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70%

70 percent of Kenya's population is youthful below the age of 35 years which translates to about 35 million youth

Sh50,000

Startup capital of 50,000 shillings to each youth to start an income-generating activity

The Week In numbers

700

Youths across the country set to take the German B1 language certification exam this week through a government-backed initiative.

33

Number of national reserves that Kenya has, spread across 33 counties. Cost of investment plan The cost of an investment plan to diversify Lamu's economy through agro-processing industries.

33,500

Households in Kakamega County set to receive electricity under the government's Last Mile Connectivity Program at a cost of Sh2.1 billion.

5,000

Number of people affected by flooding around Lake Naivasha, especially in the besieged Kihoto Estate, where more than half of the land has been swallowed by water.

Sh536m

Cost of the affordable housing project in Vihiga County, which will have 220 units.



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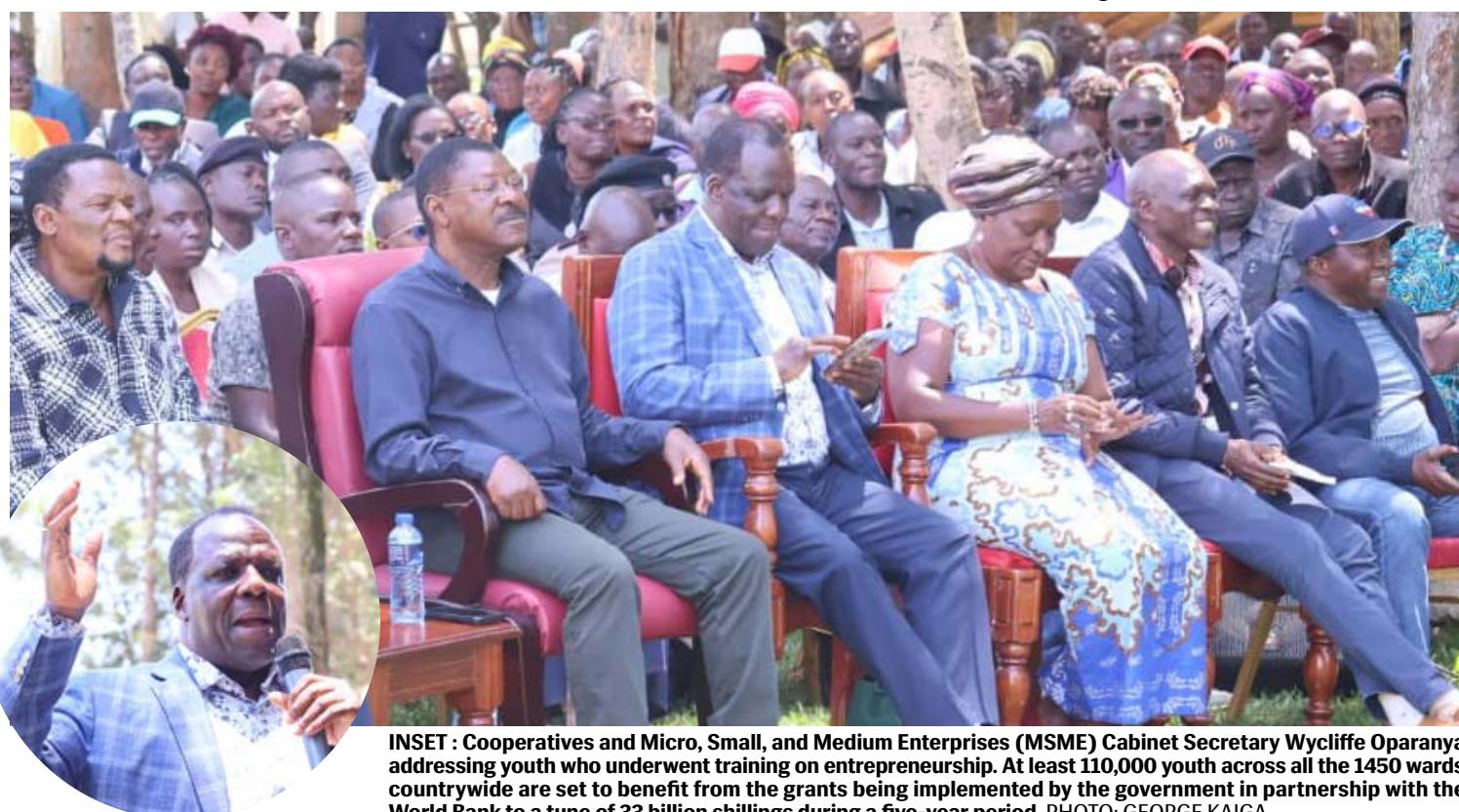


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Government unveils Sh33b youth startup fund



BY GEORGE KAIGA (KNA)

Cooperatives and Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSME) Cabinet Secretary Wycliffe Oparanya has urged young people to embrace entrepreneurship as a way of addressing the country's growing youth unemployment crisis.

INSET : Cooperatives and Micro, Small, and Medium Enterprises (MSME) Cabinet Secretary Wycliffe Oparanya addressing youth who underwent training on entrepreneurship. At least 110,000 youth across all the 1450 wards countrywide are set to benefit from the grants being implemented by the government in partnership with the World Bank to a tune of 33 billion shillings during a five-year period. PHOTO: GEORGE KAIGA

Speaking at the Kakamega Youth Polytechnic during the launch of the National Youth Opportunities Towards Advancement (NYOTA) project, Oparanya noted that the MSME sector makes up the vast majority of businesses in Kenya, accounting for nearly 98 percent of all jobs.

"This is a crucial sector, which is why the government has partnered with the World Bank to allocate Sh33 billion over a five-year period. Each youth will receive Sh50,000 in startup capital to begin an income-generating activity," he said.

"With 70 percent of Kenya's population below the age of 35—

The programme is designed to address youth unemployment and create a national platform for young people to realize their aspirations

about 35 million people—20 million are able-bodied and capable of working," he added.

The CS said the informal sector already employs 17 million young people, contributing about 40 percent of the country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP).

Oparanya revealed that the programme attracted 1.4 million applicants aged 18–29 years, and up to 35 years for persons with disabilities. After vetting, the number was narrowed down to 110,000 beneficiaries spread across 1,450 wards nationwide.

"The programme is designed to address youth unemployment and create a national platform for young people to realize their aspirations," he said.

He explained that beneficiaries will receive their startup capital in phases, along with ongoing support from business development experts to help them establish and grow their enterprises.

However, Oparanya emphasized that the success of the initiative will also depend on individual effort and discipline.

He encouraged the youth to form strong groups to position themselves for government and county contracts under the 30 percent Access to Government Procurement Opportunities (AGPO) programme, which supports enterprises owned by youth, women, and persons with disabilities (PWDs).



MINISTRY OF LABOUR & SOCIAL PROTECTION

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR LABOUR AND SKILLS DEVELOPMENT

Directorate of Occupational Safety and Health Services

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION ON THE PROPOSED CODE OF PRACTICE FOR PSYCHOSOCIAL HAZARD MANAGEMENT IN THE WORKPLACE, CODE OF PRACTICE ON FIRST AID AUDITING AND NATIONAL GUIDELINES FOR OCCUPATIONAL MEDICAL EXAMINATIONS

The Directorate of Occupational Safety and Health Services invites the public to provide input on the following proposed draft instruments:-

1. Code of Practice for Psychosocial Hazard Management in the Workplace, 2025;
2. Code of Practice on First Aid Audit, 2025; and
3. National Guidelines for Occupational Medical Examinations.

The proposed instruments are pursuant to section 4 of the Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) Act 2007.

The objectives of the proposed draft instruments are to provide general guidance on the identification, prevention, and management of psychosocial hazards in the workplace, to ensure proper first aid management for all medical emergencies that may occur at the workplace, and to serve as a practical manual and checklist for workers' medical examinations for employers, employees, and occupational health practitioners across all industries respectively.

All stakeholders including the Tripartite Partners, Occupiers, Workers, health practitioners and the members of the public are hereby requested to submit their views on the draft proposed instruments. They can be downloaded from our websites www.labour.go.ke, and www.doshmis.go.ke.

Comments should be addressed to the Secretary, Occupational Safety and Health and submitted through email address doshdept@labour.go.ke and copy doshdept@gmail.com not later than **5.00pm on 21st October, 2025**. In your submission, use the template for submission provided below;

Instrument	Clause Details	Suggested amendment	Justification/Comment

This call for submissions will last for 21 days from 30th September to **21st October, 2025**.

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Secretary, Occupational Safety and Health
P.O. Box 34120-00100 NAIROBI



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7. The successful bidder should have removed the motor vehicle within 14 days from the date of auction failure to which the storage shall be charged at Kshs.2000 per day.



NLC initiates land survey for Thwake Multipurpose Dam

BY PATRICK NYAKUNDI (KNA)

The National Land Commission (NLC) has launched a survey to demarcate land acquired by the government for the construction of the Thwake Multipurpose Dam in Makueni County. At the same time, the government has begun upstream surface concreting—a critical step toward water impounding—which will pave the way for the installation of hydromechanical equipment and the construction of link roads in the coming months.

The Thwake Multipurpose Water Development Programme, designed to benefit about 1.3 million residents in Makueni, Kitui, and other Lower Eastern counties, is being implemented in four phases.

Once completed, the dam which is being co-financed by the African Development Bank (AfDB) is expected to greatly improve water security and stimulate economic growth in a region that has long struggled with water shortages.

Water, Sanitation, and Irrigation Cabinet Secretary Eng. Eric Mugaa noted that the progress sets the stage for water impounding, which is expected to begin during the next long rainy season.

"We have made significant



From left: NLC Deputy Director of Survey Sospeter Ohanya with Makueni Governor Mutula Kilonzo Jr in the governor's boardroom after discussions on surveying Thwake Dam.

progress. This is the first layer of upstream phase concreting, which could only begin after the dam embankment settled at a rate of 5 mm per month over several months," Eng Mugaa explained.

Accompanied by Principal Secretary Julius Korir, Water Secretary Eng. Samuel A.O. Alima, and

Program Implementation Team Coordinator Eng. Joseph Kariuki, the Cabinet Secretary confirmed that the dam has reached the required stability with no visible cracks.

"We are now confident to proceed with upstream phase surface concreting to minimize water

slippage," he added.

The contractor conducted rigorous laboratory tests on concrete and steel to ensure the quality of the 1.5-meter-long wall, a process expected to take 6-7 months before impounding can begin.

Principal Secretary Korir noted that the Ministry is nearing the completion of the first phase of construction.

With a physical progress rate of 94.2%, the Thwake Dam, located at the confluence of the Athi and Thwake rivers on the Makueni-Kitui border, is poised to become Kenya's second-largest water reservoir.

Separately, NLC Deputy Director of Survey, Sospeter Ohanya, the land demarcation exercise will take two months and will establish the exact project boundaries while setting aside land for access roads, community utilities, and other essential amenities.

"The two-month long exercise will ensure land is reserved for access roads and other utilities that support both the dam and the surrounding community," said Ohanya when he addressed the media at Governor Mutula Kilonzo Jr's office in Wote town.

He added that any unutilized land would be returned to the

rightful owners. Ohanya also revealed that more than 96 percent of landowners had already been compensated, with only a few pending cases.

Governor Mutula welcomed the initiative, describing it as a progressive step in safeguarding public resources and preventing future disputes.

"This is a new NLC and I am happy with this. When we did the Standard Gauge Railway (SGR), we never saw such measures. With this approach, there will be no encroachment into the dam, and no one will later claim part of the land," said Mutula.

He further praised the commission for compensating the majority of affected families, noting that only three had not received payment due to succession disputes.

Mutula emphasized that the survey would also provide a permanent record to guide future decision-making and help avert land-related conflicts.

"The records that will come out of this survey will be shared with both the county and NLC. We want to preserve them for posterity so that future generations understand what happened here," he observed.

The Governor also pledged continued collaboration with the NLC on land management and accountability.

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KRC/2025/2630/335	PROVISION FOR GENERAL INSURANCE SERVICES	Kshs 480,000.00	COMBINED TECHNICAL AND FINANCIAL PROPOSALS	14th October 2025 at 10:00am
KRC/2025/2636/336	REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR PROVISION OF ASSET VALUATION SERVICES	Kshs 750,000.00	TECHNICAL PROPOSALS	14th October 2025 at 10:00am

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

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

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Prices quoted **MUST** be expressed in Kenya Shillings as detailed in the invitation to tender inclusive of Kenyan Government taxes (**VAT, WITHHOLDING TAX**) and should remain valid for a period of **120 days** from the date of closing of the tender.

Bidders who download the tender documents from the Corporation website or the Public Procurement Portal **MUST** forward their particulars immediately via email to procurement@kenyare.co.ke. This is for record and any further tender clarifications and addendum where necessary. The particulars should include: Name of Firm, Postal Address, Telephone Number, Email Address, Tender Number and Tender Name. The said e-mail may be used for clarification.

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

Over 33,500 Kakamega homes to benefit from Sh2.1b power project

BY MELECHEZEDECK EJAKAIT
(KNA)

Over 33,500 households in Kakamega County are set to receive electricity under the government's Last Mile Connectivity Program, at a total cost of Sh2.1 billion.

The Principal Secretary for Energy, Alex Wachira, speaking at Sale Village in Mautuma Location, Lugari Constituency, said the initiative will transform lives, boost businesses across the county, and spur economic growth.

"Kakamega County alone has been allocated Sh2.1 billion. By December this year, we expect 33,507 households to have been connected to the national electricity grid," he said.

"From the funds, Lugari Constituency has been allocated Sh194 million to connect over 6,000 households."

Lugari lawmaker Nabii Nabwera lauded the government for the electrification program, saying it will transform the socio-economic livelihoods of many of his constituents who have lived in darkness since independence.

He urged the Principal Secretary to ensure that every resident in the constituency benefits from the program so that no one feels marginalized.

"This last mile project the government is undertaking in Lugari Constituency which comprises of Lugari and Matete Sub County once complete the new connections will be 6000 plus. This will have been possible courtesy of President William Ruto." He said.

Nabwera requested the Prin-



Principal Secretary, State Department for Energy Alex Wachira (in reflector jacket-L) and Lugari lawmaker Nabii Nabwera (in reflector jacket-R) launch a last mile initiative in the house of Linet Malesia beneficiary of the initiative at Sale Village in Mautuma location. PHOTO: MELECHEZEDECK EJAKAIT

cipal Secretary for another power line that will ensure his constituents living across the railway line benefit from power connections.

He said: "Connecting households living across the railway line is becoming a big challenge. For instance, last year we had a power connection scheme at Kilulu area but we could do it in one side of the railway line and those people felt marginalized.

"My special request to you is that you assign us another line that will serve the people of Kilulu, Munyuki and Mapengo."

He called out the contractor undertaking the last mile project at Malaika area saying he has almost spent 13 months doing mobilization yet the community is eager to utilize the electricity.

Lugari Deputy County Commissioner Linet Orina thanked the government for the last mile initiative saying it is a plus to the security agencies because dealing with insecurity issues in darkness has been a major challenge.

"With the new power connections security will improve.

Women will be able to undertake their small businesses without problem and learners will now be able to study without any challenges.

However, the subcounty is

This last mile project the government is undertaking in Lugari Constituency once complete the new connections will be 6000 plus

big and many households are still in darkness. My appeal to the energy Ministry is that it should allocate more funds so that many people can be connected to the national grid in the near future."

Members of County Assembly present Pius Balex (Chevwaya), Titus Kwoma (Chekalini) and Niver Oluchiri (nominated) thanked the government for the electrification project vowing to support President William Ruto's reelection in 2027.

They said the constituency has immensely benefitted from the national government projects ranging from the affordable housing initiatives to roads despite the area legislator belonging to the Orange Democratic Movement party.

Beneficiaries of the electrification project from Sale area (Mautuma location), Malaika area (Marakusi location) and Mbajo area (Chekalini location) lauded the area member of parliament and the national government for the initiative saying they have been living in darkness since independence despite having been served by a number of elected leaders.

Herman Musule from Malaika area said the electrification will transform the area as the locals will now be able to engage in income generating activities and the security will also improve.

Wycliffe Soita a youth from Malaika area said the youths across the constituency now have a great opportunity to self-employ themselves.

"The youths have been complaining all along that they have no employment. However, now we have electricity closer to us we can venture into income generating activities. We can open businesses like barber shops, welding and many others hence engaging in beneficial activities." He said.



MINISTRY OF MINING, BLUE ECONOMY AND MARITIME AFFAIRS

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR THE BLUE ECONOMY AND FISHERIES

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

The Government of the Republic of Kenya 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.

The State Department for the Blue Economy and its SAGAs developed the draft budget requirements for the Blue Economy and Fisheries Sub Sector for FY 2026/2027 and the medium-term. The subsector identified priorities under the Fisheries Development and Management, and Development and Coordination of the Blue Economy Programmes.

The key outputs and proposed budget allocations are contained in the **Programme Based Budget (PBB) Report for the Financial years 2026/2027 – 2028/2029**. The report can be accessed through the Ministry's Website (www.mibema.go.ke).

The Principal Secretary for the State Department for the Blue Economy and Fisheries is calling for public views on the budget proposals from members of the general public and Blue Economy and Fisheries stakeholders. Your views/memoranda may be emailed through ps@blueeconomy.go.ke. Hard copies can be sent in clearly marked envelopes **'Public participation 2026/2027** to the address below.

The Principal Secretary
State Department for the Blue Economy and Fisheries
14th Flr SHA Building, Ragati Road
P.O. Box 58187-00200
Nairobi, Kenya

All views should reach the Principal Secretary not later than **1st October 2025**.



INVITATION TO TENDER

The Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority (EPRA) is a state corporation established under the Energy Act, 2019. The Authority is the energy sector regulatory agency responsible for economic and technical regulation of electric power, renewable energy, petroleum and coal subsectors.

The Authority invites bids from eligible firms for the following tenders: -

No.	Tender No.	Tender Description	Eligibility	Closing Date
1	EPRA/SCM4/3/25-26/001	Purchase of Office Building	OPEN	14/10/2025

Tender documents may be downloaded from the Authority's website www.epra.go.ke or on the Public Procurement Information Portal (PPIP) <https://tenders.go.ke>

Director General
Energy and Petroleum Regulatory Authority



PS Muthoni urges churches, communities to lead in preventive healthcare

BY DAVID WANDETO (KNA)

Health and Professional Standards Principal Secretary, Mary Muthoni has urged churches, communities, and local administrators to take the lead in embracing preventive healthcare, combating drug and substance abuse, and strengthening family values as part of the government's broader agenda to build a resilient and prosperous nation.

Speaking at Kiangwaci Shopping Centre in Ndia Constituency during a meeting with clergy

and residents, Muthoni warned that drug abuse, poor hygiene, and the weakening of family structures are silently undermining the country's social fabric while placing a heavy burden on families. She added that the government is deepening grassroots partnerships to counter these threats.

The PS also expressed concern over the rising use of tobacco, alcohol, shisha, and e-cigarettes, especially among young people, describing the trend as a ticking time bomb for the country's



The Secretary General of BAHLITA Boniface Gachoka presenting a petition to urge the Senate to reject the Tobacco Control B(AMendment) Bill. Photo/KNA

future. Muthoni reminded the public that shisha and e-cigarettes remain banned in Kenya, warning that secondary smoke was even more dangerous than direct smoking.

"Tobacco is an expensive and silent killer. We must have zero tolerance for smoking in our homes, schools, and public spaces," she said.

The PS urged parents to remain vigilant over their children's behaviour and called upon public health officials to strictly enforce the Tobacco Control Act of 2007, which restricts cigarette and alcohol advertising, bans smoking in public and prohibits entertainment joints from operating near schools.

The area Assistant County Commissioner Dorothy Mwenda, echoed same sentiments, noting that drug abuse was fueling gender-based violence within families.

Mwenda assured residents that the National Authority for the Cam-

paign Against Alcohol and Drug Abuse (NACADA) was working hand in hand with communities, churches and the National Government Administrative officers to stamp out the vices.

On health, Muthoni stressed the importance of preventive measures, noting that many diseases affecting families can be avoided through simple practices such as clearing bushes to reduce mosquito breeding grounds, treating and storing drinking water properly and maintaining high standards of hygiene.

The PS cautioned against late diagnosis and self-medication, which remains major contributors to premature deaths.

"Let us not wait until it is too late. Seek medical attention early enough and allow our Community Health Promoters (CHPs) to guide families on preventive health, including screening for cancers," she urged.

KASNEB launches a digital training hub in West Pokot

BY RICHARD MUHAMBE (KNA)

In a bid to expand access to professional and technical education in marginalized regions, the Kenya Accountants and Secretaries National Examinations Council (KASNEB) has launched a state-of-the-art digital learning centre in West Pokot County to help bridge educational gaps.

Previously, learners seeking this kind of professional training were forced to travel to other regions to acquire the skills, leading to increased costs and inconveniences.

Speaking during the launch of the hub at Kitelakapel Technical Training Institute (TTI) in West Pokot Sub-County, KASNEB Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Prof. Nicholas Letting' said the initiative was part of the KASNEB Foundation's commitment to equipping learners with modern skills necessary for driving economic transformation.

Prof. Letting reiterated that the digital centre would support students across disciplines, whether in agriculture, business, or technical courses, by providing additional skills that make them more employable.

"Our vision is to empower young people, especially from margin-



KASNEB Chief Executive Officer (CEO) Prof. Nicholas Letting during the launch of a Digital Training Centre at Kitelakapel TTI in West Pokot. PHOTO: RICHARD MUHAMBE

alised areas such as West Pokot, and give them equal opportunities to compete with other Kenyans," said the CEO.

The facility, equipped with 30 computers and powered partly by solar panels due to the area's unreliable electricity supply, is expected to serve hundreds of students, a move that residents lauded will transform the surroundings through attracting other businesses.

Prof. Letting confirmed that the Foundation had invested about Sh4 million in the project and called on the youth in the region to embrace both technical and professional training.

"KASNEB offers a wide range of qualifications from the Certified Public Accountants

of Kenya (CPAK) and Certified Investment and Financial Management programmes, to Diplomas in Data Management, Computer Networking, Systems Analysis, and certificate courses in accounting and management," he stated.

He acknowledged that West Pokot is a county of many opportunities, a county of hidden treasures, as branded thus with the establishment of this accredited KASNEB centre at Kitelakapel, students would no longer need to travel to Kitale or Eldoret for these courses.

Kitelakapel TTI Principal Mrs. Phidis Masai hailed the launch as a turning point for the institution and the wider community.



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ACADEMIC POSITIONS				
1	Senior Lecturer, Educational Foundations/Science Education/ (1), Kiswahili (1)	BUC 13	BUC/AC/01/09/2025	2
3.	Lecturer, Geography (1), History(1), Psychology (1), Linguistics(1), Communication(1) Physical Chemistry (1), Inorganic Chemistry(1) Economics/CPA (K) (1), Project Planning & Management (1))	BUC 12	BUC/AC/02/09/2025	9

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For more information on the job description, specifications and mode of application, kindly refer to our website:- www.buc.ac.ke

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Kajiado GK Prison acquires 260 beds in drive to ease congestion

BY LAURYN NAILANTEI (KNA)

Male inmates at Kajiado GK Prison are set to enjoy better sleep after the facility received 260 triple-decker beds in a fresh government initiative to improve prison conditions across the country.

The donation was made under the "He for He, Adopt a Decker" campaign, an initiative of the State Department for Correctional Services in partnership with the Catholic Men Association of Kenya (CMAK). The programme seeks to address the long-standing challenge of congestion in men's prisons by ensuring that every inmate has access to a bed.

Principal Secretary for Correctional Services, Salome Beacco, who presided over the commissioning, said the campaign was borne out of the urgent need to improve conditions in male correctional facilities.

"During my visits to various prisons, I witnessed the harsh reality facing male inmates, many of whom are forced to sleep on bare floors due to overcrowding. This campaign is a step towards restoring dignity, safety, and humane treatment in our prisons," Beacco said.

She added that the government has set a target of 20,000 triple-decker beds to cater for



1. Some of the triple decker beds donated to the Kajiado GK Prison through the "He for He, Adopt a Decker" campaign, an initiative by the State Department for Correctional Services in partnership with the Catholic Men Association.
2. Principal Secretary for Correctional Services, Salome Beacco, at the Kajiado GK prison during the commissioning of 260 triple-decker beds for inmates.

PHOTOS BY KNA

the over 57,000 male inmates in Kenya. Kajiado is the second facility to benefit from the programme after Nairobi West Prison.

The PS also credited her pre-

decessor, former Vice-President Moody Awori, for pioneering open-door reforms in correctional services, which laid the foundation for today's initiatives.

Vihiga Affordable Housing project nears completion

BY MAUREEN IMBAYI (LKNA)

The affordable housing project in Vihiga County is almost 96 percent done, drawing closer to the expected completion deadline of October 10, 2025.

The Sh.536 million project with 220 units will ease the problem of inadequate housing within Mlimani area of Vihiga County. Vihiga County Director of Housing, Teresia Ooko said the affordable housing project lies on a 2.032 acres piece of land and the 220 house units are in nine storey building blocks.

"There are 100 two bedroomed units on five blocks, 40

three bedroomed units on two blocks, 20 one bedroomed units on one block and 60 studio units on one block," she said.

"A three-bedroom unit will cost Sh 3 million, a two bedroomed unit sh. 2 million, a one bedroomed unit sh. 1.5 million while a studio will cost Sh one million," she added.

She urged those interested in buying houses to visit the Boma Yangu website.

"You should pay at least five percent of the cost of the unit you wish to buy or the amount you have, to be able to secure the houses once they are finished," she said.



Vihiga County Affordable housing project. PHOTO BY MAUREEN IMBAYI



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Public Notice

On Boarding of Rental Properties on eRITS

Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) wishes to notify the public that it has rolled out an Electronic Rental Income Tax System (eRITS) which will facilitate easier payment of Monthly Rental Income (MRI). The system enables management of properties, filing and payment of rental taxes in a simple and convenient way.

The link to access the system is <https://erits.kra.go.ke> or the eCitizen public portal. We urge all persons owning rental properties and earning rental income to update/ correct their property details as appropriate in the new KRA system.

KRA is committed to continue supporting and facilitating all taxpayers to comply with the requirements of the existing Laws through simplified solutions.

For any clarification and feedback on the registration of the properties on eRITS or challenges experienced, please contact us on:

- Email: callcentre@kra.go.ke
- Phone Calls & WhatsApp: 0711 099 999
- Social Media: X - @KRACare | Facebook: Kenya Revenue Authority

or visit the nearest KRA Office.

Commissioner General

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Public Notice

Application for Licence for Vehicles Conveying Transit Goods (C28) and Vehicles Conveying other Goods Under Customs Control (C40)

Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) wishes to remind all Transporters conveying Transit Goods and other goods under Customs control that their licenses will expire on **31st December, 2025**.

Provisions relating to the licensing of vehicles conveying Transit Goods and other goods under Customs control are contained in **Section 244 of the East African Community Customs Management Act, 2004 & Regulations 104 & 210 of the East African Community Customs Management Regulations, 2010**

Transporters are therefore required to submit their applications for renewal of their licences for the year 2026.

The following Conditions are mandatory when submitting the application for renewal of license:

- Copy of motor vehicle log book.
- Copy of valid insurance certificate.
- Copy of COMESA Yellow card (for foreign vehicle)/ Insurance cover.
- Duly filled application form signed and stamped by Customs Officer

Applications may be submitted through Customs Regional offices in Mombasa, Kisumu, Nakuru or Eldoret, and Times Tower, 1st Floor.

1. The successful Applicant will be required to pay the license fee in Kenya shillings equivalent to **US\$ 200** per license.
2. Applications MUST be received on or before **31st October, 2025**.

For any further clarification please call our Contact Centre on Tel: 020 4 999 999; 0711 099 099; or Email: CBCLicensing@kra.go.ke.

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Kenya poised to take centre stage as COMESA Summit returns to Nairobi

BY ROSELIN KAVOO-
PCO

Kenya will be hosting the 24th COMESA Summit of Heads of State and Government on the 9th October, 2025 at the Kenya International Convention Centre (KICC), Nairobi.

The significant event will bring together Heads of State and Government, Ministers, senior officials and business leaders from across the 21 Common Market for Eastern and Southern Africa (COMESA) member states.

Themed ‘‘Leveraging Digitalization to Deepen Regional Value Chains for Sustainable and Inclusive Growth’’ the summit provides an opportunity to strengthen regional integration, promote trade and investment and showcase Kenya’s leadership within the COMESA bloc.

The Summit will be preceded by the COMESA-EU Connect Forum on 6th October 2025 where EU horticulture dealers will meet Kenya sector player to address the challenges faced in the sector; the 17th COMESA Business Forum on 7th October 2025-High-level discussions, roundtables, and policy dialogues shall take place; and the 20th COMESA Council of Ministers of Foreign Affairs Meeting on 8th October 2025. The gathering will also feature exhibitions and side events forums throughout the summit period.

The summit comes at a time when the region is pushing to accelerate trade, deepen integration and tackle shared challenges.

For Kenya, this Summit is more than a high-level meeting. It is an opportunity to showcase leadership, expand economic influence, and cement its place at the heart of Africa’s integration story.

Established in 1994, COMESA has grown into one of Africa’s most influential Regional Economic Communities (RECs), driving cooperation across trade, infrastructure, security and climate action. The bloc has made commendable progress in advancing regional integration, but trade performance across the region continues to face challenges. Intra-COMESA trade has grown over the years but remains a small share of overall trade with the rest of the world.

For example, intra-COMESA exports rose from USD 10 billion in 2020 to USD 14 billion in 2023—a 40 per cent increase. While this demonstrates positive growth, it still highlights the vast untapped potential, as most member states continue to trade more with external partners outside the bloc.

The main contributors to intra-COMESA trade include countries with more diversified economies and stronger productive capacities, such as Egypt, Kenya and Zambia.

Kenya, as one of its founding members, has consistently played an active role in shaping the bloc’s direction.

For Kenya, the COMESA region



COMESA Assistant Secretary General Dr. Dev Haman, Cabinet Secretary for Trade, Investments and Industry Mr. Lee Kinyanjui during the signing of the Host Agreement for the 24th COMESA Heads of State and Government Summit at the Kenyatta International Convention Centre (KICC), Nairobi.



From left; COMESA Assistant Secretary General Dr. Dev Haman, Cabinet Secretary for Trade, Investments and Industry Mr. Lee Kinyanjui, and Principal Secretary State Department for Trade Ms. Regina Ombam, during the signing of the Host Agreement for the 24th COMESA Heads of State and Government Summit at the Kenyatta International Convention Centre (KICC), Nairobi

is a primary export market and a vital platform for its trade competitiveness. In 2023 alone, Kenya exported goods worth USD 2.18 billion into the COMESA region, securing a commanding 16 per cent market share. This makes the bloc not just a diplomatic priority but also a crucial trading partner.

The country has consistently recorded a positive trade balance within the bloc, with the value of exports exceeding imports. Key destinations include Uganda, the Democratic Republic of Congo (DRC) and South Sudan. Kenya’s major exports to COMESA countries comprise of manufactured goods including cement, steel, plastics, processed foods like wheat flour, edible oils, food

preparations, chemicals and lubricants and textiles and apparel.

On the import side, Kenya sources a diverse range of goods from the bloc. These include maize and wheat, sugar and confectionery, mineral products and raw materials like cotton, hides, skins, edible oils and manufactured goods – such as packaging materials, paper, and iron and steel products.

As the host, Kenya is expected to take over the rotating chairmanship from Burundi, a leadership role that will run for one year. Once it takes over the leadership mantle, Kenya will be looking to leave its mark. Among its priorities are:

Expanding Market Access:

Strengthening Food Security: Supporting agribusiness reforms to ensure agriculture—COMESA’s backbone—remains resilient and productive.

This is not the first time Kenya has played host. Nairobi last welcomed the COMESA Summit in 2007 and before that in 1999. But this year’s edition carries added weight.

Beyond the headlines, hosting the Summit will deliver real economic benefits. Hotels, restaurants, transport operators and service providers are expected to cash in as thousands of delegates converge in the capital. The government has also aligned the event with its Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA), which emphasizes job creation, especially for the youth.

By hosting the 24th COMESA Summit, Kenya is uniquely positioned to showcase its leadership in advancing regional economic integration and reaffirm its commitment to digital and green growth agendas. The summit presents a platform to attract investment, deepen business partnerships and strengthen diplomatic ties across the region.

Kenya’s focus on digitalization is especially timely. As one of Africa’s leaders in ICT innovation and digital trade, the country is well-placed to shape the future of regional trade by promoting e-commerce, paperless systems and smart logistics under COMESA frameworks.

In essence, the summit is more than just a diplomatic gathering, it is an opportunity for Kenya to amplify its economic influence, drive the regional agenda and unlock the untapped potential of intra-African trade.



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Dated: 23rd September, 2025

CAREER OPPORTUNITY

Barabara Sacco, a Non-Withdrawable Deposit-Taking Sacco with a membership of 438, located along Mazao Road near JKIA in Nairobi, is currently inviting applications for the position of Chief Executive Officer (CEO). The Sacco operates under the regulatory oversight of SASRA.

In pursuit of its mandate, the Sacco seeks to recruit innovative and forward-thinking Kenyan citizens who can thrive in a fast-paced and evolving work environment.

No.	Job Title	Grade	Reference Number	Pos- itions
1.	Chief Executive Officer	1	BarabaraSacco/CEO/ 09/2025	1

Qualified candidates who meet the criteria outlined in the Job Specifications are invited to submit their applications through the process highlighted in the website, no later than close of business on **Monday, 20th October 2025 at 5:00 p.m.**

For a detailed Job Profile and Specification, Application process and general information on Barabara Sacco, please visit the Sacco’s website Barabarasacco.co.ke.



FEATURE STORY: CULTURE AND INVESTMENT

Dhow races steal the show as Lamu celebrates Maulid

BY VICTORIA NJERI (PCO)

Lamu County came alive as thousands of residents and visitors gathered to mark this year's Maulid festivals—a centuries-old celebration of the birth of Prophet Muhammad that seamlessly blends spiritual devotion with cultural vibrancy and economic promise.

Principal Secretary for Investment Promotion, Abubakar Hassan Abubakar, presided over the flag-giving-off of the iconic dhow races, a signature event that continues to attract both local and international tourists.

"The Maulid festivals are more than a religious observance—they are a celebration of unity, heritage, and opportunity," said PS Abubakar. "Lamu is home, Kenya is home," he added, affirming the county's growing reputation as a cultural and investment hub.

The dhow races, in particular, have become a magnet for tourism, generating employment for youth and boosting local enterprises—from hotels and eateries to curio shops and transport services.

Recent national reforms have further enhanced Lamu's appeal. President William Ruto's removal of visa re-

quirements for foreign visitors and the expansion of Lamu Airport to accommodate larger aircraft are expected to increase tourist arrivals and investor interest in the coastal town. During the festivities, PS Abubakar highlighted key government initiatives under the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA), aimed at tackling youth unemployment.

"These include Kazi Majuu, which connects Kenyans to overseas job markets; Kazi kwa Mtandao, which equips youth with digital skills for online work; and Kazi kwa Ground, which supports community-level projects such as infrastructure development and vocational training," he explained.

Together, these programs are projected to create tens of thousands of new opportunities for young Kenyans.

The PS also outlined plans to diversify Lamu's economy through a Ksh 6 billion investment in agro-processing industries. These include a cotton factory set to open in December, along with facilities for fish, cashew nuts, coconuts, and fruits.

"I challenge farmers to be ready with produce once these factories are operational," he urged.

To support entrepreneurs, the Kenya Development Corporation—under the State



Faith, Culture, and Investment Converge at Lamu Maulid Festivals

The Maulid festivals are more than a religious observance—they are a celebration of unity, heritage, and opportunity

Department for Investment Promotion—is offering affordable loans to reduce business risks. Additionally, the "Visit Kenya, Invest Kenya" campaign, launched in partnership with the State Department for Tourism, aims to position Kenya as both a premier travel destination and a thriving investment landscape.

In keeping with the spirit of Maulid, the State Department for Investment Promotion and the State Department for Special Projects donated food to Mokwe Arid Zone Primary School and vulnerable resi-

dents in Koreni. PS Abubakar called on locals to uphold peace and unity, cautioning against divisive politics. "The government is committed to inclusivity and leaving no one behind," he affirmed.

Rooted in faith yet forward-looking, the Maulid festivals have become a cornerstone of cultural tourism and community pride. This year's celebrations not only honored tradition but also showcased the government's commitment to economic growth, job creation, and national cohesion.

700 Kenyan youths sit for German B1 exams in push to open up employment in Europe

BY SITNA OMAR (KNA)

Seven hundred youths across the country are set to sit for the German B1 language certification exam this week through a government-backed initiative aimed at opening up overseas job opportunities.

The candidates are part of a German language training programme facilitated through a collaboration between the Ministry of Interior, the Ministry of Foreign Affairs, and community-based organizations such as the Widows' Empowerment Programme.

Interior Principal Secretary Dr. Raymond Omollo said the exams, scheduled to run from September 27 to 30, mark a significant milestone in the government's efforts to combat unemployment by preparing

Kenyans for the global labour market. "This is the first cohort, and we expect many more in the future. We are unable to meet the growing demand from the German labour market as it is," said Dr. Omollo.

Speaking to the media after addressing the students at Tom Mboya University—which has now been accredited as a German examination centre—Dr. Omollo noted that the programme is part of President William Ruto's administration's broader labour mobility agenda, following the signing of a bilateral agreement between Kenya and Germany last year.

Under this agreement, thousands of Kenyans are expected to take up skilled jobs in Germany, with the country requiring both language proficiency and cultural familiarity from those



Interior PS Dr. Raymond Omollo addresses German language students at Tom Mboya University.

seeking employment—making the B1 certification a critical prerequisite.

The Widows' Empowerment Programme, a key partner in the initiative, has supported the enrolment of students from vulnerable communities across the country, particularly children of widows, enabling them to access training opportunities for

high-demand jobs abroad.

The PS praised Tom Mboya University for its role in facilitating the training, pointing out that the initiative highlights the power of collaboration between public institutions, the private sector, and community-based organizations.

"We are here to witness what strong partnerships can achieve.

This is the first cohort of trainees, and we anticipate many more in future to meet the growing demand in the German labor market," said Dr. Omollo.

Diaspora Affairs Principal Secretary Roseline Njogu who was also present lauded the initiative noting that labor mobility or "Kazi Majuu" is a crucial pillar in the government's three-part employment strategy, which also includes Kazi Kwa Ground and Kazi Kwa Mtandao.

Kazi Majuu focuses on creating structured pathways for Kenyans to access overseas employment. "The German labor market, along with Austria and Switzerland, presents a major opportunity for Kenyans. But one of the main barriers has been language proficiency and what is being done here at Tom Mboya University directly addresses that challenge," PS Njogu said.

She added that the uptake of visas for Kenyans seeking employment abroad have doubled since the bilateral agreements were signed, thanks to the efforts of the Joint Implementation Committee formed between the Kenyan and German governments.

**THE COUNTY GOVERNMENT OF MARSABIT**
P.O BOX 384-60500, MARSABIT
THE PHYSICAL AND LAND USE PLANNING ACT 13 OF 2019;
NOTICE OF COMPLETION FOR THE PREPARATION OF LOCAL PHYSICAL AND LAND USE DEVELOPMENT PLANS

TITLES OF DEVELOPMENT PLANS
PDP REF. NO. MBT/276/2025/1-61

PURSUANT to the provisions of Section 49(1) of the physical planning and land use planning Act 2019, Notice is hereby given that the preparation of the above-mentioned plans for Marsabit Water and Sewerage Company (MARWASCO) water points, was completed.

The copies of the plans are available for public inspection during normal working hours free of charge at the **County Government office, Department of Lands, Physical Planning and Urban Development, P.O box 384-60500 Marsabit** and respective Sub County administrative offices.

Any interested person who wishes to make any representation in conjunction with or objection to the above plans may within (60) days send the same to the county executive committee member, Department of Lands, Energy and Urban Development and any such representation or objection shall state the grounds on which it is made.

Dated this 17th Sept 2025
ADAN HIRBO
CECM, LANDS ENERGY AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT



GOVERNOR JAMES ORENGO
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Public Notice

Requirement for Mandatory Certificate of Origin on Imports into Kenya

The Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) hereby notifies all importers, customs clearing agents, and the general public that, in compliance with Section 44A of the Tax Procedures Act, CAP. 469B (as amended by the Finance Act, 2025), all consignments imported into Kenya must be accompanied by a Certificate of Origin (COO) issued by a competent authority in the country of export. This requirement took effect on **1st July, 2025**.

Enforcement of COO Requirement
To facilitate smooth implementation, the Authority provided a transition window up to **30th September, 2025**. Importers are reminded that, with effect from **1st October, 2025**, all consignments imported into Kenya must fully comply with Section 44A of the Tax Procedures Act, CAP. 469B, with a few exceptional cases to which provisional measures have been adopted for ease of compliance.

Provisional Measures
In exceptional cases where a COO is not available at the time of importation, the following official export documents may be accepted to confirm origin, subject to verification and approval by Customs:

- Origin Declaration bearing origin details;
- Export Permit or License issued by the exporting country's competent authority;
- Customs Export Declaration from the exporting country;
- PVOCS issued by authorised Kenya Bureau of Standards appointed agents

Exceptions to COO Requirement
The following categories of imports may be exempt from mandatory COO submission:

- Goods imported by privileged persons and institutions, as provided in the Fifth Schedule to the East African Community Customs Management Act, 2004; (EACCMA 2004)
- Used goods, including used motor vehicles; (covered under the 5th Schedule of EACCMA 2004);
- Personal baggage;
- Personal effects;
- Mailbags and postal parcels imported by post (Section 36 of EACCMA, 2004 and Regulations 112 & 119 of EACCMR, 2010);
- Human remains;
- Imported Samples of no commercial value;
- Temporary imports under Section 117 of EACCMA, 2004.
- Small packages of medicaments under a doctor's prescription
- Individual packages that do not exceed the weight and value as outlined in Regulation 119(3) of the East African Community Customs Management Imported through a registered Courier

Any challenges that may be encountered during implementation shall be addressed on a case to case basis taking into account the existing legal framework.

KRA remains committed to facilitating legitimate trade while ensuring full compliance with the law.

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Public Notice

Renewal of Licenses for Bonded Warehouses, Manufacture Under Bond (MUB) and Transit Godowns

Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) wishes to remind all operators of the above mentioned facilities that their licenses will expire on **31st December, 2025**.

The licensing conditions are spelt out under **Section 62-69; 160-166 of the East African Community Customs Management Act, 2004** as read together with **Regulations 74-81; 153-168 of the East African Community Customs Management Regulations, 2010**.

The following conditions are mandatory when submitting the application for renewal:

- Copy of valid license for the year 2025.
- Copy of valid relevant Security bonds.
- Current CR12 of the company.
- Copy of Title or valid lease agreement whose duration is longer than the term of the license.
- Copy of current Tax compliance certificate for the Company.
- Copy of current Tax compliance certificate for each of the Company's directors.
- Audited annual accounts for the Company for the previous financial year (2024).
- C18 duly completed and signed and stamped by the Operator and Customs Officer.

Note:

- Application form C18 can be downloaded from KRA website, www.kra.go.ke
- Renewal will only be issued upon satisfaction that the applicant does not have any outstanding transaction or issues with any KRA department.
- Application for Renewals will be submitted through Customs ICMS system on or before **31st October, 2025**.

Submission of the above documents **does not automatically guarantee renewal of a license**, as the applicant will still undergo **further vetting** by KRA.

For clarification please call our Contact Centre on Tel: 020 4 999 999; 0711 099 099 or Email: CBCLicensing@kra.go.ke

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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
NATIONAL TENDER					
1.	KPC/PU/OT - 094/CORR/NBI/25 - 26 Supply, Installation and Commissioning of Electrical Resistance (ER) Probes for West Kenya Pipeline Extension (WKPE) Pipelines (Line-2, Line-3, Line-4 and Line-6)	Kes.100,000.00	14-10-2025	15-10-2025	30-10-2025
2.	KPC/PU/OT - 102/MECH/NBI/25 - 26 Supply of Assorted Valves	Kes.200,000.00	N/A	N/A	21-10-2025
3.	KPC/PU/OT - 103/MECH/NBI/25 - 26 Supply of Material and Installation Works to Extend Fire Hydrant to New Truck's Inspection Bay at PS25 – Nakuru	Kes.200,000.00	14-10-2025	15-10-2025	21-10-2025
4.	KPC/PU/OT - 104/MECH/NBI/25 - 26 Supply of 8" Class 600 ball valves Complete with Electro-hydraulic Actuator	Kes.100,000.00	N/A	N/A	21-10-2025
5.	KPC/PU/OT - 105/MECH/NBI/25 - 26 Supply of Materials for Upgrade of Line II Reception Equipment at PS25 - Nakuru	Kes.100,000.00	N/A	N/A	21-10-2025
6.	KPC/PU/OT - 106/MECH/NBI/25 - 26 Supply, Installation and Commissioning of PS 09 By-Pass Line to 24" #150 Butterfly Valve Main Hydrant Line to the Airport.	Kes.200,000.00	14-10-2025	15-10-2025	30-10-2025
7.	KPC/PU/OT - 107/MECH/25 - 26 Supply, Installation Testing and Commissioning of Loading Pumps at PS 25 – Nakuru Depot	Kes.500,000.00	14-10-2025	15-10-2025	30-10-2025
8.	KPC/PU/OT - 108/MECH/NBI/25 - 26 Modification and Upgrade of Loading Facilities in Western Kenya Depots for both Top and Bottom Loading-PS25 - Nakuru, PS27 – Eldoret and PS28 – Kisumu	Kes.500,000.00	14-10-2025	15-10-2025 TO 17-10-2025	31-10-2025
9.	KPC/PU/OT - 109/ELEC/NBI/25 - 26 Supply, Installation and Commissioning of 1no. Transformer rated 1MVA; 11kV/0.415kV; 50Hz; ONAN at PS12.	Kes.200,000.00	14-10-2025	N/A	31-10-2025
10.	KPC/PU/OT - 110/ELEC/NBI/25 - 26 Supply, Installation and Commissioning of Medium Voltage Switchboard and Variable Frequency Drive at PS24B.	Kes.500,000.00	14-10-2025	N/A	31-10-2025
	<p>The Tender documents can be viewed and downloaded from the website www.kpc.co.ke at no cost. Bidders will be required to register their companies on KPC SRM portal and send ONLY queries to opentender@kpc.co.ke. In addition, all addenda will be posted to those bidders who indicate their intention to participate through the SRM portal and KPC Website.</p> <p>No other email addresses shall be used and KPC shall not be liable if bidders choose to send their queries to other email addresses.</p> <p>NOTE: Bidders who are not registered in KPC SRM System should first register using this link https://e-procurement.kpc.co.ke/irj/portal</p>				

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

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



Kerio Valley residents urged to adopt resilient crops

BY BENSON KELIO AND JOSHUA KIBET
(KNA)

Farmers within the Kerio Valley region have been urged to embrace and adopt climate smart crops and seedlings to ensure increased income and production.

Speaking on the sidelines of ASK Show, Baringo Branch, Kerio Valley Development Authority (KVDA) Managing Director Sammy Naporos said the move has been necessitated by the current challenges of climate change in the region, which is 80 percent Arid and Semi-Arid Land (ASAL) and faced with acute water shortage.

He encouraged farmers to plant crops like sorghum, mango fruits as well as African foxtail grass, which are resilient to climate shocks, since they require very little water, enabling farmers to get a bumper harvest.

Naporos made the call after his organization bagged six top awards in the agricultural show presided over by Governor Benjamin Cheboi.

He noted that interventions of climate change are something which the authority is passionately championing across the seven counties of operation, therefore calling on farmers to also play their role.

"The African fox grass, which we are promoting for our livestock, only requires a week of rain and the farmer is able to harvest 150 bales per acre twice a season," he explained.

Naporos added that the authority has intensified training to local farmers with the aim of building their capacity in order to benefit from cash crops, livestock and other resources that are available within the region.

The MD at the same time highlighted key achievements, realized by the authority so far including the establishment of solarized boreholes and water pans to support farmers within the Kerio Valley region, which he noted had to a larger extent mitigated the issue of banditry and cattle rustling.

In his remarks, Cheboi said his administration supports use of modern agricultural technologies to boost productivity, sustainability and food security within the county.

He took special focus on cash crops like coffee and macadamia, which does very well at the highland areas of the county, noting that it can fetch them high income and in turn change their livelihoods.



Kerio Valley Development Authority (KVDA) Managing Director Sammy Naporos explains the benefits of African foxtail grass which does well in the Kerio Valley region.

Government reaffirms commitment to overhauling teacher education for CBE

BY AHMED ELMABI (PCO)

The Government has reaffirmed its commitment to transforming teacher education to ensure the successful delivery of Competency-Based Education (CBE) in Kenya. Speaking during the opening of the Teachers' Education Conference 2025 in Mombasa, Education Cabinet Secretary Julius Ogamba emphasized the urgent need to harmonize teacher preparation across all levels of education.

"This is not just a routine engagement. It is a timely and critical platform that brings together key education stakeholders as the country undertakes major reforms to align teacher education with national development goals and the evolving needs of the education sector," said Ogamba.

The conference, convened under the theme Status of Pre-service Teacher Training and Teacher Employment in Kenya, sought to review current pre-service teacher education programmes, evaluate placement systems, assess teacher demand and employment, and chart policy reforms to sustain the implementation of CBE.

Ogamba said the government is working to ensure that teacher



The Cabinet Secretary for Education, Hon. Julius Ogamba, addressing the delegates during the conference.

education programmes across universities, TVET institutions, and teacher training colleges are effectively aligned with the new curriculum framework and labor market expectations.

"The government has already implemented key reforms in entry requirements and training standards. All P1 and Early Childhood Development Education (ECDE) certificate holders are now required to upgrade

to diploma level. In addition, a minimum Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) grade of C (Plain), with subject-specific requirements—especially in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM)—is mandatory for admission to teacher training programmes," he said.

Additionally, the Ministry is implementing recommendations from the Presidential

Working Party on Education Reform (PWPER), including the establishment of the Kenya Teacher Training College and the Kenya School of Teacher and Education Management, which will help coordinate both pre-service and in-service teacher education.

Amb. Prof. Julius Bitok, the Principal Secretary in the State Department for Basic Education, echoed the CS's sentiments, describing the conference as the culmination of months of consultations involving Vice Chancellors, Teachers Service Commission (TSC) officials, and education stakeholders. He noted that the gathering comes at a critical juncture as the Ministry works to complete school data verification, a process that will inform decisions on teacher deployment across the country.

"This conference couldn't have come at a better time. We are in the final leg of school data verification, which will allow us to determine how best to distribute teachers equitably," said Bitok. Bitok also outlined an ambitious government target; by 2027, every graduate teacher should have received a letter of employment by the time they graduate.

"That is the direction we are headed, linking teacher train-

ing directly with employment. This kind of forward planning is essential if we are to meet the needs of CBE," he said.

In her remarks, Dr. Beatrice Inyangala, Principal Secretary for Higher Education, emphasized the need for thoughtful and principled reform, stressing that efforts to review teacher education must be anchored in relevance, equity, and sustainability.

Inyangala also called on the education sector to embrace the changing role of the teacher in today's digital world. She urged stakeholders to consider the opportunities presented by artificial intelligence and digital content creation, both as tools for learning and as new ways for teachers to scale their impact.

"The teacher of today must be technologically aware, emotionally intelligent, and continuously trained. This is not just adaptation, it is transformation," she said.

Dr. Esther Muoria, Principal Secretary for TVET, on the other hand emphasized the importance of not only training teachers but also nurturing them as role models.

"Let's not just focus on training teachers. Let's ask, how can teachers become mentors?" she posed.

Ogamba also urged delegates to remain focused on the bigger picture; ensuring every child in Kenya has access to a well-trained, motivated, and competent teacher.

MINISTRY OF WATER, SANITATION AND IRRIGATION
STATE DEPARTMENT FOR WATER AND SANITATION

GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Name of Borrower's Country:	Kenya
Name of Program:	National Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Program (NUWSSP)

GENERAL PROCUREMENT NOTICE

1. The Republic of Kenya through the National Treasury has received a loan from the African Development Bank to finance the National Urban Water Supply and Sanitation Program (NUWSSP).
2. The Principal Objectives of the Program are to:
 - a) Implement Water Supply and Sanitation Projects in various towns in Kenya with a view to catalyzing commercial activities, driving economic growth, improving quality of life of the people, and building resilience against climate variability and change. It will increase both Water and Sanitation coverage in the Country and contribute to promotion of private sector growth.
 - b) Contribute to the furthering of the mandate of the Ministry of Water, Sanitation and Irrigation of achieving progressive realization of human right to safe water in adequate quantities and provision of reasonable standards of sanitation as stipulated in article 43 (b) and (d) of the Constitution of Kenya, 2010.
3. The Program includes the following components:
 - a) Climate Resilient and Low-Carbon Water Supply & Sanitation Infrastructure.
 - b) Integrated Watershed Management.
 - c) Institutional Development Support
 - d) Program Management
4. Procurement of goods, works, consulting and non-consulting services will be in accordance with the African Development Bank's **"Procurement Policy for Bank Group Funded Operations"- August 2015**, which is available on the Bank's website at <http://www.afdb.org>
5. Bidding documents are expected to be available in October 2025.
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Government disburses Sh52 million to human-wildlife conflict victims in Isiolo

BY CAROLINE MUSASIA
(PCO)

The rhythmic beat of traditional drums echoed across Elsa Community Grounds in Isiolo as residents, conservationists, and government officials gathered to mark this year's World Rhino Day.

The celebrations, themed "Standing Together for Rhino Conservation," were not only a tribute to one of the world's most endangered species but also a rallying call for community-led conservation. Presiding over the event, Principal Secretary for Wildlife, Silvia Museiya, announced that the government had disbursed Ksh 52 million in compensation to victims of human-wildlife conflict in Isiolo County.



Principal Secretary for Wildlife Sylvia Museiya issuing jerseys to winning soccer teams that were competing as part of celebration to mark the World Rhino Day.

She assured residents that pending claims were being processed swiftly as part of efforts to clear the backlog and restore trust between

communities and conservation authorities. Museiya further urged communities living around conservancies to safeguard rhinos, em-

pitals, and roads. "Isiolo, once home to rhinos, lost its population due to rampant poaching. Neighbouring counties like Laikipia, Meru, and Samburu now host relocated rhinos," she said.

However, Museiya expressed optimism that with enhanced security, rhinos could be reintroduced to Isiolo, reviving the region's ecological and economic potential.

Globally, the PS pointed out that rhinos remain critically endangered, with only 27,000 individuals left.

"Kenya is home to 1,605 rhinos among them 853 black rhinos, 750 southern white rhinos, and just two female northern white rhinos; making it the third-largest rhino population after South Africa and Namibia, according to the 2021 National

Wildlife Census Report," observed the PS. She disclosed that despite these gains; threats persist adding that poaching driven by myths surrounding the medicinal value of rhino horn remains the greatest danger.

Museiya debunked these beliefs, noting that rhino horn is made of keratin; the same substance found in human hair and nails and holds no medicinal value.

Other challenges include habitat loss, climate change, and human encroachment. Historical data paints a grim picture:

Kenya's rhino population plummeted from 20,000 in the 1970s to just 300 by 1989. Globally, only 40 Javan rhinos remain.

World Rhino Day celebrates all five remaining rhino species—the Black, White, Greater One-Horned, Sumatran, and Javan rhinos—reminding the world of their ecological importance and cultural significance.

State pledges compensation for Lake Nakuru flood victims

BY ERASTUS GICHOHI AND SUSAN WANGARI (KNA)

The Government has pledged to compensate legitimate landowners affected by the rising water levels of Lake Nakuru, where hundreds of residents have been displaced and property worth millions of shillings destroyed.

Lake Nakuru is among several lakes in the Great Rift Valley region experiencing alarming increases in water levels—a phenomenon that has devastated local communities and led to the destruction of homes, farmland, and infrastructure.

Similarly, more than 5,000 people have been affected by flooding around Lake Naivasha, particularly in the besieged Kihoto Estate, where over half of the land has been submerged. This comes even as the State moves to restrict development on riparian land.

Local leaders and residents are now calling on the Government to urgently provide assistance and facilitate relocation efforts, amid growing fears of possible hippo attacks and outbreaks of waterborne diseases. Residents have warned that the situation could escalate into a major public health crisis if left unaddressed.

Speaking on the side-



Nakuru Senator, Tabitha Karanja (with a walking stick), visits flooded Kihoto Estate in Naivasha where hundreds of residents have been affected and tens of homes submerged in water occasioned by rising water levels of the lake, a phenomenon replicated by other lakes within the Rift Valley region.

lines of the 2nd International Wildlife Conference in Naivasha, Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS) Director General Prof. Erastus Kanga said Kenya is among several African nations facing a similar rise in lake water levels.

He said there's need for science-based research to understand and mitigate the long-term effects of such occurrences as well as inform formula for compensation claims to affected victims.

At the same time, Prof Kanga revealed that over the past two years, Kenya has recorded more than 26,000 cases of human-wildlife conflict, resulting in 255 deaths, 725 injuries, over 9,300 farm invasions, 1,000 incidents of property damage, and 10,000 direct threats.

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Public Notice

Applications for Renewal of Customs Agents Licences 2026

Kenya Revenue Authority (KRA) wishes to inform Customs Agents that their licenses will expire on 31st December, 2025 with the exception of the 3 year Authorised Economic Operators (AEO) licences.

Provisions relating to the licensing of Customs agents are contained in **Section 145 of the East African Community Customs Management Act, 2004 and Regulations 149-152 of the East Africa Community Customs Management Regulations, 2010**.

The applications for renewals is for all licensed Customs agents.

Applications for Renewal should be submitted through the Integrated Customs Management System (iCMS) platform, <https://icms.kra.go.ke>, on or before 31st October, 2025. The applications shall be accompanied by:

1. Duly filled form C20 (available on the KRA Website, www.kra.go.ke)
2. Current (2024) Certificate of Registration (CR12/CR13)
3. Valid Tax Compliance Certificate for the company
4. Certificate of Bond & Debt clearance
5. Copy of previous C21 (Licence)
6. KIFWA Clearance Certificate for year of application

In addition, we wish to invite interested **New Applicants** for Customs Agents Licenses 2026, to submit their applications by 31st October, 2025 via email address cbcvcet@kra.go.ke. The application shall be accompanied by:

1. Tax Compliance Certificate for the Company
2. Tax Compliance Certificate for all the Directors
3. Certificate of registration from Registrar of Company (CR12)
4. Pin Certificate for Company
5. Pin Certificate for all the Directors
6. National ID/Passport for all the Directors
7. Recent passport size photographs of directors duly certified by Notary public or a Commissioner of Oaths
8. Memorandum of Association, Articles of Association clearly indicating the Clearing and Forwarding Agent firm is a registered business (where applicable)
9. Police Clearance Certificate for all the Directors
10. Letter from bankers showing the Company maintains an account with them
11. Letter from bankers showing the Directors maintains an account with them
12. Audited accounts for the last 3 years (where applicable)
13. Duly filled Bio Data form available in KRA website www.kra.go.ke.
14. Duly filled form C20 available on the KRA website www.kra.go.ke
15. Payment of 50USD application fee
16. Have an established office, the physical location of which shall be indicated in the license application form for Customs verification purposes and Valid Tenancy agreement/Lease or Title deed if you own the premises

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Kenya marks Crane Festival with call to protect endangered grey-crowned bird

BY CAROLINE MUSASIA
(PCO)

The State Department for Wildlife has urged communities to conserve the grey-crowned crane as part of efforts to promote environmental conservation, cultural heritage, and community empowerment.

The Crane Festival, held at Kosirai High School in Nandi County, spotlighted the endangered grey-crowned crane and highlighted the urgent need to protect Kenya's wetlands and grasslands.

Revered in many African cultures as a symbol of harmony, prosperity, and peace, the crane holds deep cultural significance among the Nandi people, where harming the bird was traditionally considered taboo.

"Reviving these cultural values is key to inspiring our youth and embedding conservation into everyday life," said Conservation Secretary Dr. John Chumo, who officiated the event.

Dr Chumo called on counties to integrate crane and wetland conservation into their County Environmental Action Plans and allocate resources to safe-



The Grey Crowned Cranes

guard these critical habitats. He emphasized that cranes are ecological indicators—when they thrive, it signals that ecosystems are healthy and functioning.

Wetlands, he noted, play a vital role in filtering water, recharging groundwater, controlling floods, and supporting agriculture and livestock. Losing cranes, he warned, would mean losing the ecosystems that sustain livelihoods, food security, and climate resilience.

Currently listed as Endangered on the IUCN Red List, the grey-crowned crane faces multiple threats. In Kenya, fewer than 8,000 individuals remain, with populations concentrated in Nandi, Laikipia, Nyeri, and parts of the Rift Valley.

Across Africa, just over 30,000 cranes are spread across 15 countries, with global numbers having declined by over 80% in the past three decades.

Dr. Chumo urged commu-

nities to report egg harvesting, poisoning, and encroachment, and to protect wetlands from degradation.

He outlined the main threats to crane survival: Wetland drainage for agriculture and infrastructure; Illegal harvesting of eggs and chicks; Poisoning—both deliberate and accidental.

Other threats include climate change disrupting breeding cycles and low public awareness of the crane's ecological and cultural value. He said that legal frameworks such as the Wildlife Conservation and Management Act, 2013, the National Wildlife Strategy 2030, and the National Wetlands Conservation and Management Policy provide tools for habitat restoration and community engagement.

But without swift action, Dr. Chumo warned, the grey crowned crane could vanish from Kenya's landscapes within a generation. The festival concluded with a ceremonial tree planting by Dr. Chumo, symbolizing hope and renewal for one of Africa's most elegant birds. The event brought together government officials, conservation partners, students, and elders—united in their commitment to protect the crane.

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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
OPEN NATIONAL TENDER					
1.	KPC/PU/OT - 022/KPRL/NBI/25 - 26 Replacement of Obsolete Automatic Tank Gauging (ATGs) at PS 15 - KPRL	Kes.500,000.00	17-09-2025	18-09-2025	03-10-2025
<p>The Tender documents can be viewed and downloaded from the website www.kpc.co.ke at no cost. Bidders will be required to register their companies on KPC SRM portal and send ONLY queries to opentender@kpc.co.ke. In addition, all addenda will be posted to those bidders who indicate their intention to participate through the SRM portal and KPC Website.</p> <p>No other email addresses shall be used and KPC shall not be liable if bidders choose to send their queries to other email addresses.</p> <p>NOTE: Bidders who are not registered in KPC SRM System should first register using this link https://e-procurement.kpc.co.ke/irj/portal</p>					

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

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

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NO	TENDER REFERENCE & DESCRIPTION	PRE BID MEETING	CLOSING DATE
1.	KPC/PU/REG - 095/LEGAL/NBI/25 - 26 Registration of Legal Services Providers for a Period of 2 years	08-10-2025	17-10-2025

The Registration 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 corporate.procurement@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

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State unveils first-ever orthodox tea auction to boost growers' pay

BY SADIK HASSAN (KNA)

Agriculture and Livestock Production Cabinet Secretary Mutahi Kagwe has announced Kenya's first orthodox tea auction at the East African Tea Trade Auction (EATTA) in Mombasa.

The launch marks a major milestone for more than 650,000 tea farmers as the government seeks to diversify from traditional CTC (Crush, Tear, and Curl) teas and tap into the rapidly growing global demand for specialty teas.

Kagwe urged factories, traders, and exporters to capitalize on the government's goal of increasing tea earnings to Sh270 billion, in line with the Head of State's directive.

To fast-track the transition, the Tea Board of Kenya (TBK) has licensed 22 factories to manufacture Orthodox teas, with 13 new government-supported processing lines already in place. TBK has also established a Tea Quality Assurance Laboratory in Mombasa, offering real-time quality testing, advisory services, and food-safety certification.

Kagwe described the launch as a great milestone for the tea industry and for the more than



1. Cabinet Secretary for Agriculture and Livestock Production Mutahi Kagwe (C) tests an Orthodox tea at the East Africa Tea Trade Auction during the launch of the Orthodox tea auction.

2. Cabinet Secretary for Agriculture and Livestock Production, Mutahi Kagwe, delivering a keynote address at the East Africa Tea Trade Auction during the launch of the Orthodox tea auction.

PHOTOS: HANIEL MENGISTU/KNA

650,000 tea farmers, especially amid dwindling prices for CTC teas at the auction.

"By launching Orthodox teas at the auction today, we con-

firm to the world that Kenya is no longer just a CTC powerhouse; we are now a serious and competitive player in the global Orthodox market," said the CS.

Kenya's tea sector recorded earnings of Sh215 billion last year, up from Sh180 billion in 2023 and Sh138 billion in 2022.

The figures, Kagwe says, confirm that Kenyan farmers are hardworking, resilient, and capable of producing teas that the world admires.

Yet, as proud as we are, we cannot ignore the reality: the global tea market has changed. CTC teas, our traditional mainstay, now face flat demand and depressed prices at the Mom-



basa Auction," stated the CS.

Furthermore, he explained that the mismatch between production and consumption has led to unsold stocks and lower earnings, despite the excellent work of farmers.

"It is for this reason that the Government, under the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA), is spearheading reforms to diversify into Orthodox and Specialty teas, a lucrative niche growing by six per cent annually, and currently dominated by Sri Lanka, India, and China," he said. In 2024, the total Orthodox production was 7.51 million kilograms (Kg), of which 5 mil-

lion kg were exported.

This was lower than the 12.34 million kg produced in 2023. The reduction is attributed to challenges with the Iranian market, in which high-level discussions are ongoing to allow Kenyan tea in that market.

The number of licensed orthodox manufacturers in the country is projected to increase twofold to 42 by 2027 from the current 22.

For 2024, the Kenya Tea Development Agency (KTDA) Orthodox prices ranged between USD 3.40 (Sh439) and USD 4.16 (Sh537) per kg, with an average of USD 3.70 (Sh478) per kg, while the CTC tea prices are an average of USD 2.28 (Sh294) per kg for bulk CTC teas at the Mombasa Auction.

"As we launch the auction of 2,925 packages equivalent to 91,798 kg of Orthodox tea, we are not just selling tea; we are making history. These teas are expected to fetch between USD 3 (Sh387) and USD 10 (1292) per kg, delivering better earnings for farmers and raising Kenya's profile in global specialty markets," stated CS Kagwe.

Kagwe affirmed that the Ministry's ambitious target is to grow installed Orthodox capacity from 15 million kg in 2024 to 200 million kg by 2030.

To increase transparency, improve farmer returns, and ensure Kenya remains globally competitive, the Mombasa Tea Auction is going to leverage technology.



MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE & FORESTRY

STATE DEPARTMENT FOR FORESTRY

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTIFICATION OF REGULATORY IMPACT STATEMENT ON THE DRAFT FOREST CONSERVATION AND MANAGEMENT (CONCESSIONS ON PUBLIC FORESTS)

IT IS notified to the general public that the Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Climate Change and Forestry pursuant to section 8 (1) of the Statutory Instruments Act Cap. 2A, has prepared a regulatory impact statement on the impacts and likely impacts of the proposed Forest Conservation and Management (Concessions on Public Forests) Regulations, 2025 on stakeholders, members of the public and other persons likely to be affected by the proposed Regulations.

The proposed Regulations have been developed pursuant to section 71(1), 71(2)(i) and 71(2)(m) of the Forest Conservation and Management Act, Cap. 385 and the main objective of the Regulations is to prescribe the procedures and requirements for the participation of the concession party in commercial forestry through forest concessions; to define the modalities of engagements by parties in the forest concession arrangements; and to provide for community involvement and participation under the forest concession arrangements.

Any person likely to be affected by the proposed regulations is advised to take note of Gazette Notice No. 13619, Vol. CXXVII-No. 200 of 26th September 2025 and submit written memoranda on the prepared regulatory impact statement by 17th October 2025. The written memorandum should be delivered on weekdays and during the official working hours from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. to the **Office of the Principal Secretary, State Department for Forestry, NHIF Building, Ragati Road, P.O. Box 30126-00100, Nairobi**. The soft copies of the written memoranda can also be submitted to ps@forestry.go.ke with a copy to forestrysecretary@gmail.com.

The Regulations and Regulatory Impact Statement can be accessed free of charge on the ministry website: www.environment.go.ke.

Dr. Deborah M. Barasa
CABINET SECRETARY, ENVIRONMENT, CLIMATE CHANGE & FORESTRY



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KENYA VISION 2030

Government to align university training with labour market needs

BY NAIF RASHID (KNA)

The Ministry of Education has outlined a plan to transform universities and colleges into engines of economic growth.

The plan seeks to align training and research with labour market demands, strengthen industry linkages, and promote innovation as part of the national development agenda.

In a speech delivered on his behalf by the Principal Secretary for Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET), Dr. Esther Muoria, Education Cabinet Secretary (CS) Julius Ong'oma told the High-Level Policy Dialogue of the Partnership for Skills in Applied Sciences, Engineering, and Technology (PASET) in Nairobi that higher education must be repositioned to serve as a driver of job creation and sustainable economic transformation.

Ong'oma assured that the government is moving beyond simply expanding access to universities to ensuring that the skills imparted meet the needs of a modern economy.

He emphasized that learner-centred approaches, prob-



Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) PS Dr. Esther Muoria speaking during the High-Level Policy Dialogue of the Partnership for Skills in Applied Sciences, Engineering, and Technology (PASET) in Nairobi.

lem-based teaching, and digital literacy are being prioritized to produce graduates who are not only employable but also capable of creating enterprises.

"Universities and technical institutions must strengthen collaboration with industry to bridge the gap between theory and practice," said the CS, adding that partnerships will ensure academic research translates

into practical innovation, fueling productivity and enhancing competitiveness.

Further, Ong'oma noted that revitalized institutions of higher learning are expected to generate research that informs public policy while addressing key challenges in sectors such as agriculture, ICT, environment, and mining. He added that research must increasingly be commer-

cialized to create social and economic impact.

The CS also observed that access to higher education in sub-Saharan Africa has expanded rapidly in recent years, bringing challenges such as pressure on infrastructure and concerns over quality.

He reiterated the government's commitment to sustaining growth while upholding standards through investments in infrastructure, faculty development, and regulatory oversight.

"The reforms are aligned with the Bottom-up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA), which places skills development and innovation at the centre of job creation and economic progress," he emphasized, insisting that the government's goal is to make higher education a catalyst for industrialization and a tool for inclusive growth.

Likewise, Ong'oma highlighted Kenya's support for PASET and pointed to the Regional Scholarship and Innovation Fund (RSIF) as a flagship initiative. Speaking at the event, the International Centre of Insect Physiology and Ecology (ICIPE) Director General (DG), Dr. Abdou Tenkouano, affirmed that ICIPE continues to play a key role in capacity building and research.

He reported that the centre currently supports more than 300 doctoral students across Africa in disciplines such as artificial intelligence, agribusiness,

renewable energy, mining, and climate change.

In addition, Dr. Tenkouano urged more governments to invest in the PASET RSIF to expand its impact, describing the programme as one of the strongest models of pan-African collaboration in science and higher education.

"ICIPE's long-standing model of partnering with universities to co-supervise doctoral students has ensured high completion rates, enabling postgraduate research to contribute directly to tackling Africa's pressing challenges such as food insecurity, climate change, and youth unemployment," he highlighted.

In her remarks, Rwanda's Minister of State for Education and Chair of the PASET Governing Council, Claudette Irere, said doctoral training remains central to Africa's ambition of building a knowledge economy, but acknowledged that PhD graduates often face difficulties linking their research to industry and policy needs.

She stated that the Nairobi policy dialogue provided an important platform to generate strategies for making doctoral training more relevant, impactful, and globally competitive.

"African countries must invest in high-quality doctoral and postdoctoral programmes that respond to national priorities, produce globally competitive graduates, and build human capital capable of driving innovation," stressed Irere.

Charting the future for sustainable tourism in Kenya

BY REBECCA MIANO

Last week, Kenya's coast was abuzz with the vibrant rhythms of a cultural extravaganza escorted by other activities that amounted to a fitting finale to the globally celebrated Kenya UN Tourism Week last Saturday. That celebration, under the theme "Tourism and Sustainable Transformation," was a powerful testament to our heritage.

In retrospect and indeed as Mahatma Gandhi once said, "The future depends on what you do today." Our celebrations that coincided with the UN Tourism's golden jubilee signalled a commitment to a future where tourism is a genuine force for good the world over.

Yesterday, at the Kenya Coast Tourism Investment Conference, our energy shifted from celebration to concrete action. The same spirit of innovation and stewardship that animated the cultural fairs and mangrove restoration projects in Kwale and Kilifi last week was channelled into the building plans that will shape the future of hospitality along our coastline for generations.

As the visionary businessman Jamsetji Tata wisely noted that "To succeed, you must first dare to dream, and then you must dare to act." Yesterday's investment conference was about Kenya's tourism's sector dream-



Cultural dancers doing a jig to mark the final day of 2035 UN Tourism Week. Photo Credit: Francis Owala

ing collectively and daring to act on a shared vision for the good of the foreseeable future.

During the Tourism Week, we demonstrated what sustainable transformation looks like in practice. It entails a situation where economic empowerment walks hand-in-hand with cultural pride, environmental action seasoned with inclusion of the youth in a meaningful way. We saw how authentic cultural experiences and digital innovation, such as paperless payments, can unlock new revenue streams while reducing our environmental footprint.

We reaffirmed that tourism, in its truest sense, is far more than travel. We saw it as a potent lever for transformation that cre-

ates livelihoods and supports infrastructure for our collective benefit.

Yet, as we boldly acknowledged, the aforementioned potential is fragile. The UN Secretary-General has rightly cautioned that without foresight and a deep sense of responsibility, tourism can damage the very places and communities it celebrates. This is the sobering reality that brought us to yesterday's Investment Conference.

Our coastline is a national jewel, accounting for nearly sixty per cent of our international leisure visitors and generating over one hundred billion shillings annually. This is an undeniable economic lifeline. However, we face formidable



competition from regional destinations that have modernised aggressively in recent times.

The sustainable transformation we champion, therefore, is not an abstract ideal but an economic imperative. It aligns squarely with His Excellency President Dr. William Ruto's Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda and positions tourism as a crucial pillar for job creation and inclusive growth. The rejuvenation we seek, be it in modernising existing hotels or developing new eco-lodges, wellness retreats, and MICE facilities is a direct investment in the livelihoods and aspirations of the people of Kenya.

To that end, the Ministry of Tourism and Wildlife is committed to creating a facilitative environment to transform the sector. Thus far, we have established clear, investment-friendly policies, attractive tax incentives, and streamlined regulatory processes. Currently, we are enhancing vital infrastructure and

championing public-private partnerships to unlock large-scale, climate-resilient projects.

Our investment mobilisation strategy is twofold. We are proactively engaging leading international hotel chains and developers for their expertise and capital, while simultaneously ensuring Kenyans are at the very heart of this renewal by mobilising domestic investors from pension funds to private enterprises.

The journey from last week's celebrations at Mama Ngina Waterfront to the deliberations at the investment conference is a single, continuous path. The partnerships we should forge going forward ought to reflect the tourism sector's resolve to transcend mere profit seeking to build investments that can genuinely empower communities, preserve our heritage, and protect our environment, all while delivering sound returns.

As the naturalist John Muir beautifully expressed, "When one tugs at a single thing in nature, he finds it attached to the rest of the world." So it is with our tourism sector. Every investment, every policy, and every visitor's experience is connected to the whole.

The legacy we etch today in the tourism sector should be inspired by a deep desire to benefit generations to come.

Miano is the Cabinet Secretary for Tourism and Wildlife.

Wildlife conservation deal in Kitui to protect biodiversity, empower locals

BY DENSON MUTUTO AND JOY MWANGANGI (KNA)

The Kitui County Government and the Kenya Wildlife Service (KWS) have entered into a partnership to enhance the conservation, protection, and management of wildlife and natural resources across Kitui County, with a particular focus on the Kitui South Game Reserve. The partnership also seeks to transform conservation efforts into tangible socio-economic benefits for local communities, including job creation, improved livelihoods, and increased county revenue. Kitui Governor Dr. Julius Malombe and KWS Director General Prof. Erastus Kanga expressed their commitment to

fast-tracking the implementation of a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) signed in March 2024 between the County Government of Kitui and KWS. Speaking while hosting the KWS delegation at the County Headquarters in Kitui Town, Governor Malombe emphasized the importance of collaboration between local and national authorities in achieving sustainable development within the wildlife sector. "This partnership is a critical step in ensuring that our natural resources are protected while also supporting the economic growth of our communities," Dr. Malombe said. Prof. Kanga highlighted the significance of the MoU in the broader context of Kenya's national



Kenya Wildlife Service Director General, Dr. Erastus Kanga (Right) and other officials in Kitui during a meeting aimed at enhancing the conservation and management of game reserves and conservancies within the county

wildlife conservation strategy.

"Kenya has 33 national reserves across 33 counties, and this partnership with the Kitui County Government is a vital component of our efforts to protect our rich biodiversity," he noted. The MoU outlines several key areas of collaboration, including

wildlife conservation, community-based conservation, tourism development, and capacity building.

The focus on the South Kitui Game Reserve is expected to play a central role in the implementation of the agreement, as it is a critical area for wildlife

protection and biodiversity conservation.

The meeting also underscored the need for regular communication and coordination between Kitui County and KWS to ensure the successful execution of the MoU.

Both parties expressed their commitment to working together to achieve the goals outlined in the agreement.

Looking ahead, the partnership is expected to serve as a model for other counties in Kenya, demonstrating how local governments can work closely with the national agencies to achieve the set environmental and economic goals.

The collaboration is anticipated to lead to improved wildlife management, increased community participation in conservation efforts, and sustainable economic growth through eco-tourism and wildlife-based industries.

As the implementation of the MoU gets underway, the Governor and KWS officials expressed confidence in the potential of this partnership to create lasting benefits for Kitui County and its people.

Kenya targets to expand family planning access

BY JUDY SHERI (PCO)

Kenya is stepping up efforts to expand access to family planning as part of its FP2030 commitments, with new targets aimed at reducing adolescent pregnancies and strengthening access to modern contraceptives.

Speaking during a media briefing to mark World Contraception Day 2025, Dr. Edward Serem, Head of the Division of Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health, said the country is determined to raise the modern contraceptive prevalence rate among married women from 57 percent to 64 percent by 2030 and reduce unmet need for family planning from 14 percent to 10 percent. He added that the government is also working to lower adolescent pregnancy rates from 15 percent to 10 percent by 2025.

Dr. Serem outlined recent innovations including the introduction of self-administered injectables such as DMPA-SC, new contraceptive options like the hormonal intrauterine device (HIUD), and digital systems to track and manage supplies. "Kenya's vision is a future where every pregnancy is wanted, and where no woman is denied access to the family planning method of her



Dr. Edward Serem, Head of the Division of Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health.

choice," he said.

He stressed that sustainable domestic financing remains key to ensuring uninterrupted access to contraceptives and called for stronger

partnerships with counties, development partners, civil society, and county governments, whose collaboration continues to advance access to family planning services across the country.

This year's theme is "A Choice for All: Agency, Intention and Access," with Kenya's adaptation, "Chaguo La Wote; Making Contraception Accessible."

Family planning is a key life-saving intervention that improves maternal and child health outcomes. According to the Kenya Demographic and Health Survey, about six in ten married women use contraception (57% modern methods, 6% traditional). Kenya has set an ambitious FP2030 target: to increase modern contraceptive prevalence from 56.9% in 2017 to 64% by 2030.



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NYS pushes for food security, skills development and climate action

BY LAMECH WILLY (PCO)

The Government has lauded the National Youth Service (NYS) for advancing three key pillars of national development—food security, economic empowerment, and environmental sustainability—through its skills training and programmes aligned with Kenya's Vision 2030 and the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA).

Speaking during the commissioning of a state-of-the-art bakery at the NYS Paramilitary Academy in Gilgil, Public Service Principal Secretary Dr. Jane Imbunya emphasized that the NYS plays a central role in equipping youth with transformative skills.

The bakery, with a production capacity of 4,752 loaves of 400 grams each per day, will not only enhance food security within NYS institutions but also provide recruits with practical training in food production and entrepreneurship. "When you equip the youth with the right skills, you are investing in a generation that will secure Kenya's food systems, grow our economy, and safeguard the environment," said Dr. Imbunya.

She added that NYS programmes have been carefully re-engineered to respond to Kenya's development priorities as well as global frameworks.

"The re-engineering of NYS programmes is fully aligned with Vision 2030, the Bottom-Up Economic Transformation Agenda, and global development frameworks such as the SDGs and Agenda 2063," she noted. Dr. Imbunya commended NYS leadership, partners, and stakeholders for steering the Service toward transformative pro-



1. Public Service PS Dr. Jane Imbunya (left), NYS Commandant General James Tembur (centre), and Director of the Paramilitary Academy Gilgil, Loice C. Koech, during the commissioning of the newly established NYS bakery in Gilgil.
2. Dr Imbunya is taken through the bread-making process
3. Dr Imbunya interacts with recruits at the School of Advanced Building, carpentry section, where trainees acquire practical skills in woodwork and furniture making.

PHOTOS: LAMECH ARISA.



grammes that equip young people with technical skills, nurture entrepreneurship, and expand opportunities for income generation.

"This bakery is a clear demonstration of how skills training can translate into practical solutions for food security and income generation," she said. NYS Commandant General James Tembur stressed that recruit training remains the foundation of all programs offered in NYS training institution.

"Recruit training remains the foundation of the Service—it instills discipline, patriotism, and resilience, which are critical to every program we run," he explained.

He noted that NYS is undergoing a transformative agenda aimed at modernizing its courses to meet current labour market demands.

"We are re-engineering our courses to ensure our graduates leave NYS with skills that are not only relevant but highly

competitive in today's job market," said Tembur. Currently, NYS offers a wide range of vocational training programs including plumbing, electrical installation, masonry, and advanced building technologies. In the School of Catering, recruits pursue diplomas in food and beverage production, catering, accommodation, and house-keeping skills designed to address gaps in the labour market while promoting self-reliance and economic empowerment.

State, partners launch platform for special needs education

BY DARLENE WAMBUI AND SAMUEL KIVUVA (KNA)

Sense International has launched the Global Deafblindness Resource Hub, an innovative digital platform designed to provide accessible information and learning materials for persons with deafblindness and multisensory impairments.

The hub, developed by Sense International in partnership with the Ministry of Education and other stakeholders, is part of a global initiative aimed at bridging the digital divide for persons with disabilities.

Speaking during the launch, Frederick Haga, Director at the Ministry of Education's Directorate of Special Needs Education, affirmed that the government remains committed to ensuring that every child with a disability has access to education.

"Learners with special needs have always been included in the digital learning programme



since 2013. Today, through this hub, critical resources such as policies, legislation, and learning materials can be deposited, accessed, and used to support persons with disabilities. Every stakeholder has a role to play," Haga assured.

He further noted that the Ministry allocates a budget annually for specialized learning resources and assistive devices, which are channeled through

the Kenya Institute of Special Education (KISE).

"Not every child has received the devices yet, but a majority in our schools have, and we continue to expand coverage," he clarified.

Making his remarks, Daniel Musango, Country Representative for Sense International Kenya, explained that the hub builds on the organisation's life-cycle approach, supporting

people with deafblindness from early childhood through education, vocational training and livelihoods.

"We innovate, we inform, and we influence," Musango said, outlining the organisation's three core values. "Our work ensures that people with deafblindness are included in health, education and economic systems; that information is available to them; and that their rights are recognised in policies and budgets," Musango said.

Founded globally over 40 years ago, Sense International has been active in Kenya since 2005, operating in 14 counties with interventions such as eye screening, audiological services, inclusive education, and livelihood support.

Musango cited the establishment of the first complete audiological unit at Samburu County Referral Hospital, where children can now receive hearing tests, diagnosis, and fitting for hearing aids.

New policy to tackle challenges facing minority groups

BY ESTHER MWANGI AND DENNIS RASTO (KNA)

The Government is developing a national policy to address the historical challenges faced by marginalized and minority communities across the country. Josephat Lowoi Lodoi, Head of the Minorities and Marginalized Affairs Unit, emphasized the need for a clear policy framework to effectively implement constitutional provisions for these groups.

Speaking during a consultative meeting with members of the Turkana community in Nakuru, Lodoi acknowledged that although Articles 56 and 260 of the Constitution recognize minority and marginalized groups, progress has been hindered by the absence of a guiding policy. He praised President William Ruto's administration for preparing the first-ever draft policy to address the challenges facing these groups, noting that it is expected to be ready by December.

The official said the government was determined to have a policy and law governing the issues of minority and marginalized communities before the end of the year, after which he said every State department would understand how to handle their concerns, while both national and county governments would be able to engage and plan for the communities.

Furthermore, Mr Lodoi affirmed that the new structure will provide a new structured approach to addressing challenges such as access to resources, representation and socio-economic inclusion for these groups.

The official highlighted that the newly established Minorities and Marginalized Affairs Unit was dedicated to promoting the rights and cultures of indigenous and minority groups adding that every Kenyan had a right to participate in governance and enjoy its benefits, as enshrined in Article 56 of the Constitution.

He explained that the constitutional provision served as a beacon of hope for minorities and marginalized communities by ensuring their right to representation in governance and other critical areas of life, access to exceptional opportunities in education and the economy, equal employment opportunities, preservation and promotion of their cultural values.



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NOTICE TO THE PUBLIC TO SUBMIT COMMENTS ON AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT STUDY REPORT FOR THE PROPOSED LAKE NAKURU BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION PROJECT (WASTE DISPOSAL MEASURES) NAKURU COUNTY

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

The proponent, Central Rift Valley Water Works Development Agency, aims at improving waste water Disposal Measures in Nakuru City, Rehabilitation of sewer systems in parts of Nakuru City, Relocation of Mwariki sewage pumping station from the current location into Njoro wastewater treatment plant (WWTP) area for efficiency and safety, Reconstruction and upgrading of Njoro WWTP in 3No.phases and Partial decommissioning and conversion into a sewage transfer station of the old town Kaloleni WWTP. The proposed project covers an area of approximately 202.3km² Bordering Lake Nakuru National Park in the South and the Menengai Forest North, in Nakuru City County.

The following are the anticipated impacts and proposed mitigation measures

IMPACTS	MITIGATION MEASURES
Noise Pollution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Need for Noise Control Plan The Contractor shall keep noise level within acceptable limits and construction activities shall, where possible, be confined to normal working hours in the residential areas and institutions (schools) Hospitals and other noise sensitive areas shall be notified at least 5 days before construction is due to commence in their vicinity Adhere to EMCA (Noise and Excessive Vibration Control Pollution), 2009.
Labour Issues	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contractors to liaise with the Area Chiefs on ensuring local labour to avoid social conflicts (60%) Develop a Labour Management Plan (LMP) Ensure compliance with provisions of Workplace Injuries and Benefits Act (WIBA) 2007 Ensure proper records of labour force on site while avoiding child and forced labour Ensure compliance with Gender balance requirements Equity and no discrimination Allow opportunities for Person's With Disability (PWDs) Ensure strictly no child labour Mainstream Gender Inclusivity in labour as per Gender Policy 2011 and 2/3 Gender Rule Prevention of and zero tolerance to sexual abuse, violence, harassment and exploitation Proactively have women in supervisory and management positions Develop and implement a Children Protection Strategy
Water Pollution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure proper and periodic maintenance of sewers and components of the Sewer Treatment Plant (STP) Awareness rising among community members not to dump solids in inspection manholes. Regular cleaning of grit chambers and sewers to remove grease, grit and other debris that may lead to sewer blockages Apply manhole covers to withstand anticipated loads Ensure that the covers can be readily replaced Ensure optimum functioning of the sewerage systems to avoid septic conditions and hence undesirable odour to the neighbourhoods Regular monitoring and sampling of the sewage at influent and effluent points as well as in the receiving water bodies Install a metering system to monitoring treated wastewater discharging into Lake Nakuru. Isolate to the extent possible surface runoff from entering the sewerage system (divert drainage channels from inspection manholes)
Climate Change Risks and Vulnerability	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepare a Climate Change Adaptation Plan Ensure design resilient structures (flood containment) Ensure silt loading management systems in the design Undertake Climate Proofing for the project Seek collaboration in water sheds management Embrace and Integrate national tree planting and growing towards carbon sequestration
Lower Sewer Connectivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Undertake town-wide campaigns on sewer connections for all premises Prepare Decommissioning Plan for existing on-site facilities Sensitize and create awareness on need and mode of removal of the existing facilities upon connections Consider moderate connection charges to attract more people Review monthly tariffs on sewage discharge to encourage connections Collaborate with Regulatory Agencies on enforcing sewer connections Institute the law where necessary to enhance connections Provide other incentives to the residents for enhanced ownership and usage of the sewerage facility

The following are the anticipated impacts and proposed mitigation measures:-

1. **Principal Secretary, State Department for Environment and Climate Change, Ministry of Environment Climate Change and Forestry, NHIF Building, 12th Floor, Ragati Road, Upper Hill P. O. Box 30126 – 00100, NAIROBI.**

2. **Director General, National Environment Management Authority (NEMA) Popo Road, off Mombasa Road, P.O Box 67839-00200, NAIROBI**

3. **County Director of Environment NAKURU COUNTY**

A copy of the EIA report can be downloaded at www.nema.go.ke

NEMA invites members of the public to submit oral or written comments within thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice to the Director General, NEMA to assist the Authority in the decision making process for this project. Kindly quote ref. No. **NEMA/EIA/5/2/2257**.

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The State Department for Agriculture, under the Ministry of Agriculture and Livestock Development, is implementing the Integrated Natural Resources Management Programme (INReMP). The Programme is co-financed by the Government of Kenya and the International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD), and aims to improve rural households' food, nutrition, and income security within a sustainable and climate-resilient ecosystem.

The Programme will be implemented in ten (10) counties across key catchment areas of Cherangany, Mau West, and Lake Victoria Basin. The National Programme Coordination and Management Offices will be based in Eldoret City.

The Ministry invites qualified, experienced, and dynamic individuals to apply for the following positions within the National Programme Coordination and Management Unit (PCMU):

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10.	Agronomy Specialist	1
11.	Livestock Specialist	1
12.	Nutrition & Social Inclusion Specialist	1
13.	Cooperative Development Officer	1
14.	National Government and INReMP Liaison Officer	1
15.	Knowledge Management Officer and Communications Officer	1
16.	Programme Accountant	1
17.	Programme Accounts Assistant	1
18.	Programme Procurement Assistant	1
19.	Programme Assistant	1
20.	ICT Assistant	1
21.	Office Assistant	1
22.	M&E Officer	1
23.	Drivers	5
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Road safety conference calls for more funding to curb road crashes



Transport CS Davis Chirchir (left) being received by NTSA Director General George Njao in Mombasa.

BY BRIAN MUTUA (MYGOV)

More than a year after President William Ruto instructed then-Inspector General of Police Japhet Koome and National Transport and Safety Authority (NTSA) Director General George Njao to intensify collaboration aimed at improving road safety, questions remain over the effectiveness of the measures taken.

The directive, issued in response to a sharp rise in road traffic casualties, called for co-ordinated efforts between law enforcement and the NTSA to curb accidents and enforce traffic regulations more strictly. However, despite the presidential order, road accident statistics have continued to raise concern, prompting renewed calls for accountability and faster implementation of safety reforms.

"For too long, there has been a disconnect and competition between traffic police and the National Transport and Safety Authority (NTSA) in enforcing traffic rules, which has hindered the achievement of desired results. Mr IG, Mr DG, please, I expect greater collaboration so that we can see results," the Head of State said then.

At the just-concluded annual road safety conference in Mombasa, stakeholders raised concerns about the underfunding of road safety campaigns as one of the major causes of the rise in traffic fatalities. This is despite funding being a top priority in the National Road Safety Action Plan (NRSAP) for 2024-2028, which was launched by the President last year.

The speakers at the event emphasized the need for collaboration between government agencies, cautioning against working in isolation. Even simple safety measures, such as installing speed bumps and signage, require joint planning and execution.

The three-day event brought together key stakeholders, including NTSA, Ministry of Transport, Ministry of Health, KNBS, KenHA, KURA, KIPRA, KWS, KeRRA, NPS, NACADA, and the Council of Governors, where they highlighted the importance of allocating funds and resources to support road safety measures and post-care, thus ensuring the victims received the support they needed to re-integrate into society.

Kenya aims to improve funding of lead agency functions and targeted safety interventions that address national priorities through the financial provisions of NTSA Act 2012 and other financing opportunities.

Kenya's road safety campaigns remain underfunded despite the country losing an estimated Sh450 billion annually to accidents, according to government and sector reports.



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

The proponent, **Central Rift Valley Water Works Development Agency**, aims at improving water supply in Nakuru city, the main implementation components comprises of rehabilitation of Mereroni River Intake (weir rehabilitation, upstream silt check dams, mereroni river pipeline crossing), Development of new boreholes (6No. at Baharini Wellfield and 6No. at Kabatini wellfield), Optimisation of existing boreholes (Nairobi Road, Baharini, Kabatini and Olbaaita wellfields, New water transmission system (Mereroni line 14.66km, Baharini line 6.44km and Kabatini line 6.19km), Construction of new water reservoir (10,000m³ storage tank at Mereroni Water Treatment Plant), Rehabilitation of existing southern zone pipelines (9094km water supply pipes). The project covers an area of approximately 202.3km²

Bordering Lake Nakuru National Park in the South and the Menengai Forest South, in Nakuru City County.

The following are the anticipated impacts and proposed mitigation measures:-

Impact	MITIGATION MEASURES	Impact	MITIGATION MEASURES
Disruption of River flow	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Obtain Clearance for river training from Water Resource Authority (VRA). Ensure diversion channel that will carry the same flow as the normal channel to avoid local flooding. Ensure to the extent possible the river diversion remains within the riverine zone Control loose soil into the diversion channel to the extent possible 	Water Pollution	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Use water based drilling fluid Case the well as it passes through the water table Proper housekeeping within and around the rig will be observed before, during and after drilling. Ensure proper clean up procedures will be undertaken in case of drilling fluid and oil spills
Social Interactions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Through provisions of the SEP, engage the direct stakeholders including WRUAs, immediate landowners and to agree on a mutual construction modality Notify downstream river dependents on the works and possible short term effects on water quality. Minimize the construction period to the extent possible 	Shared Resource	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Review records on the yields and status of the neighboring wells Monitoring effects to the common aquifers through the wells development
Occupational Health and Safety	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> All workers be provided with PPEs and enforce application Safety briefing for all workers before commencement of works and continuous, Introduce and maintain site specific incident register for daily entries Ensure site equipped "First Aid" kit Identify nearest health facility for emergency access by the workers Institute measures to keep general public away from the works Post appropriate signage and information around the construction site and accesses for public awareness 	Pipeline Route Clearance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Implement the RAP and related recommendations as part of social management Involve the PAPs Confine vegetation removal to the defined wayleave only Maintain a record of biomass removed for replacement purposes Collaborate on biomass replacement (tree planting) in available land – forest or public areas (it will not be possible to plant trees on the pipeline way leave) Prepare of inventories of structures along the wayleave Prepare inventories of PAPs along the wayleave Restore or compensate livelihoods and structures as guided by the RAP Recommendations
Labour Influx (very limited number of workers anticipated)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Intrusion into the forest by unauthorized persons Possible loss of forest resources from the forest – tree species, 	Trenching and Pipe Laying Disruption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure no soil/silt into open drainage channels along the wayleave Unblock any affected drainage immediately after cutting Open reasonable pipeline length with minimum completion cycle to minimize disruptions Provide temporary crossings for residents accessing premises for services, supplies or homesteads Provide signage and/or information including safety tapes along pipeline trenches Ensure the minimal period possible for the trenching, pipelining, testing and covering Return the land surface as was before Implement RAP recommendations (see above) for restoration of roadside livelihoods and structures Restoration of drainage channels Restoration of access passages
Labour Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure compliance with established labour laws and safeguards Provide equal opportunities on employments Institute a Code of Conduct on among aspects Child Labour 		
Disruptions from bore-hole drilling Works	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Prepare prior movement and operational plan for the equipment and vehicles movement ensuring minimal disruptions Precautionary measures where disruptions inconveniences residents Open surface drains as soon as they are affected 		
Drilling Solid Wastes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Contain all forms of wastes on drilling site to await proposer disposal Disposal of all drilling waste in approved sites – public waste dumping sites or other NEMA approved areas 		
Oil spills and grease	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ensure oil/grease interception from the drilling equipment and contain for appropriate disposal Solid engine waste materials be contained on site for safe disposal – engine filters and other parts 		
Noise and vibrations	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Notify the immediate residents and institutions on possible limited elevated noise levels, Elevated noise levels (>45dBA by day) should be kept to the minimum and short periods, Undertake a rapid assessment of structural status in the immediate buildings in case of vibrations Proper service and maintain drilling machinery and vehicles Provide PPEs to the workers – ear muffs and corks 		
Aerial emissions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maintain drilling equipment and vehicles at best operation conditions and minimal emissions 		
Ecosystem Disturbance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Minimize clearance of existing natural vegetation at the site Restore whole or part of the disturbed areas through implementation of the rehabilitation Plan Avoid encroachment into ecologically sensitive areas – applicable for the Wellfield 		

The full report of the proposed project is available for inspection during working hours at

1. **Principal Secretary, State Department for Environment and Climate Change, Ministry of Environment Climate Change and Forestry, NHIF Building, 12th Floor, Ragati Road, Upper Hill P. O. Box 30126 – 00100, NAIROBI.**

2. **Director General, National Environment Management Authority (NEMA) Popo Road, off Mombasa Road, P.O Box 67839-00200, NAIROBI**

3. **County Director of Environment NAKURU COUNTY**

A copy of the EIA report can be downloaded at www.nema.go.ke

NEMA invites members of the public to submit oral or written comments within thirty (30) days from the date of publication of this notice to the Director General, NEMA to assist the Authority in the decision-making process for this project. Kindly quote ref no. **NEMA/EIA/5/2/2256**.

Comments can also be e-mailed to info@nema.go.ke

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Irrigation department turns to drones and GIS to boost farm productivity

BY KIBET CHEPTUMO (KNA)

The State Department for Irrigation is set to transition irrigation into the digital realm through the adoption of Geographic Information System (GIS) and drone technologies, in collaboration with Fahari Aviation—a subsidiary of Kenya Airways—and Oakar Services Limited.

Chairing the sessions on behalf of Irrigation Principal Secretary CPA Ephantus Kimotho, the Director for Quality Assurance and Licensing, Nguma

Kani, emphasized the department's commitment to leveraging modern technology to enhance irrigation development and management.

He noted that digital tools will improve water-use efficiency and boost the productivity of irrigation schemes nationwide.

"One of the building blocks of the National Irrigation Sector Investment Plan (NISIP), launched this year, is data and information," said Kani.

"We are seeking tailor-made technological solutions for the irrigation sector that can facil-

itate data collection, irrigation mapping, and informed decision-making at various levels."

The first meeting, held at Maji House, brought together officials from Fahari Aviation, represented by Lucy Mwai, to explore how drone technology can be integrated into irrigation management. Drones are expected to enhance real-time farm monitoring, assess crop health, and provide accurate imaging for planning and water distribution.

The second consultative session involved Oakar Services



Director for Irrigation Quality Assurance and Licensing, Nguma Kani.

Limited, represented by software developer Keren Mungai, who presented GIS solutions customized for irrigation.

GIS tools will enable precise mapping of irrigation infrastructure, tracking of water resources, and integration of climate and soil data to optimize irrigation scheduling.

Kani said the department will continue engaging stakeholders to identify and scale technologies that can bridge existing gaps in irrigation management while promoting accountability and efficiency in the sector.

Green energy investors urged to adopt technologies for carbon capture and storage

BY JOYCE LUTOMIA AND FATUMA SAID (PCO)

The Principal Secretary for Petroleum, Mohamed Liban (pictured), is urging investors in the greener energy sector to adopt a just, inclusive, and strategically phased approach to ensure environmental sustainability, economic growth, energy security and affordability.

He told the investors to strike the right balance for a developing country like Kenya by investing in technologies such as Carbon Capture and Storage, methane mitigation, and renewable energy.

The PS said natural gas, whether domestic or imported, plays a significant role as a transition fuel due to its lower carbon footprint and the ability to integrate effectively with renewables.

Liban spoke in Nairobi during the 30th Colloquium for African Geology (CAG 30) themed "Unveiling Africa's Geological Resources: Forging a Path for Sustainable Development" and said that estimates indicate Kenya has total mean resources reaching 134 trillion cubic feet of natural gas, notably concentrated in the Lamu and Anza Basins. Mbawa-1, Sunbird-1, and Sala-1.

He added that discoveries have confirmed the presence of an active hydrocarbon system in these basins, and there are opportunities to develop and exploit natural gas in the country for electricity generation, fertilizer production, and industrial heating.

Other solutions like the flagship initiatives through the LPG Growth Strategy that include LPG for learning institutions, LPG



for Households (transition 50% of households from the use of biomass cooking to LPG by 2028), and LPG import handling and storage facilities are also in the pipeline, the PS added.

Liban said the South Lokichar Oil Fields development project represents a transformative national investment opportunity for Kenya.

A local player, Gulf Energy has acquired Tullow Kenya BV 100 per cent and is ready to progress the project to the next level and unlock Kenya's petroleum potential," he declared.

He added that the government is committed to the sustainable development of the oil and gas sector and encouraged investors to capitalize on the extensive opportunities.

In addition, Liban said, the government is reviewing the legal and regulatory framework to attract investment and align with emerging issues and global trends.

These legal and regulatory reforms, the PS said, include the development of the National Petroleum Policy, the amendment of the Petroleum Act (Cap. 308), and the development of key sector regulations,

such as the Local Content Regulations.

The PS noted that the development of fossil fuels and other energy resources is capital-intensive due to the risks involved in the investment.

He added that recent global energy trends indicate that companies and financiers have shifted to clean energy.

Commissioner for Petroleum Joseph C. Otieno reiterated that Kenya has a significant untapped area that needs to be explored, inviting investors to seize the opportunity. He further explained that the Ministry had reconstituted the premium blocks early this year and is now tidying up the first licensing round.

The takeaway from Kenya is that there are great opportunities to grab and exploit. For instance, we have observed different gas occurrences in several regions of the Country, especially in the famous Kipeto area. This confirms that we have resources and demands us to intensify exploration in these areas." The Commissioner said.

The conference brought together over 400 geologists and stakeholders from around the globe.



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5.	Senior Internal Auditor	OAG 6	4	05/09/2025
6.	Audit Associate II	OAG 8	150	06/09/2025
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10.	Drivers	OAG 11	15	10/09/2025
11.	Office Assistant	OAG 11	10	11/09/2025

Application Procedure

- Candidates applying for these positions should visit our website at www.oagkenya.go.ke for more detailed job descriptions and the procedure for applications.
- All applications must be emailed to the email address provided. No physical/paper applications will be accepted.
- Applicants must attach the following documents:
 - Fully filled Application Form clearly indicating the post applied for, full name of the applicant, National ID Card No, Telephone Number & alternate telephone contact/number and email address and all other required information.
 - Academic and professional certificates
 - Curriculum Vitae (CV)
 - Relevant testimonials
 - Successful candidates will be required to provide Clearance certificates from the following bodies:
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 - Kenya Revenue Authority
 - Ethics and Anti-Corruption Commission
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Applications should reach the Office of the Auditor-General on or before **15 October, 2025**.

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Only shortlisted and successful candidates will be contacted. Canvassing of any form/manner will lead to automatic disqualification.

Machakos Deaf School benefits from Sh3.6 million twin dormitory

BY SAMUEL WAITITU (KNA)

Iiani-Kivaa Hearing Impaired Primary School in Machakos County has benefitted with a twin dormitory for boys and girls jointly funded by The National Fund for the Disabled of Kenya (NFDK) and KenGen at a cost of Sh 3.6 million.

NFDK funded the construction of the dormitory block at a cost of Sh 2.6 million while KenGen furnished it with beds, mattresses and bedding at a cost of Sh1 mil-

lion.

The Fund has also pledged to support the institution with further Sh600, 000 for the construction of a matron's house who will be in charge of their security and welfare at night.

Speaking while commissioning the Dormitory, NFDK Board of Trustees Chair Kristina Kenyatta Pratt said the investment was meant to give the learners a dignified home that will improve their quality of life and learning environment.

In a speech read on her behalf by Trustee Prof Julia Ojiambo, the Chair said it was their duty to ensure essential supports are in place so that learners with special needs have a fair and equal opportunity to succeed.

In addition, Prof Ojiambo said the fund will continue supporting institutions for learners with disabilities with annual grants towards improving their facilities, purchase of learning equipment, water, sanitation and hygiene facilities and therapy equipment.



Dormitory constructed by The National Fund for the Disabled of Kenya (NFDK) and furnished by KenGen at a cost of Sh3.6 million at Iiani-Kivaa Hearing Impaired Primary School in Machakos County.

REPUBLIC OF KENYA IN THE HIGH COURT OF KENYA AT NAIROBI ANTI-CORRUPTION AND ECONOMIC CRIMES DIVISION CIVIL APPLICATION NO E040 OF 2024

IN THE MATTER OF:	AN APPLICATION FOR FORFEITURE ORDERS UNDER SECTIONS 90 AND 92 OF THE PROCEEDS OF CRIME AND ANTI-MONEY LAUNDERING ACT (POCAMA) AS READ TOGETHER WITH ORDER 51 OF THE CIVIL PROCEDURE RULES.
AND	
IN THE MATTER OF:	FORFEITURE ORDERS FOR MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION NUMBER KDJ 814A, MAZDA DEMIO, WHITE IN THE NAME OF LATIF MOHAMED DAWOOD.
	FORFEITURE ORDERS FOR MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATION NUMBER KDH 560Q, MAZDA DEMIO, BLACK IN THE NAME OF KHAN MOHAMED ASHRAF CHANGU.
BETWEEN	
ASSETS RECOVERY AGENCY.....	APPLICANT
VERSUS	
LATIF MOHAMED DAWOOD.....	1 st RESPONDENT
KHAN MOHAMED ASHRAF CHANGU.....	2 nd RESPONDENT

SUBSTITUTED SERVICE UNDER ORDER 5 RULE 17 OF THE CIVIL PROCEDURE RULES, 2010

(Pursuant to the Directions issued on 18th September 2025 by Hon. Justice Benjamin Mwikya Musyoki

To.

1. LATIF MOHAMED DAWOOD

2. KHAN MOHAMED ASHRAF CHANGU

TAKE NOTICE that this suit has been filed at the High Court Milimani Anti-Corruption and Economic Crimes Division, being Nairobi HCACEC Suit No. E040 of 2024 in which you are mentioned as Respondents to the suit. Service of pleadings has been ordered through Advertisement. A copy of the Originating Motion and Supporting Affidavit can be obtained at the Milimani Anti-Corruption & Economic Crimes Court Registry in Nairobi or the Assets Recovery Agency offices at UAP Old Mutual Towers, 22nd Floor, Upper Hill, Nairobi.

TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that this case shall be mentioned on 13th October 2025 before the High Court Milimani Anti-Corruption & Economic Crimes Court at Nairobi at 9:00 o'clock in the forenoon or soon thereafter as may be expedient and in the event of your failure to attend by yourself or someone authorized by law to appear on your behalf, the case shall be mentioned and directions given as the court may deem fit and just your absence notwithstanding.

AND TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that unless you enter appearance within 15 days, the suit will be heard in your absence.

Dated at Nairobi this 19th day of September, 2025

Ag. DIRECTOR, ASSETS RECOVERY AGENCY

APPLICANT

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MINISTRY OF PUBLIC SERVICE, HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT AND SPECIAL PROGRAMMES
STATE DEPARTMENT FOR PUBLIC SERVICE AND HUMAN CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT

DECLARATION OF VACANCIES - VACANCY NO.2/2025 DRIVER II, CSG 15 (100 POSTS)

The State Department for Public Service and Human Capital Development invites applications from qualified persons for the position of Driver II, CSG 15.

Requirements for Appointment

For appointment to this grade, a candidate must have:-

- Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) Mean Grade of D plain or its equivalent qualification from a recognized institution;
- A Valid driving License free from any current endorsement (s) for class (es) of vehicle (s) an officer is required to drive;
- Attended a First-Aid Certificate Course lasting not less than one (1) week at St. John Ambulance or Kenya Institute of Highway and Building Technology (KIHT) or any other recognized institution;
- Passed Suitability Test Grade III;
- Police Clearance Certificate; and
- At least two (2) years driving Experience.

Duties and Responsibilities

Specific duties and responsibilities will entail:

- Driving a motor vehicle as authorized;
- Carrying out routine checks on the vehicle's cooling, oil, electrical and brake systems;
- Maintenance of work tickets for the vehicles assigned;
- Ensuring security and safety for the vehicle on and off the road;
- Ensuring safety of the passengers and/or goods therein; and
- Maintaining cleanliness of the vehicle

Terms of service:

Salary Scale: Kshs.19, 340 – 24, 470 p.m.
House Allowance: As per Region Deployed
Commuter Allowance: Kshs. 3,000 per month
Leave Allowance: Kshs. 4,000 per year
Terms of Service: Permanent

Applicants who meet the above requirements should submit their application by filling **Application for Employment Form PSC 2 (Revised 2016)** available on Public Service Commission of Kenya website (www.publicservice.go.ke).

Applications should be sent to the address below or hand delivered to the State Department for Public Service and Human Capital Development, Uchumi House 12th Floor, Room 1201 between 8.00a.m and 5.00p.m. (East African Time) Monday to Friday or Emailed to driver.recruitment2@psyg.go.ke on or before **Wednesday 22nd October, 2025 at 5.00 p.m. (East African Time)**.

Please Note:

- Only shortlisted applicants will be contacted;
- Shortlisted candidates shall be required to produce originals of their National Identity Card, Academic Certificates and other testimonials during interviews;
- It is a criminal offence to present fake certificates/documents;
- Canvassing in any form will lead to automatic disqualification; and
- The State Department for Public Service and Human Capital Development is committed to implementing the provisions of the Constitution - Chapter 232 (1) on fair competition and merit, representation of Kenya's diverse communities and according equal employment opportunities to men and women, members of all ethnic groups and persons with disabilities.

The Principal Secretary

State Department for Public Service and Human Capital Development
Ministry of Public Service, Human Capital Development and Special Programmes
P.O Box 30050-00100
NAIROBI

Ministry reaffirms commitment to ocean management and safety

BY JUSTUS ANZAYA
(PCO)

The Government has reaffirmed its commitment to sustainable ocean management, maritime safety and the expansion of the blue economy.

Speaking during national celebrations to mark World Maritime Day at the Kenya Maritime Authority Mombasa, the Principal Secretary State Department for Shipping and Maritime Aden Millah noted that Kenya is enhancing its capacity to secure its maritime domain, attract sustainable investment and to uphold international standards.

"Through these global and regional partnerships, Kenya is enhancing its capacity to secure its domain, attract sustainable investment, uphold international standards and lead in building a resilient and inclusive blue economy not only for our nation but for the Western Indian Ocean region and the world at large," echoed the PS.

The PS emphasized that Kenya, as a maritime na-

tion strategically located on the Indian Ocean, bears both a responsibility and an opportunity to harness ocean resources for national growth and regional integration.

This year's World Maritime Day celebration, International Maritime Organization (IMO) theme, "Our Ocean, Our Obligation, Our Opportunity," set the tone for celebrations, highlighting the critical role of oceans in trade, livelihoods, climate regulation and global sustainability.

The Principal Secretary said that the Government is stepping up efforts to curb marine pollution, protect coastal ecosystems such as mangroves and coral reefs, and adopt greener shipping practices to reduce carbon emissions.

"Kenya has an obligation to protect the ocean in the face of marine pollution, declining biodiversity and climate change," echoed the PS.

Millah said that Kenya's Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) is abundant in marine life, minerals and untapped energy resources adding that the ocean sup-

ports a myriad of jobs in shipping, search and rescue, marine administration, fishing, aquaculture and an extensive ocean industry.

The PS added that this opportunity provides a conducive environment to foster a diverse and inclusive maritime work force, decarbonize shipping in line with the International Maritime Organization (IMO) 2023 greenhouse gas (GHG) strategy, ensure safety and create opportunities for seafarers.

Further, PS noted that Kenya has ratified several marine environment, security and safety related international conventions which provide a conducive environment for the growth of blue economy activities.

Marine Spatial Planning (MSP) and ocean zoning have been developed which are critical tools for ensuring the balanced and sustainable use of Kenya's marine and coastal resources.

The PS said that Kenya is strengthening regional and global partnerships that promote ocean health and support a sustainable blue economy.



Ministry of Investments,
Trade and Industry

PUBLIC NOTICE ON STAKEHOLDER ENGAGEMENT ON THE PROPOSED STANDARDS BILL, 2025

The Ministry of Investments Trade and Industry (MITI) has developed a **draft Standards Bill, 2025**. The Bill seeks to provide an overarching framework to promote standardization, metrology and conformity assessment in industry and trade, provide for the safety and quality of products and services, and facilitate fair trade practices in Kenya.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Constitution of Kenya 2010, MITI is undertaking public consultations on the draft Standards Bill and hereby invites members of the public to submit their views using the prescribed template through the email address: standardsbill@kebs.org on or before **28th October, 2025**. The draft Standards Bill and the feedback form can be accessed on the KEBS website: www.kebs.org.

In addition, members of the public are invited to participate in public participation fora as per the schedule below.

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REGION	TARGETED COUNTIES	MEETING VENUE	DATE	TIME
Coast	Mombasa, Taita Taveta, Kwale, Kilifi, Lamu, Tana River	Sarova Whitesands - Mombasa	8th October 2025	9.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.
Mt. Kenya	Embu, Kirinyaga, Nyeri, Muranga, Tharaka Nithi, Meru, Isiolo, Marsabit	FK Resort and Spa - Nyeri	13th October 2025	9.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.
North Eastern	Garissa, Wajir, Mandera	Government Guest House - Garissa	15th October 2025	9.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.
Nyanza	Homabay, Kisumu, Siaya, Kakamega, Vihiga, Bungoma, Kisii, Migori, Nyamira	Ciala Resort - Kisumu	17th October 2025	9.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.
North Rift	Uasin Gishu, Elgeyo Marakwet, Nandi, Turkana, West Pokot, Trans Nzoia	Sirikwa Hotel - Eldoret	21st October 2025	9.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.
South Rift	Nakuru, Kericho, Baringo, Narok, Samburu, Nyandarua, Laikipia	Merica Hotel - Nakuru	23rd October 2025	9.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.
Nairobi	Nairobi, Machakos, Kajiado, Kiambu, Kitui, Makueni	Eka Hotel - Nairobi	27th October 2025	9.00 a.m. – 1.00 p.m.

CABINET SECRETARY
MINISTRY OF INVESTMENTS, TRADE AND INDUSTRY

KENYA RAILWAYS

SPECIFIC PROCUREMENT NOTICE

Country	REPUBLIC OF KENYA
Name of Project	KENYA URBAN MOBILITY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT (KUMIP)
Credit No.	V4940
Contract Title	PURCHASE OF TWENTY-FOUR (24) DIESEL MULTIPLE UNIT (DMU) AIR COMPRESSORS
Reference	KE-KRC-469959-GO-RFB
Tender No.	KR/SCM/WB/002/2025-2026

- The Government of Kenya has applied for financing from the World Bank toward the cost of the Kenya Urban Mobility Improvement Project (KUMIP) and intends to apply part of the proceeds toward payments under the contract for Purchase of Twenty-Four (24) Diesel Multiple Unit (DMU) air compressors.
- The Kenya Railways Corporation now invites sealed Bids from eligible Bidders for Purchase of 24 No Diesel Multiple Unit (DMU) air compressors to be delivered at Kenya Railways (KR) Nairobi Central Workshops Stores, Kenya.
- Bidding will be conducted through international competitive procurement using a Request for Bids (RFB) as specified in the World Bank's "Procurement Regulations for IPF Borrowers" dated in February 2025 (6th Edition) ("Procurement Regulations"), and is open to all eligible Bidders as defined in the Procurement Regulations.
- Bids will be evaluated in accordance with the evaluation process set out in the bidding documents. The following weightings shall apply for Rated Criteria (including technical and non-price factors): 80%. This should comply with the mandatory requirements for Rated Criteria in the Procurement Regulations and for Bid cost: 20%.
- Interested eligible Bidders may obtain further information from Kenya Railways Corporation, General Manager – Supply Chain Management, procure@krc.co.ke and inspect the bidding document during office hours 0900 to 1700 hours at the address given below.
- Interested bidders are encouraged to download the tender document from Kenya Railways Website, Public Procurement Information Portal and World Bank Group Procurement Notices websites www.krc.co.ke, <https://tenders.go.ke>, <https://projects.worldbank.org/en/projects-operations/procurement?srce=both>, interested eligible bidders upon downloading the document must forward their particulars to the email addressed below for facilitation of any further clarification or addendum:

General Manager - Supply Chain Management,
Kenya Railways Headquarters Office,
Workshops Road off Haile Selassie Avenue,
Opposite Technical University of Kenya,
P. O. Box 30121-00100,
Nairobi, Kenya.

Tel. No: +254 709 907 000, +254 709 907 114

- Bids must be delivered to the address below on or before **29th October, 2025** Electronic Bidding will not be permitted. Late Bids will be rejected. The outer Bid envelopes marked "ORIGINAL BID", and the inner envelopes marked "TECHNICAL PART" will be publicly opened in the presence of the Bidders' designated representatives and anyone who chooses to attend, at the address below; Workshops Road off Haile Selassie Avenue, Opposite Technical University of Kenya on **29th October 2025 at 10.00hrs**. All envelopes marked "SECOND ENVELOPE: FINANCIAL PART" shall remain unopened and will be held in safe custody of the Purchaser until the second public opening.
- All Bids must be accompanied by a Bid Security of KES 1,500,000 in form of a Bank Guarantee from a Registered Commercial Bank in Kenya valid for 240 days from the date of tender opening.
- Attention is drawn to the Procurement Regulations requiring the Borrower to disclose information on the successful bidder's beneficial ownership, as part of the Contract Award Notice, using the Beneficial Ownership Disclosure Form as included in the bidding document.
- The address(es) referred to above is (are):
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Data Commissioner Immaculate Kassait at the 47th Global Privacy Assembly in South Korea.

DATA GOVERNANCE

Kenya's data privacy reforms win big

Office of the Data Protection Commissioner gets four global awards as the country is also picked to host the 49th Global Privacy Assembly in 2027

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TELLING THE STORY

The Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board (KYEB) reaffirmed its stature as a key player in the publishing industry as it participated at the 26th Nairobi International Book Fair held at the Sarit Centre last week.

KYEB showcased its latest books, in particular the "Kenya Yearbook 2024" and "Kenya at the Olympics: 60 years of Medalling" and past publications that include KickOff, Kenyatta Cabinet, Moi Cabinet and Kibaki Cabinet.



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President Ruto roots for African countries at the UN Assembly

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ODPC's commitment to safeguard data privacy wins global recognition

Office of the Data Protection Commissioner wins four global awards as the country is also picked to host the 49th Global Privacy Assembly in 2027



Kenya's team at the Global Privacy Assembly (GPA) in Seoul, South Korea.

The Government's efforts to safeguard data privacy have won global recognition, with the Office of the Data Protection Commissioner (ODPC) receiving four prestigious awards at the recent 2025 Global Privacy Assembly (GPA) held in Seoul, South Korea.

The awards highlight Kenya's growing leadership in data protection and governance in the region through the ODPC.

Since its establishment, the ODPC has played a crucial role in enforcing the Data Protection Act, 2019, promoting public awareness and holding organisations accountable for how they handle personal data.

The global honour affirms the impact of the country's commitment to entrenching data privacy and protection amid the growth in use of digital technology.

"This recognition is a testament to the hard work and dedication of our team and the invaluable support from our partners," Immaculate Kassait, the Data Commissioner, said.

She added that the international recognition celebrates the ODPC's outstanding contributions and leadership in the field of data privacy and protection.

The ODPC received the following four awards during the event: First, Excellence in Leadership and Solidarity as a recognition of the institution's exceptional dedication in showcasing leadership and solidarity, which has brought honour to the Assembly.

Second, Commitment to Digital Education and Public Awareness for the institution's duty to excellence by making a significant impact in efforts to help instill a culture

INFOBOX

ODPC's MANDATE

- Regulate the processing of personal data to ensure it aligns with legal principles.
- Protect the privacy of individuals by enforcing data protection laws.
- Provide remedies for data subjects whose rights have been violated.
- Promote public awareness of data rights and responsibilities.

of sharing experience and tools in digital education and in raising public awareness essential to changing social and cultural norms.

Third, Exemplary Role in Dispute Resolution and Enforcement in honour of the institution's contributions and commitment in playing its vital role in dispute resolutions in breaches and enforcement for non-compliance of the law in data privacy and protection leaving a remarkable impression in the assembly.

Fourth, Pioneering Innovative Solutions for the ODPC's valuable contributions in initiating innovative solutions to a remarkable progress and pivotal advancement in the world of data privacy and protection through a Chat Bot.

The Chat Bot, an artificial intelligence tool, demonstrates how technology can

be harnessed to make data privacy more accessible and responsive to the public as part of the Bottom-up Economic Transformation Agenda (BETA) and the Government's quest to build a digital superhighway.

The innovation has empowered citizens to understand their rights, report breaches and seek guidance on privacy concerns in real time, bridging the gap between policy and practice.

Ms Kassait said the milestones made by the ODPC in the past years are due to collaborative efforts of its key partners and stakeholders, both local and international.

"We extend our deepest gratitude to the Ministry of Information, Communications and the Digital Economy, the National Assembly Committee on Communication, Information and Innovation, and our development partners, including GIZ, for their unwavering support. Their collaboration has been instrumental in our progress and has enabled us to achieve this significant milestone," she said.

And to ice the cake on Kenya's four awards, Kenya was picked to host the 49th GPA in 2027.

The historic decision announced at the South Korean meeting marks a defining moment for Kenya, elevating the country to a leading position in the global conversation on data protection, privacy and digital rights.

Hosting GPA comes with various benefits, including elevating the host country's profile on the global stage as a leader in privacy and data protection and it opens doors for bilateral and multilateral cooperation on data privacy, cybersecurity and digital rights.

GPA is the leading international forum for privacy and data-protection authorities. Founded in 1979, it unites 130+ regulators and observers from over 80 countries to set standards, share best practices, and address global digital-privacy challenges.

Since its establishment in 2020, the ODPC has intensified efforts to safeguard personal data and promote a culture of privacy across Kenya.

This is through public awareness campaigns, regulatory enforcement, strategic partnerships and expansion to various regions.

These efforts have helped to ensure that both public and private entities comply with the Data Protection Act.

The Office has further developed guidelines, conducted audits and responded to data breach complaints, laying the foundation for a robust data governance framework in line with Kenya's digital transformation goals.

Currently, the ODPC has offices in Nairobi, Mombasa, Nakuru, Kisumu, Garissa, Eldoret and Nyeri, ensuring that citizens readily access its services.

In the financial year 2024/2025, the ODPC registered and trained 10,989 and 1,559 data controllers and processors respectively.

It also conducted 75 Data Protection Inspections and Audits and received 1,944 complaints on data breaches, as citizens became more aware of data privacy. ■

KENYA@UNGA

UN Assembly highlights as Kenya pushes to attract investment

- President William Ruto called for a Permanent African seat on the United Nations Security Council, noting Africa's exclusion is unfair. He pushed for reforms that would provide at least two Permanent Seats with full rights - including the power to veto and two additional non-permanent seats.
- He highlighted the need to better support the UN-backed Mission to Haiti, noting that the country is suffering from instability and widespread gang violence.
- President Ruto denounced the "humanitarian catastrophe" in Gaza, while calling for the

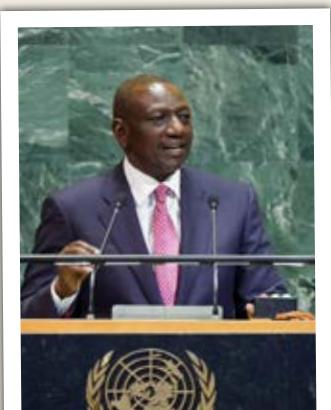
unconditional release of Israeli hostages. He also expressed deep concern over the "needless war" in Sudan and highlighted his country's efforts to transition to renewable energy to help



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- the global effort to slow global warming.
- US-Kenya Business and Investment round table meeting was held, which brought together CEOs of leading American multinationals. President William Ruto pitched Kenya as Africa's next big investment hub, urging global financiers and corporations to take advantage of the country's stability, economic reforms and strategic market access, noting that Kenya is open and ready to do business.
- "Kenya is now the sixth largest economy in Africa, recently upgraded by external imports from B minus to B, a clear signal

- of stronger macroeconomic fundamentals," he told investors.
- Kenya called for stronger global action on oral health at UNGA side event. Representing the Government, Medical Services PS Ouma Oluga reaffirmed the country's commitment to advancing the fight against non-communicable diseases through innovative, integrated and equity-driven approaches. He also highlighted the inclusion of an oral health module in the upcoming 2025 National STEP Survey, the integration of oral health into community health promoter training,



President William Ruto at the United Nations General Assembly.

and the success of Colgate's Bright Smiles, Bright Futures program, which has so far reached over 15 million Kenyan children. ■

Huduma Centres take services to the grassroots

HUDUMA CORNER

Huduma Kenya continued to show its commitment to taking Government services closer to the people through a series of outreach activities held in different regions.

In Samburu, Huduma Centre staff held service desks during the North Rift Regional Cross-Country Championship and the Maralal International Camel Derby, serving hundreds of clients with services such as ID cards, birth certificates, health services, pensions, water services, police abstracts, cyber

services and general inquiries.

The team also joined a Samburu County Public Participation Forum on key budget and finance documents, and later visited Seneiya Special School for an environmental clean-up during the International Week of Deaf People, donating foodstuffs and raising awareness on Deaf culture, rights, and the importance of sign

language. Similar Huduma Mashinani activities were also carried out by Marsabit, Kwale, Kibra, Kisumu West (Ojola), Siaya and Elgeyo Marakwet Centres, ensuring that more citizens accessed services without the burden of travelling long distances.

Over 2,000 customers were served at the events, a clear demonstration of Huduma Kenya's commitment to making government services more accessible, inclusive, and citizen-friendly across the country. ■



Samburu Huduma Centre staff serve citizens during Mashinani event.

SPORTS

Kenya Yearbook tells the Kenyan story at Nairobi Book Fair

Institution participates in the annual event, reaffirming its role as a documenter of the nation's history and development

The Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board (KYEB) reaffirmed its stature as a key player in the publishing industry as it participated at the 26th Nairobi International Book Fair held at the Sarit Centre last week.

KYEB showcased its latest books, in particular the "Kenya Yearbook 2024" and "Kenya at the Olympics: 60 years of Medalling" and past publications that include *KickOff*, *Kenyatta Cabinet*, *Moi Cabinet* and *Kibaki Cabinet*.

Visitors to the KYEB stand sampled the rich content of the publications, gaining insights into Kenya's political and socio-economic journey as documented through the years.

The KYEB stand attracted a diverse audience, including scholars, students, researchers, policymakers and history enthusiasts, who praised the Board's commitment to preserving and promoting Kenya's heritage through authoritative works.

"I am happy to interact with the Board's books. Never seen such interesting books on Kenya's history and Government," Benjamin Ondiege, one of the visitors, said.

The event provided a perfect platform for the organisation to connect with the public and showcase how it documents the nation's story.

KYEB CEO Lilian Kimeto, who was a special guest at the fair's opening ceremony, said the event provided a valuable platform to engage with readers and highlight the role of publishing in national development.

She emphasized the importance of storytelling in shaping public discourse and reaffirmed KYEB's commitment to



Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board CEO Lilian Kimeto hands Mr Zhang Zhizhong, the Deputy Ambassador of the People's Republic of China, a copy of the Kenya Yearbook 2024 at the Nairobi International Book Fair.



Kenya Yearbook Editorial Board marketing officer Phibian Tanui (left) with a guest at the institution's stand during the fair.

producing content that reflects Kenya's diverse heritage and aspirations.

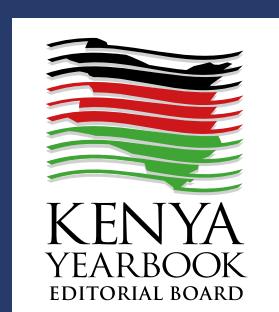
The event's Chief Guest Zhang Zhizhong, the Deputy Ambassador of the People's Republic of China to Kenya, visited KYEB's booth, where Ms Kimeto presented him a copy of the Kenya Yearbook 2024.

Others who visited were officials from the Kenya Publishers Association, including chairperson Kiarie Kamau and CEO James Odhiambo. The book fair is an annual event

organised by KPA to promote the reading culture as well as the publishing industry.

It serves as a vibrant platform for showcasing new titles, hosting literary discussions, and fostering collaborations within the publishing ecosystem.

Through interactive sessions, book launches, and exhibitions, the event continues to inspire a deeper appreciation for literature and support the growth of local content creation. ■



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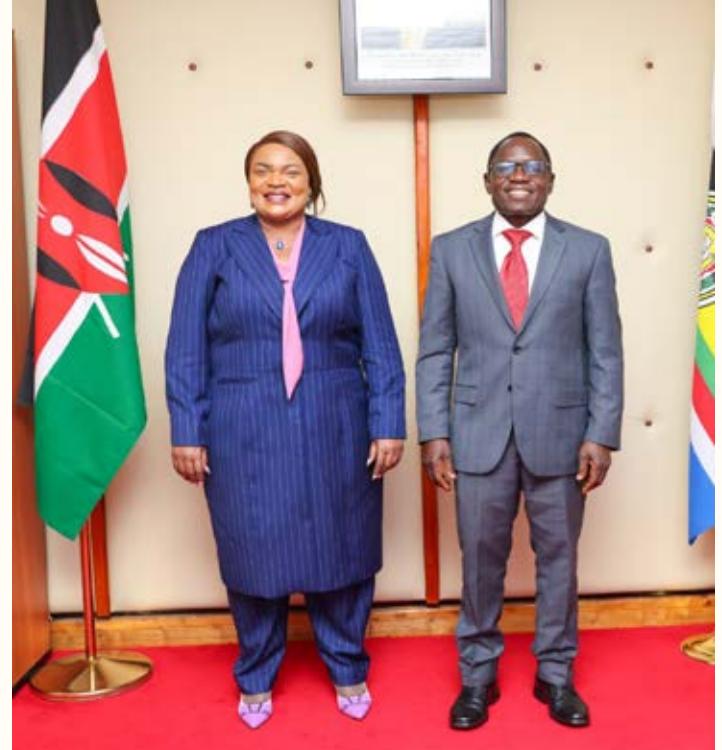
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 PICTURESPEAK


Information, Communications and the Digital Economy Cabinet Secretary William Kabogo during the Africa's Digital Leap Dialogue at the Consulate General of Denmark in New York. He shared Kenya's journey in digitising over 22,000 Government services on eCitizen, launch of the National AI Strategy, and roll out 100,000km of fibre network to connect schools and offices.



Doctors at the Kenyatta National Hospital complete the first Endobronchial Ultrasound (EBUS) Bronchoscopy on a 55-year-old patient. The team used the minimally invasive, world-class technology to get a crystal-clear view of the lungs and airways.



Broadcasting Principal Secretary Stephen Isaboke with his Public Service and Human Capital Development counterpart Dr Jane Kere Imbunya at Harambee House. Their discussions focused on fostering stronger inter-departmental collaboration to enhance service delivery to Kenyans.



Participants during the 32nd edition of the Maralal International Camel Derby. The event attracted over 30,000 participants from across the world to celebrate exceptional skills by camel riders, traditional renditions, dynamic cultural ceremonies and the vibrant traditions of the Samburu and other pastoralist communities.



Harambee Starlets players celebrate after scoring their fourth goal in a match. Kenya won 4-0 against Ethiopia at Nyayo Stadium.

Board boosts internal audit training to prevent diversion of public funds

BY YOBESH ONWONG'A
(MYGOV)

The Public Sector Accounting Standards Board (PSASB) has launched a drive to strengthen internal audit systems in national and county governments to curb public fund misuse.

PSASB Director of Internal Audit, CPA Edwin Tito, said the Board is reinforcing audit committees by providing manuals, policies, and conducting workshops to train teams on best practices, with a focus on technology to prevent delays and improve efficiency.

Speaking at a forum in Naivasha for audit committee members, senior management, and secretaries, Tito noted that the Board has also developed policies on whistle-blowing, conflict of interest, and anti-corruption.

"Continuous training is being encouraged to keep audit committee members updated on global standards and emerging trends. This initiative is a game-changer for devolved governance in Kenya," said CPA Tito.

He pointed out that the initiatives by PSASB are aimed at strengthening audit committees as the country transitions to accrual accounting which is designed to produce a ripple effect of improvements



Public Sector Accounting Standards Board (PSASB) Director, Internal Audit, CPA Edwin Tito during a past meeting.

across the public sector.

CPA Tito noted that accrual accounting will ensure that assets, liabilities, revenues, and expenditures are recognized when they occur, not just when cash changes hands.

"This shift will help expose hidden liabilities like pending bills and improve public trust in financial reporting. Following the introduction of standardized audit manuals and training, the national government and counties are expected to

resolve audit queries faster and more effectively," said the PSASB Director, Internal Audit.

CPA Tito observed that continuous training and stakeholder engagement will build a culture of compliance and professional ethics within audit committees.

"We are working closely with other government agencies to deepen ethics education in a bid to raise an incorruptible generation equipped to resist unethical

practices and promote good governance," he said.

"Ethics is increasingly being woven into Kenya's school curricula not just as a subject, but as a value system meant to shape character, citizenship and civic responsibility from an early age," he said.

CPA Tito disclosed that embedding ethics and integrity into the national curriculum will instill values to help students resist corruption and navigate moral dilemmas.

Kenyan Researcher wins 2025 Africa Food Prize

BY PATRICK AMUNAVI

Prof. Mary Abukutsa-Onyango, a leading researcher on African indigenous vegetables (AIVs) has won the 2025 Africa Food Prize (AFP) Laureate for her impactful work and legacy on mainstreaming African indigenous crops, offering sustainable solutions to hidden hunger and ensuring Africa's biodiversity is recognized internationally.

The announcement was made in Dakar, Senegal during the 2025 Africa Food Systems Forum on Wednesday, September 3, 2025.

Prof. Mary Abukutsa-Onyango of Jomo Kenyatta University of Agriculture and

Technology (JKUAT) and Dr. Mercy Diebiru-Ojo, a seed innovator from Nigeria, were declared the joint recipients of the US\$100,000 (2025) Africa Food Prize.

According to the citation by the AFP committee chair, H.E Jakaya Kikwete, former President of Tanzania, "Professor Abukutsa Onyango's legacy is the mainstreaming of indigenous crops, offering sustainable solutions to hidden hunger and ensuring that Africa's biodiversity is recognized as a global asset. She is recognized for her lifelong dedication to indigenous vegetables demonstrating their role in nutrition security, biodiversity conservation and farmer livelihoods, while transforming public

perception and food systems across Africa."

The Africa Food Prize is the preeminent annual award that recognizes outstanding individuals or institutions that are leading the effort to change the reality of farming in Africa.

It "distinguishes outstanding achievements from innovative farming practices and cutting-edge research to impactful policy advocacy and transformative agribusiness models. It also seeks to honor those who are not only achieving remarkable results but also inspiring others to take action."

"The winner(s) of the Africa Food Prize receive US\$100,000. The prize celebrates Africans who are taking

control of Africa's agriculture agenda. It puts a spotlight on bold initiatives and technical innovations that can be replicated across the continent to create a new era of food security and economic opportunity for all Africans.

Nominations were reviewed using the Africa Food Prize criteria that assesses a program's contribution to poverty reduction and nutrition security as well as improvement of livelihoods through employment and job creation.

The AFP nominees were evaluated based on their demonstrated impact, sustainability, scalability, and potential to inspire positive change within their communities and beyond.

BRIEFS

Kenya sets ambitious target to expand family planning access

BY JUDY SHERI (PCO)

Kenya is stepping up efforts to expand access to family planning as part of its FP2030 commitments, with new targets aimed at reducing adolescent pregnancies and strengthening access to modern contraceptives.

Speaking during a media briefing to mark World Contraception Day 2025, Dr. Edward Serem, Head of the Division of Reproductive, Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health, said the country is determined to raise the modern contraceptive prevalence rate among married women from 57 percent to 64 percent by 2030 and reduce unmet need for family planning from 14 percent to 10 percent. He added that the government is also working to lower adolescent pregnancy rates from 15 percent to 10 percent by 2025.

Dr. Serem outlined recent innovations including the introduction of self-administered injectables such as DMPA-SC, new contraceptive options like

the hormonal intrauterine device (HIUD), and digital systems to track and manage supplies. "Kenya's vision is a future where every pregnancy is wanted, and where no woman is denied access to the family planning method of her choice," he said.

He stressed that sustainable domestic financing remains key to ensuring uninterrupted access to contraceptives and called for stronger partnerships with counties, development partners, and communities to meet the country's family planning goals.

The Ministry of Health will lead the national commemoration of World Contraception Day on 26 September 2025 at Makueni County Referral Hospital Grounds in Wote. On behalf of the Ministry, Dr. Serem acknowledged the vital support of development partners, civil society, and county governments, whose collaboration continues to advance access to family planning services across the country.

Data Protection office wins four global awards

BY PURITY MUGO (KNA)

Kenya's Office of the Data Protection Commissioner (ODPC) has received international recognition, winning four prestigious awards at the 47th Global Privacy Assembly (GPA) held in Seoul, South Korea. The honors celebrated ODPC's leadership in data privacy, its strong role in enforcement, and its innovative approaches to digital governance. Among the awards was the Excellence in Leadership and Solidarity accolade, recognizing the office's dedication to advancing the global data protection agenda.

The ODPC was also commended for its commitment to digital education and public awareness, highlighting its efforts to foster a culture of responsible data use and influence social and cultural norms around privacy. The Assembly further recognized ODPC's exemplary role in dispute resolution and enforce-

ment, citing its effectiveness in handling breaches and ensuring compliance with data protection laws. In addition, the office earned acclaim for pioneering innovative solutions, most notably the introduction of the ODPC Chat Bot, which represents a significant advancement in the protection of personal data.

Data Commissioner, Immaculate Kassait hailed the awards as a collective achievement made possible by partnerships with government agencies and development partners.

"This recognition is a testament to the hard work and dedication of our team and the invaluable support from our partners," said Kassait, thanking the Ministry of Information, Communications and the Digital Economy, the National Assembly Committee on Communication, Information and Innovation, and GIZ for their continued collaboration.