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BY VICTORIA NJERI (PCO)

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Principal Secretary for Investment Promotion, Abubakar Hassan, urged livestock farmers to apply for the funds, which will support ongoing vaccination and livestock breeding pro-

grammes across the country.

"These funds will be provided to farmers through the state-owned Agricultural Finance Corporation (AFC), a development finance institution that offers accessible financial services and credit facilities to support agricultural development," said Abubakar. He explained that the funds, including the recent allocation of Sh5 billion from the government and development partners, will be disbursed through

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Sh15 billion

The leather industry's value in Kenya was reported to be around KES 15 billion in 2023, by the Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (KNBS)



17%

According to the Kenya National Bureau of Statistics (KNBS) the dairy industry's economic value in 2023 was estimated to be around 3.8% of Kenya's total national GDP and 17% of the agricultural GDP.

The Week In numbers

500,000

Farmers that the Ministry of Agriculture aims to enlist into the Kenya Integrated Agriculture Management Information System (KIAMIS) in a nationwide two-week farmer registration exercise

Sh5.3b

Accrued interest on Settlement Fund Trust the Government has waived, offering relief to thousands of Kenyans awaiting title deeds.

90 million

Value of three water pans The Coast Development Authority (CDA) will construct to address persistent water scarcity in Fafi Constituency, Garissa County.

1,200

Number of households connected to electricity in Kangema constituency, Murang'a County

3

Number of days it will take Kenyans to acquire IDs under the new digital system

355

Hardy Galla goatss small-scale farmers in Lunga Lunga Sub-County of Kwale have received from the county government



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Farmers to access Sh5b for dairy, meat growth

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wholesale lending, where AFC will provide loans at low interest rates. “The AFC uses various models, including a revolving fund and co-guaranteeing with Microfinance Institutions (MFIs) and SACCOs, to support smallholder farmers and priority sub-sectors,” Abubakar added. Speaking during a visit to the Witu Livestock Cooperative Society Ltd, which operates a dairy facility with a capacity of 5,000 litres of milk per day, Abubakar pledged government support to attract investors to develop the cooperative’s 25,000 acres of idle land to expand value addition in the livestock sector. On his part, State Department for Cooperatives Principal Secretary, Patrick Kilemi, underscored the importance of the cooperative movement in driving rural economic prosperity.

“We want to ensure Lamu farmers are part of the national 10-billion-litre dairy initiative. The Ministry will deliver a 5,000-litre solar-powered milk cooler to the Witu Livestock Cooperative Society and facilitate a benchmarking visit to Meru, home to one of Africa’s largest dairy processors,” he announced. Abubakar also highlighted government efforts to de-risk investments and support farmers through the Kenya Development Corporation (KDC) and the



Principal Secretary for Investment Promotion Abubakar Hassan Abubakar (fourth from left, front row) together with his Cooperative counterpart PS Patrick Kilemi standing to his left joined officials of the Witu Livestock Cooperative Society for a group photo

Agricultural Finance Corporation (AFC). “With subsidized inputs, credit facilities, and synchronized spraying programmes, we are laying the foundation for a textile industry that reduces fabric imports and maximizes local value addition,” he said.

Kilemi further noted that cotton by-products could benefit farmers by serving as livestock feed to increase milk yields. “We are also addressing land use issues and encouraging local farmers to join SACCOs to access affordable credit and collective bargaining power,” he added, noting that ongoing negotiations under AGOA with

the United States could open new export opportunities. Agriculture Principal Secretary (PS) Dr. Kiprono Ronoh said the two-week exercise will ensure farmers across the country benefit from digitized services that enhance agricultural productivity and open up global market opportunities.

Speaking during the official launch of the Rapid Results Initiative (RRI) Farmer Registration at Nyangiti Grounds in Mathioya Sub-County, Murang’a County, the PS emphasized that the programme would strengthen transparency, fairness, and accountability in the delivery of government support.

Government moves to calm fears ahead of Grade 10 transition



Education Cabinet Secretary (CS) Julius Ogamba speaking to the press in Embu County.

BY SAMUEL WAITITU (KNA)

The Government has affirmed its readiness for the Grade 10 transition in January 2026 under the Competency-Based Education (CBE) system, amid growing concerns from school heads and stakeholders over the level of preparedness.

The concerns raised include the adequacy of facilities, sustainable financing, teacher retooling in career pathways, and congestion.

Education Cabinet Secretary (CS) Julius Ogamba, however, dispelled the fears, saying the government was fully prepared to transition all Grade 9 learners

to Grade 10.

“The government is prepared to ensure a smooth transition, and learners are currently choosing their career pathways and schools,” he said.

Speaking at the University of Embu grounds during the opening of the 6th Edition of the Evidence in East Africa (EE4A) Biennial Conference, the CS said the transition to Grade 10 would be easier than the earlier move to Grade 9, which was more difficult due to inadequate infrastructure.

“We had to construct 23,000 classrooms to ensure Grade 9 learners were properly accommodated,” he noted, adding that the transition to Grade 10 will face no such challenges, since last year there was no Form One class and those moving to Grade 10 will occupy those spaces.

He said that the new CBE Senior Secondary phase focusses on developing learners’ intellectual abilities through introduction of a more personalized and holistic approach to education.

This, he said, will be done by offering students the opportunity to pursue one of the three key pathways including Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM), Social Sciences or performing Arts and Sports.



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Kenyans to get IDs within three days under new digital system



Interior CS Kipchumba Murkomen (in cap) hands over a modern carwash machine to members of Highway Jikuzee Carwash, Kerugoya, alongside Governor Anne Waiguru.

Interior CS Kipchumba Murkomen issues an ID waiting card to a young woman at Kerugoya Huduma Centre, witnessed by Governor Anne Waiguru and other leaders.

BY DAVID WANDETO (KNA)

Kenyan citizens will soon enjoy faster and more accessible civil registration services following new government reforms aimed at easing the process of acquiring national identification cards, birth certificates, and other key documents.

Speaking during a security forum (Jukwaa la Usalama) in Kirinyaga, Interior Cabinet Secretary Kipchumba Murkomen

announced that the government is adopting digital technology to accelerate service delivery.

Under the reforms, new ID applicants will now receive their documents within three days, thanks to the digital processing of soft copies. The CS further assured that first-time applicants will not be charged any fees, reaffirming that access to identification is a constitutional right.

Murkomen noted that Kirinyaga currently has three civil

registration offices, with plans to open a fourth before the end of the year. He added that the long-term goal is to ensure every sub-county in Kenya has a registration office, saving citizens from long and costly journeys in search of essential services.

He also commended the establishment of 12 national government service stations in Kirinyaga where residents can already access IDs, adding that this aligns with the broader vision to even-

to bring government even closer to the people.

Alongside the reforms, the CS also handed over a modern carwash machine to Highway Jikuzee Carwash, a youth group of 10 supported by Kerugoya Ward MCA Erick Muchina. The group had been operating manually but will now benefit from improved efficiency and increased income.

"This is a clear example of how the Kenya Kwanza government is ensuring that every hustle matters," Murkomen said, encouraging young people to focus on building livelihoods instead of being lured into crime or political violence. He assured continued government support for initiatives that empower youth and uplift communities.

tually have a Huduma Centre in every sub-county nationwide.

Kirinyaga County Governor Anne Waiguru welcomed the reforms and praised the national government for embracing technology to speed up service delivery. She urged further devolution of services to the sub-county level



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DP unveils Sh3bn power plan, road, housing projects in Wajir

BY HAMDİ BUTHUL (KNA)

Deputy President Kithure Kindiki has assured residents of Wajir County that the government is committed to ending decades of marginalisation through accelerated investment in infrastructure, housing, power connectivity, and enterprise empowerment.

Speaking during the Wajir County Economic Empowerment Program at Orahey Grounds in Wajir East, Kindiki said the government has allocated Sh3 billion to the Last Mile Connectivity Programme, targeting 18,544 households for electricity access.

He added that the government is constructing eight modern Economic Stimulus Programme (ESP) markets across the county to boost trade and create jobs.

The Deputy President further explained that affordable housing projects are also underway, including student hostels in TVETs, teacher training colleges, and medical campuses.

He highlighted progress on the 750-kilometre Isiolo-Wajir-Mandera road, describing it as the longest road project ever undertaken by the government since independence. Once complete, he said, the road will transform trade and ease movement across the region.



Deputy President Kithure Kindiki speaking during the Wajir County Economic Empowerment Program at Orahey Grounds in Wajir East.

PHOTO BY HAMDİ BUTHUL

To address frequent electricity shortages, the government is implementing a hybrid power generation programme combining solar and diesel plants in Eldas, Habaswein, Merti, and Elwak.

At the same time, Kindiki reiterated that the government has scrapped the discriminatory vetting processes previously required for residents of Northern Kenya to acquire national identity cards and other citizenship documents.

"We are one country. There should be no form of discrimination. The people of Northern

Kenya deserve equal treatment like all other Kenyans," he affirmed.

He further noted that supporting women- and youth-led SACCOs is central to the administration's agenda of strengthening small-scale businesses and unlocking the economic potential of the region.

The event was attended by Wajir Governor Ahmed Abdullahi, Chairman of the Council of Governors, Majority Leader Kimani Ichung'wah, MPs from Wajir and neighbouring counties, and local leaders.

Kenya unveils Africa broadband mapping project to bridge digital divide

BY WENDY SHEILLA (KNA)

Kenya has reaffirmed its commitment to bridging the digital divide with the launch of the Africa Broadband Mapping Systems Project (BPMAPS), a continental initiative aimed at enhancing data-driven planning and investment in digital infrastructure.

The launch, held in Nairobi, was presided over by Principal Secretary for Broadcasting and Telecommunications, Stephen Isaboke, who praised the partnership between the Government of Kenya, the European Union (EU), the International Telecommunications Union (ITU), and the Communications Authority of Kenya (CA).

Isaboke noted that the initiative marks a significant milestone not only for Kenya but also for the wider region and the continent, given its potential to transform Africa's digital future.

He emphasized that broadband connectivity is no longer a luxury but a necessity, describing it as a critical driver of socio-economic transformation that powers innovation, education, healthcare, entrepreneurship, and social inclusion.

"The government has placed broadband connectivity at the core of the National Digital Mas-



PS for Broadcasting and Telecommunications Stephen Isaboke, delivers his remarks during the launch of the Africa Broadband Mapping Systems Project in Nairobi.

terplan and the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda. We are committed to ensuring that no community is left behind in accessing the opportunities brought about by digitalization," affirmed the PS.

Speaking at the event, Communications Authority of Kenya Director General (DG), David Mugonyi, underscored the importance of broadband in accelerating national growth portraying broadband as the engine of economic growth, social inclusion and national resilience.

"Anyone standing in the way of digital transformation is an enemy of progress. For too long, Africa's greatest enemy has been the digital divide, and we must confront it with data and action," Mugonyi remarked.



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The Communications Authority of Kenya (CA) is the regulatory agency for the ICT industry in Kenya with responsibilities in telecommunications, cyber security, e-commerce, broadcasting and postal/courier services. The CA is also responsible for managing the country's numbering and frequency spectrum resources, administering the Universal Service Fund (USF) as well as safeguarding the interests of users of ICT services. In addition, the Authority facilitates trade in ICT by clearing permits for type-approved imported equipment through the Kenya Trade Network Agency (KenTrade) National Single Window System (TradeNet System/Trade Facilitation Platform).

In line with the global digital migration agenda, Kenya transitioned from analogue to digital terrestrial broadcasting in 2015 and adopted the DVB-T2 standard to provide improved signal quality, more efficient spectrum use, and access to a wider range of broadcasting services.

To uphold technical integrity, consumer protection, and regulatory compliance, the Authority has published minimum technical specifications for DVB-T2 receivers, effective July 1st, 2025. In this regard, all DVB-T2 receivers – including Integrated Receiver Decoders (IRDs), TV sets with integrated IRDs, and Conditional Access Modules (CAMs) – must be Type Approved by the Authority before their importation, sale, or use in Kenya.

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Pursuant to the provisions of Section 116 (1) and (2)(b) of the Wildlife Conservation and Management Act, Cap. 376 and the Statutory Instruments Act, Cap. 2A the Cabinet Secretary for Tourism and Wildlife prepared the proposed Wildlife Conservation and Management (Access and Conservation) (Fees) Regulations, 2025.

The proposed Regulations provide for fees payable for access and conservation of national parks, national reserves, national marine parks, national marine reserves and national sanctuaries.

In compliance with the Constitution of Kenya, 2010 and the Statutory Instruments Act, Cap. 376, the proposed Regulations and their attendant Regulatory Impact Statement have undergone public participation and involvement process.

Further in compliance with Section 8A of the Statutory Instruments Act, Cap. 2A the notification of the regulatory impact statement on the regulations was published vide **Kenya Gazette Notice (Special Issue) No. 9267** dated **9th July, 2025**. Public notices were also published on **15th July, 2025**. The Public Notice was further broadcast on KBC Radio Taifa and Radio Citizen on the same date.

The comments, views and input from tourism and wildlife stakeholders, members of the public and all interested parties have been considered and the draft regulations are now ready for validation prior to official publication in the Kenya Gazette. Accordingly, tourism and wildlife stakeholders, members of the public and all interested parties are invited to attend a stakeholder validation forum for the Wildlife Conservation and Management (Access and Conservation) (Fees) Regulations, 2025 and its attendant Regulatory Impact Statement.

The forum will be held on **11th September, 2025** at **Kenyatta International Convention Centre, KICC (Amphitheatre)** starting **9.00am**.

The Regulations and Regulatory Impact Statement can be accessed free of charge on the ministry website www.tourism.go.ke, the Kenya Wildlife Service website www.kws.go.ke and at all the offices of Kenya Wildlife Service-managed national parks, reserves, stations and sanctuaries country wide.

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(From left): United States Trade Representative (USTR), Ambassador Jamieson Greer, with Cabinet Secretary for Investments, Trade and Industry, Lee Kinyanjui, during Kenya-US trade talks in Washington, D.C.

BY NAIIF RASHID (KNA)

Kenya and the United States have taken a major step toward a reciprocal trade agreement following discussions in Washington, D.C., between Cabinet Secretary for Investments, Trade and Industry Lee Kinyanjui and U.S. Trade Representative (USTR) Ambassador Jamieson Greer.

The talks build on earlier engagements between the two governments, including discussions led by Prime Cabinet Secretary Musalia Mudavadi

and previous consultations between Kinyanjui and Ambassador Greer.

In his remarks, Kinyanjui underscored Kenya's commitment to deepening its strategic ties with the United States through a mutually beneficial framework.

"Kenya is deeply interested in the commencement of formal negotiations with the United States Government. A reciprocal trade agreement is crucial for securing long-term access to the U.S. market for Kenyan products and will provide the stability needed to unlock new

investments," he said.

The Cabinet Secretary further noted that several American firms had already expressed interest in setting up or expanding operations in Kenya, adding that the proposed trade agreement would help drive sustained growth.

He also conveyed President William Ruto's message of goodwill, reaffirming Kenya's dedication to strengthening bilateral trade and investment.

Ambassador Greer welcomed Kenya's approach and pledged U.S. support for a balanced

agreement that would benefit both economies.

"We applaud Kenya's focus on strengthening trade with the United States. Let's build a partnership that leverages the growth of the U.S. manufacturing sector while providing a market for Kenyan products that cannot be sourced locally," he said.

Bilateral trade between the two countries stood at about US\$1.5 billion in 2024, a figure both sides believe could expand significantly under a formal pact. The proposed agreement

is expected to broaden trade relations beyond existing frameworks, opening new opportunities for Kenyan exporters and investors while enhancing market access for American companies.

Officials at the Ministry of Investments, Trade and Industry said Kenya views the U.S. as a critical partner in its economic transformation agenda.

In addition to market access, Kenya is seeking investment in value addition, agro-processing, technology, and manufacturing to drive job creation and industrialization.

The move aligns with President Ruto's economic diplomacy strategy, which seeks to diversify export markets for Kenyan products while attracting sustainable foreign investment.

Analysts note that a reciprocal trade pact with Washington would provide predictability for exporters and help Kenya prepare for the eventual expiry of preferential frameworks such as the African Growth and Opportunity Act (AGOA). Delegations emphasised the importance of anchoring the partnership on a rules-based trade framework.

Kenyan officials stressed that the agreement should open doors for products ranging from textiles and apparel to agricultural exports, while U.S. representatives highlighted the potential for expanded investment in Kenya's infrastructure and services sectors.

The outcome of the discussions was a commitment by both sides to initiate the process of negotiating a reciprocal trade agreement, with technical teams expected to begin consultations in the coming months.

The Kenyan delegation included Principal Secretary for Trade, Ms. Regina Ombam, Kenya's Ambassador to the US, David Kerich, Deputy Chief of Mission, Amb. Christopher Kirigua, and senior technical officials from the ministry.

Murang'a households to benefit from new electricity connections

BY BERNARD MUNYAO AND CATHERINE KAMUNYO (KNA)

The Government is strengthening its commitment to expand electricity access in Murang'a County with the goal of achieving 100 percent connectivity by 2030.

To this end, Principal Secretary for Energy, Alex Wachira, toured Njambi Road and Thirikwa villages in Kangema Constituency, where he launched new transformers to boost the local power supply.

Speaking during the launch, the PS assured residents that the government has allocated Sh1.2 billion to connect 16,075 households across Murang'a County by the end of this year, with Sh109 million set aside to

connect more than 1,200 households in Kangema Sub-county.

"Our goal is to achieve universal access to electricity by 2030. Initiatives such as installing transformers and expanding household connections are crucial steps towards this objective," said Wachira, who was accompanied by Kangema MP Peter Kihungi and Murang'a County Woman Representative Betty Maina.

However, he expressed concern over vandalism, describing it as one of the biggest challenges facing power infrastructure. "These transformers are here to serve you. When they are vandalized or stolen, it is the community that suffers most, as replacing them takes time and incurs huge costs. I urge



Principal Secretary for Energy Alex Wachira helps a family to switch on light. The household is one of the beneficiaries of power connection in Kangema constituency.

residents and security officers to work together to curb these cases," he appealed.

On the other hand, Kihungi lauded the government's commitment to bringing electric power to rural communities.

"Our people have been in darkness for too long, and that

has kept us behind economically. Today we are already at 80 percent connectivity in Kangema, which is good progress, and I look forward to achieving full connectivity by 2027," he asserted.

George Mwangi, a resident of Njambi Road village and one

of the newly connected beneficiaries, noted that access to electricity would ease many daily struggles for his family, from household chores to supporting his children's education. "We used to walk close to three kilometers just to charge our phones. Now, with electricity at home, life will be easier and our children will study comfortably without relying on kerosene lamps," He added.

The electrification programme is expected to spur economic activities, improve education and healthcare services, and enhance security in Kangema Sub County. It also forms part of the Last Mile Connectivity Project, supported by development partners including the African Development Bank, JICA, and the European Investment Bank.

Currently, Kenya's national electricity access stands at about 79 percent, up from 37 percent in 2013, with the remaining 21 percent gap mostly in rural areas.

Government steps up use of science, innovation to enhance food security

BY ESTHER MWANGI (KNA)

The Government is stepping up efforts to harness science, technology, and innovation (STI) to boost food security and strengthen resilience against climate change.

Principal Secretary (PS) for Science, Research, and Innovation, Prof. Abdulrazak Shaukat, said the government has unveiled five key shifts to drive progress. These include focusing on national agricultural missions, ensuring research delivers practical solutions, building strong talent pipelines, strengthening partnerships, and blending public and private financing to commercialize innovations.

The PS cited renewable energy innovations such as solar, wind, biofuel, hydropower, and geothermal energy, which, together with community-based initiatives like reforestation and innovative waste management systems, could greatly help protect land, water, and vegetation.

These efforts, he added, could ensure a healthier environment that serves as the foundation for transforming agri-food systems. He noted that before, during, and after natural disasters, technology and innovation facilitate anticipatory and responsive actions, build resilience, and advance rural transformation—ultimately ensuring a better life for smallholders and vulnerable communities.

Prof. Shaukat, who was speaking during the Kenya National Research Festival (KNRF) held at Egerton University in Njoro, said agriculture sector remained a key employer, with the potential for youth engagement through innovative technologies and practices such as



A section of experts who delivered research papers at the just concluded second edition of the National Research Festival (NRF) held at Egerton University.

digital farming, agro-processing, and sustainable agriculture.

Exhibitions and research presentations made during the Kenya National Research Festival (KNRF), revolved around ways and means of addressing food security and nutrition, climate change challenges, affordable housing, health, economic resilience, and technological adoption in the country.

Prof. Shaukat urged stakeholders participating in the research festival to move beyond “projects” and instead focus on bold missions that could turn research into real-world solutions.

He said Food security was not only about avoiding hunger, but was about dignity, competitive-

ness, and creating opportunities for all farmers and innovators.

“When a farmer in Makueni doubles yields with drought-tolerant seeds, or when youth use solar cold-chains to cut post-harvest losses, that is research with impact,” he stated. The PS added that youth-led initiatives, such as mobile apps for agricultural advice, precision farming using drones and sensors, and e-commerce platforms for agricultural products, were reshaping farming and offering new pathways to economic empowerment.

Top scholars who led the Second Edition of the five-day festival, hailed the role of Scientific research and innovations in offering solutions to cotemporally

and global challenges, including food security, nutrition, waste management and climate change.

Experts from different fields who delivered research papers at the event concurred that despite agriculture’s key role in addressing the food security problem, the sector faces myriad challenges such as climate change, water scarcity, diminishing arable land, soil degradation and rural-urban migration.

To deal with the issue of food security, the scholars highlighted the importance of looking beyond policy actions to innovation.

In his presentation, National Research Fund (NRF) Chief Executive Officer Prof. Dickson

Andala, indicated that for Kenya to realize its ambitions on food security, a deliberate investment in technology, which facilitates access to relevant data, markets and financial services, was critical.

Prof. Andala said if properly harnessed research and innovation would enable agriculture to meet the United Nations’ SDG number two of ending hunger, achieving food security and improving nutrition and promoting sustainable agriculture.

This in turn could be the engine that fuels rural development, improves resilience to climate change, grows employment opportunities, and ultimately grows the economy, added the don.

Prof. Andala pointed out climate change, today, was the single biggest threat to finding a solution to food security in Africa, adding that it will only be through an integrated approach, harnessing local innovations and technology to build resilience to the impact of climate change, that African countries would develop a sustainable green revolution.

Reports released in 2024 by the Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) of the United Nations show that an estimated 10.7 per cent of the global population, that is 864 million people, were food insecure.

Africa shouldered 58 per cent of these people. In Eastern Africa, the number is even higher as the number of food-insecure people has increased by 50 million since 2019, the Report further indicated. The Intergovernmental Authority on Development (IGAD) Regional Focus of the 2024 Global Report on Food Crises reveals that about 63 million people, or 25 per cent of the population in seven IGAD countries, are experiencing acute food insecurity in 2024.

The Sub-region is home to more than 50 per cent of Africa’s chronically hungry, yet its population share in Africa is barely 25 per cent.

Amidst these challenges, the NRF Chief Executive Officer said technology and innovation harbored tools that could accelerate the transformation of agri-food systems in the Sub-region, by making them more efficient, inclusive, resilient, and sustainable, leading to better production, better nutrition, a better environment, and a better life for all.

“The role of technology and innovation in revitalizing agriculture is emerging as a beacon of hope, offering new solutions to build resilience, improve productivity, and ensure food security and nutrition,” he stated.

Professor Andala elaborated that from drought-resistant seeds to smart irrigation systems, data-driven decision-making tools, drones, and satellite imagery, technological advancements could unlock new possibilities for farmers, herders, and food processors to achieve better production in both terrestrial and marine resources, without compromising nature.

Government to resume construction of stalled Suneka Airstrip in Kisii

BY MERCY OSONGO (KNA)

The Government is set to resume the construction of Suneka Airstrip in Kisii South Sub-County following fresh consultations with Gusii leaders.

Speaking after inspecting the facility, Education Cabinet Secretary Julius Ogamba confirmed that President William Ruto had directed leaders to review the status of the airstrip and facilitate the recommencement of works.

“The airstrip was decommissioned, but we are now recommissioning it under the President’s instructions so that this facility can begin operating here in Kisii,” said

Ogamba. He further revealed that Gusii leaders had met the President at State House a week earlier, where they agreed to revive a series of stalled projects.

The Suneka Airstrip was first rehabilitated in 2015 at a cost of Sh52 million, which covered the construction of a passenger lounge with a capacity of 200 people, a car park, toilets, a perimeter fence, and runway markings.

In 2020, the government allocated an additional Sh300 million for expansion to accommodate cargo and passenger airlines. However, the facility was decommissioned in August 2023 after President Ruto noted the available land was insufficient for further expansion by



Kisii County Governor Simba Arati (right) with Education Cabinet Secretary Julius Ogamba (second right) addressing the press after inspecting Suneka Airstrip in Kisii South Sub-County.

the Kenya Airports Authority (KAA). Once completed, the revived airstrip is expected to significantly boost trade and tourism in Southern Nyanza due to its proximity to Maasai Mara and Ruma National Parks.

Ogamba further disclosed that the ASK showground in Kisii town will be relocated to create space for a new state-of-

the-art stadium, which will also support learners pursuing Arts and Sports Science under the Competency-Based Curriculum.

The CS announced that Kisii Main Prison will also be moved to Nyanturago to allow the construction of affordable housing on its current 15-acre parcel.

Authority constructs Sh90 million water pans to address water scarcity in Fafi, Garissa

BY SADIK HASSAN (KNA)

The Coast Development Authority (CDA) has launched the construction of three water pans, valued at Sh90 million, to address persistent water scarcity in Fafi Constituency, Garissa County.

The vagaries of climate change have affected both humans and livestock in equal measure, and the construction of the three water pans in Kaltum, Gure and Hiribei in the vast constituency is a timely intervention.

Kaltum and Gure water pans, each costing Sh20 million, will be a big relief to the residents who usually trek for kilometres in pursuit of water. Kaltum and Gure have a capacity of 20,000 cubic meters, while Hiribae costing Sh50M has a capacity of 80,000 cubic meters. Speaking during the

handover of the water pan sites to the constructors, CDA Chairman Mzee Mwinyi said they have initiated several impactful projects under the drought mitigation scheme in the constituency, and by the end of the year, a total of eight projects will have been rolled out. He noted that Fafi is one of the largest constituencies in the country, and CDA had in the past constructed a Sh142 million mega earth fill dam at Galma Gala that has spurred economic development, and talks are ongoing to elevate the area to a Sub-County.

“That tells the impact of having these water projects in these areas. This is a very ARID area; it is evident you can see it, and water is something that is needed in this area,” said the Chairman, extolling the Head of State for allocating funds for the projects.

The Chairman also called for more political support for more projects to be initiated in the sparsely populated expansive sub-county.

“We need more resources, more funding, so that we can have more projects to the benefit of the livestock and for the people to get clean water for their domestic use,” stated the Chairman, affirming CDA’s commitment to improving the lives of the people of the Coast region and the lower part of Garissa.

CDA Acting Managing Director Dr. Mwanasiti Bendera thanked the area MP, Salah Yakub, for collaborating with the Authority by ensuring the constituents benefit from the development agenda of the government.

Dr Bendera noted that CDA has received funding for drought mitigation projects to establish nine strategic water facilities across



Coast Development Authority team led by Chairman, Mzee Mwinyi, during the handing over of the Gure water pan. PHOTOS BY HANIEL MENGISTU/KNA

the region. In Fafi, three water pan projects: Kaltum, Gure and Hiribei have been handed over to constructors. “All these water pans are to ensure that there is adequate water for the people of Fafi constituency, specifically for domestic use and livestock. Fafi is an ARID area where we have water scarcity issues, and the community is pastoralist. They normally walk long distances to get water for their livestock.” The area MP, she noted, is forced to do weekly water trucking using bowsters to ensure the commu-

nity get water. “The funding will ensure the community benefits from these projects and ensures that they have safe and potable water for use,” said the Ag. MD.

Fafi CDF Chairman Abdrihaman Ibrahim said the locals faced water challenges in the area, and the projects are a huge relief.

He urged the Head of State to reconsider scrapping Regional Development Authorities (RDAs) as they complement the government in the implementation of the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).

Kenya’s film makers to turn storytelling into a tourism powerhouse with DaVinci FilmAfrica

BY HEZEKIEL GIKAMBI (PCO)

Nairobi’s creative energy took centre stage a fortnight ago when the Cabinet Secretary for Tourism and Wildlife, Rebecca Miano, officially welcomed DaVinci FilmAfrica to Kenya.

This is not just another film event—it’s a bold, global statement that Kenya is ready to tell its own stories to the world, on its own terms, and in its own vibrant voice.

“This initiative will ignite the creative soul of our nation and catapult African storytelling onto the centre of the global film arena,” said Miano, brimming with optimism about the festival’s potential.

Born from the legacy of the DaVinci International Film Festival (DIFF) in Los Angeles, and inspired by successes such as FilmBC and FilmAsia, FilmAfrica will plant its permanent home in Nairobi.

The annual event will be timed to coincide with the awe-inspiring Great Wildebeest Migration—one of the most extraordinary natural spectacles on Earth.

The event was also attended by John Oluotuaa – Principal Secretary, State Department for Tourism, Dr. Korir Sing’oei – Principal Secretary, State Department for Foreign Affairs, Mr. Chadwick Pelletier – Founder of DaVinci FilmAfrica, Mr. Kevin Onyona – Swahili Village Restau-

rant, USA, and hosted by Dr. James Mworia – Chief Executive Officer of Centum Group.

Miano described the decision to anchor DaVinci FilmAfrica permanently in Nairobi as a masterstroke of strategic thinking.

She explained that aligning the festival dates with the world-famous Great Wildebeest Migration was not by accident but by design—an intentional move to blend the magic of cinema with Kenya’s unmatched tourism assets. She noted that this would not only give visiting filmmakers, producers, and investors the chance to watch Kenya’s finest cinematic works, but also immerse them in experiences that only the country could offer—from the raw spectacle of wildlife in the Mara to the cultural vibrancy of urban Nairobi.

She emphasised that this convergence of art and adventure would transform Kenya into a must-visit global destination for both creatives and

tourists. By drawing international audiences into the country’s heart, visitors would also discover its pristine coastlines, ancient heritage sites, breathtaking landscapes, and a buzzing contemporary culture.

Miano stressed that such exposure would not only elevate Kenya’s profile as Africa’s “home of wonders” but would also inject economic vitality into multiple sectors—from hospitality

and transport to catering, events management, and tour operations—making FilmAfrica a true catalyst for tourism growth and national branding.

“That Nairobi is the permanent home for this annual festival speaks directly to Kenya’s unique position as Africa’s home of wonders, where a pulsating spirit of innovation meets unparalleled cultural diversity,” Miano added.

The CS underscored that DaVinci FilmAfrica presents far more than the glamour of red carpets and film premieres—it is, in her words, a golden ticket for Kenya’s youth and a wide-open gateway to the creative economy. She explained that the festival’s production alone would generate substantial local employment, not just for actors and directors, but for an entire ecosystem of

talent and service providers. This includes publicists shaping compelling narratives, marketing coordinators reaching global audiences, digital content creators amplifying Kenya’s stories online, and technical specialists managing sound, lighting, and projection. She added that set designers, event managers, and eager interns would all find opportunities to learn, work, and earn.



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CAREER OPPORTUNITY

The University of Nairobi Pension Scheme 2007 is a well-established and recognized leader in the pension industry in Kenya. It is a public sector pension scheme that caters for the employees of the University of Nairobi upon their retirement from the University and relief for the dependants of deceased employees.

The Board of Trustees is seeking to recruit results driven and highly motivated individual to fill the following positions:-

POSITION	NO. OF VACANCIES
SCHEME TRUST SECRETARY	1

The details of the post and mode of application can be accessed on the Scheme’s website: www.pensions.uonbi.ac.ke

Applications should reach the Scheme on or before **23rd September 2025**.

**CHAIRPERSON, BOARD OF TRUSTEES
UNPS 2007**



PUBLIC NOTICE

The Insurance Regulatory Authority is established under the Insurance Act, CAP 487 of the Laws of Kenya to regulate, supervise and promote the development of the insurance industry in Kenya.

The Authority has noted the publication of a feature by Underwriting Africa Insurance Brokers Limited in the Daily Nation of 6th August 2025. **Underwriting Africa Insurance Brokers Limited** was deregistered from transacting insurance business as an insurance broker as published in **Kenya Gazette issue number 13566 on 10th December 2021**.

Members of the public are advised to refrain from engaging with **“Underwriting Africa Specialty Limited”** for any insurance-related services. Any suspicious activities should be reported to the Insurance Regulatory Authority on (254)- 020-4996000/ (254)- 0719047000.

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COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE & CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER**

CUE begins assessment of SEKU Wote Campus

BY PATRICK NYAKUNDI
(KNA)

Makueni County Governor Mutula Kilonzo Jr. has pledged to support the accreditation of South Eastern Kenya University (SEKU) – Wote Campus, with the aim of upgrading it into a fully-fledged university or college.

Governor Mutula said the accreditation of the Wote Campus would mark a significant milestone in advancing research, innovation, and academic excellence in key areas such as agriculture, healthcare, and economic development. He made the remarks at his Wote office when SEKU Vice Chancellor Prof. Douglas Shitanda, together with members of the Commission for Uni-



Second from left, SEKU VC Prof. Douglas Shitanda, Governor Mutula Kilonzo Jr and Second from right, deputy Governor Lucy Mulili when the CUE members paid the Governor a courtesy call in Wote.

versity Education (CUE), paid him a courtesy call.

“I welcome this move and look forward to having a university where qualified people from within and outside the region can come to study in Makueni, particularly in Wote,” said Mutula.

“There is a need to ensure accreditation status

is achieved, as it is vital for the local economy and research,” he added.

The CUE was in Wote to conduct a comprehensive assessment of the Wote Campus to determine its readiness for accreditation. The commission is mandated to license and oversee higher education institutions in the country.



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NOTICE

INVITATION TO A VIRTUAL WEBINAR - VALIDATION FORUM

VALIDATION OF THE DRAFT PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION REGULATIONS (AFFIRMATIVE ACTION) REGULATIONS, 2025

Public Service Commission has, pursuant to the provisions of Section 48 and 92 of the Public Service Commission Act, 2017 developed Draft, Public Service Commission (Affirmative Action) Regulations 2025.

The Regulations are aimed at:-

- mainstreaming in the public service a culture which supports and values diversity;
- supporting the attraction into, retention and advancement of persons from underrepresented groups in the public service;
- speeding up the achievement of representation of underrepresented groups in the public service as required by the Constitution;
- eliminating unfair discrimination against persons from underrepresented groups; and
- promote equal opportunity and fair treatment in employment in the public service.

Views were sought from all stakeholders through written memoranda as was notified vide our letter dated **27th March, 2025**. The Commission received the written memoranda which were considered for inclusion in the draft regulations.

The Commission invites all stakeholders for a one-day virtual validation forum scheduled for **9th September, 2025**. Consequently, all organizations and interested stakeholders are required to send to the Commission:-

- Name of participants and their designations (**where applicable**),
- Name of Institution (**where applicable**),
- Email address, and
- Cellphone number.

A dedicated email address has been assigned for this exercise. Kindly send an advance copy of the participant details to webinar@publicservice.go.ke on or before **5th September, 2025**.

The Draft, Public Service Commission (Affirmative Action) Regulations 2025 can be accessed from the Commission's website <https://www.publicservice.go.ke>, under Publications-Legislation.

The Secretary/CEO
Public Service Commission
Commission House, Harambee Avenue
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REQUEST FOR EXPRESSION OF INTEREST (EOI) (CONSULTING SERVICES)

MOMBASA – MARIAKANI HIGHWAY (A109) PROJECT- LOT 1: MOMBASA – KWA JOMVU

CONSULTANCY SERVICES FOR INDEPENDENT ASSESSMENT OF THE APPLICATION OF THE ADJUST- MENT FOR CHANGES IN COST FIDIC CLAUSE IN KeNHA DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS (INDIVIDUAL CONSULTANT)

TENDER NO. KeNHA/2899/2025

Transport Sector

- The Government of the Republic of Kenya (GoK) has received financing from the African Development Bank towards the cost of the Mombasa – Mariakani Highway Project, Lot 1: Mombasa – Kwa Jomvu Section, and intends to apply part of the proceeds of this loan, to make eligible payments under the contract for the provision of Consultancy Services for independent assessment of the application of the adjustment for changes in cost FIDIC Clause in KeNHA development projects (Individual Consultant).
- The Consultancy service shall entail carrying out a comprehensive analysis of the application of Variation of Price (VOP) within the Authority's projects. The consultant will be expected to develop a policy statement and procedural guidelines for application of VOP across all projects. The specific objectives are to:
 - Conduct a comprehensive independent review of the application of the price adjustment formula in selected road contracts. This includes assessing the credibility, appropriateness and acceptability of the indices used in the formula.
 - Review inclusion and formulation of the price adjustment formula in KeNHA bidding documents to assess its consistency with national and international best practice.
 - Develop a policy statement and procedural guidelines for application of the VOP across all Authority's projects regardless of the funding source.
- It is envisaged that the Consultancy Services will be for a duration of 7 (seven) months.
- The Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA), being the implementing agency now invites eligible Individual Consultants to indicate their interest in providing the above services.
- Interested Individual Consultants must provide information indicating that they are qualified to perform the services as per the Terms of Reference provided on the website www.kenha.co.ke and www.tenders.go.ke. (The information provided shall include, but not limited to, Curriculum Vitae (CV), qualification documents, reference to similar services, experience in similar assignments, etc.).
- Eligibility criteria, establishment of the short-list and the selection procedure shall be in accordance with the African Development Bank's "Procurement Policy for Bank Group Funded Operations - August 2015", which is available on the Bank's website at <http://www.afdb.org>. Borrowers are under no obligation to shortlist any Individual Consultant who expresses interest.
- Interested Individual Consultants may obtain further information at the address given below during office hours (weekdays from 0800hr to 1700hr local time, excluding public holidays).

Attention: Director (Development)

Street Address: Kenya National Highways Authority, Barabara Plaza, Jomo Kenyatta International Airport (JKIA), Nairobi, off Mazao road (Opposite Aviation House)

Floor/Room Number: 3rd Floor North wing, Block A

City: NAIROBI, KENYA

Telephone: +254 700423606, +254 20 4954200

Email addresses: ddevelopment@kenha.co.ke, procurement@kenha.co.ke

- Expression of Interest (EOI) must be delivered in written form and clearly marked with the assignment title & Tender No and deposited or addressed to the:

Deputy Director, (Supply Chain Management)
Kenya National Highways Authority (KeNHA)
2nd Floor, Block C, Barabara Plaza, Jomo Kenyatta
International Airport (JKIA), Nairobi
Off Mazao Road (Opposite Aviation House)
P.O. Box 49712-00100, Tel: +254 700423606, +254 20 8013842,
Email: procurement@kenha.co.ke

so as to be received on or before **Wednesday, 10th September, 2025 at 1100hrs local time** and thereafter opened in the presence of the applicants who choose to attend.

- Electronic submission is permitted. The expression of Interest can be submitted via Email: tender2899@kenha.co.ke on or before **Wednesday, 10th September, 2025 at 1100hrs local time**. Late Expressions of Interests shall be rejected.

KeNHA Headquarters,
2nd Floor, Block C, Barabara Plaza, Jomo Kenyatta
International Airport (JKIA), Nairobi
Off Mazao Road (Opposite Aviation House)

- Interested applicants are required to continually check the Kenya National Highways Authority's website www.kenha.co.ke for any additional information or clarifications that may arise before submission date.

Deputy Director (Supply Chain Management)
For: DIRECTOR GENERAL

KVM resumes production of Volkswagen cars in Thika

BY HELLEN LUNALO (KNA)

Kenya Vehicle Manufacturers (KVM) has restarted the assembling of Volkswagen models as part of a renewed effort to strengthen its partnership with Germany.

The local assembler based in Thika is now producing the Volkswagen Touareg, Tiguan, and T-Cross models through a Completely Knocked Down (CKD) arrangement, where vehicle

parts are imported and then assembled locally.

The initiative is a significant win for Kenya and is expected to boost local production, create new jobs, and facilitate the transfer of modern automotive technology to the Kenyan market. German Deputy Ambassador Alexander Fierley said the restart of production at KVM highlighted the rekindled co-operation between Kenya and Germany in the auto


industry. During a visit to KVM, he noted that the partnership aims to strengthen capacity building, integrate modern production technologies and encourage eco-friendly transportation. “The automotive industry is crucial for economic development, and Germany’s partnership with Kenya aims to create stronger industry ties, promote innovation and technology transfer in order to support the



From Left CFAO Mobility Managing Director Arvinder Reel, Economic Affairs, Economic Cooperation & Development, German Embassy Pius Ogola Ongoo, Alexander Fierley (Economic Affairs, Economic Cooperation & Development German Embassy) and the General Manager, Kenya Vehicle Manufacturers, Moses Abiero during the visit to KVM.

country’s economic goals,” stated Fierley. Kenya Vehicle Manufacturers (KVM), which is majority-owned by CFAO Mobility Kenya, has a diverse portfolio of assembled vehicles for the Kenyan market. These include Mercedes-Benz trucks and buses, as well as models from Sinotruk, Tata, Hyundai, and BasiGo’s electric buses.

The addition of Volkswagen models to this lineup will further expand its multi-brand collection and reinforce Kenya’s position as the regions’ leading hub for vehicle assembly.



SOUTH EASTERN KENYA UNIVERSITY

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VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

South Eastern Kenya University invites applications from suitable, qualified candidates to fill the following positions:

A. DIVISION OF ACADEMIC, RESEARCH AND INNOVATION (ARI)

SNO	VACANCIES	GRADE	DEPARTMENT	POSITIONS
1.	Academic Registrar	Grade 3 (Formerly Grade 15)		1 Position
2.	Lecturer	Grade 6A (Formerly Grade 12A)	School of Health Sciences – Medical Surgical Nursing Specialization	1 Position
3.	Lecturer	Grade 6A (Formerly Grade 12A)	School of Health Sciences – Medical Laboratory Science (Hematology and Blood Transfusion) Specialization	1 Position
4.	Lecturer	Grade 6A (Formerly Grade 12A)	School of Health Sciences – Medical Laboratory Science (Microbiology / Parasitology) Specialization	1 Position
5.	Lecturer	Grade 6A (Formerly Grade 12A)	School of Law – Public Law Specialization	1 Position – Re-Advertisement
6.	Lecturer	Grade 6A (Formerly Grade 12A)	School of Law – Private Law Specialization	1 Position
7.	Lecturer	Grade 6A (Formerly Grade 12A)	School of Law – Commercial Law Specialization	1 Position
8.	Senior Lecturer	Grade 5A (Formerly Grade 13A)	School of Humanities and Social Sciences – Criminology & Social Justice Specialization	1 Position
9.	Lecturer	Grade 6A (Formerly Grade 12A)	School of Humanities and Social Sciences – Criminology & Social Justice Specialization	1 Position
10.	Lecturer	Grade 6A (Formerly Grade 12A)	School of Humanities and Social Sciences – Social Work Specialization	1 Position – Re-Advertisement
11.	Lecturer	Grade 6A (Formerly Grade 12A)	School of Education – Educational Psychology Specialization	1 Position
12.	Lecturer	Grade 6A (Formerly Grade 12A)	School of Business and Economics – Project Planning & Management	1 Position
13.	Lecturer	Grade 6A (Formerly Grade 12A)	School of Engineering and Technology – Geotechnical / Structural Engineering Specialization	1 Position
14.	Lecturer	Grade 6A (Formerly Grade 12A)	School of Engineering and Technology – Mechanical & Manufacturing Engineering – Applied Mechanics Specialization	1 Position
15.	Lecturer	Grade 6A (Formerly Grade 12A)	School of Engineering and Technology – Mechanical & Manufacturing Engineering – Thermofluids Specialization	1 Position
16.	Lecturer	Grade 6A (Formerly Grade 12A)	School of Engineering and Technology – Electrical Engineering – Specialization	1 Position – Re-Advertisement
17.	Sports Officer	Grade 8 (Formerly Grade 9)		1 Position – Re-Advertisement.


B) DIVISION OF CORPORATE SERVICES

SNO	VACANCIES	GRADE	POSITIONS
1.	Senior Administrative Assistant	Grade 8 (Formerly Grade 10) (Vote Campus)	1 Position


NB: Please visit our website www.seku.ac.ke for more details on the above vacancies and the application procedure. The deadline for submitting the application is **Monday, 22nd September, 2025**. Applications received after this date will not be considered. Duly shortlisted candidates will be contacted. Canvassing will lead to automatic disqualification.



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

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CAREER OPPORTUNITIES

Kenya Marine and Fisheries Research Institute (KMFR), a State Corporation under the Ministry of Mining, Blue Economy and Maritime Affairs, State Department for Blue Economy and Fisheries, was established by an Act of parliament (The Science and Technology Act Cap. 250 of the Laws of Kenya of 1979) which has since been repealed by The Science, Technology and Innovation Act No. 28 of 2013.

KMFR's mandate is to undertake research in “marine and freshwater fisheries, aquaculture, environmental and ecological studies, and marine research including chemical and physical oceanography”, in order to provide scientific data and information for sustainable development of the Blue Economy. The Institute is also mandated to cooperate with other organizations and institutions of higher learning in training programmes and on matters of relevant research. The Institute has Research Centers and Stations located at Mombasa, Kisumu, Naivasha, Baringo, Kegati, Sangoro, Sagana, Turkana, Mutonga, Shimon, a research substation at Gazi and the Nairobi liaison office.

KMFR is seeking to recruit externally self-motivated professionals who are team players to fill the following vacant positions within her approved staff establishment:

NO	DESCRIPTION	JG (KMFR GRADE)	NUMBER OF POSTS	DEPARTMENT	REFERENCE
RE-ADVERTISEMENT					
1.	Chief Research Scientist	3	4	Research	Ext/RA/KMF/1
2.	Deputy Director, Laboratory Services	3	1	Laboratory Services	Ext/RA/KMF/2
3.	Deputy Director, Information Communication Technology (ICT)	3	1	Information Communication Technology (ICT)	Ext/RA/KMF/3
4.	Deputy Director, Business Development Services	3	1	Enterprise Development Services	Ext/RA/KMF/4
ADVERTISEMENT					
5.	Senior Engineer	5	1	Engineering and Maintenance	Ext/A/KMF/1
6.	Senior Security Officer	6	1	Administration	Ext/A/KMF/2
7.	Legal Officer	7	1	Legal Services	Ext/A/KMF/3
TOTAL			10		

APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Interested and qualified candidates **MUST** complete the **KMFR Job Application Form** (Available from the ‘**Vacancies**’ section at the KMFR Website - <https://www.kmfr.go.ke>), attach their testimonials, certificates, copy of their National Identification Card (ID) and Curriculum Vitae (CV). **ALL soft copies application must be sent as ONE PDF document.**

All applications must be submitted in both **HARD** and **SOFT COPY**, and envelopes containing the documents should clearly be marked with the position applied for and sent to the addresses below as **per the grade applied** for not later than **Monday, 22nd September 2025**.

JG (KMFR GRADE) – 3

The Chairman, Board of Management
Kenya Marine and Fisheries Research Institute
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Dr. Ludwig von Krapf Road, English Point
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Email: chairman@kmfr.go.ke

JG (KMFR GRADE) – 5, 6 & 7

The Director General
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Note

- SUCCESSFUL CANDIDATES** in compliance with the Chapter Six of the Constitution will be required to present originals of the following documents:
 - Certificate of Good Conduct from the Directorate of Criminal Investigations
 - Clearance/Compliance Certificate from Higher Education Loans Board (HELB)
 - Tax Compliance Certificate from Kenya Revenue Authority
 - Clearance from Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission (EACC)
 - Clearance from recognized Credit Reference Bureau (CRB)
- Only **SHORTLISTED CANDIDATES** will be contacted and shall be required to produce originals of their National Identity Card, academic and professional certificates during the interviews.
- Any canvassing will lead to **AUTOMATIC DISQUALIFICATION**.

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KRA 30th Anniversary *Celebration*



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30 Years Strong: Kenya Revenue Authority marked three decades of service, outlining a deliberate focus on technology-driven solutions for enhanced voluntary compliance, while fostering collaboration with stakeholders and building a culture of innovation, integrity, and inclusivity.

1. From left to Right: Dr. Lilian Nyawanda, Commissioner of Customs & Border Control, Mr Humphrey Wattanga, Commissioner General (KRA), Hon. FCPA John Mbadi E.G.H, Cabinet Secretary for the National Treasury and Economic Planning of Kenya, Hon. Ndiritu Muriithi Chairman, Board of Directors KRA.

2. Hon. FCPA John Mbadi E.G.H, Cabinet Secretary for the National Treasury and Economic Planning of Kenya, gives his remarks during the event.

3. Members of the KRA Board of Directors, leadership and stakeholders during the event.

4. From left to Right: Mr. Edgar Manasseh, 1st Commissioner General (KRA), Mr Humphrey Wattanga, Commissioner General (KRA), Hon. Ndiritu Muriithi Chairman, Board of Directors KRA and Dr. Susan Koech, Deputy Governor of the Central Bank of Kenya.

5. KRA staff at the event.

Kenya celebrates Katiba at 15

BY PCS

Widespread corruption at all levels of government remains the biggest threat to the 2010 Constitution, President William Ruto has cautioned.

He warned that Kenyans cannot enjoy the full fruits of the charter due to pervasive graft within the three arms of government, which has weakened institutions created by the document.

“It is a fact that corruption exists in all arms of government – the Executive, the Legislature, and the Judiciary, and each must confront this menace with honesty and resolve,” he said.

He was speaking at the Kenyatta International Convention Centre, Nairobi, during the commemoration of the 15th anniversary of the promulgation of the Constitution

on August 27, 2010.

Recently, President Ruto declared that the day would henceforth be marked annually as Katiba Day.

Present at the function were Deputy President Kithure Kindiki, Prime Cabinet Secretary Musalia Mudavadi, Chief Justice Martha Koome, National Assembly Speaker Moses Wetangula, Attorney-General Dorcas Oduor, Chief of Defence Forces General Charles Kahariri, and former Prime Minister Raila Odinga.

President Ruto said his administration has taken steps to limit corruption loopholes and opportunities in public service by automating and digitising over 22,000 government services.

Consequently, he said revenue collection has risen sharply from KSh60 million to over KSh1 billion daily, translating to more than KSh500 billion

annually.

Nonetheless, he acknowledged that rampant corruption at the Executive level alone remains alarmingly high.

“Corruption must be chased down every alley, every corridor, and every corner of the Executive by every well-meaning citizen whenever it is spotted,” he said.

He challenged Parliament and the Judiciary to boldly deal with the corruption menace within their ranks too in order to restore public trust in the institutions.

The President also said Parliament, like the other two arms of government, must also confront the corruption vice.

“The Judiciary must rise to its highest calling: To cleanse itself, uphold its independence with integrity, and prove itself the true temple of justice for all Kenyans,” he said.



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No	DESIGNATION	REFERENCE NO	GRADE	NUMBER OF POSTS
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5.	Principal Compliance Officer	PPRA /PCO-P&RM/4/2025	PPRA 4	9

TERMS

- Officers at Grade PPRA 2 shall be engaged on contracts of up to five (5) years renewable once subject to performance and retirement age.
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HOW TO APPLY

- Interested and qualified persons are requested to make their applications ONLINE through jobs portal at: <https://ppra.go.ke/careers>
- Shortlisted candidates will be expected to bring the original certificates for verification during the interview.
- All applications to reach the Authority by the close of business on or before **26th September 2025 at 5.00 P.M East African Time (EAT).**

Details of job descriptions and specifications can be found on the PPRA website (www.ppra.go.ke).

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The Authority therefore wishes to recruit result oriented Kenyans to fill the following vacancies in the Authority: -

S/ No	Job Title	NITA Job Grade	No. of Vacancies	Location	Reference Number
1.	Corporation Secretary and Director Legal Services	2	1	HQ	NITA/CS/1/09/2025
2.	Director Internal Audit	2	1	HQ	NITA/CS/2/09/2025
3.	Manager Industrial Training Centre	3	1	Centers	NITA/CS/3/09/2025
4.	Manager Industrial Training Research & Curriculum Development	3	1	HQ	NITA/CS/4/09/2025
5.	Manager Industrial Training Development	3	1	HQ	NITA/CS/5/09/2025
6.	Manager Industrial Training Standards and Quality Assurance	3	1	HQ	NITA/CS/6/09/2025
7.	Manager Industrial Training Accreditation and Registration	3	1	HQ	NITA/CS/7/09/2025
8.	Manager Assessment and Certification	3	1	HQ	NITA/CS/8/09/2025
9.	Manager Planning & Risk Management Coordination	3	1	HQ	NITA/CS/9/09/2025
10.	Manager Industrial Training Levy Administration	3	1	HQ	NITA/CS/10/09/2025
11.	Manager Corporate Communications	3	1	HQ	NITA/CS/11/09/2025
12.	Manager Resource Mobilization and Enterprise Development	3	1	HQ	NITA/CS/12/09/2025

INTERESTED CANDIDATES SHOULD NOTE THE FOLLOWING:

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 - National Identity Card
 - Academic and professional certificates together with transcripts
 - Any other supporting documents and testimonials; and
 - Current Clearance Certificates from the following bodies;
 - Tax Compliance Certificate from Kenya Revenue Authority
 - Clearance Certificate from Higher Education Loans Board
 - Clearance Certificate from Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission
 - Report from any of the registered Credit Reference Bureaus (CRB); and
 - A Certificate of Good Conduct from the Directorate of Criminal Investigation (DCI).
 - Letter of recognition of qualifications from the Commission for University Education (CUE) for any degree obtained from foreign universities; and
 - Recommendations from the relevant professional bodies (where applicable).

- Officers in NITA Grade 2&3 shall be appointed on a contract of five (5) years renewable subject to performance.

3. HOW TO APPLY

Interested candidates should submit their applications which should include:

- A detailed Curriculum Vitae
- Certified Copies of Academic and Professional Certificates
- A cover letter demonstrating suitability for the position applied for
- Contacts of at least three professional referees
- Visit NITA website at www.nita.go.ke for detailed job description and specifications and download and duly fill the **NITA APPLICATION FOR EMPLOYMENT FORM REF. NO. NITA /HR & ADM/HRP/01**
- Applications should be addressed to:

The Chairman
National Industrial Training Authority
Commercial Street, Industrial Area
P.O Box 74494 - 00200
Nairobi.
- Applications can also be submitted online in a single file in pdf format to recruitment25@nita.go.ke or physically delivered to **NITA Headquarters Chairman’s office**, clearly marking the position applied for on the envelope.

- Deadline:** All applications should reach the Authority on or before **22nd September 2025 latest 05:00pm (East African Time).**

- Canvassing will lead to automatic disqualification.
- Only shortlisted candidates shall be contacted.

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Kenya reaffirms her role in global peace and security

BY HASSAN ADAN ALI (KNA)

Kenya has reaffirmed its commitment to playing a greater role in international peace and security by promoting a strategic integration of diplomacy and military planning. This was the central theme of the first joint technical-level workshop on international peace protection, held at the International Peace Support Training Centre (IPSTC) in Nairobi.

Jointly organized by the Ministry of Foreign Affairs and Diaspora Affairs (MFDA) and the Ministry of Defence (MOD), the workshop brought together senior officials, peacekeeping experts, and security practitioners to deliberate on building a unified national approach to peace support operations.

The initiative under-

scores Kenya's intent to strengthen its position as a key contributor to international peacekeeping, with an emphasis on ensuring that African interests are reflected in global decision-making processes.

In his opening remarks, Ambassador Josphat K. Maikara, Director for Political and Diplomatic Affairs at the MFDA, emphasized the imperative of harmonizing military

capacity with diplomatic engagement.


"The era when peacekeeping was solely a military undertaking is behind us," he said, adding "While military power remains essential, it must be accompanied by intellectual diplomacy to ensure that peace operations are credible, sustainable and locally accepted."

Amb. Maikara, a veteran of over 26 peace missions under both the Kenyan government and the African Union since 1979, stressed the importance of embedding Kenya's peacekeeping contributions within its broader foreign policy goals.

"Our peace and security engagements must reflect our national values of stability, equitable treatment and proactive peacebuilding," he added.

He also called for a greater alignment between foreign affairs and defence institutions, urging deeper cooperation with multi-lateral bodies such as the United Nations and the African Union to ensure Africa's voice is meaningfully represented in the global peace and security architecture.

Brigadier Stephen Huria, representing the Ministry of Defence, echoed the same sentiments, highlighting the necessity of regional cooperation.



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- Valid certificate of good conduct from the Directorate of Criminal Investigations.
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INVITATION FOR BIDS

PROGRAMME:	KENYA TOWNS SUSTAINABLE WATER SUPPLY AND SANITATION PROGRAM (KTSWSSP)
ADDITIONAL CONSTRUCTION WORKS FOR LAST MILE CONNECTIVITY FOR ELDORET TOWN SEWERAGE PROJECT	
Date:	2 nd September 2025
Loan No.:	200200000501
IFB No.:	CRVWWD/LVN/AfDB/KTWSSP/W/ADDITIONALWORKSELDORET/2025-2026

- This Invitation for Bids follows the General Procurement Notice (GPN) for this project that appeared in UN Development Business Online on 31st March 2017.
- The Government of Kenya has received Financing from the African Development Bank in various currencies towards financing the Kenya Towns Sustainable Water Supply and Sanitation Program. It is intended that part of the proceeds of this loan will be applied to eligible payments under the contract for **"Additional Construction Works for Last Mile Connectivity for Eldoret Town Sewerage Project"**
- Central Rift Valley Water Works Development Agency (CRVWWD) on behalf of Lake Victoria North Water Works Development Agency (LVNWWDA) now invites sealed bids from eligible bidders for execution of the above project.
- The scope of works includes but not limited to the following under one contract:

Additional Construction Works for Last Mile Connectivity for Eldoret Town Sewerage Project

 - Construction of 8.6km long sewer pipelines DN 300mm.
 - Construction of 150 Nr 1200mm nominal diameter in-situ cast concrete manhole on sewers depths up to 6m.
- Interested eligible bidders may obtain further information from and inspect the bidding documents at the office of the **Manager, Supply Chain Management, Maji Plaza, Prisons Road, Off Nakuru - Eldama Ravine Highway, and P.O. Box 2451-20100 Nakuru, Kenya at the office hours from 08:00am to 05:00pm (East African Time) on weekdays (Monday to Friday).**
- A Complete set of bidding documents in soft copy (CD) may be purchased by interested bidders on the submission of a written application to the above and upon payment of a non-refundable fee of **KES 1,000.00 (Kenya Shillings One Thousand Only).**
- The provisions in the Instructions to Bidders and in the General Conditions of Contract are the provisions of the African Development Bank Standard Bidding Document: Procurement of Works and governed by Procurement Policy for Bank Group Funded Operations of October, 2015.
- Bidders are invited for a Pre-bid meeting to be held on **15th September 2025**. The pre-bid meeting will start at 10.00am (East African time) at **North Rift Valley Water Works Development Agency (NRVWWD) Board Room, Office of the Auditor General (OAG) Building (2nd Floor), Furfural Road, Opposite Public Works, Eldoret-Kenya** followed by a site visit on the same day as from 11:00 a.m. to the proposed project sites.
- Bids must be delivered to the above office on or before 12.00pm (East African time) on **15th October 2025** and must be accompanied by a bid security of **KES 3,000,000.00 (Kenya Shillings Three Million Only)** or equivalent amount in a freely convertible currency and with a bid validity period of **120 days** from bid submission date from a reputable Bank.
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Chief Executive Officer

Central Rift Valley Water Works Development Agency,

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Off Nakuru - Eldama Ravine Highway,

P.O. Box 2451-20100

Nakuru, Kenya.

Tel: (051) 2213557/+254725999000

Email: info@crvwwda.go.ke



KenGen advances Kenya's transition to green economy

BY CHRISTINE CHERYL (MYGOV)

Kenya Electricity Generating Company PLC (KenGen) is committed to building a sustainable, green energy future and guide Kenya's transition to a greener economy.

As such, it aims at accelerating Kenya's transformation to clean energy, enhancing investment opportunities, and strengthening regional and global collaboration, said the Managing Director and CEO Eng. Peter Njenga.

He made the remarks during the signing of a co-operation agreement with Nestlé Kenya Ltd and the Global Green Growth Institute (GGGI), which aims at promoting renewable energy for sustainable development.

"Our goal is to power homes and industries as we safeguard tomorrow while energizing today," he said.

"This partnership will spark innovation, refresh conversations, and scale up climate action," he added.

Nestlé Kenya Ltd Chief Finance officer, Frida Agembe said, "With sustainability being a top agenda for us, we are focusing on how to use sustainable energy to source some of our products.

"Being the official beverage partner our ambition is to source products that are actually grown in a sustainable manner.

"For us, not only is it an internal ambition but an opportunity to partner with partners like GGGI.



From left to right: Ms. Nagnouma Koné, Manager for Africa Strategy and Partnerships and Head of the Kenya Office at GGGI, Eng. Peter Njenga, KenGen Managing Director & CEO, and Ms. Frida Agembe, Chief Financial Officer, pose for a photo following the signing of a partnership agreement for the upcoming sustainable energy conference.

This shows that Nestlé is following towards the same ambition and goal of providing a sustainable global environment in the near future," she said.

Ms. Nagnouma Kone, Senior Regional Business Development Officer for Africa at GGGI, emphasized that GGGI brings a wealth of international experience, policy expertise, and innovative financing solutions to support green development across Africa.

"Through its green-hydrogen programs, GGGI has helped Kenya align with global best practices, unlock climate finance, devise resource-mobilization strategies, and strengthen institutional capacity," she said.

"By shaping Kenya's green hydrogen strategy and roadmap, GGGI ensures a clear policy, regulatory, and investment framework to guide this emerging sector," she added.

She underscored that the expected outcome is both simple and power-

ful, a stronger partnership, impactful renewable energy initiatives, and a shared roadmap to accelerate sustainable development and achieve the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

This milestone is significant not only for Kenya but also for Africa, underscoring the continent's leadership in emerging clean energy technologies

The partnership has already yielded tangible results, notably through collaboration on the upcoming KenGen Sustainable Energy Conference.

The Ministry of Energy and Petroleum is set to grace the conference at Olkaria Geothermal Spa, Naivasha, from 17-19 September 2025, under the theme 'Renewable Energy for Sustainable Development.

The upcoming conference will focus on harnessing hydrogen resources to address climate challenges and explore solar energy, leveraging Africa's abundant daily sunlight.

Utalii College to establish affiliate campus in Kitui

BY DENSON MUTUTO (KNA)

Kenya Utalii College, in collaboration with the Kitui County Government, is set to establish a new affiliate campus in Kitui County to offer tourism and hospitality courses closer to local students.

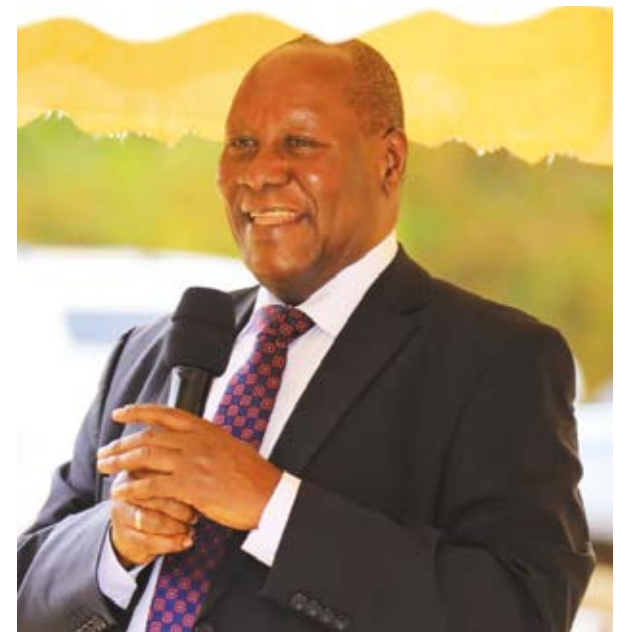
The College Principal Mark Rachuonyo, confirmed the plan during a courtesy call to Kitui County Governor Julius Malombe (pictured) at the county headquarters in Kitui Town.

The Governor and the principal also toured the proposed construction site in Tiva Village, Yatta Kwa Vonza Ward, located along the Kitui-Machakos border, about 15 kilometers from Kitui Town.

The Kitui branch is expected to make a significant economic impact on both local and national hospitality and tourism sectors. Kitui County is also working to establish a tourism circuit and revitalise its hospitality industry, making the institution timely and strategic.

Dr Malombe noted that Kitui is uniquely endowed with cultural heritage and natural attractions that had remained largely untapped prior to devolution.

"Through strategic interventions by our tourism department, these assets have fueled growth in domestic tourism. With Kenya Utalii College setting foot in Kitui, the future of our hospitality and tourism industries looks



promising," he said. He added that the initiative aligns with the national agenda on youth empowerment, job creation, and sustainable economic development, pledging his administration's full support for the project.

Deputy Governor Augustine Kanani, who is also the CECM for Tourism, Hospitality, and Game Reserves, said his ministry is working to enrich tourism in the county. "We will be launching the Kitui Tourism Circuit on Friday, 19th September 2025. This will be an eye-opener and an opportunity for our youth to invest in the sector," he said.

Principal Rachuonyo observed that the Kitui campus will serve a wide catchment area including Kitui, Machakos,

Makueni, Embu, Meru, Isiolo, Tana River, and Northeastern counties.

"We are delighted that Kitui has allocated us a 26-acre parcel of land at Tiva area in Kyangwithia Ward, Kitui Central Sub-County. The new institution will provide world-class training in tourism and hospitality, equipping youth with skills to serve in the industry while also promoting cultural preservation and sustainable tourism," he said.

Tourism remains one of Kenya's top foreign exchange earners and the fourth-largest contributor to GDP after agriculture, manufacturing, and transport. In 2024, tourism accounted for 8% of Kenya's GDP (Kenya Economic Survey Report, 2024).

Survey team deployed to map gold deposits in West Pokot

BY ANTHONY MELLY (KNA)

The State Department for Mining has dispatched a geological survey team to West Pokot County to assess the extent of gold mineralisation in Kambi Karai, Pokot Central sub-county, following the discovery of deposits in the area.

Enock Kipseba, Secretary for Geological Survey in the Ministry of Mining, Blue Economy and Maritime Affairs, said the team will conduct detailed exploration to determine the scale and nature of the deposits.

Speaking during a public meeting at Sangak Primary School where he introduced the team, Kipseba noted that the discovery has spurred increased artisanal mining, prompting the government to intervene with scientific research.

He explained that the experts will employ techniques such as soil sampling and drilling to generate a comprehensive re-



Enock Kipseba, Secretary for Geological Survey in the State Department for Mining, addressing residents at Sangak Primary School in Pokot Central sub-county where he introduced the geological survey team.

PHOTO BY ANTHONY MELLY

port on mineral content and distribution.

"The drilling operations will be undertaken by the geological experts on the ground, with the aim of producing a detailed report on the mineralisation pat-

tern," he said.

Kipseba stated that the initial phase of the survey will take at least a month, though the timeline may be extended depending on workload. He emphasized that mineral exploration is a

long-term process, but assured residents that efficient methods will be used to expedite results.

He added that the study will not only trace the source of alluvial gold but will also assess the presence of other minerals

to ensure broad exploration.

"The final report will be made accessible to the public through the National Geo-Data Centre and will be available for download on the official website," Kipseba disclosed.

Warning Against Illegal Mining, Pokot Central Acting Deputy County Commissioner Richard Omoyo praised the community for cooperating with investors but cautioned against illegal mining on public utilities such as schools, road reserves, rivers, and power line corridors. "Violators will face legal consequences for breaching the Mining Act," Omoyo warned. He also urged investors to conduct proper due diligence when acquiring land to avoid disputes and cases of double-selling.

County Mining Officer Brian Bundi reminded miners that the law requires rehabilitation of mining sites before shifting operations.

Kisii County takes over housing units in landmark handover

BY MERCY OSONGO (KNA)

The National Housing Corporation (NHC) has officially handed over housing schemes to the County Government of Kisii, marking a key milestone in efforts to strengthen affordable housing and urban development in the region.

The transfer included the management of two rental schemes comprising 49 housing units, along with records for a site-and-service project previously managed by NHC.

The handover ceremony, held at the Kisii County Governor's office, symbolized a new era of collaboration between national housing agencies and devolved units.

The housing units and service schemes were originally constructed between 1974 and 1991, with NHC funding the projects to provide decent, low-cost

accommodation. However, in 2011, NHC assumed control of the properties after the defunct Municipal Council defaulted on loan repayments, as provided for under Section 9 of the Housing Act CAP 117.

Following years of negotiations, Kisii County agreed to settle the outstanding debt, which was reduced from Sh43.9 million to Sh39.4 million.

The repayment plan spans three financial years: Sh13 million was cleared in the last financial year, Sh18 million is earmarked for this year, and the balance of Sh8.45 million is scheduled for settlement in 2026/2027.

The handover also unlocked two acres of prime land adjacent to the existing estates, creating an opportunity for new housing projects in the fast-growing town.

Speaking at the event, NHC



NHC Board Chairman, Yusuf Chanzu, (second left) hands over housing schemes' documents to Kisii Governor, Simba Arati, (2nd right) during a ceremony at the Governor's offices in Kisii.

Board Chairman Yusuf Chanzu praised Kisii County's commitment to resolving the long-standing debt dispute.

"This is a clear demonstration of goodwill, fiscal responsibility, and partnership. We are confident that under Governor Simba Arati's leadership, the county will utilize these assets effectively to provide dignified and affordable housing for residents," Chanzu stated.

On his part, NHC Managing Director, David Mathu, emphasized the Corporation's readiness to collaborate with counties in addressing the national housing gap.

"We are confident that this step will enable Kisii County to expand its capacity to provide affordable and decent housing for its residents. We look forward

ward to working together on new housing initiatives, including development of the newly unlocked land," he said.

Mathu also encouraged other counties with outstanding debts to expedite settlement so that similar handovers and partnerships could be realized nationwide. Governor Simba Arati welcomed the handover, terming it a breakthrough for the county's housing agenda.

"We appreciate the flexibility shown by NHC in renegotiating our debt. This handover not only clears long-standing obligations but also paves the way for new housing developments that will benefit our citizens," he said.

Arati reaffirmed Kisii's commitment to inclusive housing development, pledging to align projects with both national and county development plans, while ensuring sustainability, affordability, and community participation remain at the core.

The event signified more than a financial settlement — it laid the foundation for joint projects that could transform Kisii's urban landscape and serve as a model for county-national collaboration in the housing sector.

Africa must shape AI around its priorities, ICT Secretary says

BY SADIK HASSAN (KNA)

Calls have intensified for African nations to coordinate efforts in scaling up the use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) to spur inclusive economic development.

Speaking during the Africa Premier AI Conference (APAIC 2025) in Mombasa, Secretary of ICT, E-Government, and Digital Economy in the Ministry of Information, Communication, and Digital Economy, Mary Kerema, noted that Africa stands on the cusp of a new era — a "Decade of Intelligence."

She urged African leaders, innovators, and partners to shape a digital future rooted in African values, talent, and global collaboration.

"Our populations are young, our entrepreneurs bold, and our societies hungry for opportunity. But the promise of artificial intelligence is not automatic. It requires intention, investment, and a commitment to ensuring that AI serves African priorities, not the other way around," stated the ICT Secretary.

The four-day conference, the continent's leading forum for AI dialogue, policy, and innovation, brought together leaders from government, business, academia, and civil society to define Africa's role in the global digital transformation.

Kerema emphasized that

the conference provides an opportunity for the continent to determine the kind of digital future it desires — not merely as a marketplace for technology, but as a laboratory of innovation, a builder of solutions, and a shaper of global standards.

The ICT Secretary, further, admitted that the continent faces infrastructure gaps, skills shortages, and the pressing need for harmonized policies.

"Many of our urban and rural communities still lack reliable internet or affordable devices. Our data often sits in silos, and too many technologies are built elsewhere, for other realities," she revealed.

"But let us also be clear-eyed about our strengths: Africa's diversity, resilience, and creativity are unmatched. Our local entrepreneurs are designing payment platforms that leapfrog old systems, AI-driven health tools, and educational innovations that empower the next generation. Where others see problems, Africans see potential," she added.

However, she noted that a new digital spirit is fast rising across the continent as nations are not simply importing solutions but are co-creating them.

She lauded local engineers for collaborating with world-class data scientists in adopting global technology and testing the solutions in the local communities in a bid to refine

and improve them to fit. The ICT Secretary pointed out that some of the most advanced digital agents and AI platforms being pioneered today in Africa are intentionally designed for inclusivity, explainability, and ethical impact.

"These systems are developed to empower rather than replace our teachers, health workers, public servants, and entrepreneurs. They respect privacy, support multiple languages, and promote human agency. These platforms are born of partnership, not prescription."

Bill Faruki, Founder and CEO of MindHYVE.ai, a leading USA AI Innovation company which co-sponsored the conference, introduced the company's groundbreaking framework, Agentic AI, a new paradigm for intelligent systems designed to empower users through autonomy, explainability, and ethical alignment.

Faruki emphasised that Agentic AI reflects Africa's values of collaboration and inclusivity, providing tools for governments, enterprises, and communities to design, configure, and own their digital future.

He noted that most AI systems are built for efficiency, not equity, exhorting Africans to develop their own systems through public-private-AI partnerships as imported AI equals imported bias, exclusion and opacity.

Ministry applauds KCB's partnership in advancing the oil and gas sector

BY JOYCE LUTOMIA AND FATMA SAID (PCO)

The Principal Secretary for Petroleum, Mohammed Liban (pictured), has lauded the collaboration between the State Department for Petroleum and KCB Bank, noting its critical role in driving growth and investment in Kenya's oil and gas sector.

He said the collaboration is being undertaken both directly and indirectly through key partners in the midstream oil and gas sector. He added that petroleum products are critical enablers to the development of any economy and thus a precursor for Kenya's micro and macro-economic stability.

"As a department, we are very much alive to this fact and endeavor to work harmoniously with all players to support the development of our Country. This is the reason why the President dedicated a fully-fledged Department to oversee operations of this fundamental petroleum sector," said the PS.

The PS, who was speaking during the KCB Power Talk Customer Forum in Nairobi, reiterated the importance of financing in, exploration, transportation, and distribution of oil and gas in the country.

"To achieve these milestones in exploration and distribution of oil and gas, financing is a critical and core requirement. I reiterate that investment in the Petroleum sector business is a capital-intensive venture, which remains a deterrent without the support of financing institutions. Therefore, availability of funds is critical to spur growth of Kenya's oil and gas sector," the PS said.

"Most profound and recent initiative is the support and collaboration from KCB during the formative stage of Government-to-Government arrangement



on importation of petroleum products," he added.

The PS said the Government-to-Government programme that has been successfully implemented for the last 21 months has helped to stabilize the supply of petroleum products in Kenya and the region and solved the US Dollar liquidity problem by stopping speculative tendencies and restoring interbank forex trade, thus contributing immensely to the stability of our currency.

During this strategic policy shift, Liban added, many financiers were apprehensive to participate, but KCB understood the critical role of the financiers in ensuring the security of supply for the nation and chose to risk the colossal amount of money, a move that was not only strategic but also a hallmark of patriotism and a collaboration of purpose in support of a worthy course.

He said Kenya's huge oil and gas potential is still untapped, and that the country's maiden discovery of a commercially viable oil reservoir in South Lokichar in 2012 exhibits the country's huge potential in unexploited hydrocarbon resources.

FEATURE STORY: A SHRINE OF IDENTITY

Koitalel mausoleum, Nandi's new frontier for cultural tourism

BY LINET WAFULA (KNA)

On a quiet hill in Nandi, the Koitalel Samoei Mausoleum stands as a solemn guardian of history.

Within its walls lie artifacts and oral traditions of a man whose bravery and sacrifice defined the spirit of the Nandi.

For over a century, Koitalel arap Samoei has lived on in the memory of his people—not just as a leader, but as a symbol of unity and defiance against colonial intrusion. Now, the mausoleum, long overlooked by mainstream tourism, is emerging as the centerpiece of Nandi's tourism revival.

Nandi County Executive Committee Member (CECM) for Culture, Tourism and Heritage, Scholastica Tuwei, believes the Koitalel Mausoleum is key to repositioning Nandi on the tourism map.

"The mausoleum is more than a historical site. It is a symbol of identity for the Nandi and a reminder of the nation's cost of freedom. By positioning it as a tourism frontier, we are giving our people's story a global stage while ensuring the community benefits from the economic opportunities that come with heritage tourism," she explains.

Koitalel led the Nandi resistance between 1895 and 1905, fiercely guarding his people's land and way of life until his assassination in 1905 under a white flag of truce. To the community, his story is not only history but identity.

"Koitalel is our pride. He represents the sacrifices our



1. Nandi Deputy Governor Dr. Yulita Mitei (center) flanked by other leaders laying a wreath of flowers at the Koitalel Samoei Mausoleum in Nandi Hills.
2. The Koitalel Samoei Mausoleum in Nandi Hills.

PHOTOS BY MAKOKHA KHAOYA.

forefathers made for freedom long before independence," says elder Kipkemboi Cheruiyot from Nandi Hills.

"When our children visit the mausoleum, they don't just see exhibits—they meet their past, and it strengthens their identity," he adds.

For many, the site holds the potential to become a national shrine, standing shoulder to shoulder with memorials of Dedan Kimathi and Tom Mboya. It is envisioned not only as a tourist stopover, but also as a research hub, a cultural



learning space, and a platform for telling Kenya's freedom story to the world.

Already, the county is working on digitizing the mausoleum, archiving artifacts, developing virtual tours, and creating an online portal to make Koitalel's legacy accessible globally.

Governor Stephen Sang has

set tourism as one of the key pillars of economic diversification. Consequently, the county administration, working with the National Museums of Kenya and the Ministry of Tourism and Wildlife is investing in road access, visitor facilities and digital platforms to boost tourism visibility.

"The world knows Nandi

for producing world-class athletes. We now want them to know us for our history, landscapes and culture. Koitalel's legacy will be at the heart of this journey," he said.

While the mausoleum anchors Nandi's cultural tourism, the county is also blessed with diverse natural attractions like Nandi Rock, a towering granite outcrop offering panoramic views of the Rift Valley.

At the same time, Chepkiit, Kapkoros, and Keben Waterfalls offer a perfect opportunity for eco-tourism, hiking and photography.

Other tourism sites include the Nandi Escarpment and Indigenous Forests, rich in biodiversity, which are ideal for attracting hikers, bird watchers and conservation enthusiasts.

Not to be forgotten are the numerous Tea Plantations at the Nandi Hills offering agro-tourism, coupled with elaborate Cultural Festivals, which entail celebrations of music, dance, cuisine and traditional attire.

"These sites are our hidden treasures. If well promoted, they can create jobs for the youth, support local businesses and keep our traditions alive," stated Ruth Koech, a cultural ambassador.

Nandi Deputy Governor Dr. Yulita Mitei said, "Our goal is to make Nandi the next big cultural and eco-tourism hub in Kenya. With proper infrastructure, digital visibility and community participation, tourism will become a driver of both pride and prosperity."

Kenya strengthens petroleum governance with new draft regulations

BY WENDY SHEILLA (KNA)

Kenya has unveiled seven draft regulations to guide the upstream and midstream petroleum sub-sectors, marking a significant step in the country's quest to become an oil-producing nation.

The Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority (EPRA) Director General (DG), Daniel Kiptoo, said the proposed regulations are meant to boost transparency, attract investment, and ensure that petroleum resources benefit all Kenyans.

"We are presenting seven regulations developed in collaboration with stakeholders. They will help streamline and strengthen governance in the petroleum sector," he stated during a public consultative workshop in Nairobi, attended by industry players, civil soci-

ety, and government agencies.

Kiptoo noted that Kenya's petroleum industry has evolved remarkably over the last two decades, moving from a downstream-only focus to a fully-fledged sector spanning upstream, midstream, and downstream operations.

He recalled Kenya's first oil discovery in 2012 at the Ngamia 1 well in Turkana's South Lokichar Basin, which marked a turning point for the industry.

Since then, nine more discoveries have been made, with reserves estimated at 525 million barrels earmarked for development. The DG explained that the draft regulations rest on four key objectives: promoting fair business practices, ensuring quality and safety across the value chain, advancing sustainability through environmental and social governance,



EPRA Director General, Mr. Daniel Kiptoo, addresses stakeholders during a public consultative workshop on upstream and midstream petroleum regulations in Nairobi.

and strengthening data collection for evidence-based decision-making. Among the key proposals is the Upstream Petroleum Management and Administration Regulation, which

outlines licensing procedures, block allocation, and reporting requirements. The regulation seeks to create transparent processes for licensing and effective government monitoring.

The Petroleum Upstream Operations Regulation, 2025 addresses technical and operational issues, including exploration, appraisal, development, production, and decommissioning of oil and gas resources, both onshore and offshore.

Equally critical is the Midstream Petroleum Operations Regulation, which focuses on crude oil and natural gas transportation. It regulates permits, pipeline construction, and facility operations, ensuring compliance with safety, environmental, and technical standards. The Petroleum Environmental, Health and Safety Regulation applies across upstream and midstream operations. It enhances preparedness to manage risks, safeguard the environment, and protect communities around petroleum sites.

BOMA YANGU

News

A PUBLICATION OF THE STATE DEPARTMENT FOR HOUSING AND URBAN
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State Department for Housing (SDHUD) PS Charles Hinga, State Department for Diaspora Affairs, PS Roseline Njogu, and representatives from the Diaspora led by Chairperson of the Diaspora Technical Working Group (DTWG) Danson Mukile, pose for a photo after a joint consultative meeting on opportunities for investing back home, held at a Nairobi hotel in June.

Kenyans Abroad Eye Affordable Housing Units

Government Launches Partnership Plan with Kenyan Diaspora for Housing Program

In the month of June, the government, through the State Department for Housing and Urban Development, the State Department for Diaspora and the Diaspora Technical Working Group (DTWG), announced plans to create a platform for members of the diaspora to own homes in Kenya under the Affordable Housing Program (AHP).

Speaking at a joint session with diaspora members, the State Department for Housing and Urban Development, Principal Secretary, Charles Hinga, highlighted the government's focus on ensuring that the diaspora has access to this program. He further called upon members of the diaspora to partner in this initiative as an avenue to provide value add to remittances provided towards the housing initiative.

"If you look at the Ksh. 634.1 million remitted to the country, the largest component of that is for housing. The people in the diaspora want houses for their loved ones, and we will develop a framework that allows them to save and gain access to housing units in Kenya," he explained.

He further noted that the government is working out the details to ensure potential homeowners living in the diaspora can apply, register, and save towards owning a housing unit with power and ease.

Affirming this, Principal Secretary, State Department for Diaspora Affairs, Ms Roseline Njogu, underscored the importance of the relevant state departments working together in ensuring that Kenyans living and working abroad have an

opportunity to own a home, under the living homes initiative.

"Under the Diaspora Investment Support, we will provide for our members with avenues to access affordable housing units in Kenya. We remain committed to bringing their wishes to life," she noted.

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The Affordable Housing Program is part of the government's agenda to provide affordable housing units to all Kenyans across the country. It aims to address the current housing deficit by increasing access to quality, safe and dignified homes, for all Kenyans across and beyond our borders.

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State Department for Diaspora Affairs, PS Roseline Njogu and State Department for Housing (SDHUD) PS Charles Hinga, share an update on the affordable opportunities of homeownership available for Kenyan Diasporans, at a recent meeting held with representatives of the Diaspora Technical Working Group (DTWG).

Meanwhile, Kenyans' dreams of using a seamless platform to purchase housing units under the Affordable Housing Program has been made easy following a major upgrade of the security features of the Boma Yangu portal. Employers, diaspora Kenyans and other organised groups can now select a unit and directly pay for select units via the portal, at the click of a button.

The Affordable Housing Board (AHB) acting Chief Executive Officer, Sheila Waweru, encouraged the diaspora to kick start their savings and purchase journey via the Boma Yangu platform. The portal's security features have been strengthened with new functions, making it possible for any individual or registered group to purchase units through their employers or saving schemes.

"Organised groups such as cooperative societies, chamas, employers, religious organisations, SACCOs and Unions can now bulk purchase units for their members and also be able to track their payment on the platform" she explained.

The platform allows users to monitor their savings, receive updates on the allocation process, monitor construction progress and get notifications about the hand-over timelines.

The portal also allows organised Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises to advertise their wares via the portal where participating developers will be required to source for various building materials locally.

"There are 79 key building inputs that must be sourced locally from registered MSMEs and Jua Kali industries. The Jua Kali industry and MSMEs are a key plank of the Kenya Kwanza manifesto and Bottom up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA)," she said.

The Boma Yangu portal, www.bomayangu.go.ke is the sole selling point for all AHP housing units under construction in various parts of the country.

Status

The Affordable Housing Program (AHP) Sets Green Building Agenda In Practice



The Boma Yangu Homa Bay Affordable Housing Estate has received global recognition after it received the prestigious Global Certification in Excellence in Design for Greater Efficiencies (EDGE) issued by the International Finance Corporation (IFC).

The conferring of the EDGE certification, rewrites the conversation of integrating green building technologies into residential developments. EDGE celebrates projects that save energy, reduce carbon emissions and save on water consumption.

According to Thomas Ofwa, the Engineer in charge of the project, this award highlights the measures taken in support of the SDG 13 climate action. He says the EDGE design reduces energy use by 30 per cent, water use by 37 per cent and embodies use of energy in materials by over 50 per cent.

"Prior to issuance of the IFC EDGE recognition, the project was subjected to a compliance process including key stages like preliminary modeling, design and construction audits, and final certification," he explained.

This affirms that Boma Yangu Homa Bay Affordable Housing programme has integrated green building technologies in accordance with global standards that ensure environmental sustainability and reduction of carbon footprints to net zero.

Beyond sustainability, the local economy has benefited immensely with many youth, women and local artisans being employed. The jua kali sector has also been engaged in the crafting of window fittings and other finishes. This has ignited numerous

economic activities around the housing projects helping improve local incomes.

Youth who joined the project as unskilled workers have been provided with an opportunity to upskill in masonry, electrical work, plumbing and painting through hands-on training. The government has also introduced a certification process Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) where artisan skills will be assessed and certified through the Kenya National Qualifications Authority (KNQA).

About Edge

EDGE ("Excellence in Design for Greater Efficiencies") is a free software, a green building standard, and an international green building certification system. IFC created EDGE to respond to the need for a measurable and credible solution to prove the business case for building green and to unlock financial investment.

EDGE is a globally recognized standard with third-party certification, ensuring transparency and credibility. The compliance process includes key stages like preliminary modeling, design and construction audits, and final certification.

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Suswa and Ntulele ESP Markets Power Economic Growth in Narok



H.E the President Dr. William Ruto with traders from Narok and its environs at the commissioning of the Suswa ESP market on 6th May 2025.

Traders in Ntulele and Suswa, in Narok County are set to experience a new economic chapter, with the recent completion and handover of two new markets under the Economic Stimulus Program by the State Department for Housing and Urban Development.

These developments signal the government's commitment towards facilitating trade at the grassroots level, ensuring dignity for small businesses and traders while enhancing local commerce. The construction of the Suswa and Ntulele markets is part of a broader national initiative aimed at promoting economic growth and supporting small businesses.

The Government recently embarked on building 400 markets across the country, with 201 Economic Stimulus Markets and 29 modern markets currently at various stages of completion. Once fully operational, each ESP market is expected to host up to 300 traders.

For years, open markets in towns across the country, characterized by human

traffic congestion, poor sanitation, cramped-up trading spaces among other challenges such as exposure to harsh weather elements and no access to basic infrastructure. However, the narrative is changing thanks to the new markets under construction across the country.

In the month of May, two new markets were handed over to the Narok County Government, for allocation to the traders who had been operating in the open-air markets spaces. This is set to replace the makeshift stalls that symbolized informal trade.

These new markets are designed not just for trade but to support broader community needs. They include amenities such as cold storage rooms, ablution blocks, ICT hubs, lactation rooms/daycare centres, and essential utilities like running water and electricity. These new facilities offer permanent, clean, and organized trading environments that are expected to significantly improve how business is conducted in both Suswa and Ntulele.

Beyond infrastructure, the initiative has also created local employment, youth

and local artisans were engaged during the building process, with approximately Ksh. 3.88 million set aside specifically for artisan participation. This approach has not only created short-term employment but has also reinforced the Government's commitment to local empowerment and community inclusion in public projects.

The Suswa ESP market has been described as a symbol of hope by many and among them, Benard Mbugua, a shoe vendor in the area. "This new market is truly transformative, we finally have a clean, secure place to do our business. We hope that space allocation will be fair for everyone," he said. The new market introduces infrastructure that had been missing for years with traders expressing optimism and gratitude for the government's commitment to improving their business environment.

The Ntulele market, a one storey building located on the Mai Mahiu-Kamandura- Narok road stands out, has a modern design, that accommodates a large

footfall, thus serving the growing number of traders converging in the areas on market days.

The traders are calling for additional investment to match rising numbers of customers and traders, particularly in Ntulele. Rose Kisutu, a trader, has implored the government to build another market on the remaining piece of land, to accommodate the surge in trader numbers during market days.

The Suswa and Ntulele ESP markets are not only physical upgrades, but also a reflection of a broader vision of economic transformation at the grassroots level for small businesses in driving local wealth generation, job creation and supporting livelihoods.

The projects serve as a clear indication of what's possible when public infrastructure is matched with policy intent that's rooted in the everyday aspirations of the local wananchi.

Status

Affordable Housing Projects Renews Dignified Living Dream as Over 4,000 Units are Released to the Market



Machakos AHP



Gichugu AHP



Homa Bay AHP



Mukuru AHP

Kenya's Affordable Housing Program (AHP) is transforming lives with beneficiary-families enjoying the security of stable living away from demolition of their makeshift houses, sudden fire incidents and inadequate access to basic amenities. Children now have a better environment to live in and explore their full developmental potential through excelling in their studies and in sports.

The main goal of the Affordable Housing Pillar is to ensure that the Country's

population is provided with adequate and decent housing in well-planned urban areas.

Over 4,000 houses have been completed in different parts of the country with numerous new projects at different stages of completion. The Affordable Housing Initiative aims to increase availability of dignified affordable housing units for middle and low income earners.

Speaking during the handover ceremony at Mukuru Boma Yangu Housing estate,

the Principal Secretary for Housing and Urban Development Charles Hinga, said "Affordable Housing Programme is not about just buildings, it is about restoring dignity, creating jobs and ensuring inclusivity in urban growth. This is a people driven agenda that speaks to the heart of socio-economic empowerment."

The developments incorporate sustainability principles through natural ventilation, energy-efficient lighting, storm water management, and centralized waste treatment systems. Water supply will be

supported by onsite boreholes, while all buildings will be equipped with CCTV systems, fire suppression infrastructure, rooftop water tanks, and ICT connectivity. Universal access has also been prioritized, with the inclusion of elevators, ramps, and accessible stairways, ensuring the estate is inclusive to persons with disabilities and the elderly.

This project is more than just affordable housing, it symbolizes hope, dignity and stability.

Project Diversification

Government Builds Ksh. 345 Million Modern Fish Market in Homa Bay



The **Ksh. 345 million** modern fish market in Koginga, Homa Bay County recently opened by President William Ruto will benefit 2,000 fishmongers providing them with a modern marketplace to process and sell their wares.

The clean, well-organised and dignified space for fish handling and trading also boasts of cold storage facilities that will help fishmongers preserve their produce from spoilage thereby increasing the shelf life for fish on offer. This will ensure round the clock availability of fish on sale.

Speaking about the commissioning of the market, Ms. Lilian Kieni, Director of Urban Development at the State Department for Housing and Urban Development, said: “This new fish market has a dedicated fish processing area that will play a key role in harnessing maritime resources for economic empowerment. The market will also give Fish traders a decent place to do business, because initially they were operating in shacks and had no place to store their fish, which is perishable. We want to assure all traders, especially mama samaki, and other small traders who we are working to ensure they have access to decent and well-serviced trading areas for their day-to-day activities.”

- The modern market will feature:
- Hygienic trading spaces.
 - Retail stalls and a food court.
 - Fish processing and storage facilities (cold/dry rooms).
 - Gutting and scaling areas.
 - A mooring deck and fish landing shed for fishermen.
 - Stores for processed fish.
 - Washrooms, kitchens, and sanitation systems.
 - A high-level water tower and underground water tank to ensure a reliable water supply.
 - Adequate lighting for the market and surrounding areas.
 - An ICT hub to support digital operations and financial recordkeeping.
 - Mother-and-child facilities and PWD-friendly access ramps.
- This initiative is part of the government’s wider plan to formalize informal trade and promote inclusive economic growth by providing dignified workspaces across the country.



A fishmonger displays her catfish catch for sale, at the newly commissioned Homa Bay Fish Market

Opinion



Defining Decent Living Standards on a National Scale

For ages, the living standards for middle and low income earners in urban centres has been wanting. Lack of running water, electricity, toilets, playgrounds, roads, paved pathways, sewer lines, drainage and proper security just to mention a few. While the dwellers may abhor and detest their lifestyles, they lack an option that can set minimal standards of what a dignified living space can be and continue living in the makeshift structures.

This kind of living, studies show, adversely affects Kenya's development agenda where slum dwellers lack access to essential social resources that would improve their well being enabling them to make meaningful contributions to the national development. Most of them are jobless and lack any meaningful opportunities to provide basic necessities for their families.

To boost their ability to fend for themselves is an urgent need of creating job opportunities as well as availing new decent housing units that people living in the slums can occupy. The affordable housing programme unlocks this quagmire and offers slum dwellers an oppor-

tunity to own a quality home that boasts of social amenities that are decent, secure and affordable.

The journey towards participatory planning in the delivery of housing for Kenyans through the Affordable Housing Program (AHP), has projected social inclusion in provision of quality affordable housing as one that goes beyond physical structures. Through this initiative, the Government has tapped on better urban planning to improve the quality of life of the vulnerable in the informal settlements.

The social housing typology is one of the three typologies under AHP, that incorporates urban reconstruction, leveraging use of tomorrow's technologies today. A key highlight of the social housing model is provision of internet connectivity, gas reticulation and clean safe water in every housing unit. The access to these urban basic services at affordable rates is testament to the delivery of better outcomes for social inclusion.

In addition, integration of shared infrastructure such as paved walkways, green public spaces, shops, ECD learning centres, health centres, sports recreation fa-

cilities brings the feeling of home beyond physical structures. The housing units enclosed in secure gated wall fences with guards and caretakers provides a feeling of inclusivity, safety and community.

Mukuru, one of Nairobi's largest informal settlements, epitomizes the journey towards ensuring equity and justice for sustainable cities. The landscape of homes within Mukuru, dotted with makeshift, fire-prone, and lack access to basic services is set for a major facelift and a fair chance to thrive.

The Government has initiated promotion of equal access to housing, services and economic opportunities by constructing the Boma Yangu New Mukuru Housing Estate. The Estate upon completion will host 13,248 housing units. The first phase of 1,080 studio apartments has been delivered to new homeowners. This project has injected Ksh 11 billion directly into the local economy and is expected to generate a ripple effect of nearly Ksh 28 billion when accounting for auxiliary economic activities.

The future of AHP lies in converting public policy into public pride. For dec-

ades, slum dwellers were viewed as statistical footnotes in urban planning. Today, they are beneficiaries of a structured, transparent, and scalable housing model and with this transformative agenda, urban crime has drastically reduced due to elimination of ghetto gangs, and improvement of public health through better sanitation, as well as bolstering education by providing safe environments for children to learn.

Social inclusion begins with a roof, a door that locks, and a space where children can dream. The AHP is not just constructing buildings; it is building the Kenyan spirit. And if Mukuru is anything to go by, then the rest of Nairobi—and indeed the country—can dare to dream of a future with dignity.

By leveraging on local and grassroots data, AHP will empower the communities using localized approaches to urban development. Through coalition and alliance building, communities, county and national governments, private sector and civil society will promote people-centered smart cities.

The Affordable Housing Program (AHP): a Milestone of Sustainability, Economic Revitalisation and Youth Empowerment



The newly built housing units under the Affordable Housing Program (AHP) are not only a beacon of hope for locals but a blueprint when it comes to building affordable and eco-friendly houses.

The Homa Bay Project is part of the ambitious programme of building decent and affordable housing units across major towns in Kenya. Located in the outskirts of Makongeni - Homa Bay town, the first phase of the Homa

Bay project, which is now complete, includes 110 housing units comprising 38 two-bedroom apartments, 40 one-bedroom units, 30 studio apartments, and two combined studio-shop units. The housing units are priced affordably from as low as Ksh 896,000 for studios to Ksh 3.2 million for the two bedroom units.

For the project, about 2,000 skilled and unskilled workers drawn from the community were employed. Moreover, an estimated KES 11 million was paid to local

Jua Kali artisans for the supply of doors and windows while local women groups contracted to provide landscaping services, earning about KES 1 million.

Through this project, many youths have been able to improve and learn new skills. Many who had joined the project as casual laborers are now skilled in crafts such as masonry, electrical work, wood work, plumbing and painting through hands-on training.

Over time, these workers are set to ben-

efit from the government-supported certification process, Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL), where artisan skills will be assessed and certified through the Kenya National Qualifications Authority (KNQA).

Through the Affordable Housing Projects, the government has made significant strides in effort to complete decent and affordable housing units to Kenyans from all walks of life.



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KISIP2 transforms Eldoret's informal settlements

BY FREDRICK MARITIM (KNA)

One year after Eldoret was elevated to city status, efforts to upgrade infrastructure in informal settlements have gained momentum, with the ongoing rehabilitation of the 4-kilometer Maili Nne Road standing out as one of the flagship projects under the Second Kenya Informal Settlements Improvement Project (KISIP2).

Funded by the World Bank in partnership with the National and County Governments, KISIP2 seeks to improve living conditions and stimulate economic growth across Eldoret's informal neighborhoods.

During an inspection tour of the project, Uasin Gishu County Governor Dr. Jonathan Bii said the road represents more



Uasin Gishu County Governor Dr. Jonathan Bii Chelilim, accompanied by other county government officials, inspects the progress of the 4-kilometer Maili Nne Road project under the Second Kenya Informal Settlements Improvement Project (KISIP2).

than just new tarmac and drainage, describing it as a catalyst for social and economic renewal.

"This road is more than just tarmac and drainage; it marks a new chapter of social and economic revitalization for Maili Nne. It means mothers can reach hospitals faster, traders

can transport their goods efficiently, children can attend school safely, and investors will be more inclined to establish businesses in this area," he said.

The ongoing works—which include modern drainage, walkways, floodlights, and street

lighting—are transforming the Maili Nne settlement after decades of residents enduring muddy, impassable roads, persistent flooding, and insecurity after dark.

County officials expect the project to raise land values, attract small-scale industries, and spur new housing developments. They also note that better connectivity is reducing travel costs to Eldoret town, boosting


overall productivity.

Uasin Gishu County Executive for Lands, Housing, and Urban Development, Edward Sawe, emphasized that the initiative aligns closely with Governor Bii's Nguzo Kumi development agenda, highlighting its role in uplifting communities and driving inclusive growth.

"By investing in settlements like Maili Nne, we are enhancing dignity, safety, and economic op-

portunity for all residents. This is the urban growth model we aim to replicate across Uasin Gishu," said Sawe.

On her part, Chief Officer for Housing and Urban Development, Mary Kerich, added that infrastructure upgrades provide a vital foundation for inclusive growth, stressing that such improvements go beyond physical development to empower communities economically and socially.



NOTICE OF TWELFTH (12TH) ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF MURANG'A SOUTH WATER AND SANITATION COMPANY LIMITED


NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the **Twelfth (12th) Annual General Meeting** of Murang'a South Water and Sanitation Company Limited will be held at **Golden Palm Breeze Hotel, Kenol, Murang'a** on **Thursday, 25th September, 2025 at 10.30 a.m.** to transact the following business: -


AGENDA

- CONSTITUTION OF THE MEETING**
The Company Secretary to read the notice convening the meeting after determining if there was the requisite quorum
- CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**
To receive the Chairman's Report
- MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORT**
To receive the Managing Director's Report
- ADOPTION OF THE CHAIRMAN'S AND MANAGING DIRECTOR'S REPORTS**
To adopt the Chairman's and the Managing Director's reports
- REPORTS OF THE AUDITORS AND FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30TH JUNE, 2024**
To receive and consider the Company's Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 30th June, 2024, together with the Chairman's, Directors' and Auditors' Reports therein.
- APPOINTMENT AND REMUNERATION OF AUDITORS**
To note that the Auditor General shall continue in office as Auditors of the Company and to authorize the Directors to fix their remuneration in accordance with the provisions of Section 724 of the Companies Act, 2015
- REMUNERATION OF DIRECTORS**
To authorize the Board to fix the remuneration of Directors subject to complying with the benchmarks and guidelines in the Water Sector.
- ANY OTHER BUSINESS**
To transact any other business of the Annual General Meeting for which written notice has been received by the Company Secretary at least 48 hours before the Annual General Meeting in accordance with the Companies Act, 2015.

BY ORDER OF THE BOARD

FCS Richard K. Gikuhi MBA, MKIM, HSC Company Secretary
Murang'a South Water and Sanitation Company Limited,
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Dated: 2nd September 2025
For more details, please visit company's website www.muswasco.co.ke.





Specific Procurement Notice

SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE (UPDATED VERSION)

REQUEST FOR BIDS

PLANT

DESIGN, SUPPLY AND INSTALLATION


(TWO-ENVELOPE BIDDING PROCESS, WITHOUT PREQUALIFICATION)

Employer	Kenya Electricity Transmission Company Ltd.
Project	Kenya Green and Resilient Expansion of Energy (GREEN) Program Phase 2 Project
Contract title	Design, Supply, Installation & Commissioning of the 400/220 kV Kimuka Substation and Associated Transmission Lines
Country	Kenya
Credit No.	4791-KE
RFB No	KE-KETRACO-416094-CW-RFB
Issued on	8 TH MARCH 2025

- The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Kenya Green and Resilient Expansion of Energy (GREEN) Program Phase 2 Project and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the Contract for Design, Supply, Installation & Commissioning of the 400/220 kV Kimuka Substation and Associated Transmission Lines.
- The Kenya Electricity Transmission Company Ltd. now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for the Design, Supply, Installation & Commissioning of the 400/220 kV Kimuka Substation and Associated Transmission Lines.
- Bidding will be conducted through international competitive procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers dated September 2023 (5th Edition)" ("Procurement Regulations") and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.
- Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from

Senior Manager, Supply Chain
Kenya Electricity Transmission Company Ltd.
kimuka400procurement@ketraco.co.ke
and inspect the bidding document during office hours, 0800 to 1500 hours EAT at the address given below.
- The bidding document in English is available for download by interested eligible Bidders via this link: **<https://www.ketraco.co.ke/procurement/tenders/open-tenders>** Interested eligible Bidders are required to register with the Employer upon download of the bidding document via the email address indicated above and provide their official email address for purposes of communication during the entire bidding period.
- Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before **11th September 2025** at 1000hr EAT. Electronic bidding will not be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. The outer Bid envelopes marked "ORIGINAL BID", and the inner envelopes marked "TECHNICAL PART" will be publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders' designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend, at the address below on **11th September 2025** at 1000hr EAT. All envelopes marked "FINANCIAL PART" shall remain unopened and will be held in safe custody of the Employer until the second public Bid opening.
- All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security of Sixty-Six Million and Three Hundred Thousand Kenya Shillings (KES 66,300,000) or equivalent in a freely convertible currency.
- 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.
- The address(es) referred to above is (are):

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500,000 farmers to be onboarded onto KIAMIS

BY BERNARD MUNYAO (KNA)

The Ministry of Agriculture has launched a nationwide two weeks farmer registration exercise targeting to enlist more than 500,000 farmers into the Kenya Integrated Agriculture Management Information System (KIAMIS).

Agriculture Principal Secretary (PS) Dr. Kiprono Ronoh has said that the two-week exercise would ensure farmers across the country benefit from digitized services that enhance agricultural productivity and open up global market opportunities.

Speaking during the official launch of the Rapid Results Initiative (RRI) Farmer Registration at Nyangiti Grounds in Mathioya Sub-County, Murang'a County, the PS emphasized that the programme would strengthen transparency, fairness, and accountability in delivering government support.

"This initiative is part of the government's commitment to digitizing agriculture and ensuring farmers across all counties benefit from modern, transparent systems. With KIAMIS, every farmer will be visible, and no one will be left behind," he said.

The PS noted that the registration will not only ease access to government input subsidies, such as the national fertilizer programme, but will also capture data on land size, crop varieties, and livestock.

"Capturing farmer details in the KIAMIS will provide accurate statistics to assist the government in planning and resource allocation," added Ronoh.

The PS further emphasized on the registration of coffee farmers so as to comply with the European Union Deforestation Regulation (EUDR), which requires verification and geo-mapping of farms to ensure exports of produce are not linked to deforestation.

"We assure our coffee growers that the government will walk with them through this process so that Kenya's premium coffee continues to dominate international markets, especially in Europe," Ronoh said.



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President William Ruto during Katiba Day celebrations in Nairobi.

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COUNTY SPOTLIGHT



MIGORI COUNTY
1,116,436
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SUPREME LAW

From citizen participation to new governance structure: How 2010 Constitution has reshaped Kenya

Celebrating milestones made and reflecting on challenges that have arisen since the promulgation of the 2010 Constitution



President Mwai Kibaki when he promulgated the new Constitution in 2010 ushering in on a new path of reforms.

A decade-and-a-half since the adoption of the 2010 Constitution, the progress the country has made through the reforms the law introduced are apparent in both governance and citizen's lives.

From birthing County Governments to fostering greater public participation, strengthening the Judiciary, expanding civil liberties and placing institutional checks and balances, the Constitution put a country on a transformative path that promotes inclusive governance, accountability and the rule of law.

Devolution decentralised power to the grassroots, empowering communities to chart their own development paths.

This has seen counties prioritise local needs and implement projects that reflect the aspirations of residents.

Social amenities, including schools and hospitals, have been built closer to the people.

Access to healthcare, therefore, has expanded, with dispensaries and clinics opened in remote areas.

The number of health centres have risen from 8,606 before the advent of devolution to 15,810 currently.

Similarly, the number of doctors has

increased from 874 and 6,620 nurses to 4,651 medical doctors and 34,220 nurses in about 12 years of devolution.

Education infrastructure, especially for early childhood learners has grown, enabling more children to attend school without travelling long distances.

President William Ruto said the National Government is committed to the successful implementation of devolution as seen in the disbursement of allocation to devolved units.

"Since the birth of devolution 12 years ago, the National Government has transferred Sh4 trillion to counties," President Ruto said during the commemoration of Kariba Day, which celebrated 15 years since the promulgation of the 2010 Constitution.

In the financial year 2025/2026, counties under the Division of Revenue Act, 2025, were allocated Sh415 billion, an increase from 2024's Sh387 billion.

The upward trajectory in funding empowers counties to scale up development initiatives and serve citizens as the Constitution envisions.

Another institution that has benefited greatly following the promulgation of the Constitution is the Judiciary, which saw the creation of a Supreme Court.



Corruption must be chased down every alley, every corridor, and every corner of the Executive by every well-meaning citizen whenever it is spotted," President Ruto.

This provided a final appellate jurisdiction and a platform for constitutional interpretation, therefore, strengthening the rule of law and enhanced public confidence in the justice system.

"The establishment of the Judicial Service Commission (JSC) in 2010 marked a shift from Executive control over judicial appointments to a more independent system. Since then, the Judiciary has expanded its infrastructure, with High Court registries now present in all 47 counties, the number of Magistrates' Courts increasing from 111 to 143, and the Court of Appeal establishing four Benches in major cities," Chief Justice Martha Koome said.

Under Legislature, the 2010 Constitution introduced a bicameral structure of Parliament that has strengthened legislative checks and balances, with the National Assembly focusing on national policy and budgetary matters, while the Senate safeguards the interests of counties.

Inclusion of Woman representatives in Parliament amplified the voices of women in decision-making, promoting gender-responsive legislation and inclusive governance.

National Assembly Speaker Moses Wamang'ula said Parliament has helped in safeguarding fundamental rights enshrined in Chapter Four of the Constitution.

"To implement the Bill of Rights under Chapter Four of the Constitution, Parliament has enacted and passed several pieces of legislation to promote fundamental human rights," he said.

Adding, "Parliament has also passed and enacted 471 Bills that have promoted good governance, social and economic development of the country."

These legislative milestones underscore Parliament's role in breathing life into the 2010 Constitution and fortifying the protection of civil liberties.

For citizens, the 2010 Constitution birthed an era of inclusive governance, where public

INFOBOX

August 27 designated as Katiba Day

- President William Ruto designated August 27 as Katiba Day, a decision that was announced on August 25, 2025.
- It is a working day focused on civic engagement.
- It is designed to honour the Constitution, promote civic awareness and encourage constitutional dialogue.
- All Government institutions, schools, counties and diplomatic Missions abroad are expected to organise civic activities.
- The inaugural Katiba Day was held on August 27, 2025, marking 15 years since the Constitution was enacted.
- The Constitution was promulgated on August 27, 2010, following a national referendum held on August 4, 2010, which Kenyans voted in favour.
- Day serves as a reminder of every Kenyan's duty to obey, preserve, protect, and implement the Constitution.

participation has become central to the implementation of various laws and major projects.

This has elevated citizens from passive observers to active contributors to governance as they can now influence decisions through public participation forums as enshrined in Article 118 of the Constitution.

This inclusive approach has fostered a culture of transparency, where Government actions are subject to public scrutiny.

But as 2010 Constitution steers the country to new heights, challenges like corruption have undermined development.

President Ruto acknowledged that rampant corruption in the Executive, Judiciary, Parliament and devolved units remains alarmingly high.

"Corruption must be chased down every alley, every corridor and every corner of the Executive by every well-meaning citizen whenever it is spotted," he said.

He challenged Parliament, Judiciary and County Governments to boldly deal with the corruption in their ranks too in order to restore public trust in the institutions.

"Will members be counted among those who demand and enforce accountability or among those who undermine the Constitution by entrenching corruption?" he asked MPs.

Equally, he called upon the Judiciary to rise to its highest calling by getting rid of corruption within its ranks and upholding independence with integrity.

Some of the measures instituted by the Government to address corruption in Public Service include automating and digitising over 22,000 services, a move that has raised revenue collection to over Sh1 billion daily. ■

CONSERVATION

Trees planted, students empowered as Kiptenden livelihood initiative held

Over 20,000 trees were planted during the Kiptenden Primary School Education and Livelihood Programme as part of environmental restoration and community empowerment in Metkei Ward, Keiyo South, Elgeyo Marakwet County.

The event, whose theme was *Education for Dignity*, brought together hundreds of participants from Government, private organisations, educational institutions and local leaders, who not only planted trees, but also mentored students.

Dr Pamela Sitienei, Council Chair, Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology, who was the keynote speaker and represented the PS, National Treasury Dr Chris Kiptoo, underscored the power of education to elevate individual dignity and drive societal progress.

Prof Livingstone Ngoo, DVC Academic, Multimedia University of Kenya enlightened learners on the role of artificial intelligence in innovation as he differentiated it with natural intelligence.

Students performed songs, poems

and spoken word performances, focusing on creativity and learning rather than just entertainment. Participating schools were Kiptenden Primary (host), Kapchorua, Kapchebutuk, Kamwosor, Kapsowek and Kipsaos. Dr Albert Kochei, the patron of the initiative, donated cows to the schools for early childhood nutrition and livestock-based learning initiatives. The programme enhanced teaching infrastructure, access to learning materials and student engagement in creative activities. It also helped enhance income



generation through avocado farming, improved nutrition via livestock donations and empowerment of youth and women. ■

Dr Pamela Sitienei, Council Chair, Masinde Muliro University of Science and Technology (3rd right) with other dignitaries during Kiptenden Primary School Education and Livelihood initiative.

Huduma Centres hold campaign to sensitise public on Katiba Day

Huduma Centres marked Katiba Day, a celebration of 15 years since the promulgation of the 2010 Constitution, with a sensitisation campaign.

The Centres across the country conducted a campaign to educate citizens on their rights and the benefits enshrined in the Constitution, including access to Government services through Huduma platform.

The campaign also highlighted the role of Huduma Centres in promoting inclusivity, transparency and accountability in public service delivery, while encouraging

HUDUMA CORNER

citizens to embrace their constitutional rights and responsibilities.

Staff further used the opportunity to reaffirm Huduma Kenya's commitment to bringing services closer to the people.

The anniversary celebrations were announced by President William, who declared August 27 Katiba Day as the day where civic engagement and reflection on constitutional values will be conducted.

Although it will remain a working day, every year, all Government institutions, including Huduma Centres, will be expected to organise activities that promote awareness and renew commitment to the ideals of the Constitution.

Launched in 2013, Huduma Kenya is one of the most transformative public service initiatives in Kenya's recent history.

It has streamlined access to tens of Government services by creating one-stop service centres across the country where citizens pop in and get served. ■



Huduma Kenya CEO Ben Kai Chilumo (second left) with other staff during Katiba Day celebrations.

ENVIRONMENT

PS Ng'eno spearheads efforts to restore Mau Forest



Environment PS Dr Eng. Festus Ng'eno (second left) with other officials plant trees in Mau Forest in Kuresoi North last Friday.

Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board has joined the efforts to restore the vital eco-system that supports millions of livelihoods

As part of efforts to restore Mau Forest, Kenya's largest water tower, the Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Climate Change is implementing a programme to reforest the vital eco-system.

Under the Mau Forest Complex Integrated Conservation and Livelihood Improvement Programme (MCF-ICLIP), whose patron is Environment PS, Dr Eng. Festus Ng'eno, the Ministry seeks to grow four million trees before the official launch on the initiative in October 24, 2025.

Every week, the PS and several partners have committed to plant trees ahead of the official launch as part of the restoration programme.

Last Friday, Dr Ng'eno, Kuresoi North MP Alfred Mutai and hundreds of residents planted over 20,000 seedlings as the restoration drive gains momentum.

"This is not just about trees. It's about resilience, livelihoods and a future where people and nature thrive together," Dr Ng'eno



Environment PS Dr Eng. Festus Ng'eno with Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board CEO Lilian Kimeto when she paid him a courtesy call.

said. Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board (KYEB) is among institutions that have pledged support to the environmental initiative.

CEO Lilian Kimeto said KYEB during the campaign will work with the secretariat in framing of messages for behavioural change.

"We will focus on storytelling and the development of message pillars to drive behaviour change especially in the Mau community," Ms Kimeto said when she paid a courtesy call to PS Ng'eno.

Dr Ng'eno lauded KYEB for its efforts in environmental conservation where the institution has produced various publications that support awareness efforts.

This includes the recent publication of a special *AgendaKenya* newspaper edition in support of the Kaptagat Forest Restoration Initiative. Mau Forest, spanning over 400,000 hectares is Kenya's largest water tower, with rivers, lakes and millions of people depending on it.

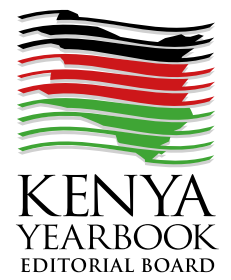
It comprises 22 forest blocks, with the vast ecosystem being a biodiversity hotspot and home to countless species of flora and fauna, many of which are endemic or threatened.

The forest plays a vital role in regulating local climate patterns, conserving soil, and supporting livelihoods through forest products like timber, medicinal plants and honey. ■

INFOBOX

Mau Forest

- **Mau Forest covers approximately 400,000 hectares.**
- **It is the largest indigenous montane forest in East Africa.**
- **It is a major water catchment area in the country, known as "Kenya's Water Tower".**
- **It is the source of rivers Mara, Sondu and Njoro.**
- **It is home to endangered species like the mountain bongo.**
- **It comprises of the following forest blocks:**
 - a) Maasai Mau
 - b) Eastern Mau
 - c) Western Mau
 - d) South-West Mau (Tinet)
 - e) Transmara
 - f) Oldonyo Purro
 - g) Southern Mau
- **Threats**
 - a) Illegal logging and charcoal production
 - b) Encroachment and land grabbing
 - c) Loss of forest cover (over 25 per cent since 1973)
- **Impact**
 - a) Evictions of forest dwellers, especially the Ogiek community.
 - b) Land allocation controversies from past political regimes.
- **Restoration efforts are being led by Ministry of Environment, Forestry and Climate Change, Kenya Forest Service, NGOs and community forest associations.**

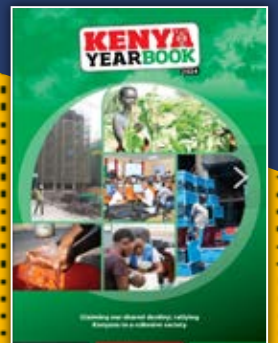


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Morocco celebrate after beating Madagascar 3-2 to win the 2024 CHAN tournament at Kasarani Stadium in Nairobi. Kenya, alongside Uganda and Tanzania, was lauded for organising the best CHAN tournament ever.



Interior PS Kipchumba Murkomen inspects a guard of honour in Kirinyaga County during the 33rd Jukwaa la Usalama engagement.



Information, Communications and the Digital Economy Cabinet Secretary William Kabogo (left) with Mr Abdullahi Al-Fahad, Charge d'Affaires and Head of Kuwait Mission in Nairobi. The two discussed areas of collaboration to spur the digital economy.



Broadcasting PS Stephen Isaboke during the graduation ceremony of 120 youth from the Huawei DigiTruck Programme in Kisii County. This is part of the larger programme by the Government to equip the youth with digital skills.

Thousands set to get title deeds after state waives Sh5.3b interest

BY KIMANI TIRUS (KNA)

The Government has approved a waiver of accrued interest on Settlement Fund Trust (SFT) loans worth Sh5.3 billion, offering relief to thousands of Kenyans awaiting title deeds.

Lands Cabinet Secretary Alice Wahome said the waiver applies only to accrued interest—about 45 percent of the total outstanding loans—and not to the principal amounts owed.

“The primary objective is to unlock thousands of title deeds for beneficiaries who have been unable to complete their loan repayments due to the high cost of accumulated interest,” Wahome said.

She explained that the move will ease the burden on Kenyans awaiting title deeds, enabling them to finalize payments and become legal landowners.

The CS urged beneficiaries to take advantage of the waiver by clearing their principal balances with the Land Adjudication and Settlement Department in order to secure their titles.

“The pressure was on us to waive the interest, but this was a consultative process with the Treasury and had to be approved by Cabinet. Now that it is done, Kenyans should move quickly to complete their payments,” she added.



Lands Cabinet Secretary Alice Wahome addressing the media outside the Nyahururu Land Registry, where she announced the Cabinet's approval of a Sh5.3 billion Settlement Fund Trust interest waiver and confirmed the relocation of the office to Olkalou.

Wahome also announced that the Nyahururu Land Registry, which currently serves Nyandarua and parts of Samburu County, will be relocated to Olkalou within the next three months.

She directed staff at the Nyahururu office to prepare for the move and clear pending work, noting that the relocation will bring

land services closer to the people of Nyandarua.

“The delay in moving the registry was due to incomplete works at the Olkalou facility. Those have now been addressed, and we are finalizing security measures to safeguard land records,” she said.

On digitisation, Wahome revealed that the ministry has achieved 98 percent digital conversion of land records in Nairobi, with similar work ongoing in Murang'a, Machakos, and Mombasa. She added that

another 15 counties have been identified for rollout as the government pushes for full digitisation of registries nationwide.

The CS was on an inspection tour of land registries and affordable housing projects in Nakuru, Nyandarua, and Laikipia counties.

In Nyandarua, she visited the Olkalou Land Registry, an affordable housing project, the Nyahururu Land Registry, and later proceeded to Rumuruti in Laikipia County.

Institutes partner to strengthen supply chain management

BY YOBESH ONWONG'A (MYGOV)

The Kenya School of Government (KSG) and the Kenya Institute of Supplies Management (KISM) have signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) to collaborate in training, research, and consultancy.

The partnership is focused on enhancing skills and governance in supply chain management through joint capacity-building programmes, collaborative research, and consultancy on emerging supply chain challenges.

The collaboration will also emphasize knowledge sharing, co-hosting policy

dialogues, and strengthening supply chain governance in the public sector.

KSG Director General Prof. Nura Mohamed noted that the partnership covers technical assistance, exchange of best practices, joint resource mobilization, and monitoring and evaluation of training and partnership programmes.

He added that the two institutions had agreed to co-organize workshops and conferences, co-publish research works, and share digital and physical infrastructure to support their initiatives. “This collaboration marks a significant step towards strengthening supply chain governance, advancing public admin-



KSG Director general Prof Nura Mohamed (centre) flanked by KISM CEO Keneth Matiba (second left) formalize a strategic partnership through the signing of an MoU at KSG headquarters. KISM Chair John Karani (second right) graced the occasion.

istration, and contributing to Kenya's broader development agenda through research, innovation, and professional excellence,” said the Director General.

KISM CEO Mr. Kenneth Matiba, said that the synergy between KSG and KISM will ensure that supply chain professionals within the public sector are trained to the highest standards, in line with best practices and evolving

regulatory frameworks,” he stated.

“Under the agreement, the two institutions will collaborate on curriculum development, research, and the delivery of training programs tailored to the evolving needs of the public sector supply chain. The partnership also aims to foster innovation and policy dialogue in procurement governance,” said Matiba.

BRIEFS

Kwale County hands over 355 resilient goats to farmers

BY HUSSEIN ABDULLAHI (KNA)

Small-scale farmers in Lunga Lunga Sub-County, Kwale, have received 355 hardy Galla goats from the county government in an initiative aimed at improving livelihoods, strengthening food security, and building resilience against climate change.

The white, long-legged Galla goat, commonly associated with pastoralist communities in northern Kenya, is well known for its adaptability to arid and semi-arid conditions. It is highly valued for its superior milk and meat production, disease resistance, and strong market demand.

Governor Fatuma Achari handed over the livestock to two self-help groups in Mwereni Ward. The Neema Namelock group received 175 goats, while the Amkeni Kimwangani Women's Group received 180.

Governor Achari said the initiative is part of her

administration's wider agriculture value chain programme aimed at empowering rural farmers.

“We want to ensure that when our livestock keepers take their animals to the market, they earn good money to sustain their lives,” she said, noting that galla goats are particularly suited for dryland farming and will provide long-term benefits to households.

Since 2022, the devolved unit has distributed over 5,200 galla goats and 100 dairy cows to more than 30 self-help groups across the coastal county. According to Achari, the programme is transforming livestock farming by raising productivity and increasing incomes.

“Our aim is to ensure livestock farmers boost meat production, enhance food security, and ultimately alleviate poverty in Kwale,” she said, adding, “Galla goats fetch higher market prices than local breeds, giving farmers better financial returns.”

Gatundu water company receives 2000 new meters to improve service delivery

BY MICHELLE NJERI (KNA)

Gatundu Water and Sanitation Company has received 2000 new water meters, under the Conditional Liquidity Support Grant (CLSG) 2 Intervention 11 Project, marking a significant milestone in the company's efforts to enhance water service delivery and ensure accurate billing for customers across the constituency.

The modern water meters, which are currently undergoing engraving processes, represent a major investment in upgrading the area's water infrastructure and addressing long-standing challenges related to billing inaccuracies and service inefficiencies.

The primary objective of this comprehensive project is to replace old and faulty meters that have been contributing to billing disputes and revenue losses for the water company, while ensuring customers receive fair and transparent

billing based on actual consumption. The replacement exercise is set to begin in strategic locations around Kamwani town, Gatukuyu, Mang'u, Ngorongo center, Igegaia, Kanyoni, and Gitumba, targeting areas where meter malfunctions have been most problematic. The advanced meters come equipped with unique tracking codes for identification purposes, providing enhanced security features that make them virtually impossible to resell if stolen, addressing a common challenge faced by water companies across the country.

Mary Njoki, a resident of Kamwani town, expressed optimism about the meter replacement project, noting that old meters had caused frequent billing disputes in her area.

“We have been receiving inconsistent bills for months due to faulty meters. This replacement will bring clarity to our water bills and help us plan our household budgets better,” she said.