications and addenda
- Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before 12.00pm East African Time on **Wednesday 18th December, 2024**. 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 or before **12.00pm East African Time on Wednesday, 18th December, 2024**.
- All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security of an Unconditional Bank Guarantee in the amount of **KES 1,000,000.00 (Kenya Shillings One Million Only)**.
- Attention is drawn to the Procurement Framework requiring 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 as included in the bidding document.
- The address(es) referred to above is:

**The Chief Executive Officer,
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Athi Water Plaza, Muthaiga North Rd, Off Kiambu Road,
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DISPOSAL NOTICE

PUBLIC TENDER

TENDER REFERENCE NO: UOE/DISP/02/2024-2025

University of Eldoret invites interested and eligible bidders to submit bids for the tenders listed below.

Item No	Vehicle / Motor Cycle No.	Vehicle / Motor make and Model	Year of Manufacture	Kilometers	Deposit
1	KZG 370	Peugeot Pick Up	1989	N/A	10% of the unit price
2	CAA 285P	Peugeot Pick Up	1990	446,132	10% of the unit price
3	KZX 407	Nissan Urvan	1989	N/A	10% of the unit price
4	KZX 891	MV 118 Isuzu Bus	1990	675,104	10% of the unit price
5	KAN 940U	MV 123 Isuzu Bus	2003	306,002	10% of the unit price
6	KAT 755X	MV 123 Isuzu Bus	2005	292,052	10% of the unit price
7	KUE 306	Land Rover	No Log Book	N/A	10% of the unit price
8	KCD 428U	Nissan Van	2007	56,059	10% of the unit price
9	KAC 046G	Isuzu Minibus	1992	N/A	10% of the unit price
10	KAJ 173W	Nissan Pick Up	1997	N/A	10% of the unit price
11	KBT 945N	Toyota Prado TXL Model	2012	285,148	10% of the unit price
12	KZX 701	Motor Cycle	1989	34,041	10% of the unit price
13	KZG 800	Motor Cycle	No Log Book	24,383	10% of the unit price

CONDITIONS OF SALE:

- Viewing of Motor vehicles and Motor Cycles will be done between **6th to 19th November, 2024** during normal working hours **Monday - Friday (8.00 a.m.-1.00 p.m.) and (2.00 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.)**.
- Payment of non-refundable fee of KES. 1,000.00 using the pay bill option, will be made through **Pay Bill number 222222, Account number, UOEDIS-Your name)** or be downloaded from the University of Eldoret website www.uoeld.ac.ke or www.tenders.go.ke **free of charge**.
- Tender requirements and instructions can be downloaded from the University website: www.uoeld.ac.ke/tenders.
- That Motor Vehicles and Motor Cycles shall be disposed of, on **"as-is where-is"** basis.
- Successful tenderers shall be required to clear with Kenya Revenue Authority any duty and/ or taxes to facilitate the transfer. Bidders are asked to check with Kenya Revenue Authority and confirm the same.

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NATIONAL OPEN TENDER

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DESCRIPTION OF TENDER	TENDER NO.	ELIGIBILITY	CLOSING/ OPENING DATE
SUPPLY, INSTALLATION, CONFIGURATION, CUSTOMIZATION, TRAINING, COMMISSIONING AND SUPPORT SERVICES FOR ENTERPRISE RESOURCE PLANNING (ERP) SYSTEM.	NAMICO/OT/001/2024-2025	Open	20/11/2024

Tendering will be conducted under Open National Competitive Method using a standardized tender document. Tendering is open to all qualified and interested Tenderers.

Qualified and interested tenderers may obtain further information and inspect the Tender Document during Office hours 0800 to 1700 hours at the address given below.

Tender document with detailed information and instructions may be viewed and downloaded from the Corporations' website; www.namico.go.ke and the Public Procurement Information portal, www.tenders.go.ke free of charge. Or A complete set of tender documents may be purchased or obtained by interested tenderers upon payment of a non-refundable fees of Kshs 1,000 in cash or Banker's Cheque and payable to the address given below.

- Duly Completed tender documents enclosed in a plain, sealed envelope clearly marked with the tender name and tender number should be deposited in the tender Box located on the Fourth floor, KWFT Center, Kiambere-Masaba Rd, Upper hill Nairobi, so as to reach on or before **Wednesday, 20th November 2024, 11.00a.m. Electronic Tenders will NOT be permitted.**
- The Tenderer shall chronologically Serialize all pages of the tender documents submitted.
- Tenders will be publicly opened immediately after the deadline date and time specified above in the presence of the Tenderers' representatives who may choose to attend. The Opening of the tender will be at KWFT Centre 4th floor wing B. Kiambere - Masaba Road, Upper Hill Nairobi.
- Late tenders will be rejected.

Ag. Chief Executive Officer
National Mining Corporation (NAMICO)
KWFT Centre 4th Floor
Kiambere-Masaba Rd, Upper Hill Nairobi
P.O. Box 115-00100, Nairobi
Mobile: +254 020-7869420
Email: info@namico.go.ke / tenders@namico.go.ke



PHARMACY AND POISONS BOARD

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE FOR THE DECEMBER 2024 PROFESSIONAL EXAMS

The Pharmacy and Poisons Board will conduct the Pre-registration Exams (Stage I & II) and Enrolment exams (Level I & II) on **December 6th, 9th, 10th, and 11th, 2024.**

The exams will be administered **online** in the respective **examination centres.**

Each candidate should:

- Make an application using the PPB online services portal. The application deadline will be **15th November 2024.**
- Select their preferred examination centre. The exam centres are subject to change, and candidates must regularly check the portal before the exam for any changes.
- Obtain a suitable computer device with internet access, that can be fully charged and store power to run for at least 3 hours.

Rehearsals will be conducted on **Friday, 6th December**, at the respective centres and are mandatory. Mock exams will be conducted to familiarise candidates with the **PPB online examinations portal.** The dates for the mock exams will be communicated in due course. The mock exams will be done at home.

Candidates with disabilities or health issues that may affect their ability to sit for **online exams** must immediately notify the Board in writing, together with supporting medical evidence.

Any feedback or queries can be sent by e-mail to training@ppb.go.ke.

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



KENYA RURAL ROADS AUTHORITY

Connecting Devolved Kenya

TENDER NOTICE

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR CONSULTANCY SERVICES

The Kenya Rural Roads Authority (KeRRA) is a state corporation established under the Kenya Roads Act 2007, with the responsibility of management, development, rehabilitation and maintenance of Rural Roads.

The Authority hereby invites bids from eligible consultants to bid for the provision of consultancy service as per table below;

S/No	TENDER NO.	DESCRIPTION
1	KeRRA/08/40/01/2024-2025	Consultancy services for the Information System Audit
2	KeRRA/08/40/02/2024-2025	Consultancy services for the external quality assurance of the directorate of Internal Audit

The mandatory requirements for bidding are contained in the bidding documents.

Detailed information on the tenders will be available for downloading **FREE OF CHARGE** on the on the Authority's Website www.kerra.go.ke from **Tuesday, 5th November, 2024.**

The completed bids **MUST** be submitted enclosed in a plain sealed envelope, clearly marked with the Tender Name and Tender Number in the Tender Box located on Ground floor Barabara Plaza, Block B or be addressed and posted to the address below so as to be received by **11.00 a.m. on 20th November, 2024.**

All pages of the submitted documents must be serialized.

Late bids will not be accepted for opening and will be rejected and returned unopened.

Bidders may obtain further information from the Procurement Unit of Kenya Rural Roads Authority (KeRRA) at the address below during working hours from **09:00 to 16:00 hrs local time Monday to Friday.**

Director General,
Kenya Rural Roads Authority,
Barabara Plaza, Block B, Airport South Road,
P. O. Box 48151-00100,
NAIROBI, KENYA.
Email Addresses: dg@kerra.go.ke , procurement@kerra.go.ke
Tel: 020-7807600/01-05, Mobile: +254 711 851 103

Deputy Director, Supply Chain
FOR: DIRECTOR GENERAL
KENYA RURAL ROADS AUTHORITY



MINISTRY OF INFORMATION COMMUNICATION AND THE DIGITAL ECONOMY

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR YOUTH AFFAIRS AND CREATIVE ECONOMY

REQUEST FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT SELECTION (ICS)

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

The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the National Youth Opportunities Towards Advancement (NYOTA) Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds for procurement of Individual Consulting Services for **Consultancy for Environmental and Social Safeguards Specialist Ref No. KE-SDYA-425732-CS-INDV.**

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

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

The consultants will be based in Nairobi, Kenya, but with availability to travel to other counties.

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

Interested eligible candidates may obtain further information from the Project Supply Chain Management Office at NYOTA offices, Bruce House, Standard Street, 3rd Floor Northern wing Room No. 321 during official working hours (8.00 a.m-5.00 p.m.) and days. Complete REOI document (paginated and stamped/signed on each page) and enclosed in plain sealed envelope marked with the tender reference number and addressed to the Principal Secretary, State Department of Youth Affairs and Creative Economy, P. O. Box 34303 - 00100, Nairobi, Kenya and should be deposited in the Tender Box at Bruce House 3rd Floor to be received on or before **Tuesday 22nd November, 2024, at 10.00 hours.**

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

PRINCIPAL SECRETARY
State Department for Youth Affairs and Creative Economy



Koskei urges African Schools of Government to unite in training

BY SADIK HASSAN, KNA
The Chief of Staff and Head of Public Service, Felix Koskei, has urged African Schools of Government and Management Development Institutes (MDIs) to deepen collaboration in capacity development.

He stated that this collaboration will further strengthen their networks and engagement around training, ultimately building a highly skilled, agile, and adaptable public sector workforce that responds effectively to the diverse needs and opportunities within the Public Service.

The schools were also encouraged to enhance their collaboration in research and resource mobilization. Mr. Koskei noted that MDIs and Schools of Government are expected

to conduct research to identify policy gaps and develop evidence-based capacity-building programs.

However, due to limited resource allocations, many institutions struggle to fulfill these roles and fall short of realizing their mandates.

“Collaboration will revitalize this research function for many MDIs,” the Head of Public Service said during the closing ceremony of the 1st Africa Schools of Government Conference, hosted by the Kenya School of Government (KSG) at its Mombasa Campus.

The four-day conference brought together accomplished scholars, professionals, thought leaders, and managers of Schools of Government and MDIs from across Af-

rica, all united under the theme: “Advancing Africa’s Public Service Excellence: United in Pursuit of Capable Institutions and Transformed Leadership.”

The schools were further encouraged to be innovative, develop inclusive policies and to collaborate in sharing knowledge.

“The continent is in dire need of innovative ways to deliver to a highly informed and demanding citizenry.

This is further aggravated by the increasing digital transformation taking place across the continent and the ever-changing global context within which we must operate,” Koskei said. “Our Continent is highly interconnected and interdependent.

Its development must then be anchored on pol-



Head of Public Service Felix Koskei gives keynote remarks when officially closing the 1st Africa Schools of Government conference at Kenya School of Government (KSG), Mombasa. Photo: Andrew Hinga/KNA

icies that promote inclusivity and strengthen networks between governments, stakeholders, the private sector, donor agencies and other critical drivers to ensure that

no one is left behind,” he added.

The Head of Public Service observed that the criticality of Public Service in the achievements of the socio-economic goals of

individual countries and the collective goals of the continent as espoused in Africa Agenda 2063 under the mantra of “the Africa we want” cannot be over-emphasized.

Authority now urged to adopt AI for improved beneficiary identification and fund management

BY JOSEPH NG'ANG'A, KNA

National Treasury Cabinet Secretary (CS) John Mbadi has called on the Unclaimed Financial Assets Authority (UFAA) to leverage technology to boost compliance in fund management and reunification of assets with beneficiaries.

Mbadi stated that the Kenyan government has been driving the digitalization agenda, and the adoption of technology in the management of assets under UFAA will bring efficiency and optimize returns on the assets held by the authority.

The CS made these remarks during a courtesy call at the UFAA office, where he explained that he is working on a program to visit the State-Owned Enterprises (SOEs) under the ministry to understand their operations, listen to their challenges, and foster collaboration to enhance their performance.

Mbadi noted that the deployment of technologies like Artificial Intelligence (AI) will increase the chances of identifying and verifying beneficiaries of the unclaimed assets. Once the funds are disbursed, they will help stimulate the economy and support families, as the beneficiaries engage in economic activities

Records from UFAA indicate that they currently hold approximately Sh65.2 billion in unclaimed as-



The National Treasury Cabinet Secretary (CS) John Mbadi addressing members of staff of the Unclaimed Financial Assets Authority (UFAA) when he paid them a courtesy call at their offices. Photo by Joseph Ng'ang'a.

sets, with a total of 33,923 claimants having been paid Sh2.3 billion to date.

“The main objective of UFAA is to reunite the beneficiaries with the assets that were left behind by their loved ones and your achievement and success is anchored on that,” Mbadi highlighted.

The CS reckoned that it is not an easy job to reunite the beneficiaries with their assets since the institutions that are transferring these assets to UFAA as unclaimed are themselves unable to reunite these individuals with the assets.

The CS pledged to support UFAA to enhance reunification of unclaimed assets as he assured them

of his full support and that of his ministry saying they will work as a team to see that they achieve their mandate.

UFAA Chairman Francis Kigo Njenga said the authority initiated a voluntary disclosure programme through the Finance Act 2022 which incentivized holders to report and surrender unclaimed financial assets.

“Through this initiative, a total of Sh4.5 billion, which is the single-year and highest-ever remittance by holders was achieved with an additional 157 million units of unclaimed shares also reported,” Njenga said.

He explained that the Authority developed the

Unclaimed Financial Assets Management System (UFAMS) that facilitates online reporting by holders, backend processing, and tracking of claims.

Njenga said that the Authority has put in place several payment options to disburse payments to rightful owners such as through banks, Sacco's, mobile money, and cheques.

“The Authority established customer service desks at UFAA Head Office and at Huduma Centres in Nairobi County. In addition, we have established a call center, self-service USSD (*361#), and an e-Citizen-based portal to supplement our customer experience touchpoints,”

the chairman said.

He highlighted that the Authority has been investing the Fund in line with the approved investment policy statement (IPS) and ensuring their safe custody.

“The Authority won the National Wage Bill Accountability Award for adherence to the Public Finance Management (PMF) Act and Regulations, Financial Accountability, and most improved towards 35 per cent on wage against revenue, and mainstreaming productivity during the National Wage Bill Conference, 2024,” Njenga said.

According to Njenga, the Authority has established partnerships with

key stakeholders like the Ministry of Interior, the Institute of Certified Public Accountants of Kenya (ICPAK), the Institute of Certified Investment and Financial Analyst (ICIFA), the Central Bank of Kenya (CBK), the Capital Markets Authority (CMA), the Insurance Regulatory Authority (IRA), the Communication Authority (CA), Sacco Societies Regulatory Authority (SASRA), the Retirement Benefits Authority (RBA), Huduma Kenya Secretariat, the Office of the Auditor General among others to facilitate the implementation of areas of mutual interest with our stakeholders and enhance service delivery.

Njenga said UFAA has developed and begun implementing their Strategic Plan 2023-2028 which underpins the enabler role of the UFAA under government BETA's finance and production sector through the aggregation, securitisation, and socialisation of the unclaimed financial assets for the shared national socio-economic prosperity of the country.

“We are also targeting to increase the reunification rate to about 20 per cent annually, of unclaimed financial assets with the rightful owners,” he said adding that the Authority is considering options of converting non-cash unclaimed assets such as shares and contents in declared safe deposits to cash equivalents.

Tenwek Hospital expands cardiovascular services with new cutting-edge facility



The newly constructed AGC Tenwek Cardiothoracic Centre, equipped with advanced cross-cutting technologies and state-of-the-art equipment, stands as the only facility of its kind in Eastern and Central Africa, as well as Sub-Saharan Africa.

BY LAMECH WILLY, KNA
Nestled in the rural Silibwet Village, about five kilometers from Bomet town, AGC Tenwek Hospital stands as one of the largest and most renowned healthcare facilities in Kenya. Established in 1937 by missionaries during the British colonial period, Tenwek has evolved into a leading rural-based hospital, particularly recognized for its groundbreaking heart surgeries.

Since making headlines in 2008 as the first rural health facility outside Nairobi to perform open-heart surgeries, Tenwek has played a crucial role in providing cardiovascular care to patients across the Nyanza region, parts of the South Rift Valley, and Central Rift. Many of these surgeries were performed by dedicated missionaries and medical professionals on training exchanges.

Due to the increasing demand for cardiovascular services, the hospital recognized the need for expansion and the incorporation of advanced

technologies.

Mr. Benjamin Siele, the acting Chief Executive Officer (CEO), stated that the vision for the new cardiothoracic center emerged from the hospital's leadership to enhance specialized cardiac care. "This initiative aims to address the urgent need for advanced cardiac treatment not only in Bomet County but throughout Africa," Siele explained.

Tenwek Hospital accounts for 50 percent of corrective heart surgeries performed in Kenya annually; yet, many patients continue to face long wait times for these critical procedures. In 2021, construction of the state-of-the-art cardiothoracic center began, supported by Samaritan's Purse and led by Franklin Graham, son of renowned evangelist Billy Graham, who was one of the first missionaries to visit Tenwek.

During the groundbreaking ceremony, Dr. Patrick Amoth, the Health Director-General, said, "Tenwek Hospital is a pioneer in open-heart sur-



Dr. Russ White, Chief Cardiologist of the newly opened AGC Tenwek Cardiothoracic Centre (in white coat), demonstrates procedures using a medical dummy to President William Ruto (second from right).

geries, having operated on over 2,000 cases since 2008. This new center will significantly increase the volume of major heart and chest surgeries in Kenya."

Recently, President Dr. William Ruto, alongside Health Cabinet Secretary Dr. Deborah Barasa, commissioned the cardiothoracic center, which is now open to patients seeking cardiovascular care from across the country and beyond. Dr. Russ White, the center's director and chief cardiologist, noted that the facility was conceptualized in 2018 after extensive research highlighted two major health challenges: esophageal cancer and rheumatic heart disease.

The center aims to meet the pressing demand for advanced cardiac treatment, with Dr. White revealing that approximately 850 patients are currently on the waiting list, many suffering from congenital heart issues. Previously, the hospital could only manage one surgery per day due to limited operating room capacity.

"It is unfortunate that we continue to lose patients from our waiting lists. With the opening of this new facility, equipped with cutting-edge technologies, we expect to significantly increase the number of complex surgeries performed," Dr. White stated.

The new cardiothoracic center includes a 176-bed facility separate from the main hospital, featuring six cardiothoracic operating theaters, a preoperative holding area, a laboratory, a blood bank, and a 32-bed post-anesthesia care unit.

Additionally, it houses 52 intensive care units, six major operating tables, five endoscopy rooms, and advanced imaging capabilities.

During its inauguration, Dr. Barasa emphasized the growing concern of cardiovascular diseases in Kenya, stating that patients with these conditions will be fully covered under the new Social Health Authority (SHA).

"In line with our commitment to Universal

New measures announced to combat rising mental illness among civil servants



PS in the State Department for Public Service Amos Gathecha (Centre in a striped suit) addressing the press in Naivasha during the 28th Annual national Human Resource Management (HRM) conference.

BY MABEL KEYA SHI-KUKU, KNA

The number of employees in the public service suffering from mental illness continues to rise despite measures put in place to address mental health in the workplace. State Department for Public Service Principal Secretary (PS) Amos Gathecha has revealed that the number of civil servants experiencing mental health issues has tripled to over 14,000 in 2023, up from 4,000 cases before 2020, when the COVID-19 pandemic began.

To address this issue, the PS announced that counseling centers have been established in every Huduma Centre across the country to assist those in need of psychological support. Additionally, individuals requiring tele-counseling can dial 1919 to be connected to a counselor who is ready to help them.

Data from the State Department of Public Service indicates that the country lost Sh 62.2 billion due to mental health conditions, which is equivalent to 0.6 percent of our Gross Domestic Product (GDP) in 2020, following the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic.

The PS was speaking at the official opening of the 28th Annual National Human Resource Management (HRM) Conference, organized by the Institute of Human Resource Management (IHRM) in Naivasha.

Gathecha said the State Department for Public Service is in con-

sultation with the Social Health Authority (SHA) to extend the contract for the provisions of the comprehensive medical insurance scheme for civil servants up to November 21st, 2024, to facilitate seamless transition and effective service delivery to the scheme beneficiaries.

He said a team has been constituted to put in place appropriate mechanisms so that civil servants continue to enjoy medical services and group life cover core as was the case in the now disbanded National Health Insurance Fund (NHIF).




In the meantime, Gathecha urged all citizens to register under the new Social Health Insurance Fund.

The PS reiterated that the government is committed to building a Public Service that is strategic, foresighted; developing highly skilled, agile and responsive service, digitalizing services and strengthening human capital approaches consistent with merit system principles including modernizing policies and practices for recruitment, retention, training and development.

Consequently, he noted, initiatives that have been undertaken in the recent past to transform the workplace in the Public Service include development of the Human Resource Information System Kenya (HRIS-Ke) this year, which is a web-based system that has been developed and will manage human resource functions in the public sector including payroll.



President William Ruto cuts the ribbon to officially inaugurate Tenwek Cardiothoracic Centre, the first facility of its kind in Sub-Saharan and Central Africa.


TENDER INVITATION

Coast Development Authority is implementing the Malindi Integrated Social and Health Development Programme Phase II (MISHDP-II) in Malindi and Magarini sub-counties within Kilifi County. The programme is funded by the Italian Government through the Italian Agency for Development Cooperation (AICS). Therefore, Coast Development Authority invites sealed tenders for the following projects;

S/No.	Tender Number	Tender Description	Bid Bond	Eligibility
1.	CDA T 001/2024-2025	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF OFFICE & SCHOOL FURNITURE	N/A	YOUTH
2.	CDA T 002/2024-2025	SUPPLY AND DELIVERY OF JUNIOR SECONDARY SCHOOLS(JSS) LABORATORY EQUIPMENT	N/A	WOMEN
3.	CDA T 003/2024-2025	PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF THE FIRST FLOOR FOR HDU AND THEATRE AT MALINDI SUB COUNTY HOSPITAL	500,000	OPEN

Tender documents can be obtained from CDA Supplies Office upon payment of a non-refundable fee of **Kshs 1,000.00** however; Tender documents can also be **DOWNLOADED FREE OF CHARGE** from government tender portal website www.tender.go.ke or from Coast Development Authority website www.cda.go.ke

Completed Tender Documents in plain sealed envelopes, clearly marked with the **"Tender No. and Tender Name"** as particularly described in the Tender documents should be deposited in the Tender Box located at the CDA Headquarters in the Reception desk addressed to:



The Ag. Managing Director Coast Development Authority
P. O. Box 1322 - 80100
MOMBASA

So as to be received by **19th November, 2024 at 10.00 A.M.** Tenders will be opened immediately thereafter in the presence of the candidates who choose to attend in the CDA Headquarters' Main Boardroom. Late bids will not be accepted.

Youth, Women and Persons with Disabilities (YPWDs) are encouraged to apply

AG. MANAGING DIRECTOR
COAST DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY




NOTICE FOR PROVISIONAL REGISTRATION

The Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP) is established by the Political Parties Act CAP 7D as a State Office within the meaning of Article 260 of the Constitution of Kenya 2010. The mandate of ORPP is to; register and regulate political parties as well as administer the Political Parties Fund.

In line with Section 5 (2) (a) of the Political Parties Act CAP 7D, the Registrar of Political Parties is in the process of provisionally registering the following proposed political party:


Name	Party Colours	Party Symbol	Slogan	Founder Members
Economic Liberation Alliance Party (ELAP)	Green Blue and red		A real solution for change	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. John Odongo Ogada 2. Hassan Mohamed Kula 3. Elizabeth Nthikwa Makau 4. Margaret Wanjiru Mukundi 5. Erick Ogara Machwara 6. Clinton Kungu Odhiambo

Particulars of the above-listed proposed political party have been provided on the ORPP website www.orpp.or.ke

Any objections may be presented in writing or in person within seven (7) days to:


Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP)
Lion Place, Fourth Floor, off Waiyaki way at Karuna close
P O Box 1131-00606
Nairobi

Ann N. Nderitu, CBS
Registrar of Political Parties/CEO



ORPPKenya

www.orpp.or.ke



TENDER NOTICE

TENDER NO. IRA/45/2024-2025 : CALL FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST TO REVIEW THE INSURANCE LEGAL FRAMEWORK FOR KENYA

- 1. Background**

The Insurance Regulatory Authority (IRA) is a state corporation under the National Treasury and Economic Planning, established under the Insurance Act (Cap. 487 Laws of Kenya) with a mandate to regulate, supervise, and promote the development of Kenya's insurance industry. The Authority invites interested firms for the Expression of Interest (EOI) to review the insurance legal framework for Kenya.
- 2. Objective:**

The objective of the consultancy is to conduct a comprehensive review of the insurance legal framework in line with market needs as well as current and emerging trends. This will entail development of the Insurance Bill and its subsidiary legislation to strengthen the regulatory framework for insurance in Kenya.
- 3. Scope of Work**

The scope of the work under the consultancy shall be as detailed in the Request for Expression of Interest document available at the IRA website, www.ira.go.ke and the Public Procurement Information Portal, www.tenders.go.ke
- 4. Eligibility Criteria**


Interested firms must submit the following mandatory information and their supporting documents.



 - Certificate of incorporation/registration
 - CR 12 certificate or IDs for sole proprietorship/partnership
 - Valid tax compliance certificate
 - The firm shall demonstrate as having successfully executed and completed at least three (3) projects of similar nature.
 - Technical capacity of the team (Attach CVs, academic and professional certificates)
5. Detailed EOI requirements may be viewed and downloaded for free from IRA www.ira.go.ke. Firms who download the EOI must forward their contact details immediately to procurement@ira.go.ke to facilitate any further clarification or addenda.
6. Completed EOI proposal document clearly marked with EOI No. **IRA/045/2024-2025, "Call for Expression of Interest for Consultancy Services to Review the Insurance Legal Framework for Kenya"** to be deposited in the tender box located at ZEP-RE Place, 10th Floor, Longonot Road, Upper Hill, Nairobi.
7. Bulky tenders which will not fit in the tender box shall be delivered to the office of Senior Manager, Supply Chain Management situated at ZEP-RE Place, 10th Floor, Longonot Road, Upper Hill, Nairobi.
8. EOI to be received on or before **Tuesday, 19th November 2024 at 11:00am** addressed to:

The Chief Executive Officer,
Insurance Regulatory Authority,
ZEP-RE Place, 10th Floor, Longonot Road, Upper Hill,
P.O. Box 43505-00100,
NAIROBI.
9. The expressions of interest will be opened immediately after the deadline of tender opening at 10th Floor Boardroom, ZEP-RE Place in the presence of the firms/ or representatives who may choose to attend.
10. IRA is a corruption free organization. Any corruption, attempt, pressure or influence prior to or after award should be reported immediately to the CEO on the address provided above or email, ethics@ira.go.ke; procurement@ira.go.ke

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Thirty County governments receive GIS equipment to strengthen food security efforts

BY CATHERINE MUINDI (PCO)

At least 30 county governments have received state-of-the-art Geographic Information Systems (GIS) equipment in a bid to transform agricultural planning and resource management to bolster efforts to address the country's food security needs.

The Principal Secretary for Lands and Physical Planning Nixon Korir said the new technology will empower devolved governments to optimize land use, monitor crop health, and

improve water resource allocation, initiatives for enhancing food production and sustainability.

Korir said the handover included GIS equipment, an implementation guideline, a training manual, and plans for a series of specialized training sessions. This, he emphasized, underscores the ministry's commitment to supporting counties in adopting advanced technology for land resource management.

He commended the Council of Governors (COG) for spearheading the integration of GIS into land governance, and expressed

the ministry's alignment with county efforts to modernize and streamline land administration.

The PS also extended his gratitude to the Food and Agriculture Organization of United Nations (FAO) and the European Union (EU), who have played pivotal roles in supporting this digitization initiative.

Korir further recognized the successful digitization of land records in Nairobi through the Ardhisasa platform, along with ongoing efforts on Mombasa's mainland, as significant achievements that set a strong foundation for other

counties to emulate.

"This occasion marks a significant milestone in county governments' commitment to harnessing technology, fostering innovation, and enhancing the governance of land resources in Kenya," said PS Korir.

He encouraged the COG to strengthen collaboration with the ministry to dismantle information silos and improve public service delivery.

The deployment of these GIS resources, Korir noted, is expected to drive data-driven decision-making, increase land transparency, and contribute to sustainable development in the land sector.

Council of Governors Chairperson Ahmed Abdullahi, speaking at the event, emphasized that GIS tools are not merely systems but

critical frameworks for understanding and tackling complex challenges.

"GIS enables leaders to make informed decisions that enhance the quality of life for our people," he said. "With GIS, we can improve infrastructure, service delivery, and responsiveness to community needs."

FAO Lead on Land and Natural Resource Management Husna Abdallah echoed these sentiments, saying, "Digital technologies, especially geospatial and earth observation tools, are essential for sustainable development and economic growth, particularly in developing nations."

"These technologies support decision-making across diverse areas such as land suitability analysis, resource allocation, land use planning, and early warning systems for dis-

aster mitigation. Kenya is ready to adopt these tools, which are crucial drivers of sustainable development, economic growth, food security, and environmental resilience," he said.

The EU-FAO-funded Digital Land Governance Programme has handed over 32 GIS laboratories to the counties of Lamu, Mombasa, Taita Taveta, Garissa, Isiolo, Mandera, Wajir, Uasin Gishu, Elgeyo Marakwet, Trans Nzoia, Kisii, Nyamira, Nakuru, Homa Bay, Busia, Migori, Kisumu, Siaya, Kajiado, Narok, Kitui, Makueni, Murang'a, Nyeri, Tharaka Nithi, Meru, Embu, Kirinyaga, Bomet, and Kwale. Previously, nine other GIS laboratories were handed over to Vihiga, Nandi, Tana River, Laikipia, Marsabit, Samburu, Turkana, West Pokot, and Baringo counties.



STAFF PENSION SCHEME

NOTICE OF THE VIRTUAL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2024

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Year 2024 Annual General Meeting of the Kenya Revenue Authority Staff Pension Scheme will be held virtually via Cisco Webex on Saturday, 23rd November, 2024 at 09:00 a.m.

AGENDA

- Commencement of the Meeting.
 - Welcoming remarks.
 - National anthem.
 - Opening prayer.
- Opening remarks by the Board of Trustees Chairperson.
- Remarks by the Commissioner General.
- Remarks by the KRA Board of Directors Chairperson.
- Presentation of the Board of Trustees Chairperson's Report and Disclosure of the Financial Year ending 30th June, 2024 Net Interest Return.
- Presentation of the Trustees Remuneration Report.
- Noting and Confirmation of the Minutes of the last Annual General Meeting held on 25th November, 2023.
- Presentation and adoption of the Scheme's Audited Accounts for the Financial Year ending 30th June, 2024.
- Scheme's overview for Financial Year ending 30th June 2024 (Benefits, Membership, Investment, Custody and Financial Position).
- Remarks by Retirement Benefits Authority Representative.
- Question and Answer Session.
- Vote of thanks and closing prayer.

NOTES:

- The Meeting Link will be circulated via email/sms before the Meeting.
- Copies of the Scheme Audited Accounts, the draft Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 25th November, 2023 and the proposed Trustee Remuneration Report are available for review at the Scheme's registered offices.

CS P.M. MATUKU, EBS
Trust Secretary-
Kenya Revenue Authority Staff Pension Scheme

28th October, 2024



MERU UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY

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VACANCIES

Meru University of Science and Technology (MUST) wishes to recruit qualified and dedicated staff to fill the following vacant positions:

POSITION	REF. NO	GRADE		POST
ASSOCIATE PROFESSOR	MUST/ACA/01/10/2024	GRADE 14	- Nursing	1
SENIOR LECTURER	MUST/ACA/02/10/2024	GRADE 13	- Mechanical Engineering	1
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Communication Authority commits to enhance cybersecurity awareness in Africa

BY SHARON ATIENO, KNA
The Communication Authority of Kenya (CA) has committed to doubling its collective efforts to increase consumer awareness of cyber safety measures and ensure that all stakeholders possess the right information and skills to stay safe online.

To this effect, CA held the 2024 Africa Regional Cyber Sector Collaboration Symposium, which aimed to address emerging challenges and opportunities within African cybersecurity and its digitalization agenda.

Speaking during the symposium, CA Director General (DG) David Mugonyi stated that the symposium aimed to prioritize and enhance cybersecurity measures in every sphere of people's lives.

Mugonyi emphasized that CA's priorities and objectives include human-driven innovation, empowering minds, and enhancing defense initiatives, which will lead to the empowerment of Africa's digital community through improved online security.

"This symposium is a platform for sharing, exploring, expanding, and enhancing collaboration and teamwork in cybersecurity, enabling the crea-



Communication Authority of Kenya (CA) Director General David Mugonyi speaking during the launch of 2024 African Regional Cyber Sector Collaboration Symposium in Nairobi.

tion of trust networks with many developing countries—including Kenya—which have a technical deficit that hampers the analysis, prevention, detection, and prosecution of cybercrimes," he stated.

Mugonyi noted that cybersecurity is primarily a human issue, hence the partnership with the United States of America (USA) has raised the technical capacity of the people both in Kenya and

abroad. "Data shows that 95 per cent of all online breaches are caused by human error and poor cyber hygiene," he said, adding that increase of awareness and change of behavior are crucial parts of enhancing collective cybersecurity resilience.

The DG stated that the human progress demands have led to increased vigilance and industrial revolution, creating a global concern for the environ-

ment and the management of planet resources as well as digital progress that demands consistent global efforts to secure the digital realm.

"This calls for strategic, technical, legal, policy, and security capabilities that transcend the sectors and borders. Africa must build these capabilities quickly and decisively," he stated. Mugonyi noted that the country has enacted various laws which

aim to facilitate the detection, protection, and response to cyber threats.

"As a nation we have highly trained personnel and a set of art systems that facilitate cyber threat detection, prevention, threat analysis, and incident response," Mugonyi said. The DG noted that between April and June 2024, they detected 1.1 billion cyber threats which targeted Kenyan assets.

"Last year, a cybersecu-

ity report by a consulting firm estimated that Nigeria suffered losses of approximately US\$3.3 million in 2023 while the average data breach in Kenya was approximately US\$4.35 million," he said.

The U.S. State Department's Director of the Office of International Engagement and Capacity Building Joanna LaHaie said that cybersecurity is not a challenge of any one single nation, but it is a cross-border issue.

"The spirit of partnership is crucial, and it highlights a fundamental truth. We must embrace collaboration and information sharing and build our collective resilience," she emphasized, adding that it is the only way to create a stronger and more resilient network of defense.

LaHaie added that the United States is committed to digital solidarity since it is the premise that organizations or nations work together to shape the international digital ecosystem that is rights-respecting and innovative and improve global cybersecurity and capacity.

US\$ 4.35m
The average data breach in Kenya was approximately US\$4.35 million

State demands action from cement firms on mine rehabilitation efforts

BY WAGEMA MWANGI (PCO)
Cement manufacturers along the Coast have been directed to present updated rehabilitation plans for limestone mines as part of environmental restoration.

This initiative is part of the government's drive to address the dangers posed by open mining pits created by cement producers.

"We are implementing plans to rehabilitate our exhausted mines to restore the land to its original state. We are using resilient plants that adapt well to both marine and terrestrial environments," said Dr. Philip Omeng, a biodiversity conservation specialist at Mombasa Cement Company.

This giant company is among several cement makers in the Coast region that have been tasked by

the government with providing an updated plan for the rehabilitation of exhausted limestone mines as part of their obligation towards environmental restoration.

Other companies required to submit such plans include Bamburi and Simba Cement.

Recently, abandoned mines and retired mineral pits have been identified by the government as a major threat due to their long-lasting adverse effects on the environment.

Once minerals are depleted and production stops, crafty investors are reluctant to spend their money on a venture with zero returns, leading them to abandon old mines unattended as they seek new mining grounds.

Such abandoned mines are a product of investors' failure to implement post-mine land rehabilitation plans—detailed actions that outline activities and

programs aimed at rehabilitating and restoring a degraded environment.

Land restoration is a central tenet of the Mining Act, Cap 306, while a rehabilitation plan is one of the key basic conditions to be fulfilled before a mining license is issued to an investor.

The Principal Secretary (PS) for the State Department for Mining, Elijah Mwangi, stated that environmental concerns must never take a backseat to the need for investors to generate revenue.

He stated that post-mine land rehabilitation plans and approvals by the National Environmental Management Authority (NEMA) are mandatory requirements before a mining license is issued to investors.

"The post-mine rehabilitation plan is mandatory for granting a license. All investors are duty-bound by law to



PS Elijah Mwangi (r) at a site where a mine is being rehabilitated with seagrass and mangrove seedlings.

restore all the mined-out zones and ensure they are in pristine condition or even better than they were before mining commenced," he explained.

In Kenya, the implementation of land restoration plans by mining investors has been a sluggish process or one that is

sometimes ignored altogether. As a result, years of quarrying, excavations, dredging and rock-blasting have led to the exponential mushrooming of thousands of abandoned pits scattered across all the 47 counties.

Such open pits are a great threat not only to

the environment but also to communities, livestock and property. Recently, the perils of abandoned mining pits became a national discourse after the discovery of macabre killings and mutilated bodies dumped in an open quarry in the Kware area of Nairobi.

State unveils initiative to boost social welfare for informal sector workers

BY IAN CHEPKUTO AND SHARON ATIENO, KNA

The Government is committed to improving the social welfare of all workers in the informal sector, Cabinet Secretary for Labour and Social Protection Dr. Alfred Mutua has said.

Dr. Mutua stated that the government has created a comprehensive manifesto for the Bottom-Up Economic Transformative Agenda (BETA), aimed at enhancing the socio-economic welfare of Kenyans.

The CS said, “The manifesto recognizes that the informal sector is at the core of economic development. It contributes approximately 33.8 percent to the GDP.”

The CS made these remarks at a Nairobi hotel during the launch of the South-South Cooperation Project dubbed “Extending Social Protection to Workers in the Informal Economy in Lao PDR and Kenya While Leveraging Digital Transformation through South-South Cooperation.”

The project aims to improve the welfare of workers in the informal sector while leveraging digital technology.

It is a partnership between the Ministry of Human Resources and

Social Security (MoHRSS) of China and the International Labour Organization (ILO), designed to address the challenges of expanding social protection through a collaborative project that focuses on improving social protection for workers in the informal economy.

The initiative seeks to leverage South-South cooperation to enhance policy design, administrative governance, and operational efficiency in social protection systems.

He said, “Cooperation between the two entities will bring substantial experience and proven strategies to this project, with the ultimate aim of expanding social protection to the unreached in society in Kenya.”

Mutua said the government intends to ensure that informal workers have the same rights as formal workers by building a comprehensive framework to extend social protection coverage to workers in the informal and rural economies.

Dr. Mutua stated that approximately 3.9 million workers in Kenya are in the formal economy, while around 16 million are engaged in the informal economy.

“There are more than five million informal enterprises in the country,



Cabinet Secretary for labour and Social Protection Alfred Mutua (fourth left), Vice Minister of Human Resources and Social Security of China (fourth right), ILO Director, Tanzania Country office, Caroline Mugalla (second left), with stakeholders during the launch of the South-South Cooperation project.



CS for Labour and Social Protection Alfred Mutua (c), Vice Minister of Human Resources and Social Security of China Li Zhong (left), during the launch of the South-South Cooperation project.

alongside an additional 6.4 million households relying on agriculture for their livelihoods,” he noted.

“I am reliably informed that in Kenya, around 3.9 million workers are in the formal economy, whereas approximately 16 million are active in the informal economy.

“Further, we take cognizance that the informal enterprises in Kenya

are estimated to be more than five million, with an additional 6.4 million households in the country, practicing agriculture to earn their livelihoods on an informal basis,” he added.

Mutua regretted that the informal economy in Kenya faces significant challenges due to low social protection coverage.

“The exclusion from

social protection has left informal sector workers vulnerable to risks like illness, disability, and climate-related shocks, preventing them from accessing essential benefits,” he said.

Mutua expressed his gratitude to the International Labour Organization and the Government of China for their significant support to Kenya.

He noted that their provision of resources and technical assistance is crucial for extending social protection to informal sector workers.

Mutua announced that his Ministry, in collaboration with China’s Ministry of Human Resources and Social Security (MoHRSS) and the International Labour Organisation (ILO), is addressing challenges in expanding social protection.

The joint project, Mutua said, will focus on improving support for infor-

mal economy workers in Kenya and Lao PDR while promoting the Global Development Initiative through South-South and Triangular Cooperation.

He said the initiative aims to enhance policy design, governance, and operational efficiency in social protection systems.

The CS emphasized that the partnership would bring valuable experience and proven strategies, ultimately seeking to extend social protection to underserved populations in Kenya.

Vice Minister of Human Resources and Social Security of China, Li Zhong, China, through the Ministry of Human Resources and Social Security, in collaboration with the International Labour Organisation, has been jointly carrying out South-South cooperation projects with a donation amount of US\$8.4 million.

New digital skills program rolled out in 35 teacher training colleges in Kenya

BY ANNE KANGERO, KNA

The Ministry of Education has launched a Sh240-million digital skills program for teachers in various teacher training colleges (TTCs) across the country. The program, dubbed the “Scaling Digital Skills Program,” is funded through the Safaricom and Vodafone Foundations.

This initiative aims to equip ICT labs in 35 TTCs nationwide, enhancing teachers’ capacity to integrate and utilize ICT skills in teaching and learning. According to Education Cabinet Secretary Julius Ogamba, who presided over the launch at Machakos Teachers College, the ministry has invested in ICT infrastructure to bolster teachers’

capacity building and the development of digital content.

Ogamba noted that the launch of the digital skills program is timely, as it is being implemented in the digital era when both teachers and learners require these skills. “Competence-Based Education Training (CBET) aims to equip teacher educators and trainers with the relevant knowledge and skills necessary for developing digital literacy among our learners,” the CS stated.

He emphasized the importance of using ICT in learning and training, which enhances educational outcomes in TTCs by providing teachers with the right tools to improve and enrich learning. “There is a need to

utilize ICT as a pedagogical tool in education to enable teachers to thrive in the dynamic 21st-century classroom,” Ogamba added. Safaricom Foundation Chairman Joseph Ogutu stated that one of the ways to improve educational outcomes in the digital age is by investing in digital programs that positively impact both teachers and learners. On her part, Machakos TTC Chief Principal Joyce Mabweai commended the partnership between the Ministry of Education and Safaricom Foundation. She said through the collaboration, her school benefited from two renovated computer labs equipped with 42 new and advanced computers, projectors and better internet access.



Education Cabinet Secretary Julius Ogamba speaking during the launch of Scaling Digital Skills Program for teachers at the Machakos Teachers College

Nakuru schools picked for energy-efficient lighting pilot program

BY ESTHER MWANGI,
KNA

At least 30 secondary boarding schools in Nakuru County will benefit from efficient lighting equipment that will help reduce costs incurred on electricity bills. County Executive Committee Member (CECM) for Water, Environment, Energy, Climate Change, and Natural Resources, Dr. Nelson Maara, said the targeted schools will receive donations of light-emitting diodes (LED) tubes and solar outdoor lighting appliances from the Signify Foundation through the State Department for Energy as part of a pilot program.

The CECM explained that the initiative, which is being implemented by the Ministry of Energy and Petroleum and the Ministry of Education in partnership with private and development entities such as the Signify Foundation, Sustainable Energy for All, and UNEP CCC, is geared toward providing superior lighting solutions for both indoor and outdoor spaces in schools.

He further stated that Kirobon Girls' High School had been selected as a pilot school to install the energy-efficient lighting systems, where a monitoring and evaluation process will be conducted to assess the impact of the lighting systems on the school environment and to ensure their effectiveness and sustainability.

Dr. Maara, who was accompanied by the Director for Environment, Climate Change, Energy, and Natural Resources, Mr. Dennis Kipyator, said the LED tubes and solar outdoor appliances will



Students of Kirobon Secondary school in Rongai Sub-County celebrate after receiving efficient lighting equipment.

replace the high-energy consumption fluorescent tube lights and bulbs. The CECM mentioned that a team of inspectors from the Ministry of Energy and Petroleum, the Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority (EPRA), and Sustainable Energy for All (SE4ALL) had inspected various schools in the county to assess their readiness for the pilot project, which he said will cover all 11 sub-counties.

The ministry will then develop a learning pack to help students and teachers understand the benefits of energy-efficient lighting solutions, Dr. Maara added. He noted that the project will help cut down the cost of electricity bills in public schools, which currently average Sh50,000, reducing them

to Sh18,000 per school.

“Electricity bills for our schools are very high and have increasingly become a significant challenge for them because funding is a problem, as public schools depend on the government for funding,” Dr. Maara added. He regretted that the Kenya Power and Lighting Company (KPLC) sometimes issues warnings of disconnecting power for failure to clear electricity bills, a move he noted inconveniences both learners and teaching staff in the schools.

“Schools also encounter power outages, and when these occur, they experience significant problems since many have boarding sections,” Dr. Maara noted. The CECM stated that replacing the types of bulbs that schools use

with more efficient energy-saving bulbs will help them cut down on electricity expenses.

To become energy efficient, particularly in homes, the CECM explained that one should change the lighting type from compact fluorescent lamps to light-emitting diodes and acquire energy-efficient appliances that are properly rated and labeled with five stars. This, he added, leads to a reduction in the units consumed per month without affecting the quality of energy available.

He also mentioned that industrial, commercial, and institutional facilities are tasked with retrofitting their lighting systems, enlarging windows to allow natural light, and improving natural venti-

lation to reduce reliance on air conditioning appliances, as well as adopting solar PV systems.

By doing so, Dr. Maara said, this initiative would lower energy bills for consumers and reduce costs for companies. It would also enhance the purchasing power of individuals, allowing companies to enjoy reduced production costs, leading to cheaper pricing of goods and making Kenyan-made products more competitive both locally and in the international market.

The CECM further elaborated that energy efficiency would reduce the strain on the national grid with the ‘saved’ energy redistributed to other regions that were unsupplied. With such a relief of power strain on the grid,

he said the country will save billions of shillings that would have been spent on building new power plants to supply energy to newer customers.

Dr. Maara also pointed out that use of natural light through windows, skylights, and light tubes, which capture daylight and pipe it into dark corners of buildings is another effective option to consider and can reduce the need for other forms of lighting.

Since 2004, when conversations around energy efficiency were mooted by the Energy and Petroleum Authority (Epra), stakeholders from different sectors were actively involved, culminating in the formulation and gazette-ment of the Energy Management Regulations 2012.

New cargo ship to ramp up operations at Kisumu oil jetty

BY CHRIS MAHANDARA,
(KNA)

Operations at the Kenya Pipeline Corporation (KPC) oil jetty in Kisumu have ramped up following the introduction of a second cargo ship to ferry fuel from the depot to Uganda through Lake Victoria.

The vessel, christened Mt. Elgon, has a capacity of 4,500 cubic meters and will complement Mt. Kabaka Mutebi II, which was introduced in 2022, making a combined total of four trips per week.

Operated by Lake Victoria Logistics Limited, the

two vessels are set to revolutionize the transportation of petroleum products in the East African region, reducing costs incurred from transporting the products by road.

Lake Victoria Logistics Limited Chairman Dr. Steve Mainda said the new vessel would advance safe and efficient transport of petroleum products across Lake Victoria to Uganda for onward delivery by road to Rwanda, South Sudan, Burundi and the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC).

This, he said, follows the success registered by Mt. Kabaka Mutebi II which

has so far completed 70 successful voyages since the Sh1.7 billion oil jetty was operationalised.

He said one voyage was equivalent to about 150 trucks transporting commodities by road from Kisumu to Jinja, adding that the move was set to cut costs involved in road maintenance.

“We thank the two governments (Kenya and Uganda) for creating an enabling environment for us to do business. This jetty is a wonderful facility. Without this infrastructure, this ship would not have been here,” he said.



The Mt Elgon ship makes its maiden call to the Kisumu Oil jetty. The vessel will transport petroleum products from the facility to Uganda.

The company, he added, plans to introduce a third vessel which will further reduce the pressure on roads and the dangers involved transporting petroleum products on tracks.

KPC Kisumu depot

manager Eng. Charles Sambu said the deployment of the two vessels was a milestone in the utilisation of the oil jetty which was established in the year 2018.

Petroleum products

from the Kisumu depot, he added, were being transported through tracks and rail wagons, adding that the entrance of the two vessels will enhance efficiency and operations at the facility.

Global leaders unite to ensure school meals for every child by 2030

BY MICHAEL OMONDI, KNA

Ministers and high-level government representatives from Africa, Asia, Europe, and Latin America have unveiled priorities to accelerate global collective efforts to ensure that all children have access to school meals by 2030. The announcement, focused on pressing financial needs, was made at the second Ministerial Meeting of the School Meals Coalition Task Force, hosted by the Government of Kenya.

The priorities aim to combat childhood hunger and poverty while addressing critical education and environmental issues, strengthening local food systems and economies, and creating jobs. The Coalition will prioritize making school meals a global political and fiscal priority, which will include expanding access to sustainable finance and improving school meal programs through partnerships and technical

assistance, especially for low-income countries.

Additionally, a critical priority for the Coalition is to speed up action at the regional, national, and local levels, including municipalities. In his keynote address at the ministerial meeting, President William Ruto emphasized steadfast commitments to scaling up school meals globally under the School Meals Coalition. He called for a multisectoral approach and greater investment to build sustainable, planet-friendly school meal programs.

Ruto stressed the need for investment in developing climate-resilient agriculture, sustainable food systems, and improving school environments and conditions for learning to pave the way for a future where every child is well-equipped to achieve their best. “We have tripled the budget allocation for school meals, set a clear goal to reach 10 million children by 2030, and launched the National

School Meals Coalition, alongside an operational plan to scale up school meals,” the President affirmed.

In her remarks, World Food Programme (WFP) Executive Director Cindy McCain said: “Today we have taken significant strides toward our shared goal of ensuring healthy school meals for every child, everywhere, by 2030.” McCain acknowledged that much work remains, especially to ensure that all governments can finance this vital investment, but insisted that the WFP is committed to working with its partners to drive progress. “WFP also looks forward to deepening our collaboration with the Government of Kenya, serving as the secretariat for the Global School Meals Coalition and for Kenya’s new National School Meals Coalition,” she stated.

During the meeting, global leaders discussed potential financing scenarios to increase school



The President of Kenya Dr. William Ruto and the World Food Programme (WFP) Executive Director Cindy McCain share a warm handshake during the Second Ministerial Meeting of the Task Force of the School Meals Coalition in Nairobi.

meal coverage. According to the Coalition’s Sustainable Financing Initiative cost analysis, approximately \$3.6 billion is needed to reach an additional estimated 236 million children in these countries. Of this amount, an estimated \$1.2 billion will be needed in new and additional aid to support countries still transitioning to full funding of school meal programs.

Addressing the task force, Roy Steiner, Senior Vice President for the Food Initiative at the Rockefeller Foundation, stressed that school meals must be viewed as an investment rather than a cost. The meals, according to Steiner, represent one of the most critical investments a country can make in its future, with an estimated 9x return in social and economic benefits.

“School meals are also a powerful demand driver as they feed 20 percent of the population one meal a day,” he added, noting that school meals can be an entry point for food system transformation, as has been witnessed in Brazil, driving demand for locally grown and potentially climate-resilient agriculture.

Concurrently, Pasi Hellman, Under-Secretary of

Ministry and county governments commit to transform Kenya’s agricultural sector

BY CHARI SUCHE, KNA

Agriculture and Livestock Development Cabinet Secretary Andrew Karanja and the Council of Governors (COG) have resolved to enhance collaboration between the two levels of government to advance the transformation of the agricultural sector.

Addressing the media during the closing ceremony of a two-day high-level consultative meeting between the Ministry and the COG, CS Karanja emphasized the need for both levels of government to strengthen mechanisms aimed at transforming the agricultural sector to grow the economy and improve farmers’ livelihoods.

Key agenda items discussed at the forum included the implementation of the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) in agriculture, the subsidized fertilizer program, revitalization of extension services with an emphasis on the agripreneurs model, strengthening intergovernmental relations

to enhance collaboration between the ministry and the counties, and the implementation of projects under the Ministry of Agriculture, among other issues.

He noted that following extensive deliberations, they unanimously resolved that the two parties would hold regular intergovernmental engagements to foster a comprehensive and coordinated approach to transforming the agricultural sector.

The CS added that the Intergovernmental Forum for Agriculture (IGF-A), which will bring together key stakeholders in the agricultural sector, is scheduled to be held in February 2025.

“The ministry and the county governments will actualize the Joint Agricultural Sector Consultation and Cooperation Mechanism (JASCCOM), including the institutionalization and operationalization of JASCCOM, the joint steering committee for all projects,” he said.

He further stated that they will support the implementation of feedlots,

milk coolers, and other feed programs in the counties to transform the leather, dairy, and red meat industries.

“Additionally, a joint intergovernmental framework will be developed for the implementation of the feedlot program,” Karanja added.

Wajir Governor Ahmed Abdullahi, who is also the COG chairman, stated that county governments, in collaboration with the Ministry of Agriculture, will ensure the review and integration of the national government’s BETA plan interventions and targets into the County Integrated Development Plans (CIDP), with clear county-specific goals and action steps outlined for each county.

Governor Abdullahi mentioned that a joint task team will be formed to spearhead the integration of BETA into the CIDP.

He noted that there is a need to prioritize the creation of a national policy on agricultural land subdivision, aimed at curbing excessive subdivision of agricultural land and pre-



Council of Governors (CoG) Chairperson Ahmed Abdullahi (Wajir Governor) briefs the media on the sidelines of a two-day consultative meeting between the Ministry of Agriculture and the CoG, Mombasa. Photo: Andrew Hinga

serving it for agricultural production and food security.

He added that they have collaboratively agreed on reforming the agriculture and livestock input subsidy programs to clearly define the respective roles and responsibilities of the national and county governments, enhance efficiency and effective service delivery.

“We shall also undertake a comprehensive review of

agricultural projects and programs to ensure equitable distribution across all the 47 counties,” he said.

The State Department for Livestock Development is set to collaborate with the respective county governments in the implementation of the milk cooler program.

“Each county government will continuously identify strategic sites within its jurisdiction for the installation of milk

coolers, prioritizing areas with high dairy production and significant farmer presence to maximize accessibility and utilization of the milk coolers,” CS Karanja said.

He said that the ministry with the governors will identify and highlight the issues raised during the meeting, particularly the transfer of resources for implementing all devolved functions within the agriculture sector.

Strengthen prevention mechanisms to combat femicide', PS urges

BY JAMES ODERO (PCO)

State Department for Gender and Affirmative Action Principal Secretary Anne Wang'ombe has called for the formation of a multi-agency action and vigilance to combat the rising cases of femicide and other forms of gender-based violence in the country.

PS Wang'ombe who be-moaned the recent brutal killings targeting mem-

bers of the public, mostly women and young girls, said the heinous acts of violence both destroy families and shake the community as a whole making people to live in constant fear.

"Not only do these horrific events devastate families, they also shake the community as a whole making people to live in constant fear and anxiety about their own safety and that of their loved ones," the PS said.

She made the remarks during a joint press briefing with the National Police Service and the Directorate of Criminal Investigation in Nairobi to provide a national update on the investigations into the murder incidents.

According to the Deputy Inspector General of the National Police Service Eliud Lagat, murder incidents against women and girls have risen in the recent past, with the last three

months alone recording 97 cases.

PS Wang'ombe emphasized the need to strengthen prevention mechanisms against all forms of violence, particularly femicide and intimate partner violence.

She observed that early detection and reporting of suspicious aggressive behaviors will beef up preventive efforts thus thwarting the occurrence of the incidents altogether.

Further she challenged members of the public to take advantage of the existing legal avenues to seek redress against domestic and other forms of gender-based violence, reaffirming the government's commitment to safeguard the life of all individuals irrespective of their gender.

Among the legal frameworks, PS Wang'ombe cited the Protection against Domestic Violence (PADV) Rules which allow victims

of violence or their representatives to apply for and obtain protection orders against a suspected perpetrator, provided the complainant can prove the suspected aggression, threat or a committed case of violence.

She called on the community, security agencies, social protection services, civil society organizations and the justice sector to work together to end gender-based violence.



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(b) **Salary and other benefits**

Basic salary – Ksh 28, 620 x 1,110 – 29,730 x 1,120 – 30,850 x 1,150 – 32,000 x 1,170 – 33,170 x 1,250 – 34,420 x 1,300 – 35,720 x 1,380 – 37,100 p.m..

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This will be the entry and training grade for this cadre. An officer at this level will work under the guidance of a senior officer. Duties and responsibilities will entail: Take oral dictation; Process word and data from manuscript; Operate Office equipment; Ensure security of the office equipment, documents and records; Attend to visitors/clients; Handle telephone calls and appointments; Keep an up to date filing system in the office; Supervise office cleanliness; and Undertake any other office administrative services /duties that maybe assigned.

(d) **Requirements**

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(a) **Terms of Service – Permanent and pensionable.**

(b) **Salary and other benefits**

Basic salary – Ksh 25, 420 x 1,040 – 26,460 x 1,070 – 27,530 x 1,090 – 28,620 x 1,110 – 29,730 x 1,120 – 30,850 x 1,150 – 32,000 x 1,170 – 33,170 p.m.

Allowances:

- Commuter Allowance - Kshs. 4,000 p.m.
- House Allowance - As per region deployed
- Leave Allowance - Kshs. 4,000 p.a.
- Leave Entitlement - 30 working days p.a.

(c) **Duties and Responsibilities**

This will be the entry and training grade for this cadre. An officer at this level will work under the guidance of a senior officer. Duties and responsibilities will entail: recording and filing processes in registers; maintaining the registers, service of documents issued by courts; preparation of returns/affidavits of service and management of the Legal Clerk movement register. Ensuring that all court processes are served in accordance with the provision of the law, executing warrants of arrest and enforcing various court orders.

(d) **Requirements**

For appointment to the grade of **Legal Clerk Assistant IV, CSG 13**, a candidate must possess: -

(i) KCSE mean grade C- (minus) or its recognized equivalent;

(ii) Met the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya;

(iii) Certificate of proficiency in computer applications from a recognized institution; and

(iv) Certificate of good conduct from the Directorate of Criminal Investigation.

(v) Demonstrated competence in Process service and Valid Process Server Certificate from the High Court of Kenya will be an added advantage;

How to Apply

Candidates who meet the above requirements are requested to make their applications by filling Application for Employment Form **OAG&DOJ.1.2024** available on OAG&DOJ website (www.statelaw.go.ke). Applications should be scanned(PDF) and Emailed to: recruit2024@ag.go.ke or sent to the address below on or before **21st November, 2024** to be received by 5.00pm.

**THE SOLICITOR GENERAL,
OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL &
DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE,
P.O BOX 40112-00100
NAIROBI.**

Please Note:

- OAG&DOJ is an equal employer committed to diversity and gender equality within the organization and therefore encourages persons with disability, women, youth and those from marginalized areas to apply. Applicants with disability are requested to indicate their status on the application letter for ease of identification.
- Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted;
- Canvassing in any form will lead to automatic disqualification; and
- Shortlisted candidates shall be required to produce originals of their National Identity card; academic and professional certificates and transcripts; and other testimonials during interviews

**Hon. Dorcas Adour, SC, OGW, EBS
Attorney General**



Government reaffirms commitment to fully implement National Children's Care Reforms by 2032

BY BERNARD MUNYAO
AND ANJALIWA
FRANCIS
(PCO)

The Government is committed to ensuring all children currently placed in charitable institutional care are transitioned to a system where they can grow sustainably within a family and community setting.

Social Protection and Senior Citizen Affairs Principal Secretary Joseph Motari has observed that the government is currently implementing national care reforms which would see all children held in charitable institutions placed under a family and community set up by 2032.

In his speech read on his behalf by Secretary for Directorate of Children Services Shem Nyakutu during celebrations to mark foster care week in Murang'a, Motari said the care reforms would ensure children get the required social benefits and privileges by being brought in a family and community setting.

"The National Care Reform for Children is a key step in fulfilling Kenya's international commitments, including the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child and the African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of Children," the PS stated.

"By shifting towards family-based care, we place the child's best interests at the forefront," he added.

Motari revealed that since the government started implementing care reforms in 2022, more than 1,600 foster parents have been registered and are currently caring for 862 children.

"We are committed to enhancing the welfare of children by transitioning to a system where every child can grow safely within a family and community setting," he noted.

The PS said together with other partners, Kenya has developed a range of family-based options such as kinship care, Kafala, foster care, guardianship, and adoption.

"These efforts aim to

ensure that all children in need of care and protection are placed within a loving family and environment," he added.

Motari noted that there is a shortage of families willing to foster children with disabilities and special needs.

The ministry therefore is intensifying efforts on sensitization and training to reduce stigma around fostering such children.

"We are accelerating efforts in awareness, recruitment and assessment to make foster care more accessible and efficient; this calls for intensified training on foster care," he remarked.

Nyatuku, on his part, discouraged informal adoption practices, urging parents to follow the government's official guidelines for fostering children.

Head of Alternative Family Care at the Directorate of Children Services Lloyd Isadia noted that most people who were fostering children have not registered with the government.

He emphasized that registration helps the government keep accurate records of children in foster families and follow up on their social welfare.

"Sensitization programmes have encouraged more parents to take in children temporarily before they are connected with their families. However, a number of them have yet to register with the government and we are calling on them to do so," he added.

Country Representative of UNICEF Kenya Catherine Kimotho lauded the government's efforts in ensuring rights and privileges of children are taken care of.

Ms. Kimotho said the country is among the first countries in Africa to implement care reforms that would ensure children are not brought up in charitable homes.

"UNICEF will continue to support the government's commitment in implementing the national care reforms. Successful implementation of the reforms will help to have all children have a family basis in their growth," she said.

EXPRESSION
OF INTEREST
(EOI)



EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR THE FEASIBILITY STUDY OF MAJOR HYDROPOWER PLANTS REHABILITATION

(OPEN INTERNATIONAL)

EOI REFERENCE: KGN-BDD-018-2024

The Kenya Electricity Generating Company PLC (KenGen) invites expressions of interest from eligible consultancy firms to conduct a Feasibility Study for the rehabilitation of its major hydropower plants.

1. BACKGROUND GENERAL INFORMATION

KenGen is the leading electric power producer in Kenya, accounting for 62% of the total electric power supplied to the National Grid, with a total installed capacity of 1,726.19 MW. This comprises Hydropower (825.69 MW), Geothermal (755 MW), Thermal (120 MW), and Wind (25.5 MW). KenGen manages nine major Hydropower Plants (HPPs) as tabulated below. These plants were constructed between 1954 and 2012, and their operational capabilities are critical to the stability and sustainability of Kenya's energy supply.

	Hydro Power Plant Name	Region	County	Installed Capacity (MW)	Year of Commissioning /Rehabilitation
1.	Tana	Upper Tana	Muranga	14.4/20**	1954/2011*
2.	Masinga	Eastern Hydros	Machakos	44	1981
3.	Kamburu	Eastern Hydros	Machakos	94.2	1974
4.	Gitaru	Eastern Hydros	Embu	225	1978
5.	Kindaruma	Eastern Hydros	Embu	44/72**	1968/2012*
6.	Kiambere	Eastern Hydros	Embu	144/168**	1988/2011*
7.	Turkwel	Western Hydros	West Pokot	106	1991
8.	Sondu Miriu	Western Hydros	Kisumu	60	2008
9.	Sangoro	Western Hydros	Kisumu	21.2	2012

With rising peak load demands and the increasing integration of intermittent renewable sources, KenGen plans to undertake a comprehensive feasibility study to assess the technical, economic, and financial viability of rehabilitating its major hydropower plants. This will facilitate the negotiation of a new Power Purchase Agreement (PPA) to extend the operational lifespan of these facilities.

2. SCOPE OF THE FEASIBILITY STUDY

The consulting services ("the Services") will be for an estimated period of 10 months. The scope of services includes but is not limited to the following:

- 1) Performance Evaluation: Analyse the operational performance of the major hydropower plants during the current PPA period, comparing initial assumptions with actual performance metrics.
- 2) System assessment to determine the suitability for rehabilitation based on the future plan (LCPDP)
- 3) Regulatory assessment to highlight the main regulatory changes and how to incorporate them into the new PPA
- 4) Condition Assessment: Evaluate the current condition of each power plant and identify specific rehabilitation requirements, including cost estimates for necessary upgrades.
- 5) Rehabilitation Strategy: Develop and recommend a rehabilitation schedule for each power plant, detailing expected enhancements in operational lifespan and performance, particularly in relation to ancillary services.
- 6) Financial and Economic Analysis: Conduct a detailed financial and economic assessment of the proposed new major hydro PPA, including the development of a tariff structure that meets revenue requirements.
- 7) Risk Analysis: Identify potential risks associated with the rehabilitation project and recommend suitable mitigation strategies.
- 8) Implementation Plan: Create a comprehensive project implementation plan that outlines timelines, milestones, and key performance indicators for monitoring progress.

3. ELIGIBLE FIRM PROFILE

Consultants responding to this EOI should be from an individual firm or a consortium (with one firm designated as the lead). The consultant team must have demonstrable experience in conducting feasibility studies for hydropower plant rehabilitation, including design, engineering, and project management. It is expected that foreign consulting firms will partner with local consultants to ensure capacity building and compliance with local content regulations.

4. EVALUATION CRITERIA

Shortlisted consulting firms will be selected based on detailed references (or letters of commendation) for successfully completed feasibility studies, along with certified CVs of key staff. Interested consultants must demonstrate the following minimum criteria:

- 1) Demonstrate experience in conducting feasibility studies for hydropower plant rehabilitation. A minimum of 10 years' experience in the design, engineering, and operation of hydropower plants.
- 2) Have undertaken at least one feasibility study assignment for a rehabilitated hydro power plant of at least 100MW which is in operation in the last 10 years
- 3) Availability of professional staff in key disciplines, including Hydropower Engineering, Financial Analysis, Hydrology, and Risk Management.
- 4) Detailed CVs of key team members must be attached.

Selection will follow the Quality and Cost-Based Selection (QCBS) method as set forth by KenGen.

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

5. DOCUMENTS TO BE SUBMITTED

Interested firms must submit the following documentation:

- a) Evidence demonstrating that the firm(s) meets the requirements outlined in sections 3.0 and 4.0.

- b) Certificate of Incorporation/Registration.
- c) Certified copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association for all consortium members.
- d) A duly notarized Consortium Agreement (if applicable).
- e) Power of Attorney designating the Team Lead of the consortium (if applicable).
- f) Audited Financial Statements for the last three (3) years, including tax registration and compliance certificates.
- g) List of consultancy services related to hydropower rehabilitation undertaken in the last five years, with reference letters and project descriptions.
- h) Company profile, including roles of consortium members (if applicable).
- i) Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.
- j) Information regarding any current litigation involving the consulting firm, certified by a reputable law firm.

6. CLARIFICATIONS

Interested firms may submit requests for clarifications on this EOI up to ten (10) days before the submission deadline. Updates on this EOI will be posted on the KenGen website (<http://www.kengen.co.ke/tenders>).

Clarification requests should be directed to:

General Manager, Supply Chain
Kenya Electricity Generating Company PLC,
KenGen RBS Building, 9th Floor next to Stima Plaza III,
Kolobot Road, Parklands
P.O. Box 47936 - 00100,
Nairobi, Kenya.
Tel: +254-20-3666427 / +254-20-3666421
Email: tenders@kengen.co.ke
CC: mogonji@kengen.co.ke; fkamanja@kengen.co.ke

7. EOI SUBMISSION

Three (3) copies of the EOI must be submitted—ONE (1) "ORIGINAL" marked as such, and TWO (2) marked "COPY" in separate sealed envelopes. Each envelope should be clearly marked: KGN-BDD-018-2024 - EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) FOR CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR THE FEASIBILITY STUDY OF MAJOR HYDROPOWER PLANTS REHABILITATION and submissions should be delivered to:

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Kenya Electricity Generating Company PLC,
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Kolobot Road, Parklands
P. O. Box 47936 - 00100,
Nairobi, Kenya.
Tel: + 254 20 3666708; Fax: +254 20 248848

Deadline for submission: **26th November 2024 at 10.00 a.m.**

The EOI will be opened on **26th November 2024 at 10.30 a.m.** in the presence of representatives from interested firms.

The EOI can also be viewed and downloaded from the KenGen website: www.kengen.co.ke. Bidders are advised to be checking the websites from time to time up to three (3) days before closing date for any updated information through clarification/addendum.

The bid document must be dropped in the tender box located on the ground floor of Stima Plaza Phase III.

Only firms prequalified under this procedure will be invited to submit proposals. KenGen reserves the right to accept or reject any or all applications.

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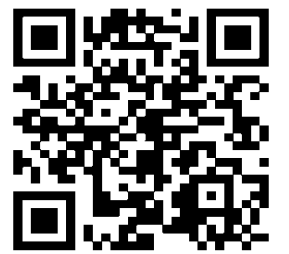
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Turkana cultural dancers during the Tobung'u Lore Cultural Festival

TOURISM

A blend of culture and tourism

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COUNTY SPOTLIGHT



TURKANA COUNTY
77,597.8 km²
It is Kenya's largest county by land area



Affordable housing driving up economic renewal in counties

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CULTURE

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Beatrice Ekam, a local guide, highlighted the significance of Turkana homes, which are predominantly built by women using materials sourced from local resources. They use a special tree known as esekon and grass (angolia) to construct their family homes.

The homes reflect the community's cultural identity, with different types of dwellings serving distinct purposes. For instance, *ekol* is a hut primarily used for resting, while *ataboa* is designed for sleeping at night and features a smaller door for added privacy. This attention to functionality and privacy demonstrates the community's understanding of the needs of its members.

In addition to residential structures, the Turkana community constructs kitchens, animal shelters and bathrooms using similar materials.

A typical homestead is well-fenced using poles and thorny shrubs, providing safety for both family members and livestock against predators such as hyenas.

Cultural practices extend beyond architecture. The striking beads worn by Turkana women and men, known as ngakoroumuwa, are a significant part of their attire, Jepher Ekoni, a guide. These beads are meticulously crafted and signify different social statuses and occasions. The ornamentation varies across



President William Ruto enjoys a Turkana dance at Tobong'u Lore festival.

INFOBOX

TURKANA TOURISM SITES

- TURKANA BOY:** A significant fossil discovery dating back 1.6 million years, providing insights into early human life.
- LAKE TURKANA:** The world's largest permanent desert lake, known for its striking beauty.
- NATURAL LANDMARKS:** Includes Lomolok, Nabagia, and Namurutunga Hills, offering breath-taking views.
- KAPEDO WATERFALL:** A picturesque hidden gem featuring hot springs.
- LOTIKIPI PLAINS:** Noted for its sparse desert vegetation and unique landscapes.
- MOUNT KULAL:** Recognised by UNESCO for its distinct flora and fauna.
- TURKWEI GORGE:** A deep gorge created by the Turkwei River, providing stunning scenery and vital resources.
- NASOLOT NATIONAL RESERVE:** A sanctuary for diverse wildlife, offering opportunities for game safaris, bird watching, and nature walks.



INSET: A Turkana woman in her traditional wear

the regions of the county, with each smaller Turkana community using specific colours and styles that reflect their unique identity. For example, married women wear distinct bead patterns from unmarried women, while men have their own styles of adornment.

When it comes to daily life, the Turkana people are pastoralists, and their diet primarily consists of milk (*ng'akile*), boiled or smoked meat (*akiring*), blood and various wild fruits, alongside fish and ugali made from sorghum.

The community's reliance on livestock influences their culinary practices, with milk being a staple food and used in various

forms. Ekam elaborated on traditional cooking utensils, including *etwo*, a gourd covered with cowhide to preserve milk, and *akalaboch*, a wooden cooking spoon used for preparing and serving meals. Another traditional cooking pot, *atuba* or *ngatubai*, is crafted from special wood and serves to keep food warm, demonstrating the community's ingenuity in utilising available resources.

The festival provided tourists with an opportunity to engage directly with the Turkana culture, where many appreciated the unique traditions and practices that are on the verge of extinction.

The Kenya Tourism Board reported a significant rise in tourism earnings in the first half of 2024, with a 21.3 per cent increase to Sh142.5 billion. This growth was fuelled by an influx of international visitors, reaching 1.02 million compared to 847,810 the previous year.

The recovery of the tourism sector has been noteworthy, steadily improving since 2023 and surpassing pre-Covid levels. In 2023, earnings reached a record Sh354.2 billion, bolstered by an increase in visitor numbers to about 2 million. Such figures highlight the sector's resilience and its potential to contribute significantly to the national economy.

Beyond cultural tourism, the Tobong'u Lore festival has also played a crucial role in promoting peace among communities in the region, particularly among the Turkana of Kenya, the Toposa of South Sudan and the Karamojong of Uganda.

President William Ruto acknowledged the importance of cultural events in fostering unity and reducing conflict over resources, particularly in a region that has historically seen tensions over access to pasture and water.

President Ruto emphasised that the cultural festival brings together communities that have long experienced conflict, adding, "Through diverse cultural activities, we will promote peace and unity among the communities. This will help stop insecurity and foster cohesion."

In recognition of the festival's impact, the Government will invest Sh49 million annually

to enhance its capacity to promote tourism and peace.

The President further announced that the Government would establish a museum and science park in Turkana County, aimed at promoting research and attracting tourists interested in the region's historical significance as the "cradle of mankind." This initiative is expected to boost the local economy and create more opportunities for residents.

Turkana Governor Jeremiah Lomoruikai pledged to improve the festival and ensure it attracts a larger audience in the future. He highlighted the potential for cultural tourism to elevate the region's profile and provide sustainable economic opportunities for its inhabitants.

The Government's support for such initiatives reflects a broader understanding of the importance of cultural tourism as a vehicle for economic development. As more tourists are drawn to the unique cultural experiences offered by festivals like Tobong'u Lore, local communities stand to benefit from increased visibility and recognition.

Furthermore, the integration of cultural tourism with peace-building initiatives underscores a strategic approach to addressing historical conflicts. By fostering interactions between communities that have previously clashed, the festival not only promotes cultural exchange but also builds bridges that can lead to lasting peace.

The rise in cultural tourism in Turkana has prompted investments in infrastructure development. Improved roads, enhanced communication networks and better hospitality services are essential for accommodating the growing number of visitors. Such developments are not only benefiting tourists but also improving the quality of life for local residents, providing them with access to essential services and economic opportunities.

As the festival continues to grow, it is crucial to preserve the authenticity of Turkana culture while adapting to the demands of a modern tourism market. This balance ensures that the benefits of tourism are equitably shared among community members, fostering a sense of ownership and pride in their cultural heritage.

Engagement with local stakeholders is essential in this process. Community members, including artisans, musicians and performers, should have a platform to show case their talents and share their stories. By empowering locals, the tourism sector can create a more sustainable and inclusive model that prioritises the voices and needs of the community.

Ultimately, the future of tourism in Kenya, particularly in regions like Turkana, lies in embracing and showcasing the diverse cultures and traditions that make the country unique.

By fostering an environment of peace, promoting cultural heritage and investing in infrastructure, Kenya can ensure that its tourism sector continues to thrive, benefiting both its economy and its people.

The Tobong'u Lore Cultural Festival stands as a testament to the potential of cultural tourism to transform communities, create jobs, and drive economic growth while nurturing the rich Kenyan heritage. ■

TELLING THE STORY

KYEB joins Woman rep in assisting juakali artisans

Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board CEO Lilian Kimeto joined Homa Bay Woman Representative, Dr Joyce Bensouda Osogo, and other leaders at the launch of the first Homa Bay Juakali Artisan Day at the Kendu Bay Showground in Karachuonyo Constituency on Friday, November 1, 2024.

The event was aimed at empowering local artisans and Micro and Small Enterprises (MSE) by providing a platform to showcase their craft, offer essential resources and promote skill development.

Ms Kimeto presented Bensouda

with a collection of books, symbolising KYEB's dedication to publishing the stories of development and transformation within Homa Bay County and across Kenya.

In her address, Ms Bensouda called upon all MSEs in Homa Bay County to participate actively in juakali activities. She emphasised the importance of networking, capacity building and acquiring entrepreneurial skills for business expansion and sustainability.

The exhibition also provided a training platform for MSEs, offering insights on business scaling



Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board CEO Lilian Kimeto (centre) presents KYEB publications to Homa Bay Women Rep, Hon Bensouda (left). On the right is KYEB Procurement Officer, John Onditi. INSET: KYEB banner displayed during the event.



and opportunities to connect with fellow entrepreneurs.

During the event, artisans displayed various handcrafted home equipment such as pads, sufurias and buckets.

Some of them benefitted from empowerment tools that would widen the scope of their work. These included fish coolers, motorcycles, water tanks, barber-shop and salon equipment such as shaving machines and chairs.

KYEB's presence at the event aligns with its mission to document the positive impact of National Government Affirmative Action Fund (NGAAF) backed projects, demonstrating how Government initiatives can improve economic and social progress. ■

Huduma Kenya partners with KSG for Service Excellence Training

In a strategic effort to improve public service delivery, officers from the Kenya School of Government (KSG) and Huduma Kenya participated in a week long Training of Trainers (ToT) workshop at KSG's Embu Campus. This initiative follows the signing of a Memorandum of Understanding on April 23, 2024, aimed at establishing standardised service delivery standards across the public sector. The workshop focused on the newly launched Customer Service Excellence (CSE) Training Framework, designed to

equip public servants with the skills needed to provide exceptional service to citizens. Huduma Kenya CEO Ben Kai Chilumo and KSG Director General Prof Nura Mohamed underscored the importance of this training and encouraged participants to promote the CSE principles in their departments. This collaborative effort reflects a growing commitment to citizen-focused service, empowering public servants to enhance efficiency and professionalism in delivering high-quality services to all Kenyans. ■



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Participants of the Trainer of Trainers workshop.

HOUSING

Affordable housing revs up economic activities in counties

The ripple effect of affordable housing is a boon to county economies as projects create jobs and transform lives

Affordable housing initiatives in various counties are rapidly reshaping the local economies, creating not only homes, but also vital job opportunities that are transforming lives. Aligned with the National Government's Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA), the initiative is designed to provide low cost, decent housing while simultaneously stimulating economic growth in the region.

There are over 124,000 housing units at various stages of completion across the country under Affordable Housing Programme (AHP), according to the State Department for Housing.

The projects span 75 active sites in 37 counties, covering all the eight regions of the nation.

The projects encompass affordable and social housing and institutional housing for the Kenya Defence Forces, National Police Service and Correctional Services. Further, there are projects to increase availability of student accommodation as well as a host of private sector driven AHP projects.

The projects are expected to deliver over 730,000 affordable homes over the next four years.

In Kwale County, for instance, which has faced a significant housing crisis exacerbated by rapid urbanisation and population growth, over 200 artisans have been engaged to supply ring-fenced items for projects.

These include the Kawili Jua Kali, Mwauli Jua Kali, and Kwale Township Jua Kali Associations, who are supplying wooden doors, steel fabricated doors and windows, balustrading, and kitchen cabinetry.

Local residents, from unskilled labourers to skilled trades people like masons and electricians, are benefiting from the surge in employment opportunities. This job growth, however, is not limited to the construction sector; it extends to other areas, such as transportation, hospitality and retail, as the influx of workers stimulates demand for goods and services. Families that were previously struggling are now able to secure stable incomes, enabling them to improve their quality of life.

Moreover, local businesses are reaping the benefits of this initiative. Small and medium enterprises supplying building materials—such as cement, sand, steel and paint—are seeing a rise in demand as the Government prioritises sourcing materials locally. This strategy not



Youth work at a construction site for affordable homes. INSET: President William Ruto inspects the construction of affordable homes.

only supports local suppliers but also creates a multiplier effect that enhances the overall economic landscape of Kwale County. As construction progresses, the local economy is experiencing sustained growth, driven by steady demand for materials and services.

In addition to immediate job creation, the affordable housing initiative is prompting the development of essential infrastructure. The construction of new homes necessitates the improvement of roads, schools, healthcare facilities and utilities, leading to increased investment in community services. Private developers are beginning to recognise the potential of Kwale's expanding housing market, further attracting business oppor-

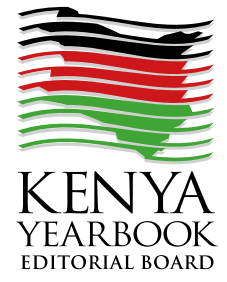
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200,000

The Government aims to build 200,000 affordable housing units annually, contributing to a broader strategy of improving living standards and economic prospects for all Kenyans.

tunities to the area. The affordable housing initiative is also empowering communities. New neighbourhoods are emerging, equipped with schools, markets, playgrounds and community centres that enhance the social fabric of Kwale.

And in Kibra, Nairobi County, the Soweto Highrise Fabricators and Woodworkers Association, along with the Jua Kali Contractors National Umbrella Organisation, have secured a sub-contract worth Sh720 million boosting job creation. Similarly in Ruiru, Kiambu County, the Ruiru Bypass Jua Kali Association, with over 200 members, is supplying the Ruiru Affordable Housing Project with over Sh100 Million worth of ring-fenced items. In total, the Government has ring-fenced Sh4.4 billion for MSME and Jua Kali clusters to produce goods and services for our housing projects. Besides economic empowerment, over 1,200 artisans from more than 12 AHP sites have been assessed and certified for Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL). The initiative, piloted for the first time at the Kibra and Ruiru AHP sites, provides formal certification for the significant skills and experience these artisans have gained informally. By ensuring that every Kenyan has access to affordable, quality housing, the Government is laying the groundwork for sustainable urban development. ■

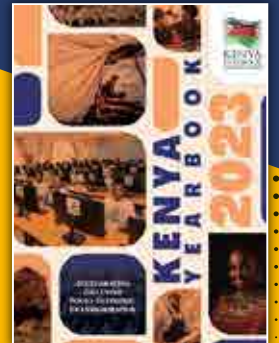


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Prof Kithure Kindiki takes oath of office as Kenya's Deputy President. Looking on (right) is the Second Lady, Prof Joyce Kindiki.

BELOW: President William Ruto presents a framed copy of the Constitution to the newly sworn in Deputy President, Prof Kithure Kindiki.



Prime Cabinet Secretary Musalia Mudavadi (second left) when he represented President William Ruto at a presidential dinner hosted by Burundi President Evariste Ndayishimiye in Kiriri, Burundi. INSET: Mr Mudavadi (left).



President William Ruto (left) when he hosted representatives from the Kenya Asian community at Statehouse to celebrate Diwali, the Festival of Lights.



Dr Margaret Ndung'u, the CS for Information, Communications and the Digital Economy (right) with her Tourism counterpart Rebecca Miano in Nairobi. They noted that Google will partner with the Government to enhance tourism conservation and grow economy.

Education CS lauds TVET's role in actualization of Vision 2030

BY JUSTUS ANZAYA (PCO)

Education Cabinet Secretary Julius Ogamba has praised Technical, Vocational Education, and Training (TVET) as a key pillar in the realization of the Government's Vision 2030 economic blueprint.

Speaking at the Kenya School of TVET during the release of the TVET Curriculum Development, Assessment, and Certification Council (TVET CDACC) July/August 2024 Competency-Based Education and Training (CBET) assessment results, Ogamba emphasized TVET's critical role in driving industrialization in Kenya.

"As the government works toward achieving Vision 2030, TVET plays an essential role in spurring industrialization, which is a significant step toward realizing this vision," Ogamba said.

The CS noted that with the ongoing implementation of Competency-Based Education and Training (CBET) in TVET institutions, the model is on a promising trajectory to equip Kenyan youth with practical skills, empowering them to contribute to Kenya's industrialization and support the Vision 2030



Education Cabinet Secretary Julius Ogamba on the right followed by Principal Secretary State Department for TVET Dr. Esther Muoria displaying TVET assessment results.

goals. The CS also highlighted the successful implementation of the Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) initiative, led by the Kenya National Qualifications Authority (KNQA), as a testament to the effective adoption of CBET in Kenya.

"This initiative has integrated many skilled but uncertified Kenyans into the skills qualification system, proving to be an invaluable tool for inclusivity and opportunity for Kenyans," he added.

Ogamba at same time added that the government has implemented several key initiatives designed to strengthen the TVET sector,

widen access to TVET as well as to improve the quality of programs in TVET institutions. To ensure that TVET programs remain relevant to the evolving technological changes in the market, the CS said that the government has continued to partner with various industries in curriculum development, assessment, industrial practice and continuous curriculum reviewing.

"These partnerships are instrumental in bridging the gap between education and employment at the same time helping our educational institutions to solve the historical skills mismatch that industries have for along

time been complaining of," the CS said.

He said that the government through the TVET CDACC has developed over 400 competency-based curricula and all of them have been developed in close consultation with industry experts to ensure that every skill taught in TVET institutions is directly applicable to the real-world job roles.

He said in the July/August 2024 CBET assessment results across 252 TVET assessment centers in the country, a total of 59,575 candidates were assessed in 226 qualifications across all levels with 2,929 units of competency.

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7,500 acres to be irrigated in Lower Nzoia project

The construction of the second phase of the multi-billion-shilling Lower Nzoia Irrigation Project will begin soon following the completion of Phase One, Principal Secretary for Irrigation Ephantus Kimotho has announced. According to Kimotho, Phase Two of the project, which is expected to take eight months, will irrigate 7,500 acres of land.

"This is a very impactful project that will help the country address its rice deficit," said the Principal Secretary, who led a team from the Ministry of Irrigation and the National Irrigation Authority on a tour of the project. He was accompanied by Budalang'i Member of Parliament Raphael Wanjala. He stated that the country currently faces a deficit of 700,000 metric tons of rice and has developed a plan to mitigate this through various irrigation initiatives.

"We have devised a rice plan that anticipates irrigation projects in the Nyanza and Western regions, specifically the Lower Nzoia Irrigation Project, to produce 30 percent of the deficit," he said. Kimotho called for close collaboration

between the national and county governments to achieve this goal, adding that devolved governments should encourage their extension workers to continue supporting farmers.

For his part, Wanjala urged the speedy completion of the project to help rice farmers in Bunyala reduce their operational costs. He explained that once completed, farmers would no longer need to pump water from the River Nzoia using costly electricity; instead, they would obtain water through gravity.

The legislator further urged the government to ensure that the second phase of the project includes the construction of a rice mill, noting that local farmers are incurring significant losses by transporting their harvest to Kisumu for milling.

Busia County Secretary Oscar Juma, stated that the county government is ready to partner with the national government and other stakeholders to ensure the project's success. He supported the calls for the construction of a rice mill and more drying facilities,
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PWD's in Nyamira receive assistive devices from donor

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People with disabilities (PWDs) in Nyamira County have received assistive devices to help them move independently and with ease.

This support comes from a public-private partnership (PPP) involving the Rani Ramchandani Initiative, the ECAP organization, and the County Government of Nyamira.

Vincent Cheruiyot from the Rani Ramchandani Initiative Kenya said that Rani's philanthropic gesture, through its initiative to donate assistive devices—including wheelchairs, arm and elbow crutches, and white canes—will enable many vulnerable PWDs



Beneficiaries in Nyamira County who have received assistive devices to aid ease mobility courtesy of Rani Ramchandani Initiative.

in Nyamira to move independently, without the need to be carried, physically supported, or guided.

"Apart from providing assistive devices to people with disabilities, Rani's Initiative also offers a mentorship program for school-going children to encourage them to focus

on their studies and make wise choices when selecting careers, as these decisions significantly impact their ability to navigate the already saturated job market," Mr. Cheruiyot explained.

Mr Morara Apiemi, the proprietor of Empowered Citizenry Against Poverty

(ECAP) organization which partners with Rani Ramchandani Initiative said he envisions a society where good governance will reign so that justice and inclusion of people with disability and those who are economically vulnerable can be empowered to equally appreciate their existence and bolster a sense of belonging within their societies.

"ECAP is ready to partner with individuals, organisations of like mind including government departments to create a strong synergy of helping those in need in society so that we can alleviate poverty," Apiemi said.

He confirmed that the County Government of Nyamira has promised that it will send a team of medical personnel to conduct physical assessments of people with disability at household level and register them because navigating to hospital to be assessed is a real challenge to them.

MV Ormiston Water Bus kicks-off operation in Lake Victoria

The entry of the MV Ormiston Water Bus into Lake Victoria waters, operating between Marega Beach in Budalangi and Sigulu Island in Uganda, is expected to promote trade and tourism in the region.

The vessel is safe and stable compared to the wooden canoes residents have been using for ages, exposing them to a high risk of drowning. One of the major areas of the blue economy and water tourism is water transport, and launching the MV Ormiston in Budalangi will make that a reality, said Busia Governor Dr. Paul Otuoma.

Otuoma, while launching the water bus, noted that communities around Lake Victoria will benefit more from the lake transport system and assured them of the county government's support.

"You cannot be traveling for nothing; you must be

traveling for something, either touring or doing business. We want to develop lake transport. We want to see tourism, trade and see the business grow, that is the only way we will grow and create wealth," Governor Otuoma said.

In the spirit of East Africa integration, the leaders present applauded the coming of the vessel into the lake, adding that it would ease the movement of goods and people across the two countries, calling for more water buses to explore various habitable islands in Lake Victoria. Present was Budalangi Member of Parliament, Raphael Wanjala, his Funyula counterpart Dr. Oundo Mudenyo, and other political leaders from Namaingo District in Uganda.

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