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Agriculture and Livestock Development Cabinet Secretary, Mutahi Kagwe (L), admires one of the Friesian cows exhibited during the 57th edition of the Central Kenya, Agricultural Society of Kenya show at Kabiru-ini showground in Nyeri.

PHOTO BY WANGARI MWANGI.



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— CS MUTAHI KAGWE

The Week In numbers

70m

Number of bags the government will purchase directly from farmers this year to boost the National Strategic Food Reserve.

40,000

Number of youths to be awarded certificates by the National Industrial Training Authority (NITA) under the Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) certification program.

4,096

Number of modern, affordable houses the government is constructing in Starehe Sub-County.

700m

Amount the government will spend to transform Gakoigo Grounds in Maragua Constituency into a modern 10,000-seater stadium.

6b

Cost of the Commuter Rail Service recently launched in Mombasa by President William Ruto.

10b

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State to restock strategic food reserve as harvest nears



A man walking near a withering maize farm in Gatitu, Nyeri county in this file photo.

BY WANGARI MWANGI AND
DIANA ODIPO (KNA)

The Government has announced plans to restock the National Strategic Food Reserve by purchasing food directly from farmers as the country prepares to harvest 70 million bags of

maize this year. Cabinet Secretary for Agriculture and Livestock Development, Mutahi Kagwe, said the move would not only guarantee national food security but also provide farmers with a ready and reliable market for their produce. “Our national food security has remained stable, with improved

availability and reduced prices for staple foods. As we approach the bumper harvest season, the Government will restock the National Strategic Food Reserve. This will guarantee food security for the nation and provide farmers with a ready market for their produce,” said Kagwe.

BY THE NUMBERS: KENYA'S MAIZE HARVEST 2025

MAIZE BAGS
70 MILLION BAGS

This year's harvest, described as historic, exceeds the 2024 harvest by 3 million 90-kilogram bags. The anticipated 70 million bags are more than double the 34.3 million bags harvested in 2022.

FERTILISER
21.3 MILLION BAGS

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Speaking during the official opening of the 57th edition of the Central Kenya Agricultural Society of Kenya Show at Kabiru-ini Showground in Nyeri, Kagwe attributed the increased production to favourable weather conditions and the timely provision of subsidized fertilizer and other inputs by the government.

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“This has reduced fertilizer prices by up to 67 per cent per 50-kilogram bag and boosted production of key commodities,” Kagwe stated.

He further revealed that plans are underway to provide 12.5 million bags of subsidized fertilizer for the 2026 seasons across all 1,450 wards.

Kagwe reiterated the Government's commitment to making agriculture a profitable venture for farmers by offering market interventions and subsidies. He noted that the introduction of the Kenya Integrated Agriculture Management Information System would ease farmers' access to subsidized fertilizer and other farm inputs under the government's e-voucher system.



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MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AND DIASPORA AFFAIRS
STATE DEPARTMENT FOR NATIONAL GOVERNMENT CO-ORDINATION

PUBLIC NOTICE

CALL FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON THE DRAFT RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS POLICY, 2024 AND THE DRAFT RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS BILL, 2024

The Presidential Taskforce on the Review of the Legal and Regulatory Framework Governing Religious Organizations in Kenya (the “Taskforce”) was constituted vide Kenya Gazette Notice Numbers 5661 of 5th May, 2023 and 6091 of 11th May, 2023. The Taskforce presented its Report to His Excellency the President on 30th July, 2024 and as part of its terms of reference, developed and recommended –

- the draft Religious Organizations Policy, 2024; and
- the draft Religious Organizations Bill, 2024.

The overall objective of these instruments is to provide a framework for regulation of religious organizations; to combat religious extremism and the abuse of the freedom of religion and connected purposes.

The drafts are available on the Office of the Prime Cabinet Secretary website through the weblink: <https://www.primecs.go.ke/policies-bills-acts>

Following Cabinet's adoption of the Taskforce's Report on 29th July, 2025, the State Department for National Government Co-ordination, which is vested with the mandate of coordinating the implementation of the Taskforce's recommendations, hereby invites the public and all persons likely to be affected by the provisions of the documents above to submit written Memoranda on them. These should reach the undersigned through email address religiousorganizations@primecs.go.ke on or before **22nd October, 2025** using the template provided in the Office of the Prime Cabinet Secretary website through the weblink above.

Hard copies of the written Memoranda may be submitted to the Office of the Principal Secretary, State Department for National Government Co-ordination at the Office of the Prime Cabinet Secretary, Ground Floor, Kenya Railways Building, off Haile Selassie Avenue, Nairobi, and addressed as follows–

Hon. Ahmed Abdisalan Ibrahim
Principal Secretary
State Department for National Government Co-ordination
Kenya Railways Headquarters
P.O Box 30551-00100
Off Haile Selassie Avenue, NAIROBI

Public participation forums shall be announced in due course.

Hon. Ahmed Abdisalan Ibrahim
Principal Secretary
STATE DEPARTMENT FOR NATIONAL GOVERNMENT CO-ORDINATION

New skills certification programme to benefit 40,000 youth



BY JANE MASON (PCO)


The National Industrial Training Authority (NITA) has launched the awareness phase of the Recognition of Prior Learning (RPL) certification for more than 40,000 youth across the country, in an effort to en-

hance skills development and employability. The RPL certification process is part of the National Youth Opportunities Towards Advancement (NYOTA) project, a five-year Government of Kenya programme supported by the World Bank. The initiative seeks to increase employability, raise

earnings, and promote savings among vulnerable youth in Kenya. According to NITA Acting Director General Theresa Wasike, the awareness phase is critical to ensuring that beneficiaries fully understand the process and its requirements. She made the remarks on Thursday evening

during a virtual briefing with the team rolling out the programme at the grassroots level. “The awareness creation stage is very crucial because it will help the RPL beneficiaries understand what the process is all about as they begin their journey to a brighter future,” said DG Wasike.

NITA had rolled out awareness activities in 20 counties, including Samburu, Garissa, and Trans-Nzoia, among others. The remaining counties will be covered in subsequent phases. RPL Practitioner Solomon Eyanae, who facilitated one of the forums at Maralal Vocational Training Centre in Samburu County, said the awareness phase will pave the way for screening and the portfolio of evidence stage. At this stage, NITA experts will guide the youth in identifying their skills and compiling proof such as photos, work samples, testimonials, or videos. Beneficiaries will then undergo a summative assessment, which may include practical, written, or oral tests, to confirm their competencies. Successful candidates will be awarded a nationally recognized NITA certificate for their proven skills. In addition to RPL certification, NITA will also assess and certify youth who have gained technical skills through internships and oversee the quality of training provided, ensuring alignment with industry standards. According to the Authority’s Project Coordinator, Joseph Kinuthia, NITA will also upskill up to 4,000 Master Craftsmen to enhance their pedagogical abilities and improve training outcomes. Further, the Authority will support the development of apprenticeship standards, including those in the digital, blue, green, grey, and creative economy sectors.



MINISTRY OF LABOUR & SOCIAL PROTECTION
State Department for Labour and Skills Development
Directorate of Occupational Safety and Health Services

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON THE REVIEW OF LEGAL NOTICE NO. 50 OF 2022, THE OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH (FEES CHARGED FOR OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH SERVICES) REGULATIONS

The Ministry of Labour and Social Protection through the Directorate of Occupational Safety and Health Services invites the public to provide input on the proposed reviewed Occupational Safety and Health (Fees Charged for Occupational Safety and Health Services) Regulations, 2025. The review is pursuant to section 127(1) of the Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) Act 2007.

The objective of the review is to expand the scope of OSH services beyond those listed in the 2022 regulations and align the associated charges with present-day valuation standards.


All stakeholders including the Tripartite Partners, Occupiers, Workers and the members of the public are hereby requested to submit their views on the draft regulations. The draft Regulations 2025 can be downloaded from our websites www.labour.go.ke, and www.doshmis.go.ke.

Comments in the format of the template provided below, should be addressed to the Secretary, Occupational Safety and Health and submitted through email address doshdept@labour.go.ke and copy doshdept@yahoo.com not later than 5.00pm on 13th October, 2025.

Regulation No.	Clause Details	Suggested amendment	Justification/Comment

This call for submissions will last for 21 days from **23rd September to 13th October, 2025.**

Dr. Musa Nyandusi, OGW
Secretary, Occupational Safety and Health
P.O. Box 34120-00100
NAIROBI





PHARMACY AND POISONS BOARD

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE FOR THE NOVEMBER 2025 PROFESSIONAL EXAMS

The Pharmacy and Poisons Board will conduct the Pre-registration Exams (Stage I & II) and Enrolment exams (Level I & II) on **November 17th, 18th & 19th, 2025.**

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

Each candidate should:


- i) Make an application using the **PPB online services portal**. The application deadline will be **31st October, 2025.**
- ii) Select their preferred examination centre. The exam centres are subject to change, and candidates must regularly check the portal before the exam for any changes.
- iii) Obtain a suitable computer device with internet access, that can be fully charged and store power to run for at least 3 hours.

Rehearsals will be conducted on **Monday, 17th November**, at the respective centres and are mandatory. Mock exams will be conducted to familiarize candidates with the **PPB online examinations portal**. The dates for the mock exams will be communicated in due course. The mock exams will be done at home.

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

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

CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER



CS warns lagging counties as Taita Taveta launches energy blueprint

BY ARNOLD LINGA MASILA (KNA)

Cabinet Secretary for Energy and Petroleum, Opiyo Wandayi, has urged counties that are lagging to expedite the development of their energy plans, stressing that the country cannot wait indefinitely. His remarks came as Taita Taveta County became the seventh out of 47 counties to officially launch its comprehensive energy blueprint.

Speaking during the launch of the Taita Taveta County Energy Plan at Voi Wildlife Lodge, Wandayi noted that several counties are still dragging their feet in energy planning, emphasizing that the nation's development cannot be held hostage by slow movers.

"This is a wake-up call to counties that are still behind. I don't want to mention names, but a number of counties are still dragging their feet in coming up with energy plans," Wandayi said. "The country cannot wait for you forever. Kenya wants to move forward, and Taita Taveta has shown the way."

The CS underscored that energy plays a central and strategic role in Kenya's development aspirations, describing it as the key driver of social, economic, and structural transformation.

He explained that Kenya's journey towards sustainable and inclusive development requires reliable, competitive, affordable, and clean energy to support national development goals.

Wandayi outlined Kenya's impressive energy transformation, revealing that national electricity access levels have risen dra-



Cabinet Secretary for Energy and Petroleum Opiyo Wandayi Speaking during the launch of the Taita Taveta County Energy Plan at Voi.

matically from approximately 29 percent in 2013 to over 95 percent currently.

He highlighted Kenya's leadership position in renewable energy development, stating that renewable sources now account for approximately 82 percent of the country's total installed electricity generation capacity and 93 percent of actual energy

consumption. "Kenya leads the African continent in installed geothermal capacity and ranks sixth globally," Wandayi stated, adding that the country also boasts an extensive transmission network spanning 9,484 kilometers, including regional interconnectors that support cross-border electricity trade.

However, the CS acknowl-

edged significant challenges remain. He pointed out that approximately 25 percent of Kenyans still lack access to electricity, with the majority found in rural areas.

More concerning, he noted that over 65.5 percent of households still rely on traditional biomass for cooking, contributing to deforestation, health risks, and environmental degradation.

Addressing these challenges, Wandayi outlined key strategies including expanding and modernizing energy infrastructure, promoting productive use of energy, and ensuring energy access for social and public facilities.

He emphasized the need for fair regulatory frameworks to ensure grid stability and reliability, transforming the electricity sector into a competitive force in local and regional power markets.

The CS stressed the critical importance of county energy plans in achieving national objectives, explaining that the recently gazetted Integrated National Energy Plan (INEP) regulations provide the framework for comprehensive planning.

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ing on board respective county energy plans," he stated. He commended the county's commitment to inclusive planning, noting that the plan incorporates input from all four sub-counties of Voi, Mwatate, Wundanyi, and Taveta, ensuring local relevance and community participation.

The CS revealed that his ministry is currently assisting 17 other counties that are following closely in developing their energy plans, expressing confidence that all 47 counties will eventually complete the process.

"Everybody is going to be on board eventually. Our opinion is that we hasten this process," he urged.

Acknowledging development partners' support, Wandayi specifically mentioned the European Union under the Sustainable Technical Assistance Project and the Green Climate Fund project 'Climate Friendly Cooking,' funded by Germany's Federal Ministry for Economic Cooperation and Development. He appreciated the partnership and technical assistance provided to counties in developing their energy plans.

The CS emphasized that the sector's commitment to providing reliable, competitive, and sustainable energy would create jobs, foster higher incomes, and support strong economic growth.

He outlined plans for sustainable and innovative financing mechanisms and risk mitigation strategies to encourage investment and stimulate competitive private sector participation.

Wandayi called for enhanced collaboration between government, private sector, NGOs, and communities while encouraging inclusivity and partnerships in energy development to address barriers to clean energy adoption.

State moves to attract youth into public service

BY LAMECH WILLY (PCO)

The Government is developing strategies to increase the number of young people in the public service, aiming to dispel the traditional stereotype that the sector is dominated by aging officers.

Principal Secretary for Public Service and Human Capital Development, Dr. Jane Imbunya, reiterated the government's commitment to creating opportunities for young people.

Speaking at Harambee House during a roundtable meeting with youth drawn from across the country, Dr. Imbunya emphasized the government's agenda of expanding opportunities for young people both locally and internationally.

"We have invited young people here today because they are at the center of our agenda. A good number of them graduate from universities every year and remain jobless. I don't believe that youth should only be pre-

pared for tomorrow—they are the strength of today," said Dr. Imbunya.

She noted that the discussions focused on key thematic areas, including questions about the public service and responses from technical experts in the State Department for Public Service and Human Capital Development.

The PS further assured young people that the government is working to create more job avenues, particularly through the Digital Superhighway initiative, which is expected to open up significant employment opportunities.

To bridge the gap for lack of experience by fresh graduates, the government, in collaboration with the Public Service Commission (PSC), has been running the Public Service Internship Programme (PSIP) since 2018. The programme, which offers a year-long, non-renewable placement in Ministries, Departments, State Agencies, and Public Universi-



Principal Secretary for Public Service and Human Capital Development Dr. Jane Imbunya interacts with youth from across the country during a roundtable meeting at Harambee House.

ties, has so far benefitted over 30,000 young people.

"The PSIP is designed to help graduates gain practical skills and work experience, thereby enhancing their employability," explained Dr. Imbunya.

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In addition, other internship opportunities have been introduced, including the Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) Internship Programme, and the ICT Authority Internship Programme which provides ICT graduates with mentorship and networking opportunities.

These initiatives are all aimed at equipping and preparing young people for roles within the public service.

Responding to concerns raised by the youth, the Director of Human Resource Management Policy Martin Situma confirmed that the government is developing new policies to expand internship opportunities.

"We are working to increase the number of internship positions from 5,000 to 30,000 through partnerships with the private sector. A framework is being developed jointly with stakeholders to make this a reality," Situma said.

The youth participants welcomed the government's commitment, noting that such initiatives would go a long way in reducing unemployment and ensuring more representation of young people in public service.

Cyclists pedal across East Africa to raise climate awareness

BY ANNE KANGERO (KNA)

Twelve cyclists from five East African countries are on a mission to cover 6,000 kilometers across the region in 55 days, engaging communities on climate change action, food security, and East African Community (EAC)

unity. The cyclists, drawn from Kenya, Uganda, Rwanda, Burundi, and the Democratic Republic of Congo, are part of the Great Africa Cycling Safari, an annual initiative organized in collaboration with Kings Cycling Mind, a group led by Kenyan environmentalists. The



The Cyclists from Great Africa Cycling Safari being flagged off by Machakos Deputy County Commissioner David Rotich at the Commissioner's office.

campaign promotes environmental sustainability by planting fruit trees in schools, villages, and arid areas across the region. Speaking at Machakos High School, where they planted fruit seedlings, team leader John Baptist said the group began the journey in Kampala in early August 2025 and has already passed through Rwanda, Burundi, Congo, and Tanzania before entering Kenya via the Na-manga border. "This is our eighth year

since we started in Uganda in 2017. Climate change is a disaster that needs urgent action, and this cycling safari is one way to educate and unite communities across East Africa," said Baptist. He emphasized the impact of climate change, including severe droughts and floods, which continue to threaten food security. By planting fruit trees, they aim to provide a sustainable food source and contribute to climate resilience.

Government expands affordable housing with 21 blocks in Nairobi's Starehe

BY BERNADETTE KHADULI (KNA)

The Government is constructing a total of 4,096 modern, affordable houses under the Affordable Housing Programme (AHP) in Starehe Sub-County, which buyers will be able to purchase through the Boma Yangu platform at subsidized prices.

The houses, divided into three categories, will comprise 2,364 affordable units, 400 market units, and 1,062 social units for the low-income segment of society. These will range from one to three rooms, with a single-room unit priced as low as Sh640,000.

While briefing the National Government Delivery-Regional/County Implementation Coordination and Management Committee (NGD-RICMC/CICMC) team, led by Nairobi Regional Commissioner Gilbert Kitiyo, during an inspection tour of the ongoing works, Starehe General Manager at Gulf Cap Limited, Caroline Njeru, said the houses are being constructed on government land measuring 22 acres, divided into two parcels, and will consist of 21 blocks with 13 floors each.

The modern housing project will also include social amenities such as a parking silo, commercial center, early childhood development facility, community center, police post, and dispensary to serve the surrounding community.

"We have already done the demonstration show houses for the market type units, and by 2027, we will have completed the entire project," assured Njeru.

The 22-acre parcel of land had about 360 ancient government houses, and an informal settle-



- 1. **Nairobi National Government Delivery- Regional/ County Implementation Coordination and Management Committee (NGD-RICMC/CICMC) led by the Nairobi Regional Commissioner Gilbert Kitiyo tours the Starehe affordable houses project to check on the progress in Nairobi County.**
- 2. **Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Gulf Cap Limited Chris Ochieng takes the Nairobi National Government Delivery-Regional/County Implementation Coordination and Management Committee (NGD-RICMC/CICMC) team led by the Nairobi Regional Commissioner Gilbert Kitiyo through a sketch map of the Starehe affordable houses when they visited the site in Starehe Sub County to check on the progress of construction works.** PHOTOS: BONFACE MALINDA/KNA

ment (Matopeni slum) which was occupied by 770 families who had erected dwelling structures. All the unplanned houses have been demolished to pave way for the modern houses. Njeru said the project has created employment at the site for at least 250 residents from the area, noting that as the works progresses, more jobs would be created including those for Jua kali artisans from Kamukunji, Ngong and Kariobangi

who would be contracted to provide steel doors and windows for the houses. The Regional Commissioner told the developer to ensure that the project succeeds and is delivered in the agreed timelines. RC Kitiyo urged public servants serving in the County whose line ministries were involved in implementing the AHP to embrace projects being undertaken in their areas of jurisdiction for their success.



THE INFORMATION AND COMMUNICATIONS TECHNOLOGY AUTHORITY

Kenya Digital Economy Acceleration Project (KDEAP)
ICTA-Program Implementation Unit

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

Country:	Kenya
Name of Project:	Kenya Digital Economy Acceleration Project (KDEAP)
Project No.:	P170941
Credit No:	7289-KE and 7290-KE
Assignment Title:	CONSULTING SERVICES FOR KENYA REVENUE AUTHORITY'S E-INVOICING PLATFORM SIMPLIFICATION, ENHANCEMENT AND REDESIGN, AND SUPERVISION OF IMPLEMENTATION
Contract No.:	KE-ICTA-500783-CS-QCBS

- 1. The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Kenya Digital Economy Acceleration Project (KDEAP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.
- 2. The consulting services ("the Services") include Consulting Services for Kenya Revenue Authority's E-Invoicing Platform Simplification, Enhancement and Redesign, And Supervision of Implementation. The assignment is expected to take Eighteen (18) calendar months from the date of contract commencement.
- 3. The detailed Terms of Reference (TOR) for the assignment can be found at the following websites: www.icta.go.ke/tenders and www.tenders.go.ke or can be obtained at the address given below.
- 4. The Information and Communications Technology Authority through the Program Implementation Unit (PIU) now invites eligible consulting firms ("Consultants") to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services. The shortlisting criteria are:
 - a) **Core business and years in business:** The firm must be registered/incorporated as a consulting firm with core business in the field of ICT Systems and solutions Development and Delivery or related field for a minimum of five (5) years
 - b) **Relevant experience:** The firm shall demonstrate as having successfully executed and completed at least two (2) assignments of a similar nature both in scope and complexity in a similar operating environment in the last four (4) years. Details of these assignments, including client names and addresses, scope, contract value, contract duration and year/period of assignment, must be provided
 - c) **Technical and managerial capability of the consulting firm:** The firm shall demonstrate as having the requisite technical capacity and managerial capacity to undertake the assignment in the submitted company profile(s).

Key Experts will not be evaluated at the shortlisting stage.

- 5. The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" First Published July 2016 and Revised Fifth Edition September 2023 ("Procurement Regulations"), setting forth the World Bank's policy on conflict of interest.
- 6. Consultants may associate with other firms to enhance their qualifications but should indicate clearly whether the association is in the form of a joint venture and/or a sub-consultancy. In the case of a joint venture, all the partners in the joint venture shall be jointly and severally liable for the entire contract, if selected.
- 7. A Consulting firm will be selected in accordance with the Quality and Cost Based Selection (QCBS) method set out in the Procurement Regulations.
- 8. Further information can be obtained at the address below during the following office hours 0900 and 1600 hours from Monday to Friday excluding lunch hour (1300 to 1400hours) East African Time (EAT) and public holidays.
- 9. Expression of interest must be delivered in written form by **8th October 2025 at 1000hours EAT**. - using one of the following modalities: (i) deposit in the tender box located on 12th Floor, Telposta Towers, Kenyatta Avenue in Nairobi, Kenya or (ii) send by email to: procurement@icta.go.ke and quote the Assignment title and Contract No. in the subject row. For expressions of interest that will be deposited at the tender box, the packages should be clearly marked **Consulting Services for Kenya Revenue Authority's E-Invoicing Platform Simplification, Enhancement and Redesign, And Supervision of Implementation; Contract No. KE-ICTA-500783-CS-QCBS**

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Attn: Deputy Director, Supply Chain Management

Maragua’s Gakoigo grounds to get Sh700M facelift

BY BERNARD MUNYAO (KNA)

The Government will spend Sh700 million to transform Gakoigo Grounds in Maragua Constituency into a modern 10,000-seater stadium. Speaking during a tour of the facility, Principal Secretary for Sports Elijah Mwangi said the grounds, which have served the community since the pre-independ-

ence era, are long overdue for an upgrade. “Over the years, Gakoigo has hosted countless public rallies, ASK shows, and sporting events. But time and vandalism have left it old and dilapidated. The stadium is now set to get a new lease of life,” said the PS. Mwangi explained that the project, which follows a presidential directive, will feature an eight-lane running track, a standard



Sports PS Elijah Mwangi inspects construction of Mirira Sports Academy in Kiharu constituency, Murang’a

football pitch, modern changing rooms, and enhanced security features. “Once complete, this stadium will have the capacity to host both na-

tional and international competitions, putting Maragua on the sporting map,” he added. The PS further noted that the investment is part of the government’s broader strategy to transform the country’s sports sector. “We are deliberately putting resources into infrastructure that will create jobs, stimulate economic growth, and empower communities. Most importantly, facilities like Gakoigo will help us identify, nurture and grow talents among the youth,” Mwangi remarked. He also stated that the government is also working to put up another modern stadium at Mumbi grounds within Murang’a town. The PS, who also inspected the ongoing construction of the Mirira Sports Academy at Mbiri Ward in Kiharu Constituency, which is currently 30 percent complete, said money has been allocated in the current budget to fast track construction of the stadiums. On the Mirira Sports Academy, Mwangi noted is one of 37 being built across the country under Phase One at a cost of Sh1.7 billion. He revealed the sports academy will feature an athletics track, football pitch, basketball, volleyball and netball courts, as well as a borehole and changing rooms.

Leaders push for science-driven policies to save iconic Mara River basin




Dignitaries pose for a photo during the conference. PHOTO BY CHRIS MAHANDARA

BY CHRIS MAHANDARA (KNA)


Regional leaders have called for a radical shift in the management of the Mara River Basin, urging governments to adopt science-backed policies, embrace joint cross-border action, and strengthen community-led conservation efforts to safeguard the shared resource. The call was made during the 14th Mara Day Scientific Conference, held at Mwalimu Nyerere University of Agriculture and Technology (MNUAT) in Butiama District, Tanzania. The meeting, part of the annual Mara Day celebrations, brought together leaders, scientists, policymakers, and community representatives to chart the way forward in conserving the Mara River ecosystem, which faces existential threats. Dr. Masinde Bwire, Executive Secretary of the Lake Victoria Basin Commission (LVBC), underscored the role of research in shaping

the future of the river, which sustains both the Maasai Mara in Kenya and Serengeti National Park in Tanzania. He noted that the conference had received more than 100 papers, with 36 selected after rigorous review—reflecting the region’s growing commitment to evidence-based conservation. “Science, like leadership, must be rooted in purpose, community, and national development,” Dr. Bwire told participants. “The quality of research presented this year gives us confidence that the next cycle of conservation efforts will be guided by evidence, not guesswork.” Tanzania’s Permanent Secretary for Water and Irrigation, Eng. Mwajuma Waziri, who officially opened the conference, hailed the cooperation between Kenya and Tanzania in protecting the Trans-boundary River. She urged stakeholders to go beyond rhetoric by raising awareness, empowering local communities, publishing


scientific findings, and harnessing indigenous knowledge. “The conference builds a bridge between ideas, policies, and implementation,” she said. Narok County Chief Officer for Water, Environment and Natural Resources, William Tumanka Ololoihero, revealed that the county and national governments had completed installation of an electric fence around the Mara forest and catchment area to curb encroachment. He said tree-planting programmes were also underway to restore degraded landscapes. East African Legislative Assembly (EALA) member David ole Sankok stressed that the Mara River’s significance stretches beyond Kenya and Tanzania, feeding into Lake Victoria and eventually the Nile Basin. “Literally, the Mara River is not only important for Kenya and Tanzania, but for East Africa and the whole of Africa, because even Egypt depends on it,” he said.



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GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Government:	Republic of Kenya
Project/ procuring entity:	The National Treasury, Rural Kenya Financial Inclusion Facility (RK-FINFA) Project
GPN Version:	2.0
GPN publication date:	23 rd September 2025

The Government of the Republic of Kenya has received financing from the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) towards the cost of the National Treasury Rural Kenya Financial Inclusion Facility (RK-FINFA) Project and intends to apply part of the financing to payments for contracts for goods, works, and services.

The procurement program for the 2025-2026 period will include the following:

Procurement for 2025-2026 Estimated value – USD 800,000
Procurement of goods to include:
Not Applicable
Procurement of works to include:
Not Applicable
Procurement of consulting services to include:
• Fiduciary Review
• Procurement of medical cover for project staff
Procurement of non-consulting services to include:
• Framework for Conference Services

The contract for goods, works, and services will be implemented in accordance with the principles, rules, and procedures set out in the current versions of the IFAD Project Procurement Guidelines and the IFAD Procurement Handbook.


Specific procurement notices for contracts to be tendered under the competitive bidding procedures will be announced as they become available on selected portals, in local newspapers, and other media outlets as appropriate.

Interested eligible bidders and consultants who wish to be included on the mailing list to receive a copy of advertisement, or those requiring additional information, should send an email to the rkfinfa@treasury.go.ke using the subject line “ GPN 2.0 for the National Rural Kenya Financial Inclusion Facility (RK-FINFA) Project and indicating which of the procurement items they are interested in.

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Teacher's passion transforms Special Needs Education

BY RUTH MAINYE (KNA)

In the serene environs of Nandi Hills, where mist lingers on the rolling hills and velvet monkeys play in nearby forests, a different kind of dedication fills the classrooms of Nandi Hills Township Primary School. Here, one teacher's passion for Special Needs Education is shaping the lives of children who require extra care and support.

Bilha Chumba, who heads the Special Needs Education (SNE) unit at the school, was once a regular class teacher. However, her growing passion for nurturing differently abled children inspired her to shift focus to special education. She wanted to ensure that learners with disabilities had the same privilege of accessing education as their peers.


Walking into her classroom, one is struck by the joy on the faces of her pupils. Their bright expressions testify to her dedication and love, which parents confirm continues to inspire their children even at home.

Chumba's journey in special education began in 2010 when she graduated with a diploma in Special Education from the Kenya Institute of Special Education (KISE). Guided by the belief that every child deserves a chance to learn and shine despite their challenges, she began teaching special needs learners at Nandi Hills Township Primary seven years ago.


"Teaching children with special needs is not just a job but a calling. You have to be motherly, friendly, loving, caring, persevering, dedicated, and understanding—with a good heart to truly help them learn," Chumba explains with a warm smile.

While teaching regular learners, Chumba recognized the urgent need for a dedicated special unit. She presented the idea to the school management, which agreed to establish the unit in 2018. The first cohort consisted of only five learners—three boys and two girls. With her determination, the school officially registered the SNE unit with the Ministry of Education in 2023.

Through community sensitisation, Chumba encouraged parents to bring their special needs children to school, helping reduce stigma. As a result, the unit has grown to 30 learners. She now encourages enrolled parents to reach out to others still hesitant.



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INVITATION TO TENDER

Kenya Pipeline Company Limited invites eligible tenderers for the tenders listed below:

NO.	TENDER REFERENCE & DESCRIPTION	TENDER SECURITY	PRE-BID CONFERENCE DATES	SITE VISIT DATES	CLOSING DATE
INTERNATIONAL TENDER					
1.	KPC/PU/OT – 093/CORR/NBI/25 – 26 Provision of In-Line Inspection Services for Line V	USD.4000.00	N/A	14-10-2025 To 16-10-2025	30-10-2025
NATIONAL TENDER					
2.	KPC/PU/OT – 083/ELEC/NBI/25 – 26 Supply of 110 KW Low Voltage Hydrant Pump Motors for PS9 – Embakasi Fuel Hydrant System	Kes.200,000.00	N/A	7-10-2025	29-10-2025
3.	KPC/PU/OT – 084/ELEC/NBI/25 – 26 Supply, Erection and Connection in Soaking Mode of a 200kVA Spare LV Transformers for Line 2 and Spare 5MVA 33/3.3KV Power Transformer for PS24A – Soilo, PS24B – Soilo, and PS23 - Morendat (Lines 2 & 4).	Kes.100,000.00	30-09-2025	7-10-2025 TO 8-10-2025	29-10-2025
4.	KPC/PU/OT – 085/ELEC/NBI/25 – 26 Supply, Installation and Commissioning of PS10 – Nairobi Terminal Electric Fire Pump Motor C/W Starter and Control Panel	Kes.100,000.00	24-09-2025	N/A	22-10-2025
5.	KPC/PU/OT – 086/ELEC/NBI/25 – 26 Supply, Installation, and Commissioning Materials for Explosion Proof Distribution Boards, Starters, and Associated Accessories.	Kes.200,000.00	30-09-2025	N/A	29-10-2025
6.	KPC/PU/OT – 091/ELEC/NBI/25 – 26 Supply, Installation and Commissioning of 275 kVA Standby Generator for HQ	Kes.100,000.00	30-09-2025	7-10-2025	29-10-2025
7.	KPC/PU/OT – 087/OPS/25 – 26 Supply and Installation of Quick Flash Vessels and Recovery Tank at PS10 – Nairobi	Kes.200,000.00	N/A	N/A	30-10-2025
8.	KPC/PU/OT – 088/OPS/NBI/25 – 26 Supply of Hydrant Pit Cleaner	Kes.200,000.00	N/A	N/A	30-10-2025
9.	KPC/PU/OT – 092/MIOG/NBI/25 – 26 Supply, Installation, and Testing of Commissioning Mechanical Production Machining Unit	Lot 1 Kes.50,000.00 Lot 2 Kes.50,000.00 Lot 3 Kes.50,000.00	29-09-2025	N/A	30-10-2025
10.	KPC/PU/OT – 031/HSE/NBI/25 – 26 Supply of Rapid Intervention Vehicle	Kes.100,000.00	N/A	N/A	31-10-2025
RESERVED FOR YOUTH					
11.	KPC/PU/OT – 082/ELEC/NBI/25 – 26 Supply, Installation and Commissioning of AC Units at PS 1 - Changamwe, PS 2 – Samburu, PS 3 – Maungu, PS 4 – Manyani, PS 5 – Mito Andei, PS 12- Moi International Airport, PS 14 – Kipevu, PS 6 - Makindu, PS 7 – Sultan Hamud, PS 8 – Konza, PS 9 – Embakasi Depot, PS 10 – Nairobi Terminal, PS 21 – Nairobi Terminal, PS 21A – Nairobi Terminal, PS 21B – Nairobi Terminal, PS 22 – Ngema, PS 23 – Morendat, PS 24 – SoiloPS 25 – Lanet Nakuru, PS 27 – Eldoret, PS 28 – Kisumu	N/A	30-09-2025	6-10-2025 TO 17-10-2025	31-10-2025
The Tender documents can be viewed and downloaded from the website www.kpc.co.ke at no cost. Bidders will be required to register their companies on KPC SRM portal and send ONLY queries to technicalprocurement@kpc.co.ke . In addition, all addenda will be posted to those bidders who indicate their intention to participate through the SRM portal and KPC Website. No other email addresses shall be used and KPC shall not be liable if bidders choose to send their queries to other email addresses.					
NOTE: Bidders who are not registered in KPC SRM System should first register using this link https://e-procurement.kpc.co.ke/irj/portal					



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

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

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

Note: Bidders are hereby notified that KPC was granted an exemption by the Ministry of National Treasury and Planning from the mandatory implementation and use of the E-GP System to facilitate procurement of critical items to ensure regional supply of fuel as well as to allow seamless transition in the ongoing privatization process. Therefore, all KPC procurement will be carried out using the internal Supplier Relationship Management system

GENERAL MANAGER (SUPPLY CHAIN)
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KNLS, Book Aid International, Garissa County Government forge collaboration to champion literacy in the digital era

BY CHRISTINE CHERYL
(MYGOV)

Garissa County Library came alive as over 250 pupils, parents, and community members gathered to mark International Literacy Day 2025 under the global theme “Promoting Literacy in the Digital Era.”

The colourful Reading Promotion Campaign was hosted by the Kenya National Library Service (KNLS) in partnership with Book Aid International and the County Government of Garissa.

The event showcased the library’s critical role in advancing education, digital access, and lifelong learning in the region. Learners from Garissa Primary, Goodwish Primary, and Hyuga Girls Primary schools were the highlight of the day, receiving new study books generously donated by Book Aid International.

The Chief Officer for Information and Library Services, Nimo Bashow, urged residents to embrace both traditional and digital literacy opportunities:

“Let us be champions of

learning, whether through a storybook, an online course, or a digital library. Together, we can build a society where everyone can read, learn, and thrive,” the Chief Officer said.

Speaking during the event, Ms Philomena Mwirigi, who is the Director of Acquisition and Distribution at KNLS, re-affirmed the organization’s commitment to building a reading culture across Kenya:

“Libraries are safe and welcoming spaces where knowledge is shared, curiosity is nurtured, and futures are built. Through our physical collections and our Virtual Library at vtabu.knls.ac.ke, we are ensuring that every Kenyan can access books and resources, anytime, anywhere,” Ms Mwirigi declared.

She further lauded Book Aid International for their long-standing partnership, noting that their support has strengthened KNLS’ outreach and helped deliver thousands of books to schools and libraries across the country.

The Reading Promotion Campaign also emphasized

the importance of collaboration between KNLS and county governments in sustaining literacy initiatives. Garissa County Library, which has benefited from these partnerships, continues to serve as a hub for both physical and digital learning resources.

For pupils and parents in attendance, the message was clear, reading remains the key to unlocking opportunities in a rapidly changing digital world. As Madam Mwirigi noted,

“Every page you turn takes you closer to your dreams. When children read, families grow stronger, and communities prosper.” Ms Mwirigi said.

As the celebrations came to a close, participants were reminded that literacy goes beyond reading and writing, it is the foundation for lifelong learning and the engine of social and economic development.

With collective efforts from KNLS, Book Aid International, county governments, and communities, the vision of a literate, empowered Kenya remains within reach.

Kenya backs global efforts to safeguard the ozone layer, public health



Environment Cabinet Secretary Dr Deborah Barasa tours exhibition booths during the World Ozone Day celebrations at John Michuki Memorial Garden, Nairobi. PHOTO: JOSEPH NG'ANG'A

BY NAIF RASHID AND MARY NDANU
(KNA)

Kenya has reaffirmed its commitment to protecting the ozone layer and addressing climate change as the world celebrates the 40th anniversary of the Vienna Convention for the Protection of the Ozone Layer.

Speaking during national celebrations to mark World Ozone Day at the John Michuki Memorial Garden in Nairobi, Environment, Climate Change and Forestry Cabinet Secretary Dr Deborah Barasa said Kenya’s commitments under the Vienna Convention and the Montreal Protocol reflect the country’s determination to safeguard both the environment and public health.

Dr Barasa described the ozone layer as humanity’s “invisible shield” that protects life on Earth from harmful ultraviolet rays, stressing that protecting it requires global solidarity as well as national and community-level action.

“Our mission is simple but profound to ensure that future generations live free from the harmful effects of ultraviolet radiation and climate warming gases. This is why Kenya has embraced the Kigali Amendment which addresses

hydrofluorocarbons, powerful greenhouse gases with high global warming potential,” said Dr Barasa.

She noted that Kenya joined the Vienna Convention and the Montreal Protocol in 1988 and has since ratified all five amendments.

She highlighted that Kenya’s Kigali HFC implementation plan, approved at the 93rd Executive Committee of the Multilateral Fund, provides a framework to gradually reduce hydrofluorocarbon consumption in line with global targets.

The Cabinet Secretary announced that Kenya has also developed a National Cooling Action Plan aimed at ensuring homes, hospitals, agriculture and businesses can access safe, affordable and sustainable cooling.

Environment and Climate Change Principal Secretary Eng Festus Ng’eno, in remarks delivered on his behalf by Environment Secretary Dr Selly Kimosop, said Kenya has made significant progress in fulfilling its obligations under the Montreal Protocol and Kigali Amendment.

He noted that Kenya is fully compliant with its hydrofluorocarbon (HFC) phase-down obligations and is working to meet upcoming reduction targets.

Ministry champions modular CBET to drive kenya’s skills agenda

BY JOAN OGOLLA (PCO)

Principal Secretary for the State Department for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET), Dr. Esther Muoria, has urged TVETs institutes in Universities to fully embrace Competency-Based Education and Training (CBET) as Kenya deepens reforms to align education with industry needs and global labour market trends.

Speaking while officially opening a Capacity Building Workshop on Modular CBET Delivery for University TVETs, Dr. Muoria said the reforms are anchored in strong legal and policy frameworks that continue to shape Kenya’s transformation into a skills driven economy.

The PS lauded the TVET Act of 2013, which created a unified governance system and established the TVET Authority for accreditation and quality assurance and policy frameworks which positioned TVET at the heart of realization of Vision 2030

goals on industrialization, job creation and youth empowerment.

“The journey of CBET has been deliberate and transformative. It was adopted to address inequalities in the education system and ensure the development of human capital that is responsive to the labour market,” Dr. Muoria said.

Dr. Muoria noted that CBET curricula are anchored in occupational standards, with training and assessment conducted from industry, with industry, and for industry. This design, she noted, ensures graduates gain practical competencies directly demanded by employers, making them not only knowledgeable but also employable.

Since the adoption of CBET in 2023, the PS said TVET institutions have witnessed exponential growth in both enrollment and assessments. Currently, over 100,000 trainees are pursuing modular CBET curricula, with 80,000 in public institutions and 20,000 in private TVETs, Vocational Training Cen-

tres (VTCs), and university based TVET programmes. During the July–August 2025 assessment series, 45,000 candidates were examined, with results expected soon, she revealed.

These assessments, she added, are coordinated by the TVET Curriculum Development, Assessment and Certification Council (CDACC) alongside national polytechnics serving as Qualification Awarding Bodies.

Dr. Muoria acknowledged that the initial rollout of CBET faced challenges, including delays in programme completion, inconsistencies in training delivery, and weaknesses in assessment planning. However, she said these gaps had informed the launch of the Modular CBET Curriculum, which has streamlined delivery, reduced duplication, and enhanced progression pathways across institutions.

“Currently, 311 curricula have been modularized, standardized guidelines for assessment tool,” she explained.

Kenya rolls out agroforestry roadmap to achieve 15b tree target

BY NAIF RASHID AND LUCY MWENDE
(KNA)

Kenya has taken a major step in its environmental conservation agenda with the launch of the National Agroforestry Strategy 2025–2035 and the Kenya Landscape and Ecosystem Restoration Monitoring Framework 2025.

The initiative is expected to accelerate the 15-billion-tree campaign and contribute to the restoration of 10.6 million hectares of degraded land by 2032. Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Climate

Change and Forestry, Dr. Deborah Barasa, speaking in Nairobi during the launch said the initiatives were not merely policy documents but “a vision and a promise to future generations.” She emphasized that the 15 billion tree campaign is not just about planting trees but about healing degraded lands, restoring watersheds, building climate resilience, and improving livelihoods through agroforestry.

Dr. Barasa explained that the Agroforestry Strategy, which will guide interventions for the next ten years, is anchored on six pillars: policy and legal frameworks, financing and investment, education, research and innovation, value chain development, climate change action, and social inclusion. By integrating these elements, the strategy seeks to transform landscapes into productive ecosystems that provide food, fuel, and income while restoring ecological balance.

State moves to protect fishermen from cross-border harassment

BY MABEL KEYA –SHIKUKU AND MILTON ONYANGO

Interior and National Administration Cabinet Secretary (CS) Kipchumba Murkomen has assured local fishermen that the Government will guarantee their security on Lake Victoria and other international waters shared with neighboring countries.

The CS noted that fishermen on Lake Victoria have often been arrested and harassed by security forces from neighboring countries but assured Kenyans that measures are being put in place to protect their interests as they pursue their livelihoods. “We are going to strengthen coast guard patrols on our waters,



The Cabinet Secretary (CS) for National Administration Mr. Onesmus Kipchumba Murkomen addressing the media in Kisumu during the 42nd Jukwaa la Usalama forum.

and at the same time, we are holding talks with our neighbors to ensure that security along international water boundaries is enhanced for the benefit of citizens in all the countries,” he said. The CS lightly pointed that fish have no demarcated boundaries on the lake and could breed in a different country and later migrate to another country and this is what has brought some conflict when the communities patrol the waters to source for this vital commodity. He said patrols on the waters would be enhanced using modern speed boats and enhancing cooperation with the neighbouring countries like Uganda and Ethiopia in order to improve security in the country’s international waters. Addressing the 42nd Jumwa La Usalama session in Kisumu, Murkomen said for some time Kenyan fishermen have been arrested, detained and sometimes jailed in the neighbouring countries due to lack of proper security on Kenyan waters.



TVET CURRICULUM DEVELOPMENT, ASSESSMENT AND CERTIFICATION COUNCIL (TVET CDACC)

TENDER NOTICE

A. PREQUALIFICATION OF SUPPLIERS AND SERVICE PROVIDERS FOR GOODS, WORKS AND SERVICES FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2025/2026-2026/2027: TENDER NO. CDACC/T/001/2025-2026

TVET Curriculum Development, Assessment and Certification Council (TVET CDACC) intends to pre-qualify and register Suppliers and service providers for the provision of Goods, Works and Services for the financial years 2025/2026-2026/2027.

Interested and competent firms specializing in the provision of goods and services in the categories mentioned here below are invited to apply for pre-qualification/registration.

A. SUPPLY OF GOODS			
S/No	PRE- QUALIFICATION CATEGORY NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	ELIGIBLE GROUP
1.	CDACC/PRE/01/2025-2026	Supply and delivery of general stationery items.	AGPO
2.	CDACC/PRE/02/2025-2026	Supply and delivery of desktop computers, laptops, printers, Ipads and related accessories, servers and related accessories, Supply of audio-visual equipment, projectors, projector screens, white board and related items.	Open
3.	CDACC/PRE/03/2025-2026	Supply and delivery of general office equipment, office furniture and fittings	Open
4.	CDACC/PRE/04/2025-2026	Supply and delivery of Mineral Water	AGPO
5.	CDACC/PRE/05/2025-2026	Supply and delivery of Long-life Milk and Beverages	AGPO
6.	CDACC/PRE/06/2025-2026	Supply and delivery of newspapers, magazines, periodicals and publications.	AGPO
7.	CDACC/PRE/07/2025-2026	Supply and delivery of calling cards e.g. Safaricom, Airtel and Telkom scratch cards.	AGPO
8.	CDACC/PRE/08/2025-2026	Supply and delivery of staff uniform, protective gear and clothing.	AGPO
9.	CDACC/PRE/09/2025-2026	Supply and delivery of cleaning materials e.g soaps, detergents and disinfectants.	AGPO
10.	CDACC/PRE/10/2025-2026	Supply and delivery of tyres, tubes and batteries.	Open
11.	CDACC/PRE/11/2025-2026	Supply of Secure papers – Transcript/Certificates	Open
B. PROVISION OF SERVICES			
	CATEGORY NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	
12.	CDACC/PRE/12/2025-2026	Provision of printing services e.g brochures, folders, booklets and other promotional materials e.g shirts, caps etc	AGPO
13.	CDACC/PRE/13/2025-2026	Provision of printing services – Occupational Standards, Curriculum, Learning Materials etc	Open
14.	CDACC/PRE/14/2025-2026	Provision of corporate branding, communication and marketing services	Open
15.	CDACC/PRE/15/2025-2026	Provision of travel agency services, air-ticketing and travel arrangements – IATA registered only	Open
16.	CDACC/PRE/16/2025-2026	Provision of engraving and marking of Council Assets	AGPO
17.	CDACC/PRE/17/2025-2026	Provision of Pest control Fumigation Services	AGPO
18.	CDACC/PRE/18/2025-2026	Provision of Events Management	Open
19.	CDACC/PRE/19/2025-2026	Provision of Outside Catering Services	Open

B. PROVISION OF SERVICES			
	CATEGORY NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	
20.	CDACC/PRE/20/2025-2026	Provision of Cleaning Services	Open
21.	CDACC/PRE/21/2025-2026	Provision of Security Guard Services	Open
22.	CDACC/PRE/22/2025-2026	Provision of insurance services for Council assets eg motor vehicles	Open
23.	CDACC/PRE/23/2025-2026	Provision of Tracking service to Motor Vehicles.	Open
24.	CDACC/PRE/24/2025-2026	Provision of insurance services medical covers/WIBA	Open
25.	CDACC/PRE/25/2025-2026	Provision of Maintenance services for office equipment eg Computers, Printers, Photocopiers	AGPO
26.	CDACC/PRE/26/2025-2026	Provision of IT security solutions	AGPO
27.	CDACC/PRE/27/2025-2026	Provision of Software designs	Open
28.	CDACC/PRE/28/2025-2026	Provision of repair and maintenance services for motor vehicles (Approved Garages to attach certificate or letter of approval)	Dealers & Approved Garages
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CONSULTANCY SERVICES			
	CATEGORY NO.	ITEM DESCRIPTION	
31.	CDACC/PRE/31/2025-2026	Provision of Consultancy services for Editing of TVET CDACC Documents	Open
32.	CDACC/PRE/32/2025-2026	Provision of Consultancy services for Development of Learning Guides/Materials	Open
33.	CDACC/PRE/33/2025-2026	Provision of Consultancy services for Development of Digital Content	Open
34.	CDACC/PRE/34/2025-2026	Provision of Consultancy services for Recognition of Prior Learning and Related services	Open

The Pre-qualification/Registration of suppliers/contractor(s) documents detailing relevant terms and conditions may be obtained at No cost from the Organization’s website www.tvetcdacc.go.ke

Duly completed Pre-qualification/Registration documents in plain sealed envelopes clearly marked with the Tender Number and Pre-qualification Category No. should be mailed or deposited in the Tender Box provided on the 10th floor Absa Towers, Loita Street, addressed to:-

**The Chief Executive Officer,
TVET Curriculum Development, Assessment and Certification Council (TVET CDACC)
P. O. Box 15745-00100,
Nairobi.**

so as to be received on or before **7th October, 2025 at 10:00am East African Time**. Applications/tenders will be opened immediately thereafter at the Board Room on the 10th floor Absa Towers, Loita Street, in the presence of candidates or their representatives who may wish to attend.

Any canvassing in whatever way will render the prospective bidder(s)/applicant(s) ineligible for participation. The Organization reserves the right to accept or reject any application/tender in whole or in part without giving reason(s) for its decision.

COUNCIL SECRETARY/CEO

Kwale County, KEMFSED's Sh10b project to boost fish production

BY HUSSEIN ABDULLAHI AND
SHARON NDILA
(KNA)

The coastal county of Kwale, in partnership with the Kenya Marine Fisheries Socio-Economic Development (KEMFSED) project, has initiated programs aimed at boosting fish production, enhancing food security, and creating economic opportunities.

The KEMFSED project, valued at Sh10 billion, is being implemented by the State Department for Blue Economy and Fisheries with support from the World Bank. The project runs from 2020 to 2025 and covers the coastal counties of Mombasa, Kwale, Kilifi, and Lamu, with the goal of improving livelihoods in coastal communities.

This donor-funded program seeks to expand access to livelihood support, food security services, and grants for poor and vulnerable households and businesses, thereby contributing to the overall socio-economic development of the coastal counties.

In collaboration with KEMFSED, Kwale has been empowering fisherfolk by distributing fingerlings and other inputs to support the aquaculture subsector, while also improving food and nutrition security as well as livelihoods.

Through this partnership, small-scale fishermen have received items such as multifilament fishing nets, fiberglass fishing boats with outboard

engines, cooler boxes, flares, bond liners, GPS devices, life rafts, and life jackets—aimed at transforming fishing into a profitable venture.

The fishing equipment is aimed at empowering and enhancing the capacity of small scale fishers across the coastal county to venture into intensive deep sea fishing. Governor Fatuma Achani says the partnership seeks to strengthen local fish farmers' capacity to produce more fish and create business opportunities in aquaculture. Governor Achani says the partnership to support the farmers will help local fisherfolks bridge fish production deficits.

She said fish ponds would address the challenges of unavailability and inaccessibility of fishes which are identified as impediments to fish farming in the region. Achani was speaking when she led the stocking of 4,000 fish fingerlings and aqua-feed in two fishing ponds by the Matuga Village Elders Self-HeLP Group at Dzangadzangani village in Kombani, Waa/Ngombeni ward, Matuga Sub County.

She said the group has been provided with pond fencing materials, pond harvesting nets, post-harvest equipment, and water quality assessment apparatus, pond sampling items, personal protective equipment and water storage tanks.

"Through such initiatives coastal communities are opening up new livelihoods while safeguarding the marine resources for posterity," she said.



1. From left Kwale County Executive for Agriculture and Fisheries Roman Shera, Deputy Governor Chirema Kombo and Governor Fatuma Achana admire some of the fishing equipment distributed to fish farmers in Matuga Sub County.

2. Fingerlings being released into fish ponds in Matuga sub county of Kwale.

Farmers to benefit as Kenya rolls out agricultural extension services policy

BY JOSEPH NG'ANG'A

Kenya's agricultural sector is undergoing a strategic shift in how extension and advisory services are delivered, as stakeholders across the country rally behind the Kenya Agricultural Sector Extension Policy (KASEP) 2023.

Leonard Kubok, Deputy Director in the Crop Resources Management Division at the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development, said the policy—developed collaboratively by the national and county governments, together with partners in research, agribusiness, and civil society—aims to harmonize efforts,

improve service delivery, strengthen the agricultural value chain, and promote stronger research-extension linkages.

Speaking during the 3rd National Agricultural Extension Conference organized by the Forum for Agricultural Advisory Services-Kenya (KeFAAS), Kubok noted that KASEP 2023 provides a structured framework for national and county governments to collaborate in delivering agricultural extension services.

"KASEP clearly defines the roles of each government level," Kubok explained. "The national government retains policy development and oversight, while county govern-

ments are responsible for implementation on the ground. It includes an implementation framework with short, medium, and long-term targets." According to Kubok, the policy also addresses critical cross-cutting issues such as climate change, inclusivity, and quality assurance.

"We must ensure youth, women, indigenous communities, and resource-poor farmers are not left behind. Inclusivity is a thematic area under the policy. It also introduces accreditation standards for extension providers because currently, anyone can claim to offer extension services without professional qualifications," said Kubok.



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Bamboo to play key role in Kenya's 15-billion trees goal



BY DOMINIC CHERES AND KIBE MBURU

Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Climate Change and Forestry, Dr. Deborah Barasa, has announced that the government, in collaboration with environmental stakeholders, has planted over 900 million trees nationwide in line with the Presidential Directive to grow 15 billion trees by 2032.

Dr. Barasa, who presided over the World Bamboo Day 2025 celebrations at the University of Kabianga in Kericho County, led a bamboo tree planting exercise in which 30,000 bamboo seedlings were planted at the university and its environs.

The CS said: "For many years, Kenya's bamboo potential was recognized but underutilized. We knew that our indigenous highland bamboo (*Oldeania alpina*) covered over 133,000 hectares in the Aberdare, Mt. Kenya, Mau Complex, Mt. Elgon, and

Cherangany ranges. We also introduced more than 40 exotic species through the Kenya Forestry Research Institute (KEFRI), at least 12 of which now thrive in different ecological zones."

Dr. Barasa, who also launched the Kenya National Bamboo Development Strategy 2025-2035, said progress has been made in the bamboo sector, including policy recognition after bamboo was gazetted as a scheduled cash crop in 2020, providing a legal foundation for commercialization. She further noted that companies such as Pot Enterprises and African Plantation Capital have established plantations, while community groups like Eco Green Kenya are expanding cultivation.

The CS added that artisans and SMEs are producing bamboo furniture, crafts, and joinery products, with KEFRI supporting training and technology transfer. "KEFRI has successfully validated exotic species,

while nurseries across the country are scaling up seedling production," Dr. Barasa noted.

The Environment CS also highlighted that Kenya has benefited from INBAR and the Dutch-Sino East Africa Bamboo Development Programme, which link farmers and institutions to international expertise and markets.

Dr. Barasa said that in achieving Vision 2030, the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA), and the Presidential Directive on attaining 30 percent tree cover by 2032, bamboo will contribute directly to the 15 billion trees programme.

World Bamboo Day, whose theme was "Bamboo for People, Planet, and Climate Solutions", also marked the launch of the Kenya National Bamboo Development Strategy, which intends to expand bamboo coverage to 150,000 hectares across forests, riparian zones, and farms.

While establishing a national

1. Cabinet Secretary Ministry of Environment Climate Change and Forestry, Dr. Deborah Barasa led the environment stakeholders in bamboo tree planting exercise at the University of Kabianga as Kenya joined the World in marking the World Bamboo Day 2025
2. Cabinet Secretary Ministry of Environment Climate Change and Forestry, Dr. Deborah Barasa, during the launch of the Kenya National Bamboo Development Strategy 2025 - 2035.

PHOTO BY KIBE MBURU

centre of excellence and 20 county incubation centres for technology and innovation, Environment CS said bamboo was creating 750,000 green jobs in the first two years of planting through the national landscape and ecosystem restoration strategy. Dr. Barasa said the venture was mobilizing Ksh. 15 billion to drive commercialization, value chains, and carbon credit opportunities. "Positioning

Bamboo as a timber substitute, alternative source for pulp and paper furniture construction materials, textiles energy and food" Environment CS added.

The CS, who addressed the Environment stakeholders drawn from University of Kabianga, KEFRI, Kenya Forest Service, Private Forest Partners in Kericho said, with this strategy, by embracing bamboo strategy, she said, livelihoods will be unlocked, restore degraded lands, create climate solutions and establish Kenya as a regional leader in bamboo value chain.

Meanwhile, Kenya Forestry Research Institute (KEFRI) Director Dr. Jane Njuguna said in Kenya KEFRI was cultivating a strong bamboo sector with approximately 140,000 hectares of bamboo trees, out of which 130,000 hectares were growing naturally and 10,000 hectares were on farms.

Despite this, she said, the current bamboo activities are predominantly at cottage level with notable efforts from green pots enterprises and eco-pole leading some industrial level processing.

According to Dr. Njuguna the sector supports around 5000 households through cottage level industries and bamboo nurseries which are providing essential livelihoods and fostering local economic growth.

She said ongoing research is crucial for advancing the bamboo sector with the current efforts focussing on nursery management and tissue culture, plantation management and harvesting regimes, treatment of harvested culms and processing, capacity building, technology transfer and developing standards and raising awareness through trade fairs and other initiatives.

In closing, the CS challenged the National and County Governments to play their part in providing an enabling environment, effective extension services.

FEATURE STORY: FOOD SECURITY

Tindiret farmers turn to bananas for year-round harvests, steady income

BY SAMMY MWIBANDA (KNA)

Banana farming is rapidly emerging as one of the most reliable sources of income for households in Tindiret Sub County, where farmers have embraced the crop both as a staple food and a commercial venture.

Farmers across Tindiret are shifting to bananas because of their resilience and strong market demand.

A local grower, Joseph Kiptoo from Kapkoros Village, says he turned to banana farming five years ago after unpredictable maize

harvests left him struggling to feed his family.

"Bananas are more reliable," he explained, noting that the crop produces year-round harvests, unlike maize, which is grown only once a year.

Another farmer, Mary Jepchumba from Chepsangor, shared that bananas have transformed her life. She initially planted one acre but has since expanded to three, earning enough to educate her children and build a permanent house.

"The returns are steady, and there is always a buyer, whether locally or in nearby markets," she said.



According to Tindiret Sub County Agricultural Officer Peter Sang, banana farming has become a cornerstone of food security in the area.

He observed that more than 600 farmers have taken up the crop in the past three years, encouraged by county extension services. "We are promot-

A banana plantation. Farmers in Tindiret have embraced the crop for staple and commercial purposes.

ing tissue-cultured bananas that are disease-resistant and have higher yields," he explained. For many households, the shift has gone beyond

income to nutrition. Families like that of Samson Chebet in Songhor rely on bananas for daily meals, reducing dependence on maize flour.

Nutrition officers in the county have also praised bananas as a rich source of vitamins and fiber, important in combating malnutrition in rural areas.

The financial impact has been significant. Mid-dlemen and traders from Eldoret and Kisumu flock to local markets in Tindiret to buy bananas in bulk. Janet Cheruiyot, a farmer from Tindiret Centre, said she earns over Sh30,000 monthly from banana sales, money that sustains her household and supports her small dairy project.

County officials have acknowledged the challenges, including limited irrigation and post-harvest handling.

President Ruto launches 2,000-acre Vipingo Special Economic Zone

BY VICTORIA NJERI (PCO)

President William Ruto has launched the ground-breaking of the 2,000-acre Vipingo Special Economic Zone (SEZ) in Kilifi County, marking the highlight of the Arise Integrated Industrial Platforms (IIP) – Kenya Investment Forum 2025.

The project, a flagship initiative under the theme “Unlocking Opportunities through Special Economic Zones,” seeks to accelerate Kenya’s industrialisation by boosting value addition, creating thousands of jobs and positioning the country as a global hub for sustainable manufacturing.

The Vipingo SEZ is a partnership between Arise IIP, Centum, Afreximbank, Africa Finance Corporation (AFC) and Vision Invest. Planned projects include a textile plant expected to create 30,000 jobs and an electronics and e-mobility motorbike assembly plant.

By reducing reliance on raw material exports, the SEZ aims to boost employment, strengthen supply chains and enhance Kenya’s competitiveness in regional and global markets.

Speaking at the launch, President Ruto stressed the importance of local value addition. “The Africa Continental Free Trade Area is not merely a trade agreement; it is a continental vision of a single market of 1.4 billion people. For Africa to benefit, we must move beyond exporting raw materials and instead add value here at home.”

“The launch of Vipingo SEZ is the beginning of a new dawn – a chapter of jobs for our youth,



Cabinet Secretary for Investments, Trade and Industry, Lee Kinyanjui (Centre), with the Kenya Investment Authority CEO Mr. John Mwendwa (to his right), Wang Feng (to his left) and President William Ruto, during the official signing of an agreement with China’s Shandong Linglong Tire to establish a US\$ 800 million tyre manufacturing plant at the Mombasa Special Economic Zone in Mariakani, Kilifi County.

opportunities for our businesses, technology for our industries and prosperity for our people,” he said.

The Head of State also assured investors of Kenya’s commitment to stable policy, energy security and infrastructure growth. He revealed that the government has invested USD 50 million in the SEZ, is targeting 10,000 megawatts of energy production by 2027 and is rolling out infrastructure including the Mombasa–Malindi dual carriageway and a railway extension to Uganda.

Financial institutions pledged strong backing for the project. Afreximbank President Prof. Benedict Oramah announced the establishment of a testing plant to cut export turnaround times, while KCB Group PLC and the African Export-Import Bank (Afreximbank) entered a Memorandum of Understanding to support investors in the Vipingo SEZ.

Under the agreement, Afreximbank will provide US\$ 500 million and KCB Group US\$ 300 million in initial funding to facilitate financial and trade sup-

port for prospective investors..

“Our joint framework will empower local and international investors with competitive financing solutions, including project finance, trade facilities and advisory support,” the partners said in a joint statement.

On the sidelines of the forum, Kenya signed a US\$ 800 million agreement with China’s Shandong Linglong Tire to set up a tyre manufacturing plant in Mariakani, Kilifi County. The facility, to be based at the Mombasa SEZ, is expected to generate

more than 1,500 direct jobs and strengthen local value chains in the automotive sector.

Other speakers underscored the importance of sustainable and inclusive industrialisation. Prof. Carlos Lopes of the Nelson Mandela School of Public Governance urged SEZs to focus on long-term value creation, while Gagan Gupta, CEO of Arise IIP, reaffirmed the company’s commitment to building competitive and environmentally sustainable industrial parks across Africa.

The Arise IIP Kenya Investment Forum concluded with a call to action to mobilize domestic resources, harness Africa’s youthful labor force and leverage the African Continental Free Trade Area to drive industrial integration to transform into Africa’s premier investment destination and a global hub for sustainable industrial growth.

The high-level event brought together policymakers, investors, financial institutions and development partners. Among those present were Cabinet Secretaries Lee Kinyanjui (Investments, Trade and Industry), Hassan Joho (Mining and Blue Economy) and Salim Mvurya (Youth Affairs, Creative Economy and Sports), alongside Principal Secretaries Abubakar Hassan Abubakar (Investment Promotion) and Jacobs Fikirini (Youth Affairs & Creative Economy). Governors Gideon Mung’aro (Kilifi) and Abdulsamad Shariff Nassir (Mombasa) also attended, as did representatives from Tanzania, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, India, the European Union, Ghana, Russia and Uganda.

FEATURE STORY: MARKET REFORMS

Ruto prioritizes better working conditions for mama mbogas

BY BONIFACE MANYALA (PCO)

Among the priorities President William Ruto set out to accomplish during his tenure is building new, modern, and decent markets for mama mbogas, traders, and informal vendors across all 47 counties.

The initiative, he says, is aimed at improving their working conditions and restoring dignity to the small-scale businesses that sustain millions of households.

“There’s the important issue of markets,” President Ruto noted. “We spoke a lot about the role of mama mboga during the campaigns for the last general

election, and I stated that we must respect the businesses of every individual. For a mama mboga to be respected, she must sell her goods from a market that gives dignity and meets the required standards.”

The government has already rolled out the construction of new markets in various parts of the country, including Kangari in Kiambu, Tinderet in Nandi, Watamu in Kilifi, Miraa in Nairobi’s Ziwani, Lugari in Kakamega, Nakuru City, and Bungoma, among others.

For decades, thousands of traders—most of them women—have endured harsh conditions, selling by the roadside under the scorching sun, braving heavy rains, and operating with minimal security



and basic facilities. Many say these challenges not only make business difficult but also strip them of dignity.

“We work on muddy ground; if the rains come, no one can even come to this market to buy anything,” lamented Rose Owiti, a trader in Ndhwa, Homa Bay County.

Her sentiments are echoed by others across the country who say the lack of shelter and facilities has forced them to operate in unsafe and unsanitary

conditions.

According to traders, the hardships go beyond discomfort. They often lose stock to the weather, face health risks from dust and mud, and even encounter road accidents as they sell dangerously close to highways. “Sometimes when the rains start, we run and some of our products fall and break in the process. We lose a lot out here,” said Cecilia Moraa from Masimba, Kisii County.

“We are usually rained on

and keep running to shelter ourselves in other people’s shops until the rains die down. When it is dry and windy, the loose soil blows into the vegetables, and we must wash them repeatedly,” added Teresa Momanyi from Egutuki in Kisii.

The struggles are shared widely. “The sun is so hot, and we are calling on the government to help us,” said Caroline Adhiambo from Ndhwa. “Some traders have even been victims of accidents because we sell near the road, and that is not something we like to do,” explained Robina Ndanya of Masimba.

Despite these struggles, traders remain resilient, seeing their businesses as a path to independence. As one woman put it: “A business lady is independent. She can provide for her family, feed them, and take the children to school without having to wait for handouts from politicians.”



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The Independent Policing Oversight Authority is established pursuant to the Independent Policing Oversight Authority Act Cap. 86 Laws of Kenya. Its main function is to provide for civilian oversight over the work of the Police. The Authority wishes to recruit results-oriented Kenyan citizens with drive, vision and creativity to fill the following vacant positions:-

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3.	IPOA/HR/10/2025	Principal Legal Officer	IPOA 6	1 Post
4.	IPOA/HR/11/2025	Investigations Officer II	IPOA 9	1 Post

How to apply:

Interested and qualified candidates who match the requirements are requested to make their applications **online** through the Careers portal on IPOA website at <https://www.ipoa.go.ke/ipoa/careers>.

All applications to reach the Authority on or before **Tuesday 14th October, 2025 at 5.00 p.m. East Africa Time**.

**Director/ Chief Executive Officer,
Independent Policing Oversight Authority,
1st Ngong Avenue, ACK Garden Annex, 2nd Floor,
P.O Box 23035 - 00100, NAIROBI.**

Successful applicants must meet the requirements of Chapter Six of the Constitution of Kenya 2010 and provide the following documents; clearance certificate from HELB, EACC, CRB, KRA and DCI.

Find detailed job descriptions and specifications for these positions here: <https://www.ipoa.go.ke/ipoa/careers>.

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MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE AND LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR LIVESTOCK DEVELOPMENT

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION FOR THE FINANCIAL YEAR 2026/2027 AND THE MEDIUM TERM BUDGET

The Government of the Republic of Kenya has initiated the process of development of the FY 2026/2027 and the medium-term budget. The Process is anchored in the Constitution of Kenya and the Public Finance Management Act, 2012. Specifically, **Article 201 (a)** of the Constitution which reiterates the need for **openness, accountability and public participation in financial matters**.

In this respect, the State Department for Livestock Development in collaboration with key stakeholders, has developed the draft budget requirements for the livestock sector for FY 2026/2027 and the medium-term. The priorities identified fall under the Livestock Resources Management and Development Programme which has 5 sub-programmes namely: Livestock Policy Development and Capacity Building; Livestock Production and Management; Livestock Products Value Addition and Marketing; Food Safety and Animal Products Development; and Livestock Diseases Management and Control.

The key expected outputs and proposed budget allocations are contained in the Programme Based Budget (PBB) Report for the livestock sector for Financial years 2026/2027 – 2028/2029 which is available at the website of the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development (www.kilimo.go.ke). The Principal Secretary for the State Department for Livestock Development is calling for public views on the budget proposals from members of the general public and any concerned stakeholder. Your views/memoranda may be sent through the link <https://kilimo.go.ke/livestock-budget-mterm/> or emailed to pslivestock@kilimo.go.ke. They may also be sent in an envelope marked 'Public participation on 2026/2027 and the Medium-Term Budget' addressed to:

**The Principal secretary
State Department for Livestock Development
6th Floor, Kilimo House, Cathedral Road, Nairobi
P.O. Box 34188-00100
Nairobi, Kenya**

All views should reach the Principal Secretary not later than **10th October 2025**.



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Public Notice

Draft Income Tax (Significant Economic Presence Tax) Regulations, 2025

In compliance with the Statutory Instruments Act, Cap. 2A, the Commissioner General on behalf of the Cabinet Secretary, National Treasury and Economic Planning, has developed the draft Income Tax (Significant Economic Presence Tax) Regulations, 2025.

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

Please channel your submissions to the Commissioner General, Kenya Revenue Authority, P.O Box 48240-00100, Nairobi or by email to stakeholderengagement@kra.go.ke to be received on or before **7th October, 2025**.

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NOTICE FOR PROVISIONAL REGISTRATION

The Office of the Registrar of Political Parties (ORPP) is established under section 33 of the Political Parties Act, Cap. 7D (PPA) as a State Office within the meaning of Article 260 of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010. The mandate of the ORPP are to among others; register and regulate political parties as well as administer the Political Parties Fund.

In line with Section 5 (2) (a) of the PPA, the Registrar of Political Parties is in the process of provisionally registering the following proposed political parties:

Names	Party Colours	Party Symbols	Slogans	Founding members
Freedom and Opportunity Party (FOP)	Turquoise green, navy blue, red	 Compass	Together we rise, together we prosper	1. Dean Anindo 2. Emily Misheni 3. Maureen Ndirangu 4. Richard Mathai 5. Lucia Loko 6. Job Munene 7. Jacob Bwana
Forward Kenya Party	Ultramarine blue, cherry red, black	 Switch	Uongozi wa Maendeleo	1. Catherine Cheptoo Matingwony 2. Margaret Mwendu Ngundo 3. Brian Warui Wangechi 4. Kipkirui Ronoh

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

Any objections may be presented from the date of publication of this notice in writing or in person within **seven (7) days** to:

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

**Sophia Sitati
Ag. Registrar of Political Parties**



www.orpp.or.ke

Government eyes construction of 700MW Hydro Dam in Eastern Region

BY ERASTUS GICHOHI (KNA)

The Government has announced robust plans to construct a 700MW Hydro dam in the Eastern Region to meet the growing demand for power by investors and ensure country power security.

Currently, the state is engaging the private entities for sustainable financing of the high grand fall under the Public Private Partnership at a cost of sh. 340 billion.

The government has enhanced its partnerships by engaging development partners to accelerate projects that will turbo-charge plans to meet 100 percent power use from renewable energy sources by 2030.

According to Principal Secretary for Energy Alex Wachira, the major plans were in advanced stage adding that KenGen will be involved in the construction of the dam expected in the next five years.

Speaking in Olkaria, Naivasha during the Sustainable Energy Confer-



Energy Principal Secretary Alex Wachira (second right) joined by KenGen Managing Director Peter Njenga (second left);and Company board members on the sidelines of the Second Sustainable Energy Conference where he said plans are underway to construct a 700MW hydro dam in the Eastern Region to enhance country's power security system and address rising power demand. Photo by Erastus Gichohi

ence, Wachira said the extra power will complement the existing power sources from solar, wind and geothermal.

He added that the government seeks to address and meet the growing demand for steady and sustainable power noting that

the dam will be critical for the country energy system.

He said the huge funding of sh. 340B will largely involve land acquisition at the proposed site as well the construction in order to address energy poverty, carbon emissions and in-

equitable access.

This comes after the country's high peak demand rose to the highest at 2,392mw last month from 2,149mw as more homes got connected to power.

The PS said under the Kenya Kwanza government, 1.2 million Kenyans

have been connected to the electricity with more plans to power and extra one million homes by the end of 2026.

He said government plans to ensure universal access to electricity by the year 2030 were on course adding that they are seeking alternative partners to upgrade critical power distribution lines to enhance efficiency and power loss.

On his part, Kengen MD Engineer Peter Njenga said that the power generating company was committed to adding an extra 1,500mw into the national grid by the year 2034.

He said that the extra power which will be sourced from renewable energy sources mainly from geothermal, wind and solar will cost USD4.3B.

He welcomed plans for the construction of the hydro dam adding that more power will help the country achieve it's ambitions of sourcing 100 percent power from renewable sources by the year 2030.

Eng Njenga said currently, he country installed power capacity stands at 1,786 MW (3.3GigaWatts) where 90 percent is from renewable sources.

He added that through the company 10 year

strategy (2024 -2034) to add the extra power, they were in talks with private and development partners to sustainably fund the ongoing projects to meet the targets.

Eng Njenga said the company was seeking an extra 200 MW of power from Solar in Marsabit County, 200 MW from geothermal in Menengai, Nakuru and 100MW in Baringo.

KenGen has also shelved 342 hectares of land at its Olkaria geothermal fields where investors can establish their enterprises and power their operations from 100 percent green power at reduced costs.

Already, the government has signed an Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) with Microsoft and G42 for the construction of USD 1B modern data centre at the park.

The Deputy Head of the German embassy Alexander Fierley said that his country would continue to support Kenya in funding and capacity building towards green energy.

He said that German government has so far invested over Sh75B in the energy sector in the country and this has contributed to generation of over 450mw.



THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT
OFFICE OF THE PRIME CABINET SECRETARY AND
MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AND DIASPORA AFFAIRS
STATE DEPARTMENT FOR NATIONAL GOVERNMENT CO-ORDINATION

PUBLIC NOTICE

CALL FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON THE DRAFT RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS POLICY, 2024 AND THE DRAFT RELIGIOUS ORGANIZATIONS BILL, 2024

The Presidential Taskforce on the Review of the Legal and Regulatory Framework Governing Religious Organizations in Kenya (the “Taskforce”) was constituted vide Kenya Gazette Notice Numbers 5661 of 5th May, 2023 and 6091 of 11th May, 2023. The Taskforce presented its Report to His Excellency the President on 30th July, 2024 and as part of its terms of reference, developed and recommended –

- a) the draft Religious Organizations Policy, 2024; and
- b) the draft Religious Organizations Bill, 2024.

The overall objective of these instruments is to provide a framework for regulation of religious organizations; to combat religious extremism and the abuse of the freedom of religion and connected purposes.

The drafts are available on the Office of the Prime Cabinet Secretary website through the weblink:
<https://www.primecs.go.ke/policies-bills-acts>

Following Cabinet's adoption of the Taskforce's Report on 29th July, 2025, the State Department for National Government Co-ordination, which is vested with the mandate of coordinating the implementation of the Taskforce's recommendations, hereby invites the public and all persons likely to be affected by the provisions of the documents above to submit written Memoranda on them. These should reach the undersigned through email address religiousorganizations@primecs.go.ke on or before **22nd October, 2025** using the template provided in the Office of the Prime Cabinet Secretary website through the weblink above.


Hard copies of the written Memoranda may be submitted to the Office of the Principal Secretary, State Department for National Government Co-ordination at the Office of the Prime Cabinet Secretary, Ground Floor, Kenya Railways Building, off Haile Selassie Avenue, Nairobi, and addressed as follows–

Hon. Ahmed Abdulsalan Ibrahim
Principal Secretary
State Department for National Government Co-ordination
Kenya Railways Headquarters
P.O Box 30551-00100
Off Haile Selassie Avenue, NAIROBI

Public participation forums shall be announced in due course.

Hon. Ahmed Abdulsalan Ibrahim
Principal Secretary
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23rd September, 2025

TENDER INVITATION

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

No.	EGP TENDER REF:	EGP NO	CLOSING DATE	ELIGIBILITY
1.	EACC/183/0007/2025-2026 SUPPLY, DELIVERY OF AUXILIARY GENERATOR SITE VISIT ON 26th SEPTEMBER, 2025 FROM 1000 HRS	TENDER ID:14	6 th OCTOBER, 2025	PWD
2.	EACC/183/0010/2025-2026 PROVISION OF GROUP LIFE INSURANCE COVER	TENDER ID:18	7 th OCTOBER, 2025	OPEN
3.	EACC/183/0012/2025-2026 SUPPLY, DELIVERY AND INSTALLATION OF WIRELESS NETWORK ACCESS POINTS	TENDER ID:22	7 th OCTOBER, 2025	OPEN
4.	EACC/183/0016/2025-2026 SUPPLY, DELIVERY AND INSTALLATION OF NETWORK SWITCHES	TENDER ID:34	9 th OCTOBER, 2025	OPEN
5.	EACC/183/0017/2025-2026 SUPPLY, DELIVERY AND INSTALLATION OF STORAGE AREA NETWORK DRIVES	TENDER ID:37	9 th OCTOBER, 2025	OPEN
6.	EACC/183/0018/2025-2026 PROVISION OF ANNUAL MAINTENANCE FOR SERVERS AND STORAGE	TENDER ID:39	9 th OCTOBER, 2025	OPEN


All Interested suppliers are required to register on the Electronic Government Procurement System (e-GPs) vide <https://egpkenya.go.ke> to be able to access the tenders.

Completed tenders shall be submitted through the e-GP System as per the requirements contained in the Tender Document.

Further, interested bidders are encouraged to keep visiting the platform from time to time to appraise themselves on any procurement opportunities.

The Commission wishes to inform the bidders that this tender notice supersedes the tender advert placed on the Government Advertising Agency (GAA) dated **Tuesday, 9th September, 2025**.

SECRETARY/CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER
ETHICS AND ANTI-CORRUPTION COMMISSION.



Communities urged to join efforts to end gender violence

BY WANGARI MWANGI (KNA)

Gender and Affirmative Action Principal Secretary Anne Wang'ombe has called on communities to join forces to stamp out Gender-Based Violence (GBV).

Wang'ombe cautioned that the country will continue to record high cases of GBV unless everyone views it as a personal responsibility and actively works to address the issue. "I am appealing to the entire community to make this our problem because it is a societal issue. Do what you can in your own small way to ensure that GBV is reduced, and that when it happens, such cases are reported and prosecuted in accordance with the law," she said.

According to the 2022 Kenya Demographic and Health Survey, 43 per cent of women and girls aged 15 to 49 have experienced Intimate Partner Violence from a spouse, ex-spouse, or boyfriend.

In addition, 13 per cent of women and girls have experienced sexual violence, while 5 per cent of women aged 18–29 reported experiencing sexual violence by age 18.

At the same time, 2020 Amref Health Africa report dubbed Amref Health Africa Statement: Addressing Period Poverty and Stigma in Kenya, showed that Sexual harassment was equally prevalent, affecting approximately 65 per cent of women in schools, workplaces and public spaces.

Additionally, a June 2025 report that was investigating the prevalence of intimate partner violence against men aged 18–54 years in Kisumu county, published by BMC Public Health journal confirms that men are also victims of GBV.

The report findings showed that 76.1 per cent of the 398 male respondents had experienced some form of intimate partner violence.

The findings showed that emotional and economic were the most prevalent forms of abuse 47.5 per cent and 23.8 per cent respectively.

From the findings 16.5 per cent reported that they had experienced sexual violence, while 12.2 per cent of the respondents had experienced physical violence.

Wang'ombe attributed the prevalence of GBV in the country to moral decay and urged for collective action to restore the society's former values.

The PS, at the same time warned that stern action will be taken against the perpetrators, adding that the government will not stand by as they continue to perpetuate the harmful acts.

Ministry sets aside Sh648m to replace ageing water pipes

BY SAMUEL MAINA AND WANGARI MWANGI (KNA)

The Government will spend Sh648 million to replace decades-old asbestos-cement water pipes at the Aguthi Water Project in Tetu over health and safety concerns.

Cabinet Secretary for Water, Sanitation and Irrigation, Engineer Eric Mugaa, told the press in Nyeri that the Government plans to replace the ageing conduits, which date back to the 1970s, with modern High-Density Polyethylene (HDPE) pipes, which are environmentally friendly.

The upgrade is expected to boost water supply in the area and reduce maintenance costs due to the durability of HDPE piping. Scientists believe asbestos used in roofing and piping may be linked to gastrointestinal cancers in humans.

"The Aguthi Water Project was launched in the 1970s using asbestos-cement pipes, which are now very old. Asbestos pipes are believed to be responsible for some of the health problems we are facing, including cancer, and therefore we want to replace them. We also aim to establish a water treatment plant in the area to ensure that residents of Tetu and surrounding areas have access to clean and safe water for drinking and other uses," said Engineer Mugaa.

The CS also condemned the widespread vandalism affecting some of the country's water projects and called for joint efforts by both leaders and the public to stop the destruction.

Engineer Mugaa noted that damage to major water infrastructure, such as pipes, valves, and siltation systems, is undermining the Government's efforts to provide irrigation water to farmers and, in turn, hampering the country's food security efforts.

This challenge has forced the Government to undertake costly



Water and Irrigation Cabinet Secretary Eric Mugaa (centre) during a press briefing outside the Nyeri County Commissioners. PHOTO BY WANGARI MWANGI

rehabilitation projects, such as the Changachicha Irrigation Project in Othaya, where critical infrastructure, including pipes and valves, was stolen by unknown individuals.

"The Changachicha Irrigation Project in Othaya was designed to provide water for farming to more than 1,600 people. However, when pressure valves at the intake are destroyed regularly, water cannot reach the farmers. We are now carrying out repairs, and once completed, we urge everyone, especially local leaders, to educate the community to ensure the system's sustainability," stated the CS.

The Changachicha project was launched in April 2021 and commissioned by President Dr. William Ruto in February 2023. Its objective is to boost the production of high-value commercial vegetables such as cabbage, kale,

tomatoes, spinach, and carrots through a sprinkler irrigation system.

The initial works included a 5,850-meter conveyance pipe, three main lines of 19,950-meter HDPE pipes, distribution lines, feeder lines, and an infield irrigation system.

Once complete, the project was supposed to benefit about 2,000 direct beneficiaries and another 10,000 indirect beneficiaries. Engineer Mugaa said the National Irrigation Authority is working closely with all stakeholders at the grassroots

We shall institute area operation and maintenance for every irrigation system through the Irrigation Users Association

in a bid to protect water projects in the counties from rampant vandalism.

He has urged local leaders to help address the menace among the public to avoid unnecessary disruption of water due to vandalism.

"We shall institute area operation and maintenance for every irrigation system through the Irrigation Users Association. These groups of farmers will also form a committee that will ensure there is routine maintenance works at the water intake and clearing of sediments. This way we shall not have to wait until water fails to reach the farmers in order to respond to the problem," he added.

Also present at the event was Irrigation Principal Secretary, Ephantus Kimotho, Nyeri County Commissioner Ronald Mwiwawi, Senator Wahome Wamatinga among others.

Investors eye Embu Industrial Park as it nears completion

BY SAMUEL WAITITU (KNA)

The Embu County Aggregation and Industrial Park (CAIP) is nearly complete and is set to be operational in three months.

Cabinet Secretary for Investments, Trade, and Industry, Lee Kinyanjui, said he was satisfied with both the progress of work and the quality of construction.

The Embu CAIP currently ranks



Embu County Aggregation and Industrial Park (CAIP) view.

second nationally in terms of completion, with construction 88% complete, positioning the county as a frontrunner in agro-industrial development.

He gave the county the go-ahead to onboard investors into the facility as it nears completion, noting that several had already expressed interest in establishing a base there.

Speaking during a tour of the facility in Machang'a area, Mbeere

South Constituency, Kinyanjui said it has the potential to create 10,000 jobs, both directly and indirectly.

He hailed the facility—one of 17 being constructed across the country—as a game-changer in unlocking Kenya's potential in value addition, job creation, and sustainable economic growth.

"The Embu Industrial Park is a shining example of what industrial parks should look like.

I commend Governor Cecily Mbarire for her leadership in driving the project, now 88% complete," he said.

Kinyanjui described the Embu CAIP as a benchmark project that will redefine industrial parks in Kenya.

At the same time, the CS called on the locals to take advantage of the common user facility to add value to their harvests before sale, as processed products fetch at least five times the value of raw produce.

The CS noted availability of funding for those intending to procure manufacturing equipment, noting that the environment for growing manufacturing in the country was ripe.

He urged the investors to think beyond agro-processing to start other ventures, noting that the internet that will be provided at the facility would also present opportunities for Business Process Outsourcing.

Government launches 10-year plan to save Kenya's largest water tower

BY LUCY MWENDE AND NAIIF RASHID (KNA)

The Government has launched a ten-year programme to restore 33,000 hectares of the degraded Mau Forest Complex.

Speaking in Nairobi during a meeting with conservation stakeholders, Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Climate Change and Forestry, Dr. Deborah Barasa, said the tree-planting drive goes far beyond environmental conservation.

Dr. Barasa explained that the plan safeguards water towers, protects biodiversity, creates thousands of green jobs, and supports President William Ruto's 15-billion tree campaign.

"Every tree planted is a promise—a promise of hope, food security, clean water, and a resilient economy," Dr. Barasa said. "Restoring the Mau is not just an environmental duty; it is an economic necessity critical to protecting our GDP, securing food systems, and ensuring national energy stability."

She emphasized that the tree-growing campaign is a national agenda requiring collective effort. "This is about jobs, water, energy, food, peace, and equity," she said. "Together, let us rise, heal our land, and secure a legacy of shared prosperity for Kenya and the region."

The Mau, Kenya's largest water tower, is the source of 12 major rivers, including the Mara River, which features the great wildebeest migration. It also supplies water to Lake Victoria and Lake Natron in Tanzania—the latter being a breeding site for flamingoes—and supports hydropower stations across the country. The forest faces threats from illegal logging, forest fires,

Mau Complex Integrated Conservation and Management Programme (MFC-ICLIM)



Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Climate Change and Forestry, Dr. Deborah Barasa, delivers her speech during the launch of the 10-year Mau Forest restoration programme in Nairobi.

encroachment, and climate change, all of which put biodiversity, energy supply, and livelihoods at risk.

Principal Secretary for Environment and Climate Change, Eng. Festus Ng'eno, who serves as the patron of the programme, recalled growing up near the forest and witnessing its degradation.

"The Mau Complex is a global treasure, supporting the great wildebeest migration and acting as a vital carbon sink. But it is under grave threat. We must act now," Dr. Ng'eno said.

The restoration programme, guided by satellite mapping, targets fencing 500 km of forest boundaries, creating 200 km of buffer zones, rehabilitating wetlands, introducing sustainable

land use management for over 138,000 families and scaling up 50 nature positive value chains such as honey production, dairy and avocado farming.

It will also create 300,000 green jobs, train 100,000 farmers, provide alternative energy sources like solar and biogas and promote environmental education through school camps and annual conferences.

According to Dr. Ng'eno, work has already begun through mo-

bilizing communities to plant trees for regeneration of the forest. "In the past four weeks we have grown over 150,000 seedlings in the Mau," he said adding that Safaricom and the World Resources Institute have adopted blocks of degraded land for rehabilitation.

To sustain gains, the government establishes structures such as the Mau Water Fund which brings together government, communities, private investors and development partners.

Principal Secretary for Livestock Development, Jonathan Mueke, whose State Department supports livelihood alternatives, said the initiative must give forest dependent communities new economic options.

"Our strategy focuses on dairy development, fodder production and apiculture," Mueke said.

"We are installing milk coolers to commercialise dairy, promoting fodder crops to reduce forest grazing and introducing thousands of beehives for honey production. We are also rolling out a new farm-to-fork traceability system to boost food safety and access to premium markets. Mueke said these interventions provide strong incentives for conservation.

"By strengthening these value chains, we improve livelihoods and keep both people and livestock out of the forest," he said.

The programme uses a block-by-block approach, with each 10-hectare block requiring about Sh2 million for clearing, planting, fencing and maintenance. Year One targets include restoring 3,313 hectares, planting 4 million seedlings by October 2025, fencing 50 km of forest boundary, rehabilitating 14 water dams and creating 10,000 green jobs.

The Mau Complex is a global treasure, supporting the great wildebeest migration and acting as a vital carbon sink

Nyamira commissions a Geographic Information System (GIS)

BY DEBORAH BOCHERE (KNA)

Nyamira County Governor Amos Nyaribo has commissioned a Geographic Information System (GIS) lab worth Sh30 million to capture data on various development activities in the County.

The Governor said the GIS would be handy because it would enable officers collect data on various development projects and activities going on in the county, analyze the status of these activities and display rather complex information on easily comprehensible forms of maps, tables and even three dimension simulation for everyone to see, read and understand.

"This sophisticated system was installed at a designated GIS lab here at our county head-

quarters courtesy of Food Agricultural Organization (FAO) at a cost of Sh30 million to assist and strengthen our county to make evidence-based decisions in all sectors where we are undertaking development projects and activities," Governor Nyaribo said.

"Installation of GIS will help County Executive Committee Members (CECM) and their Directors monitor field operations and other county activities like revenue collection within the administrative units and markets, land rates, and map out other public institutions and entities for easy planning and budgeting," said Nyaribo.

The County Boss appreciated FAO's initiative to assist them because the previous manual system they were using to collect the county's data could be



Nyamira County Governor Amos Nyaribo tries to locate his residence using Information technology during handing over of a GIS lab by FAO officials at the County headquarters

manipulated all the time and was therefore not accurate. This led the county's top management to make erroneous decisions like under budgeting due to lack of accurate data from key development projects in the county.

FAO's Assistant Country Representative Mr. William

Hamisi said the GIS technology would make it easier for the county to monitor and manage its operations particularly in improving transparency and accountability at the same time enhance efficiency of delivering development project intended to improve the livelihoods of the people of Nyamira County.

Sh50bn injection set to revive Nairobi River

BY DOUGLAS NAMUNANE (PCO)

The Government has set aside a whopping Sh50 billion to help mitigate sewerage pollution and rehabilitate the Nairobi River to a conducive state. Water and Sanitation Principal Secretary Julius Korir said the funds will also support the construction of sewer lines along the river. "The Government has also injected an additional Sh 50 billion towards the regeneration of Nairobi Rivers," Korir said. The PS added that this initiative involves widening the river, concreting and protecting its banks, and installing double sewer lines on both sides to facilitate proper sewer connections. The Principal Secretary made the remarks at Maji House in Nairobi during the launch of a roadshow that aims to sensitize and create awareness to Nairobi residents on the implementation of the Nairobi Rivers Basin Rehabilitation and Restoration Project (NaRSIP II).

He said the project intends to reduce pollution of rivers in Nairobi. "By intercepting the sewer and putting them into the right place, we are contributing to the cleaning of the rivers of Nairobi", reiterated the Principal Secretary.

Mr. Korir also said NaRSIP II is linking residential areas to sewer lines to alleviate spillage of sewer to rivers and other places within the city.

"The expansion of Nairobi has been faster than the rate of expanding the sewerage.

He revealed the project implementation is at 90 per cent with completion date slated for December 2025.

The project which targets informal settlements in Nairobi further aims to enhance sustainable management of the Nairobi Rivers, supporting natural ecosystems regeneration, social-economic activities and improved livelihoods. Areas earmarked for the project include Korogocho, Ngomongo, Mathare and Kawangware. Others are Kibera, Blue estate in Shauri Moyo and Mukuru settlements.

Speaking in Gatina location, Dagoretti North Sub-County during a sensitization exercise, area Senior Chief Ms. Electine Wamalwa described the exercise as key to both landlords and tenants.

"We have to come in through our barrages to sensitize the landlords and even the tenants to make sure that they maintain hygiene.

WRA unveils initiatives to enhance water resources information gathering



WRA CEO Mr Mohamed Shurie (second right) accompanied by Management Board on inspection tours of telemetric stations in Kiambu County.

BY BRIAN MUTUA
(MYGOV)

The Water Resources Authority (WRA) has unveiled a series of transformative initiatives aimed at revolutionizing how Kenya gathers, analyses, and applies water resources data.

“We are shifting from reactive water management to predictive, data-driven decision-making,” said WRA Chief Executive Officer, Mohamed Shurie. “This is about securing Kenya’s future water needs with precision and accountability.”

Shurie pointed out that at the heart of the transformation is the deployment of telemetric stations across major catchment areas.

The CEO noted that these stations provide real-time data on river flows, rainfall, and groundwater levels that is critical for early flood warnings and drought preparedness.

“WRA has also invested in geophysical and hydrogeological equipment to enhance groundwater mapping, particularly in arid and semi-arid regions. This technology is helping identify sustainable borehole sites and reduce water stress in vulnerable communities,” he said.

In a bid to enhance its monitoring network, Shurie said that the Authority has put in place integrated technological approaches which include surface water, groundwater and water quality and pollution monitoring network as well as operationalized laboratories.

“The real time data comes in handy for decision support on water resources allocation. The telemetric system coupled with smart metering is able to give a real time water balance and guides the thresholds determination,”

“The data collected is checked, analysed and stored in the WRA’s Water Resources Information System (WRIS) from where it is available for use in the planning and design of Water Resources development projects as well as for scientific and academic research,” said the CEO.

Similarly, he disclosed that the Authority has also put in place the E-permit system which allows for water resources allocation through an electronic system of application, processing and issuance of water use permit.

“The system allows a customer to access the portal virtually and make an application by following the prompts. This has enhanced efficiency of service delivery by ensuring that approved documents are sent through their email,” he affirmed.

Commenting on water abstraction, the CEO said that WRA has developed advanced metering infrastructure (AMI) system for the receiving, storage, retrieval and analysis of water abstraction data in real time, from smart meters installed at abstraction points (boreholes, intakes, effluent discharge points).

Consequently, he added that the Authority has developed the Groundwater Information System

(GWIS) for groundwater information linked to mobile application which can be accessed to guide information and facilitate online filling of Borehole Completion Report to facilitate groundwater data accuracy.

He said that GWIS will integrate with Laboratory Information Management System (LIMS), WRIS and E-Permit system to provide a comprehensive regulatory tool for water resources management and use.

On climate change mitigation and adaptation, the CEO said that the Authority has delineated 10 flood prone areas in Kenya which are vulnerable to adverse floods.

“We have established and operationalized Flood Early Warning System to provide advance notice to allow for orderly evacuation of people, livestock and protection of property which would otherwise risk destruction due to floods,” he said.

In light of this, Shurie observed that the Authority has undertaken the Design, Construction and operation of telemetric water resources monitoring network.

“WRA has rationalized about 643 monitoring stations




comprising of 223 Surface Water (SW), 260 weather stations and 160 Ground Water (GW).”

“The Surface Water and Groundwater stations are also used to monitor the Water Quality in the Country. So far, the Authority has upgraded 56 weather

stations, 72 River gauge stations, 72 Water level stations, 31 Ground water stations to telemetric status,” said the CEO.

To sustain operationalization and maintenance of Water Resources Information gathering, Shurie pointed out that the Au-

thority will continue to enhance periodic baseline studies, undertake routine maintenance of the water monitoring system infrastructure as well as enhance capacity of their staff on digital and emerging technologies in water resources monitoring.



KDEAP KENYA DIGITAL ECONOMY ACCELERATION PROJECT

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

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

Country:	Kenya
Name of Project:	KENYA DIGITAL ECONOMY ACCELERATION PROJECT (KDEAP)
Project No.:	P170941
Credit No:	7289-KE & 7290-KE
Assignment Title:	SENIOR TECHNICAL OFFICER (PROCESSES & STANDARDS)
Contract No.:	KE-ICTA-500817-CS-INDV

1. This Request for Expression of Interest follows the General Procurement Notice for this project that appeared in MyGov Newspaper on 24th October, 2023.

2. The Government of Kenya has received financing from the World Bank towards the cost of the Kenya Digital Economy Acceleration Project (KDEAP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds for consulting services.

3. The consulting services (“Services”) include digital infrastructure specialist (individual consultant). The assignment is expected to be completed within thirty-six (36) calendar months from the date of contract commencement.

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

5. The Information and Communications Technology Authority (the “Client”) through the Project Implementation Unit (PIU) of Kenya Digital Economy Acceleration Project (KDEAP) now invites eligible individual consultants (“Consultants”) to indicate their interest in providing the Services. Interested Consultants should provide information demonstrating that they have the required qualifications and relevant experience to perform the Services (attach detailed curriculum vitae (CV), copies of documentary evidence of academic qualifications, professional qualifications, and registration/licensing with professional bodies (as applicable). The shortlisting criteria is:

a) At least a Bachelors’ degree in any of the following fields: Information Technology, Computer Science, Telecommunication, Electrical and Electronics Engineering or equivalent qualification from a recognized institution from a recognized institution, with a higher degree an advantage;

b) A minimum of six (6) years of general experience in the ICT or technology sector.

c) A minimum of two (2) year of specific experience in ICT standards and processes within a technology-focused organization

d) Professional Certification in any of the following: CCNA, CISA, OCP, ITIL, COBIT, CISSP, CCSA, or equivalent.


6. The attention of interested Consultants is drawn to Section III, paragraphs, 3.14, 3.16, and 3.17 of the World Bank’s “Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers” First Published July 2016 and Revised Fifth Edition September 2023, (“Procurement Regulations”), setting forth the World Bank’s policy on conflict of interest.

7. A Consultant will be selected in accordance with the Selection of Individual Consultants method set out in the Procurement Regulations.

8. Further information can be obtained at the address below from 0900 to 1700 hours East African Time (EAT) from Monday to Friday excluding lunch hour (1300 to 1400hours EAT) and public holidays.

9. Expressions of interest must be delivered in a written form to the address below by **8th October 2025, at 1000hours EAT**, using one of the following modalities: (i) deposit in the tender box located on 12th Floor, Telpost Towers, Kenyatta Avenue in Nairobi, Kenya or (ii) send by email to: procurement@ict.go.ke and quote the Assignment title and Contract No. in the subject row. For expressions of interest that will be deposited at the tender box, the packages should be clearly marked **SENIOR TECHNICAL OFFICER (PROCESSES & STANDARDS)**; Contract No. **KE-ICTA-500817-CS-INDV**.

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WRTI to host International Wildlife Scientific Conference

BY LISPER MACHOKA(PCO)

The Wildlife Research and Training Institute is set to host the Second International Wildlife Scientific Conference to reflect on the urgent need to harness scientific knowledge and innovative approaches to safeguard biodiversity while enhancing human livelihoods.

The conference, according to WRTI Director, Dr. Patrick Omondi which will take place from September 23-25, 2025, will

bring together subject matter experts, practitioners, policymakers, and conservationists from across the globe to deliberate on the future of biodiversity conservation under this year's theme, "Innovations in Wildlife Science and Practice for Sustainable Biodiversity Conservation and Socio-economic Development."

Dr Omondi pointed out that the conference will feature keynote addresses by leading experts from Kenya, South Africa, Can-

ada, and Germany, each tackling critical issues in the wildlife sector.

"Guest speakers for each sub-theme have been carefully selected to strike a balance between researchers and practitioners, ensuring that discussions generate both academic insights and practical solutions," he said.

The Director noted that this blend of expertise aims to drive meaningful action against the persistent decline of biodiversity in Kenya and around the

world.

He said that participants will include wildlife scholars and scientists, government agencies, non-governmental organizations, and development partners, all united by the shared goal of advancing conservation.

"The programme will incorporate oral and poster presentations, thematic side-events, and panel discussions, offering diverse opportunities to share cutting-edge research, exchange best practices, and

strengthen global collaboration," noted Dr Omondi.

According to WRTI Director, the hosting of this conference is directly aligned with the Institute's mandate. "Scientific data and information are critical. When timely generated and disseminated, they form the foundation of evidence-based decision-making and effective policy formulation," he emphasized.

Dr Omondi noted that the conference is expected to provide valuable data

and recommendations that will guide biodiversity conservation in Kenya and beyond.

He said that, "The urgency of this year's gathering cannot be overstated. Wildlife faces mounting and complex challenges – from climate change, habitat loss, and illegal wildlife trade to rapid environmental degradation."

These issues transcend national borders, demanding coordinated responses that are both innovative and science-driven.

Treasury to operationalise a National Assets Register

BY JANE CHEBET AND JACK MWANIKI (PCO)

The Principal Secretary in the State Department for Public Investments and Assets Management Cyrell Odede has affirmed government's commitment to maintaining accurate and verifiable assets registers to help in cost cutting, use resources optimally, and direct funding effectively thereby minimising misuse, wastage and loss.

He underscored that, the National Treasury is exclusively mandated to improve Asset and Liability Management to enhance service delivery while safeguarding public assets.

Odede disclosed that government's failure to have the register has made the Auditor General to repeatedly issue opinions that such public entities are in contravention of the Public Finance Management Act, 2012.

Odede made the remarks when he opened a week-long workshop on Asset and Liability Management aimed at developing a user acceptance testing and roll-out of the Integrated Finance Management Information System (IFMIS) Asset and Inventory Modules to Counties.

Odede observed that, the current manual inventory management process restricts visibility, wastes time, leads to inefficient resource use and is prone to human error.

To address this, he said the National Treasury is operationalizing the Inventory Assets Management Module in IFMIS to enhance efficiency, a fiscal reform that is expected to generate significant savings on both fixed and current assets.

He noted that, it's a global practice for Governments to maintain records each asset, their status, acquisition date, location and value, given that governments' assets enable efficient and effective service delivery.

"The government is committed to continually building the capacity of public officers to manage assets and liabilities with diligence, efficiency, and accuracy. It is also a chance to reflect on achievements, share lessons,



The Principal Secretary in the State Department for Public Investments and Assets Management Cyrell Odede speaking to the press.

and recommend improvements to Asset and Liability Management policy, guidelines, and reporting to oversight institutions."

"We will also review current registers, target public asset optimization, and reduce waste in a constrained fiscal environment," said the PS.

He emphasized that, accurate assets registers shall enable the government to use resources optimally, and direct funding effectively adding the National Treasury in collaboration with diverse stakeholders among them the Public Sector Accounting Standards Board has developed an Asset and Liability Management Policy, guidelines, and reporting templates.

"These reforms provide a framework for consolidating data into national assets register for better policy decisions. The policy promotes uniformity and standardization in Asset Management and supports the adoption of accrual-based accounting—an important Public Finance Management Reform pillar."

"It also helps entities determine optimal asset levels, ensure resource allocation efficiency, and adopt a life-cycle approach to Asset Management," he reiterated.

Some of the assets the government targets to onboard in the register include, land, buildings, electronic devices, furniture, office equipment, roads and railway infrastructure among others.

During the workshop, the participants were introduced to tools developed to optimize Asset

Management in the public sector which ensure accurate, reliable, and verifiable asset registers, enabling informed policymaking and risk mitigation.

The reporting templates shall assist in gathering critical asset data, improving transparency, accountability, and reducing liabilities thus the counties are expected to use these tools effectively, ensuring complete and accurate asset information, improving financial reporting reliability, and reducing audit concerns.

"This module will allow real-time inventory tracking, improved supply chain management, greater efficiency, and better decision-making through timely data and reports, leading to cost savings."

"It will first be piloted at the National Treasury before and has already been rolled out to all Ministries, State Departments and Agencies (MDAs) before being implemented to counties within the current fiscal year," he concluded.

According to the PS, the Government is undertaking various reforms to deepen and enhance fiscal reforms on assets management by formulating the Government Assets Valuation Policy to both levels of Government, the formulation of Leasing Policy and the formulation of Tagging Policy all aimed at optimizing Government's assets and assisting in tracking the Government's assets across the two levels of Government.

Ministry of roads and transport adopts digital innovations



Cabinet Secretary (CS) for Roads and Transport, Davis Chirchir, flanked by players and stakeholders in the transport sector to discuss road safety, briefs the media during the National Road Safety Conference in Mombasa

BY SADIK HASSAN AND BAHATI HASSAN (KNA)

The Cabinet Secretary (CS) for Roads and Transport, Davis Chirchir, has reaffirmed government's commitment to enhancing road safety through digital innovations, safer infrastructure, and integration of road safety into national development plans.

In this regard, the Ministry of Roads and Transport has unveiled a raft of measures from digital enforcement to safer infrastructure to stem the alarming rise in road accidents, as fatalities hit 3,397 countrywide between January and September 2025.

Speaking during the second National Dialogue on the Implementation of the National Road Safety Action Plan (NRSAP) 2024-2028 in Mombasa, Chirchir said the dialogue is crucial in galvanizing efforts to save lives, prevent injuries, and protect the country's productivity.

The inter-agency forum, themed "Facilitating an Inter-Agency Conversation and Dialogue for the Successful Implementation of the National Road Safety Action Plan 2024-2028," comes amid a surge in road accident deaths, which stand at about 4,600 annually.

A recent National Transport and Safety Authority (NTSA) report shows 3,397 fatalities were recorded between January and September 2025, 28 more than the same period last year.

Some of the noticeable achievements of the National Road Safety Action Plan are the establishment of 47 County Transport and Safety Committees, mobilization of road safety funding through the exchequer and development partners and completion of the Road Safety Investment Plan 2025 to guide interventions.

"Through risk targeting, we have mapped high-risk corridors. Several road safety audits have been conducted nationwide, and over 750 kilometres of roads have been star-rated to identify risks as well as latent conditions, leading to black spot treatments and safer infrastructure designs," stated the CS.

"We have also completed regulations to strengthen vehicle safety inspections, deter drunk driving, enhance the safety of school transport, as well as frameworks for instant fines to improve speed enforcement," he added.

The CS also disclosed that regulations to strengthen vehicle safety inspections, deter drunk driving, enhance the safety of school transport, as well as frameworks for instant fines to improve speed enforcement, have been finalized.

Road safety has also been integrated into the national school curriculum (from Pre-Primary 1 to Grade 12), while post-crash care is being boosted with a new trauma centre in Sagana and a modern crash data system developed with support from JICA.

New rail link to ease traffic, decongest Mombasa Island

BY SADIK HASSAN AND JOYCE HADRINE (KNA)

It is a new dawn for Mombasa's urban transport following the launch of the Sh6 billion Commuter Rail Service, 130 years after the Kenya-Uganda Railway first began operations at the iconic Mombasa Railway Station, famously known as "Kilometre Zero." The launch of the Sh6 billion SGR-CBD Rail Link marks a major milestone.

The project, which commenced in 2022, is expected to transport 4,000 passengers daily, easing traffic congestion on roads and ensuring seamless mobility.

The project was officially commissioned by President William Ruto, accompanied by Deputy President Prof. Kithure Kindiki, Cabinet Secretaries Davis Chirchir (Roads and Transport), Hassan Joho (Blue Economy, Mining and Maritime Affairs), Salim Mvurya (Sports), and Principal Secretary

for Transport Mohamed Daghar. Described as a game-changer, the project is set to transform how people move in and out of the port city. It offers a solution to road congestion and the delays long endured by travelers arriving via the Madaraka Express.

The commuter service will provide a fast, predictable, and safe journey. It will ease road gridlocks, reduce accidents, and cut travel time between Mombasa and the SGR terminus in Miritini.

The train will also help decongest Mombasa Island, with stops at Miritini, Changamwe West, Changamwe East, and Shimanzi stations.

Cabinet Secretary for Roads and Transport Davis Chirchir emphasized that the government is deliberately investing in road, rail, and sea infrastructure—not as isolated projects, but as complementary pillars of an integrated national transport system.

He explained that the last-mile

commuter service will create opportunities for small traders, reduce transport costs and travel time, inject money into local markets, and foster inclusive growth.

"The Mombasa Commuter Rail Service is a clear statement of what integrated transport policy can achieve. It's about linking cities, enhancing productivity, and creating modern networks where every mode of transport complements the other," said Chirchir.

"By strengthening rail transport at the Coast, we are not only improving urban mobility but also reinforcing Kenya's role as a regional hub for trade, tourism, and logistics. This service will directly support port operations, reduce reliance on road transport, and ease congestion."

The CS, further, stated that commuter rail is safe, and a highly subsidised social obligation encouraging travellers to use the service. Chirchir also affirmed



The front view of the newly commissioned Mombasa Railway station connecting Miritini, Changamwe West, Changamwe East, Shimanzi, and Mombasa Central Business District (CBD). ANDREW HINGA/KNA

the Ministry's commitment to building an integrated transport system that works for all Kenyans and positions it as a transport hub.

The CS confirmed that Sh2.1 billion for compensation of Project Affected Persons (PAPs) along the Mombasa commuter line has been released to the National Land Commission, urging them to hasten disbursement to the PAPs.

He further disclosed that plans are underway by the contractor to beautify the railway corridor.

The project is part of a broader strategy to make Kenya a model of integration, modern and sustainable transport. The commuter train will also enable Mombasa residents to have an alternative mode of transport, thus easing pressure on road transport.

Ministry to harness AI technologies for the labour sector

BY JULIUS NDEGWA (PCO)

Players in the labour sector should harness Artificial Intelligence and digital technologies as tools for expanding decent work and protecting workers rights.

According to the Principal Secretary State Department for Labour and Skills Development, Shadrack Mwadime (pictured), although platforms such as Ajira Digital and Jitume Hubs are connecting thousands of Kenyan young people to online work, many workers still lack digital literacy.

The PS revealed that to prepare workers for AI driven sectors, the Ministry of Labour and Social Protection is championing advancement of Kenya's digital future in the labour sector through concrete actions.

These, he said, include expanding reskilling and upskilling through TVETs and National Industrial Training Authority (NITA), integrating AI into the Labour Market Information System to match job seekers with opportunities in real time; reviewing labour laws to address gig work, remote work, algorithmic management, platform-based employment; and development of AI ethical guidelines to promote fairness, transparency, and non-discrimination in work place.

Mwadime was addressing participants during a workshop in Nairobi facilitated by the International Labour Organization under the theme "AI Forum on Advancing Kenya's Digital Fu-



ture in the World of Work."

"It is incumbent upon us to acknowledge that the future of work will not be written by technology alone but by the choices we make today to invest in skills and reskilling, updating our labour laws for new realities and upholding social protection and fairness," observed the PS.

Referring to data from the International Labour Organization, the PS said nearly 60% of jobs today contain tasks that could be automated by AI, even as the World Economic Forum projects 69 million new jobs globally by 2027 in AI development, data science, green technology, and digital marketing.

"The opportunity is clear, with over 70% of Kenyans under the age of 35 years, the country can position itself as a leading global digital workforce," said Mwadime.

The PS revealed Kenya has built a strong legal foundation to safeguard workers' rights, which he cautioned should be protected even as

the sector embraces Artificial Intelligence.

"The strength of any labour market lies not only in its productivity but in its protection of people. Whether a person works in a factory, on a construction site, or behind a computer screen in this digital age, their safety is non-negotiable," he noted.

The PS said the Ministry is reviewing the existing labour legislation to ensure that no Kenyan worker, regardless of where or how they work, is left unprotected.

While observing that gig workers, platform-based workers, and remote employees often stand at the margins of labour legislation, the PS pointed out that the rights, dignity, and safety of every worker must never be compromised "Whether one is coding alongside an AI system, driving for a ride-hailing platform, or harvesting in a field."

"AI should never be about machines replacing people. It must be about machines complementing people; making work safer, more productive, and more dignified. It must be about

machines complementing people-making work safer, more productive and more dignified", observed the PS.

The forum brings together more than 100 participants

from across sectors to explore how AI is reshaping the world of work in Kenya, identify the current state, its challenges and redefine solutions for an equitable AI transition.



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Cabinet Secretary William Kabogo at the Universal Postal Congress in Dubai last week.

POSTAL REFORMS

Kenya asserts global leadership with Postal Council seat

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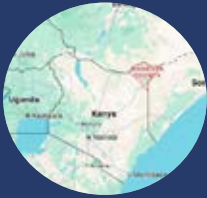


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LEADERSHIP

Kenya to shape global postal services after win at Universal Postal Congress

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Information, Communications and the Digital Economy Cabinet Secretary William Kabogo (second right), with Broadcasting and Telecommunications Principal Secretary Stephen Isaboke (left) at the Universal Postal Congress in Dubai last week.

Kenya's re-election for a four-year term to the Postal Operations Council (POC) of the Universal Postal Union (UPU) puts the country in a good position to continue shaping international postal policies.

POC, a United Nations agency, is responsible for coordinating international postal services. Kenya's re-election, announced during the 28th Universal Postal Congress held in Dubai, United Arab Emirates, last week means the country retains its seat in the influential 48-member body responsible for setting global postal standards and reforms.

The renewed mandate enables Kenya to champion for digital transformation and advocate for the unique needs of developing nations in relations to the development of postal services, which globally are facing challenges from increased digitisation.

Information, Communications and the Digital Economy Cabinet Secretary William

Kabogo, alongside Broadcasting and Telecommunications Principal Secretary Stephen Isaboke, campaigned for Kenya's quest for re-election, pitching the country's leadership credentials in the UPU for the last 61 years.

They noted that Kenya remains a safe pair of hands in elevation and reformation of the UPU. "Another chance for Kenya at the POC means a trusted pair of hands, stability and a profound responsibility, to continue serving the global postal community with resolve and an unwavering commitment to transformative progress. Kenya stands ready to offer the much-needed leadership that will ensure the post remains relevant, resilient and agile for generations to come," Mr Kabogo said.

Other African member States elected to the POC are Egypt, Algeria, Morocco, Tanzania, Tunisia, Seychelles, Senegal, Guinea, Cape Verde and Botswana, a reflection of a broad geographic representation.



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The Congress also saw incumbent Director-General Masahiko Metoki of Japan elected unopposed for a second term, with Marjan Osvald of Slovenia re-elected Deputy Director-General.

As an arm of UPU, the Council performs several functions. They include developing and updating global postal standards for mail, parcels and logistics; modernising postal products and services to meet evolving customer needs; advising on pricing models, service quality benchmarks and cost-efficiency measures and promoting innovation in postal financial services and e-commerce logistics; supporting integration of digital technologies into postal operations.

Other roles are monitoring and improving international mail delivery performance; issuing technical and operational guidelines to ensure uniform practices across member countries; providing technical assistance and training to developing countries and

recommending to the UPU Congress and Council of Administration on postal reforms.

By serving in POC, Kenya will influence global postal standards to better reflect African and developing country needs, access cutting-edge innovations and partnerships to enhance its domestic postal network and strengthen its leadership in regional logistics and digital commerce.

Kenya's re-election to POC comes at a pivotal moment as the country intensifies efforts to transform its Postal Corporation into a modern e-commerce and logistics hub.

The seat grants Kenya direct access to global expertise, technical standards and strategic partnerships that are essential for modernising the postal network.

The opportunity further enables Kenya to align its transformation agenda with international best practices and position itself as a competitive player in regional and global e-commerce ecosystems. ■

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KYEB staff were trained on uploading procurement plans in the system and making requisitions.

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streamline procurement workflows, reduce paperwork and minimise opportunities for corruption by ensuring all transactions are traceable and auditable.

The training underscores KYEB's commitment to embrace digitalisation that supports good governance and institutional growth.

As the institution continues to document Government initiatives and the country's development journey, its adoption of e-procurement reflects a deeper commitment to aligning internal operations with the reforms it showcases.



Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board staff during the training on e-GP at the institution's boardroom.

Murkomen unveils registration kits at Huduma Centres

The Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration Kipchumba Murkomen accompanied by the PS for Interior, Dr Raymond Omollo, visited Huduma Centres in Kisii and Homa Bay counties under the Jukwaa La Usalama programme.

At the centres, they officially launched the National Registration Bureau (NRB) live-capture kits, which will make it faster and easier for citizens to register for important identification documents.

Citizens were issued with instant birth certificates, reducing the long waiting times that many families

HUDUMA CORNER

have faced in the past. CS Murkomen praised Huduma Centre staff for their commitment, dedication and professionalism in delivering Government services.

He noted that Huduma Centres continue to play a key role in bringing Government closer to wananchi, saving them time and travel costs.

Dr Omollo encouraged staff to keep up their good work in ensuring that service delivery is

simple, fast and accessible to all.

At the same time, efforts to expand services are taking place in other parts of the country.

In Marsabit, Huduma Centre Manager Geoffrey Onyango, met with County Secretary, Dr Arero Halkano, to discuss new ways of improving access to services for local residents.

The two leaders agreed to onboard additional county services at the Centre, ensuring that citizens can get even more services under one roof.

They also planned joint activities such as Huduma Mashinani



Cabinet Secretary for Interior and National Administration Kipchumba Murkomen when he visited Huduma Centre in Homa Bay.

outreach programmes, tree planting and blood donation drives, indicating how Huduma is not

only about services but also about the community well-being and development. ■

ATHLETICS

Athletes bag millions from State scheme after Japan outing

Government to pay hefty rewards to athletes who won medals at the World Athletics Championships in Japan

Athletes who finished tops at the World Athletics Championships in Japan will take home millions following a new scheme unveiled by the Government.

President William Ruto unveiled the reward scheme when he flagged off the team that was headed for the championships that were held from September 13 to 21, 2025.

In the scheme, runners who win gold medal receive Sh3 million each, up from Sh750,000.

On the other hand, silver medallists earn Sh2 million, a rise from Sh500,000, while bronze medallists get Sh1 million, up from Sh350,000. Further, daily allowances for athletes were increased from \$60 (Sh7,754) to \$200 (Sh25,848).

During the championships in Japan, Kenyan athletes stamped their authority, winning 11 medals in total to catapult the nation to the second position after the US.

Kenya won seven gold medals, two silver and a similar number of bronze.

The gold medallists are Lilian Odira (800m), Beatrice Chebet (10,000 metres), Peres Jepchirchir (Marathon), Faith Kipyegon (1,500 metres), Faith Cherotich (3,000 metres Steeplechase), Beatrice Chebet (5,000 metres) and Emmanuel Wanyonyi (800 metres).

On the other hand, silver medallist are Faith Kipyegon (5,000 metres) and Dorcus Ewoi (1,500 metres) while Reynold Cheruiyot (1,500

metres) and Edmund Serem (3,000 metres Steeplechase) won bronze medals.

This means that the top athlete has bagged over Sh6 million from the Government scheme, with the least winning Sh1 million alongside the cash from the World Athletics.

The monetary incentive has helped to propel sports as a rewarding career in the country as the Government develops both talent and infrastructure to boost job creation through the industry.

Harambee Stars players received similar rewards during the recent African Nations Championships (CHAN), with the team getting

11

Number of medals Kenya won.

cash and houses.

"We have also enhanced rewards for winners in the Commonwealth Games. The Ministry of Sports is going to review other packages to make sure that we encourage the sporting spirit in Kenya," President Ruto said when he flagged off the Kenyan team to the 2025 World Athletics Championships.

The Government recognition and reward of athletes is reshaping the perception of sports in Kenya, from a passion-driven hobby to a viable and respected, well-paying profession.

The Government is committed to nurturing talent across the disciplines, ensuring that athletes are celebrated not just for their victories but also supported in building sustainable livelihoods beyond the track and field. ■



Lilian Odira, who won gold in 800m race.



Emmanuel Wanyonyi (Gold - 800m)



Edmund Serem (Bronze 3,000m Steeplechase)



Reynold Cheruiyot (Bronze - 1,500m)



Peris Jepchirchir (Gold - Marathon)



Dorcus Ewoi (Silver - 1,500 metres)



Faith Cherotich (Gold - 3,000m Steeplechase)



Faith Kipyegon (Gold - 1,500m, Silver - 5,000m)



Beatrice Chebet (Gold - 10,000m, 5,000m)

NUCLEAR ENERGY

NuPEA, Korean agency sign pact to boost nuclear research

Nuclear Power and Energy Agency (NuPEA) has signed a Memorandum of Understanding on Technical Cooperation in Nuclear Energy Research and Development with Korea Atomic Energy Research Institute (KAERI).

Mr Justus Wabuyabo, the Chief Executive Officer of NuPEA, and Dr Han Gyu JOO, the President KAERI signed the MoU last week.

The signing took place in Vienna, Austria, on the sidelines of the 69th IAEA General Conference and was witnessed by the Head of Kenya's delegation to the event, Prof Abdulrazak Shaukat, the PS State Department for Science Research and Innovation.

The agreement marks a significant step in Kenya's efforts to establish a robust nuclear infrastructure.

NuPEA is implementing the Kenya Nuclear Research Reactor (KNRR) project, which is central to the country's sustainable nuclear ambitions. The signed MoU builds on a successful prior engagement between the two institutions, which saw the completion of the feasibility study for the KNRR project. In Implementing the KNRR, NuPEA has already conducted extensive preliminary work, including stakeholder needs assessments, strategic



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planning, economic analysis and site investigations. The new agreement will strengthen collaborative efforts to further advance both nuclear power

and research reactor programmes in Kenya, ultimately contributing to the nation's long-term energy security.



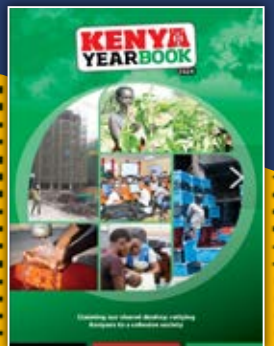
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President William Ruto (front row, right) at the 7th Summit of the Committee of Ten Heads of State and Government on UN Security Council Reform during the 80th United Nations General Assembly convened by Sierra Leone in New York. With him is Prime CS and CS Foreign and Diaspora Affairs Musalia Mudavadi (second row right) and other dignitaries.



National Treasury PS Chris Kiptoo at the Kenya Re Annual Corporate Golf Day in Muthaiga Nairobi. He said the Government is committed to creating an enabling environment for innovation and inclusion in the insurance sector.



Tourism PS John Oloo (third right) with stakeholders during the unveiling of Kenya as the host of Taekwondo World Championship U21 in Nairobi.



Ministry of Health staff during the roll out of Epuka Uchafu, Afya Nyumbani initiative in Murang'a, officially making it the eighth County to implement the programme.



Mining PS Harry Kimutai (second left) during a gold prospecting exercise conducted by a licensed firm in Busia County. The company is evaluating the economic potential of gold in the region.

Board leverages ILRI expertise to enhance dairy animal health

BY WANGARI NDIRANGU
(KNA)

The Kenya Dairy Board (KDB) and the International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI) on Friday signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) aimed at accelerating inclusive growth, innovation, and sustainability in the dairy sector.

The MOU provides a framework for cooperation to improve the dairy value chain, from “farm to glass,” enhancing production, processing, and consumer awareness.

The partnership also seeks to combine ILRI’s research expertise with KDB’s regulatory and sector leadership to unlock new opportunities for smallholder farmers, processors, and consumers.

Speaking during the signing ceremony at ILRI, Director General Apollinaire Djikeng said the partnership will introduce innovations and technologies focused on animal health and ensuring the dairy sector remains sustainable in the face of climate change and environmental challenges.

“We want to ensure that the genetic improvements we bring address challenges such as heat stress and disease incidence in production systems, as well as capacity building, by training people not only within these two



(L-R) Dr. Kimutai Maritim, Kenya Dairy Board Acting Managing Director, and International Livestock Research Institute (ILRI) Director General, Apollinaire Djikeng, during the signing of the MOU at the ILRI complex.

institutions but beyond,” he added.

Djikeng noted that Kenya and Africa possess diverse animal genetic resources housed at the Kenya Animal Genetic Resource Centre. He emphasized the importance of evaluating these genetic resources and adapting them to the local production systems.

“Together, this partnership can bridge critical gaps, strengthen the dairy value chain, improve milk safety

and quality standards, and scale innovations that enhance productivity and resilience among smallholder farmers,” said Djikeng.

The Director acknowledged the Gates Foundation and the UK government through the Foreign Commonwealth Development Organization, for funding the project ‘MoreMilk 2’ that will not only enhance dairy farmers’ capacity to produce high-quality milk and improve milk handling

and safety, but also facilitate access to safe milk markets.

Dr. Kimutai Maritim, Kenya Dairy Board Acting Managing Director, said the MoreMilk 2 project is a great example of collaboration between KDB and ILRI and aligns with their mandate and core function to regulate, promote, and develop Kenya’s dairy industry.

“This MOU strengthens our ability to deliver on that promise with innovation, integrity, and impact.

BRIEFS

Kenya set to host 24th COMESA Summit in Nairobi in October

BY NAIF RASHID AND DARLENE WAMBUI, KNA

Kenya has officially kicked off preparations to host the 24th Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) Summit of Heads of State and Government, which will be held in Nairobi in October.

The summit will bring together leaders from 21 member states, representing more than 682 million people, to deliberate on regional integration, trade, peace, and investment.

It is expected to be one of the most significant gatherings in recent years, drawing thousands of delegates, investors, and partners to the Kenyan capital. Senior officials attending the launch included Cabinet Secretary for Investments, Trade and Industry Lee Kinyanjui, COMESA Assistant Secretary General Dr. Dev Haman, Burundi Minister of Trade, Transport and Tourism Dr. Hassan Kibeya, and Kenya’s Principal Secretary for Trade Regina Ombam.

CS Kinyanjui said Kenya was honoured to be the host nation and assured

that the government had taken adequate measures to guarantee the success of the event.

“This summit offers us a platform to strengthen regional trade, advance industrialization, and enhance value addition across the region. Kenya is fully committed to delivering a successful event that will benefit the entire bloc,” he stated.

Speaking in Nairobi during the signing of the Host Agreement for the 24th COMESA Heads of State and Government Summit, the CS observed that the summit’s theme, “Leveraging Digitization to Deepen Value Chains for Sustainable and Inclusive Growth,” was both timely and relevant as Africa adapts to rapid technological shifts.

“Digital technology is the great equalizer. It can dismantle trade barriers, streamline cross-border business, and empower small and medium enterprises. Kenya’s leadership in mobile money and fintech demonstrates how innovation can drive inclusion and transform economies,” he said.

Global scouts gather in Kenya first time in Africa

BY IRENE GALGALO (PCO)

Kenya is set to make history this November as it hosts the 11th World Scout Parliamentary Union (WSPU) General Assembly—the first time the global gathering will be held in Africa. The event will begin with the Youth Assembly from 7th to 9th November 2025, followed by the General Assembly from 9th to 13th November 2025. Together, the two assemblies will bring parliamentarians, youth leaders, and members of the global Scouting movement from over 106 countries to Kenya. This year’s theme, “Parliamentary Scouts in SDGs, Creative

Economy, and Climate Action,” will guide discussions on the role of parliamentarians in advancing the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs) while strengthening the Scouting movement.

Delegates will focus on the creative economy and innovation as engines of youth empowerment, climate action and justice, education, tourism, and cultural values, as well as leadership and governance.

The General Assembly will also serve as a platform to highlight the role of parliamentarians in supporting the Scouting movement to deliver on the Bangkok Declarations on SDGs.

Speaking during a recent High-Level Technical Meeting in Nairobi, WSPU Secretary General Yong Tak Cho expressed confidence in Kenya’s preparations.

He thanked the Parliament of Kenya for its commitment and support, noting that the country is well positioned to deliver a successful and historic Assembly.



Githunguri MP Gathoni Wamuchomba, who has championed the formation of the cooperative society speaking during the launch held at Githunguri Stadium.

PHOTO BY GRACE NAISHOO



World Scout Parliamentary Union Secretary General Yong Tak Cho

Githunguri farmers launch avocado co-operative to boost exports, curb exploitation

BY GRACE NAISHOO (KNA)

Hundreds of farmers, agribusiness players, and government officials gathered in Githunguri, Kiambu County, for the official launch of the Githunguri Avocado Farmers’ Cooperative Society (GAFCS), a new initiative aimed at transforming the region into a hub for avocado exports.

The launch, held at Githunguri Stadium, brought together smallholder farmers who have long faced challenges such as poor pricing, exploita-

tion by brokers, and high post-harvest losses. With the cooperative, members hope to strengthen bargaining power, improve quality standards, and secure better access to both local and international markets.

Speaking at the event, Githunguri MP Gathoni Wamuchomba, who has championed the formation of the cooperative, said the initiative will restore dignity to farmers.

“This cooperative is not just about selling avocados; it is about ensuring your labor yields reward. When we

work collectively, when we demand fair markets, when we invest in quality, then avocados become more than a fruit, they become opportunities,” she said.

The cooperative will also support farmers with training in good agricultural practices, post-harvest handling, and market information.

Partnerships with banks including Equity Bank and Bank of Africa will offer members access to credit and financing for essential infrastructure such as packhouses and cold storage.